

The American Civil War Round Table (UK)

Trustee's Report 2021

In 2021, for the first time in many years, our membership has increased. We had 124 members at the end of the year compared with only 105 at the start. The launch of our new website in 2020 and the facility to attend our meetings via zoom have improved our profile and reach and the possibility of payment by PayPal or credit card makes it easier to renew or join, especially for overseas members.

It was also an excellent year from the point of view of the sales of books and clothing with £1,294 in sales. We benefitted from legacies of books which could be re-sold and our range of new clothing has proved very popular.

Thankfully we were able to hold a conference in 2021, after a 1 year 'hiatus' for covid, albeit with a somewhat reduced number of physical attendees.

We were able to support 3 heritage projects in the US in 2021 with donations of \$500 each to Gaines Mill battlefield, the Cape Charles Civil War Trail and the Champion Hill battlefield.

Our activities in 2020 produced a surplus overall of £ 1,552. After making our three donations £ 421 was transferred to reserves.

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Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2021

	2021			See note 2			2020
	Main Account	Conference	Total	Main Account	Conference		Total
	£	£	£	£	£		£
Income							
Subscriptions	2,930		2,930	2,477			2,477
Meeting income (entry fees)	264	1,350	1,614	271			271
Raffles, Auctions & Games	100	253	353	65			65
Merchandise sales	912	382	1,294	113			113
General donations	680	50	730	353			353
Sponsorship & Advertising	-		-	-			-
Interest earned	58		58	66			66
Total Income	4,944	2,035	6,979	3,345			3,345
Expenses							
Meeting costs	226		226	381			381
Speakers Travel costs	-	886	886	-			-
Postage & Stationery	555		555	844			844
Design & printing	2,384	268	2,652	2,410			2,410
Website support & comms	252		252	241			241
Cost of Sales	727		727	-			-
Sundries	129		129	-			-
Total Expenses	4,273	1,154	5,427	3,876			3,876
Surplus from normal activities	671	881	1,552	(531)			(531)
See note 5 Donations made			1,151				-
See note 1 Exceptional item - new website							1060
Transfers to/from surplus			401				(1,591)
Balance sheet			31-Dec-21				31-Dec-20
			£				£
Cash at Bank			12,053				9,848
Cash in hand			20				20
See note 3 Debtors and prepayments			1,110				3,019
			13,183				12,887
Brought forward reserves			12,078				13,669
Excess of income over expenditure			401				(1,591)
Total Reserves			12,479				12,078
See note 4 Creditors & Accruals			704				809
			13,183				12,887

Note 1 The exceptional item relates to the one off cost of designing and building the new ACWRT website in 2020. This cost £1500 which is partly offset by the release of the release of £440 Advertising and Publicity sub fund brought forward. The sub fund was the remainder of a legacy left to the ACWRT in 2012.

Note 2 There was no conference in 2020 due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Note 3 Debtors and Prepayments were

	£
Bank Interest Accrued	34
Costs prepaid	763
Gift Aid due from HMRC	313
	1110

Note 4 Creditors and accruals were

	£
Costs of the December Crossfire paid in 2022.	554
Members' payments received in advance	150
	704

Note 5 Donations of \$500 each were made to preservation and interpretation projects at Gaines Mill, the Cape Charles Civil War Trail and Champion Hill.

Note 6 At 31st December the ACWRT had 124 members (2020: 105).

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