

LONE BUFFALO

England & Wales · Charity number 1169163

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-09-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION AND IMPROVE THE LIFE CHANCES OF THE PEOPLE FROM XIANGKHOANG PROVINCE (LAOS PDR) THROUGH THE PROVISION, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT OF THE LONE BUFFALO ENGLISH DEVELOPMENT CENTRE IN PHONSAVAN, WHICH PROVIDES:O ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDUCATION AND TRAINING;O SPORT AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELLBEING;O ACTIVITIES AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP SKILLS, CAPABILITIES AND RESILIENCE OF YOUNG PEOPLE, SO THEY CAN PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS;O PRESENTATIONS AND FIELD TRIPS TO INFORM PEOPLE ABOUT THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITY AND COUNTRY;O ASSISTANCE WITH VOLUNTEER PLACEMENTS IN LOCAL SERVICES AND FURTHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES; ANDO ADVICE AND SUPPORT NETWORKS TO FACILITATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Activities: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION AND IMPROVE THE LIFE CHANCES OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN AND AROUND PHONSAVAN, LAOS THROUGH THE PROVISION, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT OF THE LONE BUFFALO ENGLISH DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Laos

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£71,695	£68,111	-	-
2023-12-31	£91,471	£70,981	-	-
2022-12-31	£66,940	£49,932	-	-
2021-12-31	£66,257	£60,316	-	-
2020-12-31	£49,734	£52,688	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jackie Thomas	Chair	2016-09-13
ANDREW MARCH		2016-09-13
Gary Rolfe		2023-12-04
Gillian Charlton		2023-12-04
JEREMY RICHENS		2016-09-13
Richard John		2018-11-08

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	Qtr to 31 March		Qtr to 31 March		Year to 31 Dec		Year to 31 Dec
	Actual US\$	Budget US\$	Actual US\$	Budget US\$	Actual US\$	Budget US\$	Budget US\$
Income							
Corporate donations		9,500		9,500	29,003	27,500	38,000
Embassy contributions (US, UK, NZ, CAN)	1,698	6,500	1,698	6,500	21,451	25,000	26,000
Personal donations, including gift aid	21,564	9,125	21,564	9,125	40,496	31,200	36,500
Class sponsorship	8,097	3,000	8,097	3,000	8,459	10,500	12,000
BFL support						17,000	
MAG teaching		1,000		1,000	7,056	3,500	4,000
Other	5,378	675	5,378	675	1,930	500	2,700
Total income	36,736	29,800	36,736	29,800	108,395	115,200	119,200
Expenditure							
Salaries, visas and allowances	(12,870)	(12,174)	(12,870)	(12,174)	(45,644)	(41,220)	(48,700)
Rent, Accommodation & Maintenance	(7,225)	(3,738)	(7,225)	(3,738)	(11,912)	(9,910)	(14,950)
Transport	(1,604)	(575)	(1,604)	(575)	(2,742)	(3,500)	(2,300)
Communications and administration	(1,350)	(2,014)	(1,350)	(2,014)	(10,736)	(11,760)	(8,050)
LB Football coaching programme	(2,975)	(839)	(2,975)	(839)	(4,866)	(4,080)	(3,350)
LB Film making and photography	(221)	(675)	(221)	(675)	(2,328)	(3,000)	(2,700)
LB Development Programmes	(1,885)	(4,500)	(1,885)	(4,500)	(17,466)	(17,000)	(18,000)
LB Coffee co-operative	(912)	(200)	(912)	(200)	(681)	(1,000)	(800)
Green Buffalo	(1,702)	(1,500)	(1,702)	(1,500)	(4,470)	(5,000)	(6,000)
LB Safeguarding		(200)		(200)	(163)	(1,000)	(800)
Marketing & Promotion	(839)	(625)	(839)	(625)	(2,320)	(3,100)	(2,500)
MOU Administration/Medical	(943)	(413)	(943)	(413)	(1,188)	(2,200)	(1,650)
Other					(132)		
Total expenditure	(32,526)	(27,452)	(32,526)	(27,452)	(104,648)	(102,770)	(109,800)
Surplus/(deficit) b/f exchange rate effect	4,210	2,349	4,210	2,349	3,747	12,430	9,400
Exchange difference on currency transfers	(866)	-	(866)	-	(1,649)		
Exchange difference on revaluations	3,380	-	3,380	-	(1,975)	-	-
Surplus/(deficit)	6,725	2,349	6,725	2,349	123	12,430	9,400

