

LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION INCORPORATING CARRIAGE DRIVING

England & Wales · Charity number 1169453

Details

Other names	LOWLANDS FARM GROUP RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2016-10-03
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Lowlands Equestrian Centre Old Warwick Road Shrewley Warwick CV35 7AX
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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE OBJECTS OF THE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION INCORPORATING CARRIAGE DRIVING A CHARITY REGISTERED UNDER CHARITY NUMBER 244108 ("RDA") BY PROVIDING DISABLED PEOPLE WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO RIDE AND/OR TO CARRIAGE DRIVE TO BENEFIT THEIR HEALTH AND WELL BEING IN THE WARWICKSHIRE AREA.

Activities: We provide equestrian services specifically for people with disabilities in order for them to gain therapeutic benefit and have the opportunity to achieve.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- Warwickshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£13,350	£15,386	-	-
2024-03-31	£13,205	£16,658	-	-
2023-03-31	£13,509	£16,202	-	-
2022-03-31	£20,885	£15,277	-	-
2021-03-31	£6,281	£6,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Ivens	Chair	2017-11-20
Alexandra Cloughton		2020-01-19
Alison Rosemary Morris		2025-01-18
Gavin John Hugh Pollock		2025-03-01
Jacqueline Hennessy		2025-12-06
Kirsty Eve Hunter		2025-12-06
Susan Carol Lee		2025-12-06
Susan Elizabeth Mack		2020-01-19

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The Trustees during the year to 31st March 2025 were as follows:

- Miss Marisa Bretherton-Mackay – Chair (re-elected Trustee 18th January 2025)
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- Ms Alison Morris – Operations & Volunteers (elected as Trustee 18th January, 2025)

The focus during the period under review has been to continue to build on the sessions on offer to our participants and to enhance our overall services; streamlining and improving our practices and preparing contingency plans for the Group's future operations.

The effects of the lockdown (in early Autumn 2020) have continued to echo through the Group in the period of this report with fewer volunteers and no new participants. The Group managed to maintain its activities throughout the year, with the emphasis now based on riders with similar abilities riding together which has meant a steady improvement in overall experience for existing riders. The year was notable for the disruption to our coaching resource and the departure of two key coaches in the latter part of the year leaving a considerable gap in our ability to run the sessions. Thankfully, there were Coaches in training who stepped up to the task and quickly completed their training, but a new Coaching Policy was introduced to better manage the style and purpose of the Group's ambition. On the administrative side, a number of checks and procedures were reviewed to better manage rider safety and improve volunteer training, and practices were introduced to address the charity's future proofing and reliance on external service

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Activities

During the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025, LFRDA planned to deliver a total of 707 individual activities – a huge increase on the previous year – but were reduced to 547 due to inclement weather patterns (mostly heat which made it unsafe to proceed), and the impact of coaching and volunteer shortages.

- 547 shared riding sessions, held on Saturdays, with up to four registered riders in each.

Competition:

In addition to scheduled ridden sessions on Saturdays, we were delighted to be able to enter a number of LFRDA participants to the RDA National Championships for Countryside Challenge and Dressage in July 2024 which proved to be a real morale boost to all involved. However, LFRDA funds could no longer cover the entry fees for each rider's entry.

Participants

- There were 29 registered participants active during the year.
- 14 of our participants were 17 and under.
- 15 were 18 and over years of age.
- There were 0 new participants.

Fundraising

A few loyal supporters/private donors once again provided donations during the year.

Employees

The Charity has no employees but paid one self-employed coach per session on a service agreement basis (beginning September 2019) and is otherwise entirely reliant on voluntary helpers who are trained on a regular basis, according to RDA UK standards and policy. This resource came to a close in the final months of the year, with the self-employed coach leaving the charity.

