

**Report and Accounts**

**For the Year Ending**

**31<sup>st</sup> July 2021**



#### **Charity Details**

Name: The Dylan Howells Foundation

Registered charity number: 1174188

Address: 28 Oaken Lane, Claygate, Esher, Surrey, KT10 0RG

#### **Trustees: (Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020 to reconfirm the below)**

Brian Howells (Chair) (Appointed 9th August 2017)

Bethan Howells (Appointed 9th August 2017)

Warren Saunders (Appointed 9th August 2017)

Garry Taylor (Appointed 9th August 2017)

Martin Wingfield (Appointed 9th August 2017)

#### **Treasurer & Bank Details:**

Martin Wingfield (9<sup>th</sup> August 2017 to 10<sup>th</sup> January 2021)

Malcolm Watts (Appointed 10 January 2021)

Account held at - Metrobank, Unit 1, Chiswick House, Festival Place, Basingstoke, RG21 7LD

### **What Is The Dylan Howells Foundation?**

The charity was set-up by family and friends of Dylan Howells who tragically passed away suddenly in July 2016 aged 41 from a heart arrhythmia, leaving behind him a wife and two children. Passionate about sport in all forms, Dylan competed nationally and internationally in Triathlon and Aquathlon, becoming the Welsh National Aquathlon Champion in 2007 and finishing 6th in age group in the 2010 ITU Aquathlon World Championships in Budapest.

Dylan was also a football fan and keen supporter of many sports including swimming, athletics, boxing and rugby. As well as spectating and participating he was committed to helping others maximise their own potential, working with countless children and young adults who competed and trained at sports clubs in the South West London and Surrey area. It is our aim in the DHF to continue the work he started, by funding aspiring young athletes across a range of disciplines, helping them to achieve their goals and maximise their competitive potential. We also provide funding to sports clubs in need of equipment and sponsor events to encourage participation with a view to inspiring communities through activity, teamwork, achievement and most importantly – fun.

### **Our aims for our fourth year of operation ending 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021**

The Dylan Howells Foundation entered its fourth year as the nation came out of the first wave of lockdown. However due to the ongoing uncertainty we made the prudent decision to maintain a relatively low level of activity through the early part of the year while events continued to unfold. This included the regrettable cancellation of our biggest annual fund-raising activity the Gala Dinner, usually held in October/November. On that basis we made the decision to continue to fund existing beneficiaries where required but operate more reactively than proactively in terms of taking on new athletes & clubs, despite which there have been three during the period – more details to follow.

As we exit the year in Summer 2021 there remains a degree of uncertainty around future restrictions but the good news is that our athletes have begun returning to regular competition and our cash reserves have meant that we have been able to offer uninterrupted funding levels where required. The return of the Gala Dinner is planned for October and as much as is possible we hope to resume 'business as usual' as dictated by the ongoing pandemic. All of our athletes have provided ongoing updates regarding their activities during lockdown and we continue to publish these online to keep people informed on latest





news. Despite this somewhat chaotic background we were still able to distribute over £10,000 during the course of the year and retain almost £20,000 in the bank delivering on our commitment and aims to continue support despite limited income.

#### **Gala Dinner - October 2020 - Cancelled**

As highlighted the decision was made to cancel the Gala Dinner in 2020 – an event which usually delivers income of between £10k and £15k. Ongoing restrictions meant that the event would not have been possible anyway and the early agreement on this meant that there were no outgoings associated with its cancellation. We plan to go ahead with the event in 2021 (on October 4<sup>th</sup>) and a venue etc has been secured to enable this.

#### **Fund Raising Activities**

Due to the ongoing pandemic we were unable to carry out any major fundraising activities during the year ending July 2021. However as can be seen from the balance sheet we generated an income of around £1750 from a combination of funds arriving from activities held in the previous year and ad hoc fund raising from trustees, beneficiaries and local groups. This was expected and planned for in terms of managing outgoings and looking for further beneficiaries. As such our balance sheet remains healthy with over £19,000 available at year end to fund new and existing athletes as we enter the second half of 2021, irrelevant of whether further activities are impacted.