Summary balance sheet	US\$	US\$	US\$
UK bank account balance	104,661	(£80,995)	99,144
Lao dollar account balance	1,372		266
Lao KIP account balance	448		360
Lao cash balance	203		189
Stipend unpaid	-		-
Net assets	106,684		99,959
Net assets brought forward	99,959		99,836
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By source - 3 months to 31 March	UK charity		Lao banks	KIP cash	Accruals	Adjs	Total
	£	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	USD
Balance 1 January	79,220	99,144	627	189	-	-	99,959
Income	28,852	36,121	100	516			36,736
Expenditure	(8,077)	(10,135)	(19,952)	(2,439)			(32,526)
Transfers	(19,000)	(23,844)	21,042	1,936			(866)
Exchange difference on revaluations		3,375	4	1			3,380
Movement	1,774	5,517	1,194	14	-	-	6,725
Balance 31 March	80,995	104,661	1,820	203	-	-	106,684

Check on revaluation		At opening rate	At closing rate	Difference
Opening balance in £	£79,220	\$99,144	\$102,368	\$3,224
Average balance in £	£76,532	\$95,780	\$98,895	\$3,115
Closing balance in £	£80,995	\$101,365	\$104,661	\$3,296
			Actual	\$3,375

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lone Buffalo

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lone Buffalo Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the CIO) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

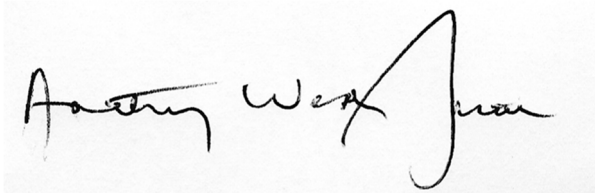
I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the CIO as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:

Name: Anthony S Weston Smith
Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England & Wales
Address: 132 Oakhill Road, Sevenoaks TN13 1NX
Date: 23rd July 2025

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Trustees' annual report for the period ended 31 December 2023

Registered charity number 1169163; registered on 13 September 2016; the constitution was amended on 7 November 2018
Principal address
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Trustees during the period to 31 December 2023 were

Jackie Thomas	Richard John
Andrew March	Gillian Charlton (appointed 4 December 2023)
Jeremy Richens	Gary Rolfe (appointed 4 December 2023)

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and its constitution was adopted on 23 June 2016. The charity is managed by the chief operating officer, who is based in Laos, with local staff and guidance from the charity's trustees and other volunteer support. All trustees and volunteers give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits. In the event of a vacancy arising for a trustee, one will be sought from the present supporters of and donors to the charity.

Objectives

Each year the charity reviews its objectives with reference to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The charity's objectives for 2023 were to advance the education and improve the life chances of the young people in and around Phonsavan, Laos through the provision, maintenance and support of the Lone Buffalo English Development Centre. The charity intends to continue to pursue these objectives for 2024 and for the foreseeable future by raising funds and supporting the centre financially.

Activities

The objectives are achieved by providing to students in Phonsavan:

- English language education and training;
- Sport and leisure activities to promote health and social wellbeing;
- Activities and other opportunities to develop skills, capabilities and resilience of young people, so they can participate in society as mature and responsible individuals;
- Presentations and field trips to inform young people about their local community and country; and
- Assistance with volunteer placements in local services and further education opportunities.

The main term runs for ten months from September to June although the Lao teachers do continue beginners classes through the summer for those students who can study in July and August.

Main achievements

This, the first full year since the pandemic, has seen the activities of the centre develop across a broad range of activities. Overall school attendance at 90% was the highest for some years with 180 students in the last quarter (57% female) between the ages of 11 and 18 being provided with up to 6 hours per week of structured English language lessons taught by qualified teaching professionals together with the opportunity to participate in team sports, mainly soccer, and individual exercise in the school gymnasium. There were 81 new students offered places for the current year and 87% of the students who completed their final year at High School in 2023 have already started tertiary studies.

Barrier Free Learning continued to be a massive positive as both teachers and students continued with the technology and new learning platforms, enhancing the whole learning experience. The Community Teacher development initiative has successfully worked with young graduates from the local teacher training college to develop the teaching team. The third Develop Together life skills programme was completed in early 2023 with more success for participants (gains in confidence, dealing with stress, parent support etc) and the fourth programme is underway providing 20 life skills workshops for 77 students. Green Buffalo was a new initiative to encourage teachers and students to protect their environment and has proved to be extremely popular. The Student Coffee Co-operative continued to develop basic business skills and promote local produce. The Lone Buffalo Girls Football Club continued its development with female students/alumnae managing the coaching, management, promotion and accounts and up to 30% of female students participating. Finally the LB Media Crew won another international award for their film 'Peace Bomb' at an international festival in Taiwan.