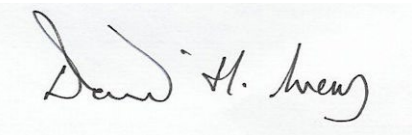
Volunteers

During the year, 23 volunteers, who are now also Voting Members of the Group, provided riding and fundraising support to enable the group to carry out its prime objectives. It should be noted that the group still needs to secure more volunteers to be able to rotate with the current, already-stretched team and to support the charity's ambitions of growth to meet the local need for its services.

New Coaches

New Coaches on the Coaching Pathway had not completed their training within the timeframe of this year, but given the circumstances towards the end of the year, worked to qualify early in the following financial year, thereby bringing the Groups coaching resource back to an operational level.

The Trustees have approved this report.



David H Ivens

Acting Chair, For and on behalf of the Board of Trustees

11th November, 2025

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LOWLANDS FARM RDA GROUP

Profit and Loss Account for year to 31st March 2025

£

Income :

Riding Subscriptions .	11,162	
Donations .	2100	
Other .	88	13,350

Costs :

Horse Hire.	-7,325	
Admin. Computer costs.	-3,644	
Charitable/coaching costs.	-1,906	
Volunteers/equipmt.	-1,215	
Office,admin, bnkg.	-1,296	-15,386

Operating Loss for the Year.

-2,036

Notes to the Accounts :

Operating at a Loss at the current level is unsustainable.

Administrative computing costs at 33% of Riding Income is unjustifiable.

Lowlands Farm faces an increase in Horse Hire equating to 75% of Riding Fees and a potential increase in facility costs.

The Trustees have been obligated to increase Riding Fees by £5.00 and address the costs of the present computing systems, resulting in material savings.

Recognition must be given to the loyal and invaluable donations made every year by generous benefactors.

The Trustees consider that the actions taken over the past six months will stabilise Lowlands Farm RDA Group's financial position, albeit well recognised that the current economic state of the country does not permit complacency.

Gavin JH Pollock
Treasurer.

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The focus during the period under review has been to continue to build on the sessions on offer to our participants and to enhance our overall services, streamlining our practices and making the best use of the facilities, equines and resources available. Also under focus has been the continuation of the strengthening of the relationship between Lowlands Equestrian Centre, and the Lowlands Farm RDA Group.

Over the past year, careful management of rider groups by the coaches and volunteers has once again meant that the group has managed to increase its opportunity for activity over the previous 12 months. This has been thanks to the dedication of our volunteers and coaches in responding to enquiries about the charity's services and working with session planning to open up rider opportunity for these applicants within the group session structures. As a result, a further 11 new participants, including an adult within the 60 – 70-year age group, were welcomed to LFRDA. 5 of the new riders were aged 18+ and the remaining 6 were aged 17 years or younger.

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Activities

During the period 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024, LFRDA delivered a total of 676 individual activities – across the 39 weeks we were open (with a further 84 sessions having to be withdrawn due to client cancellation, or stoppage due to bad weather conditions. In summary, these activities comprised:

- 676 shared riding sessions, held on Saturdays, with up to four registered riders in each.

Participants

- There were 32 registered participants in all
- 22 of our participants were 17 and under
- 10 were over 18 years of age
- There were 11 new participants – included in the numbers above

Competition:

In addition to scheduled ridden sessions on Saturdays, we were proud and delighted to be able to successfully enter 11 qualifying LFRDA participants to the RDA UK National Championships for Countryside Challenge and Dressage in July 2023, at Hartpury College, Gloucestershire,

Fundraising

As in previous years, loyal supporters/private donors once again provided personal and fundraised donations during the year, which were most gratefully received, and which enabled the continued delivery of our services. Ongoing, proactive fundraising is still needed, in order to meet the continued operational costs – some of which have increased considerably, beyond the Trustees' control.

Service and maintenance of Charley (the 'mechanical horse') and the hoist - which are assets of Lowlands Farm RDA Group - is currently paid for, by agreement, with the RDA National Training Centre (LEC) in return for access for use by the Centre's own clients, at times when not in use by LFRDA Group.