#### **Beneficiary from March 2018 – Maddie Harris - Swimming**

Maddie Harris is a para-swimmer from Kingston-Upon-Thames, who has ambitions to compete at the highest level as part of Swim England's para-swimming talent programme. The Dylan Howells Foundation began its support for Maddie in early 2018 so that her team coaches are able to attend all of her competitive swim meets as well as providing support for travel, accommodation and subsistence while travelling.

Funding has continued through our year ending July 2021, and Maddie has continued to compete at a high level and retains her goals to reach the Paralympics.

**Beneficiary from March 2018 – The Kinetic Foundation – Football**

The Kinetic Foundation, based in Croydon work with disadvantaged and/or disengaged young people, delivering a wide range of educational opportunities for them to learn new skills and improve their employment potential. Focusing on community togetherness and using sport as the hook for participation, they offer free sport sessions regardless of gender, ability, financial situation or ethnicity, which deliver structured, engaging, coaching and competition. The Dylan Howells Foundation are helping to fund coaches and equipment with a view to helping the foundation deliver on its commitments to giving access to sport for young, disenfranchised youth who could otherwise turn to crime or other anti-social behaviour. The DHF believe passionately in the importance of what Kinetic are trying to achieve from both a sporting and societal perspective and as such it remains our biggest single beneficiary, with a further £7,500 contributed in the year to end of July 2021. Kinetic's work has been challenged by the various lockdowns and restrictions during the period, but such issues and their effects on communities and individuals only make the work they do more important.

**Beneficiary from May 2018 - Finian Morris – Sailing**

Finian Morris is a young sailor from Weybridge in Surrey, who has been passionate about sailing for as long as he can remember. He competes in the "29er" class and has been able to train and compete again in Spring 2021 following a winter of enforced abstinence due to lockdown restrictions. The season has been one of transition but a successful one as he gets to grips with his new boat and competes with it for the first time, winning a number of smaller events including the Hayling Island Sailing Club Spring Regatta.

Due to these challenges and the enforced lack of activity for a significant chunk of the year, the Dylan Howells Foundation has not funded Finian during the year to end of July 2021. However, Finian remains very much a part of the Foundations plans moving forward and we look forward to working with him into 2022 and beyond as he continues to grow in confidence and ability. Looking forward he has some major races planned including the national youth championships following which he hopes to qualify for the national training squad for winter training.



**Beneficiary from July 2018 – Dan Morley – Boxing**

In July 2018 we announced our support for Daniel Morley, a local boxer from Epsom who had recently turned professional winning both of his first two fights, after a strong amateur career in which he won regional titles and competed in national tournaments. The Dylan Howells Foundation has helped fund both training and medical bills as Dan progresses in his career towards boxing success. Since funding Dan in mid 2018 he has won all of his professional bouts, although this progress was unfortunately and inevitably impacted due to COVID. Dan is a passionate ambassador for the Foundation and we are excited to continue working with him moving forward as things hopefully return to normal.

**Beneficiary from September 2018 – Nathan Kosbab – Rugby League**

Nathan is a promising 18-year-old local rugby league player whose career has gone from strength to strength – even if his season this year with the London Broncos has been impacted by injury – and of course COVID! His confirmed place in the U20s Scottish squad is testament to the work he's put in and his commitment to the sport. We have not funded Nathan this year due to the overall lack of activity but we continue our association with him and look forward to seeing him progress into the future.

**Beneficiary from January 2019 – Eva O'Dwyer - Karate**

Eva came to the Dylan Howells' Foundation through our online portal and when she started working with us, she was already WUKF World and European champion, and has continued to build on this despite the impact of COVID – maintaining a strong training regime via Zoom during lockdown. While face to face training is now back on the agenda she still awaits the resumption of international competition. As such we have not been required to fund Eva during this year, but look forward to continuing to work with Eva moving forward.

**Beneficiaries from June 2019 – Tanysha & Tanaya Dissanayake & Tamash Raaj**

The trio of sporting siblings continue to impress and compete at a high level in their chosen fields – and as such this continues to place a significant burden on the time and finances of the family. During the last year Tanaya has stepped back from competitive sport to focus on her academic studies at University, however despite the ongoing challenges Tamash and Tanysha continue to excel at Cricket, Karate and

Tennis. Again due to restrictions on travel and competition it has not been necessary for us to fund them during the reporting period, but we will continue to work with them moving forward and we expect activities to kick in for the winter assuming things return to some level of normality.

