

EAST DEVON RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1181343

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-12-21

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

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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 ("THE ASSOCIATION") BY PROVIDING DISABLED PEOPLE WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO RIDE AND/OR CARRIAGE DRIVE TO BENEFIT THEIR HEALTH AND WELL BEING IN THE EAST DEVON AREA

Activities: The core purpose of the group is to benefit the health and well-being of people with disabilities in East Devon through the delivery of effective and life enhancing therapy, the opportunity to learn new skills and achieve personal goals and ambitions. It also provides the chance to enjoy taking part in a social activity with other people with disabilities and our volunteers.

Classification

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

Geography

- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£30,950	£11,528	-	-
2024-03-31	£8,446	£10,145	-	-
2023-03-31	£5,951	£8,834	-	-
2022-03-31	£8,518	£10,986	-	-
2021-03-31	£1,168	£3,457	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
PAUL HENRY MURPHY	Chair	2018-08-21
CAROL JENNIFER STEPHENS		2002-04-01
Diana Elizabeth Colville Brigden		2021-10-19
JANET CATHERINE MARY PORTLOCK		1989-04-01
MARY ELIZABETH BOULTON		2002-04-01
Stephen Charles Newman		2021-10-19

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Accounts

East Devon Riding for the Disabled Association Group

Treasurers Report for 2024-25

At the end of the financial year 2024-25 for East Devon (RDA) Group the accounts showed a gain of income over expenditure of £19,421.59 bringing the total assets of the Group to £30,733.87.

This is the first time in many years that we have actually increased our bank balance. Income from donations was the major reason. The unexpected but most gratefully received legacies of £10,000 from the late Frank Jones and £5,000 from the estate of the late Lorinda Perry (one of our Thursday riders). These donations together with many other grants & donations have ensured the Group is now on a sure footing. The other donations included £1,080 from the Norman Family Trust, £1080 from Lord Clinton Charitable Trust, £2,000 from Phyllis Johnson (the lovely 90 year old lady from Seaton who rode Seamus), £2,000 from HdHWills, £1,000 from David Gibbons Trust & £844 from St James Place. Many of the Trust donations are for specific use and I would like to thank Jan Portlock for all her hard work in sourcing and completing the applications for these grants. Katya, one of our volunteers completed a half marathon and raised £525 & Sally Hall (Seren's mother) completed an endurance run and raised £400 for East Devon RDA taking our total donations for the year to an amazing £24,569.00.

Fund raising also increased. The Honiton Show total was slightly down at £569.00 but Helene and Jan have been adding second-hand tack & equipment including saddles on Facebook which has brought in more funds. The Christmas Carol Celebration was again a success with Jan organising a raffle which raised £276 thanks to the very generous donations of items for the hampers from the volunteers.

Our main expense continues to be the hire of horses for the lessons totalling £6,879.00 of which some is covered by the riders' payments (£3654.00). David at Hitts Barton has requested a meeting with Paul, our Chair & myself regarding the fees as the cost of horse feed/ wages for the stable staff & costs in general have increased significantly over the past two years when we signed the last agreement. We continue to pay farrier fees, vet fees & flu vaccinations for Blue Jack, Seamus and May. Seamus needed some major teeth treatment which cost nearly £600.

Other expenditure includes payments such as RDA Membership & Insurance, DBS certification for volunteers, Instructor's travel costs, more hats for the new riders, Honiton Show fees, storage of second-hand equipment and the new mounting block (cost £690).

The Group is in an enviable position of having sufficient funds to continue to run. As mentioned several of the charitable grants were made for specific purchases, the main one being to purchase a new horse. Jan has spent many hours and effort trying to find a suitable mount as yet to no avail. She has made contact with several dealers and is looking to put out an advert on Facebook soon to see if a suitable pony can be found.

The Group has had a very successful year with new riders and many more on the waiting list. I would like to thank Helene, our coach, for her enthusiasm and support. A huge thank you must also go to all the volunteers at riding sessions, at shows and events. We would not be able to operate and continue our growth without the generous time, help and support they give.