Employees

The Charity has no employees, but pays one self-employed coach per session on a service agreement (contractor) basis (beginning September 2019) and is otherwise entirely reliant on voluntary helpers who are trained on a regular basis, according to RDA UK standards and policy.

Volunteers

During the year, 25 volunteers, who are now also Members of the Group, provided riding, administrative and fundraising support to enable the group to carry out its prime charitable objectives.

New Activity Leader

We have been delighted to congratulate one further longstanding volunteer on their attainment of RDA Activity Leader status, to support non-ridden activities, following successful training and approval.

The Trustees have approved this report.



Marisa Bretherton-Mackay (Group Chair)

For and on behalf of the Board of Trustees

2nd January 2025

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

LOWLANDS FARM RDA

No (if any)

1169453

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
1/4/23

To

Period end date
31/3/24

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					
Donations	723	-	-	723	14
Charitable Income - Riding Income	12,482	-	-	12,482	13,375
Other Income	-	-	-	-	120
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,205	-	-	13,205	13,509
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,205	-	-	13,205	13,509
A3 Payments					
Charitable expenditure	355	-	-	355	1,167
Cost of charitable activities - coach costs	1,400	-	-	1,400	1,500
Cost of charitable activities - horse hire	9,898	-	-	9,898	9,000
Cost of charitable activities - equipment	1,376	-	-	1,376	542
Cost of generating funds - fundraising	-	-	-	-	81
Support costs - repairs & mtnc/computer	3,078	-	-	3,078	1,951
Support costs - equipment for lessons	-	-	-	-	-
Support costs - volunteers costs	285	-	-	285	694
Support costs - admin & office costs	-	-	-	-	985
Bank and other charges	266	-	-	266	282
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	16,658	-	-	16,658	16,202
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,658	-	-	16,658	16,202
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,453	-	-	- 3,453	- 2,693
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	18,140	-	-	18,140	20,833
Cash funds this year end	14,687	-	-	14,687	18,140

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				
	Natwest current account	14,560	-	-
	Cash in hand/Stripe funds	127	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	14,687	-	-

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(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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)
Para rider hoist	Restricted	3,846	3,846
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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

Clarke

LOUISE CLARKE

17/12/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST MARCH 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1169453

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/3/2024

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I
have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

11/1/2025

Name:

CRAIG PARR

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

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Address:

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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 brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Fundraising

Several loyal supporters/private donors once again provided donations during the year, but due to the lingering effects of lockdown during COVID, their fundraising activities had also been limited and impaired.

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The Trustees have approved this report.



Marisa Bretherton-Mackay (Group Chair)

For and on behalf of the Board of Trustees

27th January 2024

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Signed:

C. Parr

Date:

24/11/2023

Name:

CRAIG PARR

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

F.C.A. (ICAEW)

Address:

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

LOWLANDS EQUESTRIAN RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
ASSOCIATION

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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					
Donations	14	-	-	14	8,626
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Fund generation - horse shares	-	-	-	-	-
Fund generation - fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable income - riding income	13,375	-	-	13,375	12,259
Other income	120	-	-	120	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,509	-	-	13,509	20,885
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,509	-	-	13,509	20,885
A3 Payments					
Charitable expenditure	1,167	-	-	1,167	3,035
Cost of charitable activities - coach costs	1,500	-	-	1,500	2,060
Cost of charitable activities - horse hire	9,000	-	-	9,000	8,063
Cost of charitable activities - equipment	542	-	-	542	66
Cost of generating funds - fundraising	81	-	-	81	-
Support costs - repairs & mtncs/computer	1,951	-	-	1,951	600
Support costs - equipment for lessons	-	-	-	-	-
Support costs - volunteers costs	694	-	-	694	505
Support costs - admin & office costs	985	-	-	985	761
Bank and other charges	282	-	-	282	188
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	16,202	-	-	16,202	15,277
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,202	-	-	16,202	15,277
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,693	-	-	- 2,693	5,608
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	20,833	-	-	20,833	15,225
Cash funds this year end	18,140	-	-	18,140	20,833

