



EMERGENCY VOLUNTEERS ACTION GROUP

A ROTARY/INNER WHEEL PARTNERSHIP

Registered charity no. 1168765

EVAG Report Feb 2026

Emergency Volunteer Action Group is a hybrid organisation of Rotary International and Inner Wheel and other volunteers. We respond to callout by local authorities in Dorset, Somerset, and Wiltshire in the event of civil emergencies. We continue to attend both internal and external training courses to keep up with developments. We had our own store which held flood prevention equipment's. By the end of 2025, we had closed the central store and moved all equipment's into 6 satellite with a saving of £1700 per year.

In 2025, there were several storms across Southwest England. Eowyn in January, Floris in August, Amy in October and Claudia in November. While the 2025 Storms were less in number than the record breaking 2024 Storms, the 2025 Individual Storms in SW England were of high impact. The Somerset Levels faced prolonged saturation with pumping operations hampered by high tide levels.

EVAG were placed on standby by the Local Authorities several times. We were called out for Storm Eowyn and manned evacuation centres in Ilminster and Chard. Eowyn was the most significant event of the year. So much flooding. So much destruction. Yeovilton recorded unusually high gusts of 80 MPH.

And we continue to support households vulnerable to flooding. The demand for our services is increasing each year. In 2024, we attended some 50 homes and supplied flood protection equipment's. In 2025, this had risen to 95 homes in Somerset and 8 homes in Wiltshire. We have entered into an arrangement with Rotary in Bournemouth to provide training and some finance to allow them to buy flood prevention equipment's to service their own area.

Membership – The work of EVAG is not for everyone. It can be quite demanding. We lost 2 members but gained 2 in the year. We now have 8 Trained leaders to visit properties and assess and supply gear to make them more flood resilient.

Finances The financial summary is shown below.

EVAG ACCOUNTS				
DATE	TRANSACTION	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
16.10.20	Balance brought forward			659.36
13.11.20	rRotary grant for packs etc		3148.02	3807.38
18.11.20	Somerset Prepared Grant		3148.02	6955.40
6.1.21	Paid to SCV for purchases	6296.04		659.36
22.7.21	Catering cost - film	35.00		
28.7.21	Banner cost - film	70.00		

2.8.21	Hall hire - film	18.00		536.36
16.8.21	Labels for flood packs	102.00		434.36
4.10.21	SSE grant		987.51	1421.87
1.11.21	cheque 100012	199.08		1222.79
14.1.22	Bank charges	5.00		1217.79
5.2.22	Bank charges	5.00		1212.79
8.3.22	Bank charges	5.00		1207.79
5.4.22	Bank charges	5.00		1202.79
4.5.22	Rita's tabard		10.00	1212.79
6.5.22	Bank charges	5.00		1207.79
9.5.22	SCV FUNDS		5976.53	7184.32
5.6.22	Bank charges	5.00		7179.32
14.6.22	Simeon Kit		20.00	7199.32
26.6.22	Pat's Kit		20.00	7219.32
6.7.22	Bank charges	5.00		7214.32
18.7.22	Carol Kit		10.00	7224.32

£987+5976.53= £6963.53, grants received, ring fenced for kit purchases
AVAILABLE FUNDS = 260.79
Income in 2021: £987.51
Expenditure in 2021: £6720.12