Financial review

The charity receives donations from individuals and corporate bodies and sponsorship from the US and UK and other embassies in Vientiane, Laos, and others, towards the cost of specific activities. All funds received, except for some minor costs of governance, are used to support the school.

The charity maintains a cash reserve within unrestricted funds which is sufficient to cover at least six months regular support for the school. However because donations and sponsorship, especially from corporate bodies and embassies, are not received on a regular basis during the year and remittances to support the school are made only when needed by the school, the level of the reserves will from time to time exceed this minimum level.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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Jackie Thomas

Date.....

LONE BUFFALO

Receipts and payments account for the year to 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Receipts				
Corporate donations	26,117	14,047	40,164	30,295
Personal donations	25,417	-	25,417	23,280
US Embassy	-	8,558	8,558	8,813
NZ Embassy	-	13,123	13,123	-
Gift Aid recovery	4,209	-	4,209	4,552
	<u>55,743</u>	<u>35,728</u>	<u>91,471</u>	<u>66,940</u>
Payments				
Support for school	44,432	23,950	68,382	46,993
Cost of generating funds	216	-	216	216
IT costs	1,985	-	1,985	2,485
Bank charges	398	-	398	238
	<u>47,031</u>	<u>23,950</u>	<u>70,981</u>	<u>49,932</u>
Net of receipts and payments	8,712	11,778	20,490	17,008
Funds at 1 January 2023	46,333	8,813	55,146	38,138
Funds at 31 December 2023	<u>£55,045</u>	<u>£20,591</u>	<u>£75,636</u>	<u>£55,146</u>

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2023

Cash at bank	<u>£55,045</u>	<u>£20,591</u>	<u>£75,636</u>	<u>£55,146</u>
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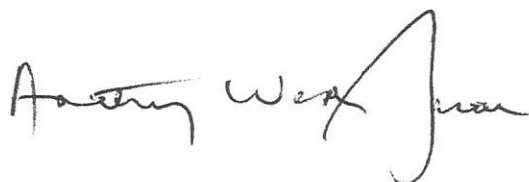
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Date: 25th July 2024

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The main term runs for ten months from September to June although the Lao teachers do continue beginners classes through the summer for those students who can study in July and August.

Main achievements

The first quarter of the year continued to be affected by the pandemic and normal activities were not restored until the second quarter. However, Barrier Free Learning continued to be a massive positive as both teachers and students embraced the technology and new learning platforms, enhancing the whole learning experience. Attendance has been lower this year, post pandemic, with 169 students in the last quarter (55% female) between the ages of 11 and 18 being provided with up to 6 hours per week of structured English language lessons taught by qualified teaching professionals together with the opportunity to participate in team sports, mainly soccer, and individual exercise in the school gymnasium. Level 1 and 2 classes completed courses with 76% of these students passing final assessments. 84% of the students who completed their final year at High School in 2022 have already started tertiary studies. The Student Coffee Co-operative continued to develop basic business skills and promote local produce with 15 students recruited to replace departing High School leavers. The Lone Buffalo Girls Football Club continued its development with female students/alumnae managing the coaching, management, promotion and accounts and up to 30% of female students participating. Lastly the second Develop Together life skills programme was completed in early 2022 with significant gains (confidence, dealing with stress, parent support etc) recorded in the pre/post project survey analysis. The third one is underway providing 20 life skills workshops for 82 students.

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Receipts				
Corporate donations	30,295	-	30,295	4,991
Personal donations	23,280	-	23,280	31,658
US Embassy	-	8,813	8,813	8,955
NZ Embassy	-	-	-	18,802
Gift Aid recovery	4,552	-	4,552	1,851
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Cost of generating funds	216	-	216	216
IT costs	2,485	-	2,485	4,247
Bank charges	238	-	238	329
	<u>37,162</u>	<u>12,770</u>	<u>49,932</u>	<u>60,316</u>
Net of receipts and payments	20,965	(3,957)	17,008	5,941
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The main term runs for ten months from September to June although the Lao teachers do continue beginners classes through the summer for those students who can study in July and August.

Main achievements

The first quarter of the year continued to be affected by the pandemic and normal activities were not restored until the second quarter. However, Barrier Free Learning continued to be a massive positive as both teachers and students embraced the technology and new learning platforms, enhancing the whole learning experience. Attendance has been lower this year, post pandemic, with 169 students in the last quarter (55% female) between the ages of 11 and 18 being provided with up to 6 hours per week of structured English language lessons taught by qualified teaching professionals together with the opportunity to participate in team sports, mainly soccer, and individual exercise in the school gymnasium. Level 1 and 2 classes completed courses with 76% of these students passing final assessments. 84% of the students who completed their final year at High School in 2022 have already started tertiary studies. The Student Coffee Co-operative continued to develop basic business skills and promote local produce with 15 students recruited to replace departing High School leavers. The Lone Buffalo Girls Football Club continued its development with female students/alumnae managing the coaching, management, promotion and accounts and up to 30% of female students participating. Lastly the second Develop Together life skills programme was completed in early 2022 with significant gains (confidence, dealing with stress, parent support etc) recorded in the pre/post project survey analysis. The third one is underway providing 20 life skills workshops for 82 students.