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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	Natwest current account	18,072	-	-
	Cash in hand/Stripe funds	68	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	18,140	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Para rider hoist	Restricted	3,846	3,846
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	

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LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION

Registered under Charity Number 1169453

(A Member Group of Riding for Disabled Association Incorporating Carriage Driving,
Registered under Charity number 244108)

Trustee Annual Report Financial Year ended 31st March 2022

Lowlands Farm Riding for the Disabled Association became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 3rd October 2016.

The Constitution is the standard CIO Constitution of the Riding for the Disabled Association adopted at a meeting on 8th July 2016.

The aim of the Charity is to provide disabled children and adults in Shrewley and the surrounding areas with the opportunity to ride and experience equestrian activities, to benefit their health and wellbeing.

The Charity's correspondence address is Lowlands Farm RDA Group, Lowlands Equestrian Centre, Old Warwick Road, Shrewley, Warwickshire, CV35 7AX. The activities of the Group take place at this address.

The Charity's bankers throughout the year were NatWest Bank, Royal Priors, 59 The Parade, Leamington Spa CV32 4ZX, as in previous years.

The Trustees during the year to 31st March 2022 were as follows:

- Miss Marisa Bretherton-Mackay – Chair (re-elected Chair 29th January 2022)
- Mrs Louise Clarke – Treasurer (re-elected 29th January 2022)
- Mr. David Ivens – Secretary (re-elected Secretary 29th January 2022)
- Mrs Alex Cloughton – Participant Representative (elected 19th January 2020)
- Mrs Sue Mack – Coaching & Volunteers (elected 19th January 2020)

The focus during the period under review has been to continue to develop post-COVID and build on the sessions on offer to our participants and to enhance our overall services; streamlining our practices and making the best use of the facilities, equines and resources available.

Due to being able to return to activity comparatively early compared to many RDA Groups around the UK, post COVID (in early Autumn 2020) meant that during the period of this report, the group has managed to return to ridden activity at a level almost comparable to pre-COVID months. This has been thanks to the dedication of our volunteers and coaches in attending Spring refresher training in mid-April 2021 and in working to assist riders who were not able to return initially to be gradually welcomed back, and to start to consolidate each week's sessions into more goal-based rider groups. This has meant a steady improvement in overall experience for existing riders but has also been invaluable in identifying possible vacancies in each session that might accommodate new participants to benefit from our services. As a result, 8 new participants – far in excess of LFRDAs expectations for growth – were welcomed to LFRDA.

Lowlands Farm RDA Group

Lowlands Equestrian Centre, Old Warwick Road, Shrewley, Warwick CV35 7AX

✉ info@lowlandsfarmrda.org.uk

☎ 07943 239003

Registered Charity Number: 1169453

Activities

During the period 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022, LFRDA delivered a total of 289 individual activities, consisting of:

- 289 shared riding sessions, held on Saturdays, with up to four registered riders in each.

Competition:

In addition to scheduled ridden sessions on Saturdays, we were delighted to be able to enter a number of LFRDA participants to the RDA UK National Virtual Championships for Countryside Challenge and Dressage in September 2021 – the first competition opportunity post-COVID – which proved to be a real morale boost to all involved. LFRDA funds covered the entry fees for each rider entry.

Participants

- There were 28 registered participants in all
- 16 of our participants were 17 and under
- 12 were over 18 years of age
- There were 8 new participants, across both age bands (1 over 18, 7 under 17)

Fundraising

Several loyal supporters/private donors once again provided donations during the year, but due to the lingering effects of lockdown during COVID, their fundraising activities had also been limited and impaired.

