

MOUNT GROUP RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

Registered Charity No: 1168627

Based at: Almond Equestrian Centre, Waterloo Lodge Farm, Baggrave Park,
Baggrave, Leics.

Report from 01.4.2022 to 31.03.2023**Trustees**

Chair	Mrs Kay Drake
Lead Coach	Mrs Diana Poyser
Coach Coordinator	Mrs Karen Walker
Treasurer	Mrs Vicki Smith
Secretary	Mrs Janet Bowley
Fundraiser/New Volunteer Recruitment	Mrs Diane Clews

Structure of the Group

We proceeded with our move of premises to Waterloo Lodge Farm, Baggrave, Leics. In the summer of 2022 and have been welcomed by Almond Equestrian Centre, giving a lovely working environment.

Achievements

Many thanks to all the volunteers who came to help on the day of the move, also those who helped change a stable into a room for 'JET' our mechanical horse. He now has a clean teaching classroom and is not breaking down so much. Help was also received on providing a disabled toilet with ramp.

RDA Head Quarters had introduced a new level before becoming a coach, called an Activity Leader and we have had six of our volunteers completing the programme and enjoying the extra they can now do with the riders.

Financial Report

The financial report can be viewed along with this report.

The bank balance at 31.03.23 - £50,093.61

Fundraising

Rutland Cicle Classic International Cycle Road Race continued to support us again in April 2023. We raised £323.71. with a cake stall and tins. We are very grateful for their continued support.

The Braunston May Fayre we made £116.00 from our RDA stall and £2,440.00 by helping to sell raffle tickets.

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We received 3 grants this year in restricted funds.

The Bruce Wake Charity £3,000.00 for the installation of a disabled toilet

Samworth Brothers £2,917.20 to pay for the moving and re-siting of the mechanical horse. This also included the replacement computer, hour counter and annual service.

The National Lottery Community Fund - £8,838.00 which covers rent of equipment, store and stable, hire of horses and ponies, office and admin expenses, training and travel costs, insurance and buying safety equipment. This grant runs from 14.10.2022 to 31.09.2023 so some expenditure will be carried over to the next financial year.

The Rutland Trust £300.00 not in restricted funds.

A justgiving link has been set up on our website and facebook page.

Almond Equestrian hired our mechanical horse which raised £230.00, helping towards his running costs.

Aims and Objectives

Our ramp is getting very old, and we are looking for a replacement, and at the same time level the surface area around the ramp.

We wish to purchase a defibrillator.

We will look into RDA Head Quarters virtual riding competitions for our riders including dressage and the Countryside Challenge.

Mount Group RDA CIO

AGM on 23 November 2023

Treasurer's Report

My report is based on the accounts for our financial year 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

The bank balances at 31 March 2023 were:

Caf Cash Account	£ 1,884.34
Caf Gold Account	£34,032.74
HSBC Community Account	£14,176.53
TOTAL	£50,093.61

You'll see the receipts and payments have been split between unrestricted and restricted funds this year. I've had to do this because we've had 4 grants that could only be spent on specified items. Any money not spent has to remain in the restricted funds or be repaid.

Starting with the Receipts.

We have received a total of £6,436.50 from the riders but we've paid £9,113 for hiring the horses & ponies. We try to keep the charges to the riders at a reasonable amount. Anyone who is struggling to pay should speak to their coach, as we're always happy to help through a difficult patch. The important thing is for the riders to keep coming because they get so much benefit from being with the ponies.

We had 2 main events which brought in money. First the CICLE Race on 24th April 2022 where the cake stall and collecting tins raised £323.71. Then Brausnton May Fayre on 2nd May 2022 where we made £116 from our RDA stall and a massive £2,440 from the RDA share of the raffle ticket sales. The full details are on the sheet I've handed out.

We're very grateful for all the donations, totalling £611.50, please see the details on the sheet.

We have received a total of £15,305.20 in grants this year.

The 4 grants in Restricted Funds are:

The Bruce Wake Charity, £3,000, to install the disabled toilet, purchase the access ramp, a door lock and floor covering.

Samworth Brothers, £2,917.20, to pay Racewood for moving our mechanical horse (Jet) from Somerby to Waterloo Lodge, plus the replacement computer, hour counter and annual service.

The National Lottery Community Fund, £8,838, has to be spent on: rent of the equipment store & stable, hire of horses & ponies, office & admin expenses, training & travel costs, insurance and buying safety equipment. This grant runs from 14.10.22 to 31.9.23 so some of the expenditure will be carried over into the next financial year.

RDA National 'Tea With a Pony' £200 to run sessions for elderly people to come and spend time with the ponies.

The Rutland Trust, £300, doesn't have any restrictions as to what it can be used for.