Financial review

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Jackie Thomas

Date 19 July 2023

LONE BUFFALO

Receipts and payments account for the year to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Receipts				
Corporate donations	30,295	-	30,295	4,991
Personal donations	23,280	-	23,280	31,658
US Embassy	-	8,813	8,813	8,955
NZ Embassy	-	-	-	18,802
Gift Aid recovery	4,552	-	4,552	1,851
	<u>58,127</u>	<u>8,813</u>	<u>66,940</u>	<u>66,257</u>
Payments				
Support for school	34,223	12,770	46,993	55,524
Cost of generating funds	216	-	216	216
IT costs	2,485	-	2,485	4,247
Bank charges	238	-	238	329
	<u>37,162</u>	<u>12,770</u>	<u>49,932</u>	<u>60,316</u>
Net of receipts and payments	20,965	(3,957)	17,008	5,941
Funds at 1 January 2022	25,368	12,770	38,138	32,197
Funds at 31 December 2022	<u>£46,333</u>	<u>£8,813</u>	<u>£55,146</u>	<u>£38,138</u>

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2022

Cash at bank	<u>£46,333</u>	<u>£8,813</u>	<u>£55,146</u>	<u>£38,138</u>
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Approved by the Trustees on 19 July 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Jackie Thomas

Date **19 July 2023**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lone Buffalo

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lone Buffalo Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the CIO) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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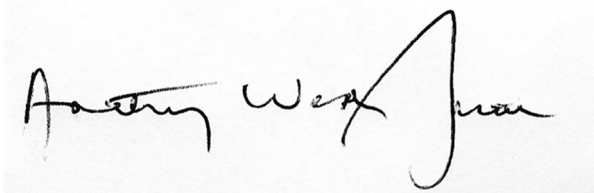
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I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the CIO as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:

Name: Anthony S Weston Smith
Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England & Wales
Address: 132 Oakhill Road, Sevenoaks TN13 1NX
Date: 20th July 2023

LONE BUFFALO

England & Wales - Charity number 1169163

Accounts

LONE BUFFALO

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Main achievements

Activities in 2021 continued to be disrupted by the Covid pandemic with a second lockdown halting activities between October and December, with only online teaching possible. Nevertheless, when it was possible up to 205 boy and girl students between the ages of 11 and 18 were provided with up to 6 hours per week of structured English language lessons taught by qualified teaching professionals together with the opportunity to participate in team sports, mainly soccer, and individual exercise in the school gymnasium. Level 2, 3 and 4 classes completed courses with 85% of these students passing final assessments. 27 Lone Buffalo students completed their final year at High School in 2021. 22 have already started tertiary studies. The Student Coffee Co-operative continued to develop basic business skills and promote local produce. The significant achievement in 2021 was the launch of the 'Barrier Free Learning' programme with students in the four senior classes being provided with tablets to improve the online teaching experience, and to bring technology into the classroom, now we are back to face to face learning. The Lone Buffalo Girls Football Club was launched in 2021, with female students/alumnae managing the coaching, management, promotion and accounts. Lastly the first Develop Together life skills programme was completed, which delivered 16 workshops for 106 senior male and female students.

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Jackie Thomas

Date.....28 July 2022.....

LONE BUFFALO

Receipts and payments account for the year to 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Receipts				
Corporate donations	4,991	-	4,991	4,252
Personal donations	31,658	-	31,658	22,844
US Embassy	1,170	7,785	8,955	7,662
UK Embassy	-	-	-	1,460
NZ Embassy	-	18,802	18,802	11,800
Gift Aid recovery	1,851	-	1,851	1,716
	<u>39,670</u>	<u>26,587</u>	<u>66,257</u>	<u>49,734</u>
Payments				
Support for school	37,011	18,617	55,628	50,601
Cost of generating funds	216	-	216	216
IT costs	4,247	-	4,247	1,646
Bank charges	225	-	225	225
	<u>41,699</u>	<u>18,617</u>	<u>60,316</u>	<u>52,688</u>
Net of receipts and payments	(2,029)	7,970	5,941	(2,954)
Funds at 1 January 2021	27,397	4,800	32,197	35,151
Funds at 31 December 2021	<u>£25,368</u>	<u>£12,770</u>	<u>£38,138</u>	<u>£32,197</u>

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2021

Cash at bank	<u>£25,368</u>	<u>£12,770</u>	<u>£38,138</u>	<u>£32,197</u>
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Approved by the Trustees on 27 July 2022 and signed on their behalf by

Jackie Thomas

Date.....28 July 2022.....