It is expected that more proactive fundraising activities will be planned for the next financial year, to provide essential tack, equipment and upgrades. Servicing and maintenance of Charley (the 'mechanical horse') and the hoist - which are assets of Lowlands Farm RDA Group - is currently paid for, by agreement, with the RDA National Training Centre (LEC) in return for access for use by the centre's own clients, at times when not in use by LFRDA Group.

Employees

The Charity has no employees but pays one self-employed coach per session on a service agreement basis (beginning September 2019) and is otherwise entirely reliant on voluntary helpers who are trained on a regular basis, according to RDA UK standards and policy.

Volunteers

During the year, 26 volunteers, who are now also Members of the Group, provided riding and fundraising support to enable the group to carry out its prime objectives.

New Coaches

In December 2021 we were delighted to congratulate three longstanding volunteers on their attainment of Group Coach status, following successful training and assessment against the RDA UK Coaching pathway.

The Trustees have approved this report.



Marisa Bretherton-Mackay (Group Chair)

For and on behalf of the Board of Trustees

13th January 2023

Lowlands Farm RDA Group

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Registered Charity Number: 1169453



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1169453

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/3/2022

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I
have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

C. Parr

Date:

15/11/22

Name:

CRAIG PARR

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

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Section B

Disclosure

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

LOVILANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
ASSOCIATION

1169453

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2021

To

31/03/2022

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					
Donations	8,626	-	-	8,626	5,436
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Fund generation - horse shares	-	-	-	-	-
Fund generation - fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable income - riding income	12,259	-	-	12,259	846
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	20,885	-	-	20,885	6,281
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	20,885	-	-	20,885	6,281
A3 Payments					
Charitable expenditure	3,035	-	-	3,035	2,101
Cost of charitable activities - coach costs	2,060	-	-	2,060	480
Cost of charitable activities - horse hire	8,063	-	-	8,063	1,038
Cost of charitable activities - equipment	66	-	-	66	-
Cost of generating funds - fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Support costs - repairs & mtncce/computer	600	-	-	600	874
Support costs - equipment for lessons	-	-	-	-	101
Support costs - volunteers costs	505	-	-	505	366
Support costs - admin & office costs	761	-	-	761	1,031
Bank and other charges	188	-	-	188	10
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	15,277	-	-	15,277	6,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,277	-	-	15,277	6,000
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,608	-	-	5,608	281
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,225	-	-	15,225	14,944
Cash funds this year end	20,833	-	-	20,833	15,225

✓ - Agreed to P.Y. Files
✓ - Agreed to T.B.

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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	Natwest current account	20,594	-	-
	Cash in hand/Stripe account	240	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	20,834	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement: Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Stripe funds not yet paid out	240	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Para rider hoist	Restricted	3,846	3,846
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			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	

Accounts



LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION

Registered under Charity Number 1169453

A Member of Riding for Disabled Association Incorporating Carriage Driving

Registered under Charity number 244108

Trustee Annual Report Financial Year ended 31st March 2021

Lowlands Farm Riding for the Disabled Association became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 3rd October 2016. The Constitution is the standard CIO Constitution of the Riding for the Disabled Association adopted at a meeting on 8th July 2016. The aim of the Association is to provide disabled people with the opportunity to ride and drive, to benefit their health and well-being, in Shrewley and the surrounding area. The Charity's correspondence address is: Lowlands Equestrian Centre, Old Warwick Road, Shrewley, Warwickshire, CV35 7AX

The Trustees during the year to 31st March 2021 were as follows:

Ms Marisa Bretherton-McKay – Chair (re-elected Chair 29th December, 2020)

Ms Louise Clarke – Treasurer (re-elected 29th December, 2020)

Mr. David Ivens – Secretary (re-elected Secretary 29th December 2020)

Ms Alex Cloughton – Participant representative (elected 19th January 2020)

Ms Sue Mack – Coaching (elected 19th January 2020)

The activities of the Group take place at Lowlands Equestrian Centre but during the year under review activities have been severely restricted due to the Covid Pandemic.