We've started hiring out Jet to Jayne so her riders can use him and this has brought in £230 towards his running costs.

Payments

We didn't receive a grant for the alterations to Jet's stable, so we are very grateful to David Birch for wiring up the lights and sockets free of charge.

We paid Mark Gilder £2,450 for the stud work on the walls and boarding the ceiling over the stable and Jayne's tack room. Plus, he made a second set of steps for Jet's mounting block.

The wall paint, floor tiles etc for Jet's stable cost £243.81 and we have to thank Di and her late husband, Keith, for all their work making Jet's stable into such a wonderful teaching room.

We've spent £2,749.33 of the £3,000 grant from The Bruce Wake Charity fitting out the room for the disabled toilet. The rest of the grant will be spent on laying the floor covering in the next financial year. We have to thank Janet for all the hours she's spent organising this work to be done. It was a nightmare. Also, Janet & Nick Humphries very kindly helped Di and her grandchildren paint the room.

We paid Racewood £2,821.20 for Jet's move etc so there's £96 still in the restricted fund. Diane will ask Samworth's if this money can go towards Jet's next service.

In December 2022 Diane sourced various sizes of waterproof over trousers and gloves for the riders on the wet days and some small size High Viz jackets for the sunny days.

Di worked very hard to find suppliers of 10 riding hats at a cost £650.30. If your sessions need more of certain sizes, please let her know, I'm sure she'll be delighted to help.

I've kept full details of expenditure from all these restricted grants because they may ask for it in the future.

In November Di found a second-hand aluminium ramp which was being sold by The Father's Heart Youth Ranch and she managed to get it reduced to £1,000. Then Di, Keith and Karen went to collect it with their trailer.

I also want to thank our accountant, Sara, for all her help and advice with preparing these accounts and our recent application to Children in Need. She quickly produced the draft CC16a so we wouldn't miss the deadline.

I will file the Trustees' Report, CC16a and Independent Examiner's Report with the Charity Commission before 31st January 2024.

Finally, these are our bank balances at 23 November 2023:

Caf Cash Account	£ 2,019.68
Caf Gold Account	£ 34,349.60
HSBC Community Account	<u>£ 11,566.38</u>
TOTAL	£ 47,935.66

We still have a reasonable amount of money in the bank accounts but we had just over £54,000 at our AGM last November. You could ask why we're still fund raising and applying for grants when we've got so much money. Expenditure is around £8,000 to £10,000 more than income each year. I appreciate we've paid nearly £2,700 on making Jet's stable into a teaching room and this expenditure won't occur in future years. However, if we can't greatly increase the income from the riders and we stop applying for the grants then we'd only have enough money to keep running the group for another 5 years. Diane works extremely hard completing the grant applications, there's so many hoops to jump through and we're very grateful for everything she does. She'll say it's a team effort but she's the one who does most of the work. She'll tell you all about the grants she's recently applied for in her report.

Vicki Smith
Treasurer



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Mount Group Riding for the Disabled Assoc. 1168627

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from 01/04/2022 To 31/03/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Riding fees	6,437	-	-	6,437	5,210
Fundraising	2,965	-	-	2,965	121
Donations & Grants	912	15,005	-	15,917	1,425
Sale of Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Bank interest	236	-	-	236	6
Miscellaneous	230	-	-	230	60
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,779	15,005	-	25,784	6,821
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,779	15,005	-	25,784	6,821
A3 Payments					
Hire of expenses of Horses & Livery	10,950	3,414	-	14,363	10,240
Insurance & RDA Membership Fees	2,102	-	-	2,102	1,764
Maintenance of mechanical horse	-	2,821	-	2,821	675
Rent, Office expenses & Website	11	433	-	444	433
Alterations	2,694	2,749	-	5,443	-
Competitions	-	-	-	-	135
Purchase of Equipment & Clothing	1,170	846	-	2,016	218
Travel, Training, Miscellaneous	310	181	-	492	289
Bank charges	147	-	-	147	114
Sub total	17,384	10,444	-	27,828	13,868
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,384	10,444	-	27,828	13,868
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,605	4,561	-	- 2,045	- 7,047
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	52,138	-	-	52,138	59,185
Cash funds this year end	45,533	4,561	-	50,094	52,138

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF Current Account	1,884	-	-
	CAF Gold Account	34,033	-	-
	HSBC Community Current Account	9,616	4,561	-
	Total cash funds	45,533	4,561	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Mechanical horse	Unrestricted	-	-
	Tack, riding hats, boots and equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	V Smith	VICKI SMITH	23/11/2023	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Mount Group Riding for the Disabled Association

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/23

**Charity no
(if any)**

1168627

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 20/11/2023

Name:

Sara Passey

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ACMA

Address:

AIMS Accountants for Business
9 Church Street, Langham

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.