**Beneficiary from May 2020 – Charlie Bailey – Cyclist**

Charlie came to the attention of the DHF as a part of our partnership with Hinchley Wood Secondary School. He is 18 years old and competes nationally as a cyclist. In late 2018 he came 7<sup>th</sup> overall (2<sup>nd</sup> for his age) at the national youth championships 10-mile time trial, while in the following year he took his first national win, over team GB academy riders. Historically Charlie competed as a junior triathlete, with connections to Thames Turbos who hold the Dylan Howells Aquathon each year and where Dylan himself had significant historic links. We have not needed to fund Charlie in the year to July 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic but remain keen to work with him moving forward.

**Beneficiary from May 2020 – Lilian Musgrove – Figure Skater**

13 year old Lilian has been skating since the age of 3, and qualified for the British Championships in 2020 – coming first at intermediate level. Lockdown has presented challenges in terms of finding places to skate in addition to the lack of competition, so much so that Lilian and her family had to travel to France in the Summer of 2020 to find a rink where she could practice, something she has done again in 2021. This comes at a cost but has enabled her to train with Florent and Javier Fernandez, who is a former figure skating two-time world champion. As with many of the beneficiaries, Lilian is at the top of her sport considering her age and we are excited to be a part of the journey moving forward as she continues to grow and compete moving forward.

**New Beneficiary from May 2021 – Dixie Lindsay – Artistic Gymnast**

Dixie is a 15-year-old Women's Artistic Gymnast. She has been involved in Gymnastics since the age of 5 and started competing regionally at the age of 8. She qualified for every National Final on her Regional Team and was ranked 9th in Great Britain the year she turned 10. Since 2016 she has trained with Carla Gale-Parks at TGC. She has grown as a gymnast and matured as a person since starting there. However, due to illness her mother is no longer able to drive which has increased travel costs enormously in recent months. As such Dixie will be using the £1000 granted to help towards her transport from training late in the evenings.



#### **New Beneficiary from May 2021 – Joseph Clifton – Karate**

Joseph Clifton is a 20-year-old para karate student, living in Surrey with his parents and sister. Never letting his disability hold him back he enjoyed a wide range of sports activities from a young age, including karate, football, basketball, horse riding and swimming. Beginning by joining a local club at the age of 13, by 2019 Joseph was attending national training sessions, aiming for selection for the para team in the 2020 Commonwealth Games, until the pandemic hit. The World Karate Federation have a specific para category for athletes with Down's Syndrome, and Joseph is aiming for selection to represent England at the Karate World Championships in Dubai in November 2021, assuming they go ahead. The Dylan Howells Foundation have funded Joseph and family to a total of £1000 to support logistics and equipment as he takes the next steps toward international success.

#### **New Beneficiary from July 2021 – Elmbridge Eagles – Rugby League Club**

In July 2021 the Dylan Howells Foundation agreed to become shirt sponsor for the Elmbridge Eagles U15s Girls Rugby League team. The Elmbridge Eagles Rugby Club is one of the oldest Amateur Community Rugby League Clubs in the London and Surrey area with a 40-year history. Recently the club were very pleased and proud to start their first Girls U15s Rugby League team, going unbeaten in their first competitive season during 2021. As well as being shirt sponsor for the girls playing kit the DHF logo will also appear on the wider clubs training shirt.

Former Head of European Rugby League Kevin Rudd, now retired from Professional Sport and volunteer coach of the U15s Girls side at Elmbridge, commented "It was great to have support from the Dylan Howell Foundation for this group of inspirational girls, they were a fantastic group to be around and we look forward to great things from them in the future. The support from the foundation has enabled these girls to challenge themselves to try something new and enjoy developing their Rugby knowledge and skills – Many thanks for the kind support of the Foundation". While the expenditure associated with this sponsorship does not appear in the 2020/2021 accounts, we have committed to fund £800 and this will be paid in late summer 2021.

#### **Finances & Admin**

The Charity met regularly during the year – with meetings of the trustees held on a quarterly basis even though little activity has been possible, with a view to reviewing and managing expenditure despite limited incoming funds. As can be seen from the commentary above, we have again taken the decision to be relatively conservative through this year, which has of course coincided with a lack of activity on



the part of our athletes, meaning that we have not had to turn down funding requests from our beneficiaries.