The first tentative exposure was in August 2020 where we introduced horse therapy sessions under strictly controlled conditions, whereby young participants could come and familiarise themselves with their favourite ponies, by grooming, stroking or otherwise interacting at close quarters.

This was offered as a free initiative to youngsters who had been previous riders.

In October 2020, the Group introduced small, carefully managed riding sessions again, with very restricted access and careful attention to all the recommended protection protocols, including tack cleaning, hand-washing, and face masks.

The sessions had to be cancelled in late December and were not re-started until well into the next financial year, by which time the Trustees had decided to consolidate its activities into a Saturday only service.

Activities

During this period, we delivered a total of 55 individual services.

Consisting of 20 Group sessions (up to 4 riders, but rarely achieved this);

1 Private lesson,

and 17 Horse Therapy events.

There were 16 participants in all

14 of our participants were 25 and under

2 were over 25 years of age

There were no new participants.

Lowlands Farm RDA, Lowlands Farm, Old Warwick Road, SHREWLEY, Warwickshire CV35 7AX

Registered Charity Number: 1169453

Tel: 01926 843403

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Fundraising

A few local loyal supporting groups had provided donations during the year, but their fundraising activities had been much affected as well.

However, as a result of the transfer of ownership of the horses in the previous year, the Association's income is now better aligned with its running costs, but fundraising activities will re-start in the next financial year to provide essential equipment and upgrades. The Association will also fundraise in order to cover maintenance and running costs of the Mechanical horse.

The Group's bankers throughout the year were Nat West Bank, Royal Priors, 59 The Parade, Leamington Spa CV32 4ZX

The Charity has no employees but pays one self-employed coach per session (from September 2019) and is otherwise entirely reliant on voluntary helpers who are trained on a regular basis.

During the year, 24 loyal volunteers, who are now also Members of the Group, provided riding and fundraising support to enable the group to carry out its prime objectives.

The Trustees have approved this Report

Marisa Bretherton-McKay (Group Chair)

For and on behalf of the Trustees

10th December 2021

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR
THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year
ended

31st MARCH 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1169453

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/3/2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation
of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act
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Independent
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with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

C. Parr

Date:

28/11/2021

Name:

CRAIG PARR

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Lowlands Farm Riding for the Disabled Association

1169453

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1 April 2020

To

31 March 2021

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					
Donations	5,436	-	-	5,436	2,860
Grants	-	-	-	-	100
Fund generation - horse shares	-	-	-	-	-
Fund generation - fundraising	-	-	-	-	2,333
Charitable income - riding income	846	-	-	846	22,667
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,281	-	-	6,281	27,960
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,281	-	-	6,281	27,960
A3 Payments					
Charitable expenditure	2,101	-	-	2,101	188
Cost of charitable activities - coach costs	480	-	-	480	-
Cost of charitable activities - horse hire	1,038	-	-	1,038	15,125
Cost of charitable activities - coach hire	-	-	-	-	1,120
Cost of generating funds - fundraising	-	-	-	-	2,279
Support costs - repairs & maintenance	874	-	-	874	259
Support costs - equipment for lessons	101	-	-	101	277
Support costs - volunteers costs	366	-	-	366	122
Support costs - admin & office costs	1,031	-	-	1,031	2,103
Bank and other charges	10	-	-	10	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,000	-	-	6,000	21,473
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,000	-	-	6,000	21,473
Net of receipts/(payments)	281	-	-	281	6,487
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,944	-	-	14,944	8,457
Cash funds this year end	15,225	-	-	15,225	14,944

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	Natwest current account	15,046	-	-
	Cash in hand	179	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,225	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Para rider hoist	Restricted	3,846	3,846
			-	-
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B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>Louise Clarke</i>	LOUISE CLARKE	28/11/21	