LONE BUFFALO

Trustees' annual report for the period ended 31 December 2021

Registered charity number 1169163; registered on 13 September 2016
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Activities

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Main achievements

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Financial review

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Jackie Thomas

Date.....28 July 2022.....

LONE BUFFALO

Receipts and payments account for the year to 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Receipts				
Corporate donations	4,991	-	4,991	4,252
Personal donations	31,658	-	31,658	22,844
US Embassy	1,170	7,785	8,955	7,662
UK Embassy	-	-	-	1,460
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Gift Aid recovery	1,851	-	1,851	1,716
	<u>39,670</u>	<u>26,587</u>	<u>66,257</u>	<u>49,734</u>
Payments				
Support for school	37,011	18,617	55,628	50,601
Cost of generating funds	216	-	216	216
IT costs	4,247	-	4,247	1,646
Bank charges	225	-	225	225
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Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2021

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Approved by the Trustees on 27 July 2022 and signed on their behalf by

Jackie Thomas

Date.....28 July 2022.....

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lone Buffalo

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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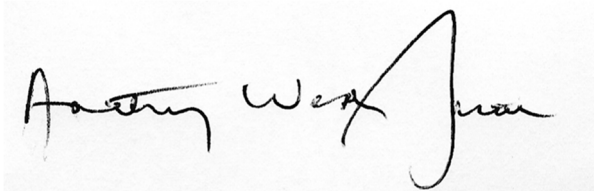
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Signed:

Name: Anthony S Weston Smith
Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England & Wales
Address: 132 Oakhill Road, Sevenoaks TN13 1NX
Date: 29th July 2022

LONE BUFFALO

England & Wales - Charity number 1169163

Accounts

LONE BUFFALO

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An average of 200 boy and girl students (about 52%/48% ratio) between the ages of 11 and 18 were provided with up to 6 hours per week of structured English language lessons taught by qualified teaching professionals together with the opportunity to participate in team sports, mainly soccer, and individual exercise in the school gymnasium. Film making was a popular extra curricular activity and the LB Media Crew received recognition awards at Student Film Festivals in Taiwan and Korea. 101 new students were enrolled during 2020, and 40 finished their state school studies and 37 of these have progressed to university or college. During 2020 the Student Coffee Co-operative continued to develop basic business skills and promote local produce. 12 more students were recruited by their peers who departed to study at tertiary level. Develop Together, a new programme for senior students was launched in August and is already proving very successful in developing life skills.

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Date.....8 July 2021.....

LONE BUFFALO

Receipts and payments account for the year to 31 December 2020

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Receipts				
Corporate donations	4,252	-	4,252	12,248
Personal donations	22,844	-	22,844	17,063
US Embassy	4,929	2,733	7,662	11,026
UK Embassy	1,460	-	1,460	4,325
NZ Embassy	-	11,800	11,800	-
Gift Aid recovery	1,716	-	1,716	1,342
	<u>35,201</u>	<u>14,533</u>	<u>49,734</u>	<u>46,004</u>
Payments				
Support for school	35,665	14,936	50,601	32,094
Cost of generating funds	216	-	216	216
IT costs	1,646	-	1,646	1,786
Bank charges	225	-	225	1,256
	<u>37,752</u>	<u>14,936</u>	<u>52,688</u>	<u>35,352</u>
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Funds at 1 January 2020	29,948	5,203	35,151	24,499
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LONE BUFFALO

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Approved by the Trustees on 8 July 2021 and signed on their behalf by

Jackie Thomas

Date.....8 July 2021.....

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lone Buffalo

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lone Buffalo Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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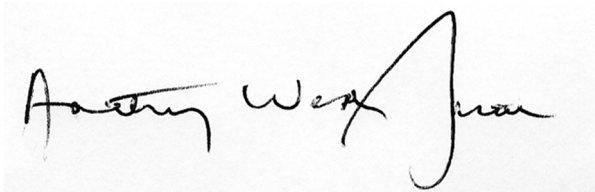
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- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities [Accounts & Reports] Regulations 2008 other than any requirement to 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:

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Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England & Wales
Address: 132 Oakhill Road, Sevenoaks TN13 1NX
Date: 15th July 2021