The trustees would again like to thank the tireless efforts of new treasurer Malcolm Watts, Mark Hards, Lee Martin, Michael Smith and of course Julia Howells who have put in an enormous amount of work in the year ending July 2021 and without whom the charity would not have been able to achieve its goals.

#### Looking forward to the next year

Approaching the coming year we are confident that the gala dinner will go ahead successfully in October 2021, however some uncertainty around international travel and competition remains for many of our beneficiaries and we will need to wait and see how this develops. In addition to the gala dinner in 2021 we will look to re-introduce the fun run in mid 2022 as our secondary awareness and funding generator. We believe we have a strong stable of athletes across a wide set of backgrounds, sports and requirements, in the coming year we hope to bring on a small number of new beneficiaries to further increase this diversity.

As the charity enters its fourth year of operation we will spend some time during H2 2021 to further refine our strategy and approach to make sure we are maximizing efficiency for every pound spent either on fund raising or in grants for athletes. We believe that fundamentally the scale of the charity remains optimal in terms of the efforts required and ability to generate support and fund athletes, however we will look to see if there is more we can do moving forward to optimize this. In essence our goals remain, as they always have, true to our vision of enabling and encouraging young talent in the sporting arena. Despite unprecedented challenges brought on by the pandemic we have been able to take on new athletes and fund existing ones (albeit to a lesser extent) during this year and we will continue to do the same moving into 2022.

Signed on behalf of the Trustee Board

Signed:  .....

Date: 2/1/2022 .....

Signed:  .....

Date: 7/1/2022 .....

## **Independent examiner's report to the Trustee Board of The Dylan Howells Foundation**

I report on the accounts of The Dylan Howells Foundation for the first year of their operation ending 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021, which is set out on pages 12 to 14.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and whilst an independent examination is also not required, the trustees wish such an examination to be undertaken.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have to my attention.

This report, including my statement, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purposes. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body for my examination work, for this report, or for the statements that I have made.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.



**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention;

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name and Address of Independent examiner:

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Date: 7. 1. 2022

## Receipts and payments

for the year ending 31st July 2021

		2021	2020
		£	£
	Note	Total Funds	Total Funds
<b>Receipts</b>			
General Funds		<b>1,758</b>	19,437
Bank Interest		<b>11</b>	71
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>1,769</b>	19,508
<b>Payments</b>			
Funding recipient:			
Dan Morley			1,200
Kinetic Foundation		<b>7,500</b>	
Eva O'Dwyer			1,200
Maddie		<b>580</b>	634
Lilian Musgrove			1,000
Lucy Atkins			400
Charlie Bailey			1,250
Ameresakere family			1,000
Aaleyah Jay			1,000
Dixie Lindsay		<b>1,000</b>	
Joseph Clifton		<b>1,000</b>	
Carwyn Davies		<b>1,000</b>	
Expenses to run events			4,505
Bank Charges		<b>240</b>	240
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>11,320</b>	12,429
<b>Net receipts for the Period</b>		<b>(9,551)</b>	7,079



**Funds**

Balance brought forward	29,915	22,836
Net receipts for the Period	(9,551)	7,079
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>20,364</b>	<b>29,915</b>

**Balance Sheet**

as at 31st July 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Deposits	1,000	
Cash in Bank	19,364	29,915
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>20,364</b>	<b>29,915</b>

**Funds**

General Funds	20,364	29,915
<b>Balance of Funds at Period End</b>	<b>20,364</b>	<b>29,915</b>

Approved on behalf of the Trustee Board

Signed: .....

Brian Howells, Chair

Date: .....

7/1/2022

Signed: .....

Malcolm Watts, Treasurer

Date: .....

4/2/2022

## **Accounting Policies**

### **Accounting Convention**

Financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis, under the historical cost convention. This is consistent with Charity Commission Guidelines whereby CIOs with income less than £250,000 can prepare receipts and payments accounts.

### **Fixed Assets**

At 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021, The Dylan Howells Foundation had no fixed assets. The policy is:

- To recognise fixed assets if they can be used for more than one year, recording them at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt; and
- To write them off on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives.

### **Income Recognition**

Income is recognised upon receipt.