

Annual Report 2020-21



Developing Community Athletics

[Registered](#) Charity Number: 1174636

In a world of the individual sport brings together people of race, cultures, ability, genders, sex, religion and faith for one purpose: improvement of the self. Confidence builds self-esteem, power builds strength, resilience builds determination, purpose builds ambition, solidarity builds compassion and belief builds trust. Faster, stronger, bigger, agile, supple, flexible. Through sport we make our own destiny.

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Executive Summary

The North of Tyne Athletics Network (NOTAN) is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) reflecting a partnership between local athletics clubs and Harriers, who work collaboratively with local partners organisations.

‘for the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of North Tyneside and its surrounding areas by the provision of facilities for athletics’.

(Object 3, of our Constitution)

Once more, due to COVID-19 we are unable to hold our Annual General Meeting (AGM) which was due to happen in April. Rather than postpone indefinitely, our trustees have agreed to cancel the AGM for this year and to share information with our members digitally via this report and invite any questions via our website www.info@notan.org

The trustees are pleased to present their Annual Report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the period April 2020 to March 2021 which are also prepared to meet the requirements of a Chair’s report and accounts for the Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard’s applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Chair's Report

This report reflects the impact COVID 19 has had on the unpublicised third sector of business: the voluntary sector. On 23rd March 2020, the Government announced national lock-down measures to stop the spread of a virus that at that time had no known cure. Its sibling, Omicron, continues to wreak havoc across most sectors of business. Only those in the pharmaceutical industry appear to have been unaffected, either financially or with staff shortages. In contrast, small charities such as NOTAN, who are solely dependent on volunteers to organise, operate and deliver events, have all but abandoned hope to ever return to hosting activities that brought such joy to so many children, adults, and officials.

And it is in this sad spirit that this Annual Report has been written.

Trustees

Normally at our AGM we would ask our members to approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting and the appointment of new trustees. I am saddened to report that NOTAN have hosted very few Trustee Meetings since last April. That said, I can confirm that the board remains unchanged from that reported in 2020 i.e.

Tommy Brannon - Chair
Christopher Mole
Daniel Njai-Rowney
Michelle Wordsworth

Volunteers

In 2020-2021, the annual England Athletics Regional Volunteers Awards ceremony was postponed therefore, NOTAN were unable to honour our volunteers in the usual fashion i.e nominations for awards.

Portfolio of Activities

Spring Relays Postponed

Summer Grand Prix Postponed

Winter Handicap Postponed

Visually Impaired Runners Club Postponed

North Shields Commemorative Fun Run Postponed

Financial Report

Our AGM is also the time when we usually present our year end accounts to our members. They are as follows:

Overview 202021 (Period 01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021)

Balance on 01/04/2020: £20,758.83

Balance on 31/03/2021: £20,629.83

Income: £0

Expenditure: £129.00

The only item of mention is the cost of maintaining our website. No other income or expenditure occurred in the reporting period.

NOTAN (North of Tyne Athletics Network)

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2021

Charity No. 1174636

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: **NOTAN (North of Tyne Athletics Network)**

Reg'd Charity No: 1174636

Trustees:

Chair: Tommy Brannon
Members: Daniel Njai-Rowney
Christopher Mole
Michelle Wordsworth

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Trustees' Annual Report

The Charities object is the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefits of the inhabitants of North Tyneside and its surrounding areas by the provision of facilities for athletics.

Activity during 2020/21

This report covers a period that began with great optimism but ended with greater uncertainty. A year in which we added new events to our portfolio only to see that development fade.

In the Spring, we built on our successes of previous years and with support from North East Throws and the North Eastern Counties Athletics Association (NECAA) we delivered our first Spring Relays event. In the summer, we delivered our hugely successful Summer Grand Prix for school Year 3 to Year 6 children. The autumn saw the 32nd running of the Winter Handicap event as well as our assisting local visually impaired athletes to partake in athletics in a safe environment. In the winter, we added another new event to our portfolio: The North Shields Fun Run, alongside our 3rd Blyth's Indoor Sportshall Series of athletics.

Yet, on the horizon of a New Year an invisible virus had arrived that would beset all our work and planning. Events began to get postponed, then re-scheduled then eventually cancelled. When they or we will start again is in the hands of UK Government, England Athletics, North Tyneside Council and host venues. The need for COVID-19 risk assessments are an added burden to our limited resources.

There are uncertain times ahead yet, we are committed to upholding our Constitutional objective.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to Financial Statements

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 1993.

Signed:, on behalf of Trustees
Date 10 January 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

**Report to the
trustees of**

NOTAN (North of Tyne Athletics N

**On accounts for
the year ended**

31-Mar-21 Charity no

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and
examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of th
- follow the procedures laid down in the Genera Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of
- state whether particular matters have come t

**Basis of
independent
examiner's
statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance given by the Charity Commissioners. An exami the accounting records kept by the charity and accounts presented with those records. It also any unusual items or disclosures in the account explanations from the trustees concerning any procedures undertaken do not provide all the e required in an audit, and consequently I do not on the accounts.

**Independent
examiner's
statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has
1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe respect, the trustees have not met the requirer

- proper accounting records are kept (in acco the Act); and
- accounts are prepared which agree with the comply with the accounting requirements of t

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be proper understanding of the accounts to be rea

Signed:



Date: 10 Jan

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accounting records and
the Act; or
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January, 2022

NOTAN (North of Tyne Athletics Network)**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds 2020-21	Restricted Funds 2020-21	Total Funds 2020-21	Total Funds 2019-20
Receipts				
			£	£
Grants			0	1800
Entry fees			0	11239
Other Income			0	184
Total Receipts	0	0	0	13223
Payments				
Event Costs			0	6977
Web Site and Equipment	129		129	497
Donations			0	2750
Total Payments	129	0	129	10224
Surplus/deficit for the year	-129	0	-129	2999
Funds at 1 April 2020	17183	3576	20759	17760
Funds at 31 March 2021	17054	3576	20630	20759

NOTAN (North of Tyne Athletics Network)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Notes		
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank & in Hand	20630	20759
Total Cash Balances		
Net Current Assets	20630	20759
Net Assets at 31 March		
Represented By:		
Restricted Funds	0	3576
Unrestricted Funds	0	17183
Total Funds	0	20759

Signed Position

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Date

NOTAN (North of Tyne Athletics Network)

Notes to the accounts, 2021

1. Basis of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006

NOTAN meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

2. Trustees and Staff

No Staff are directly employed by the Charity.

3. Funds

Grants Received during the financial period:	April 2020	Income	Expenditure	March 2021
Restricted				
Sir James Knott Trust	3576		0	3576
Total	3576	0	0	3576