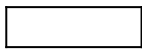
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			£6,879.00	£477.00	£37.80	£779.99	£1,708.82	£876.82	£768.60	£18,000.00		£29,528.03

Date	Item	Receipt No.	Riders Fees	Fundraising	Donations/Grants	Sundries	Total
05.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
08.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
08.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
09.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
10.04.24	Book sales	BACs		£2.00			£2.00
15.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
16.04.24	Sale of Western saddle	BACs		£45.00			£45.00
16.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
18.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
22.04.24	Book sales	BACs		£3.84			£3.84
23.04.24	Rider fees	BACs	£72.00				£72.00
24.04.24	Gift Aid claim fro HMRC					£130.28	£130.28
03.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
07.05.24	Gloves & games sale			£15.00			£15.00
08.05.24	Donation - Lyndsey Trimmer				£100.00		£100.00
08.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£136.00				£136.00
09.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
15.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£24.00				£24.00
23.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
28.05.24	Donation - Sehree Fairman	81			£500.00		£500.00
30.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
31.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
31.05.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
03.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
03.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
03.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
06.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
07.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
11.06.24	Donation - Norman Family Trust	BACs			£1,080.00		£1,080.00
11.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
12.06.24	Fundraising Co Ltd	82		£33.30			£33.30
12.06.24	Rider fees	83	£56.00				£56.00

21.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
27.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£24.00			£24.00
28.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00			£40.00
28.06.24	Donation - Katya Sponsored run			£450.00		£450.00
28.06.24	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00			£48.00
02.07.24	Rider fees	84	£104.00			£104.00
10.07.24	Sale of metal stirrups	BACs		£20.00		£20.00
23.07.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
01.08.24	Honiton Show sales	BACs		£14.00		£14.00
01.08.24	Honiton Show sales	BACs		£1.00		£1.00
01.08.24	Honiton Show sales	BACs		£55.00		£55.00
01.08.24	Honiton Show sales	BACs		£10.00		£10.00
08.08.24	Sale of Saddle	BACs		£120.00		£120.00
08.08.24	Lord Clinton Charitable Trust	BACs			£1,080.00	£1,080.00
08.08.24	Honiton Show sales	85		£489.50		£489.50
15.08.24	Sale of saddles	BACs		£550.00		£550.00
27.08.24	Sale of books	BACs		£8.32		£8.32
27.08.24	Estate of Lorinda Perry	BACs			£5,000.00	£5,000.00
30.08.24	Donation from a friend of Carol's	86			£100.00	£100.00
03.09.24	Donation - E Perry	BACs			£60.00	£60.00
04.9.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
04.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
05.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
06.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
06.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
06.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
10.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
11.09.24	Primley WI - Talk	BACs			£50.00	£50.00
12.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
12.09.24	Donation - Phyllis Johnson	BACs			£2,000.00	£2,000.00
13.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
17.09.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00			£56.00
24.09.24	Recycle4Charity	BACs		£17.00		£17.00

24.09.24	Donation from Jan's friend	87			£100.00		£100.00
24.09.24	Rider fees	88	£104.00				£104.00
25.09.24	HdHWills	BACs			£2,000.00		£2,000.00
30.09.24	Donation from Skye	89			£50.00		£50.00
30.09.24	Rider fees	90	£56.00				£56.00
01.10.24	Rider fees	BACs	£56.00				£56.00
04.10.24	Sale of tack & jodphurs	BACs		£30.00			£30.00
09.10.24	Donation - Katya Sponsored run	BACs			£75.00		£75.00
21.10.24	Donation - Sally Sponsored run	BACs			£400.00		£400.00
21.10.24	Car Boot sale	91		£75.20			£75.20
23.10.24	David Gibbons Trust donation	BACs			£1,000.00		£1,000.00
31.10.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
31.10.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
04.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
04.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
04.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
06.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
12.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
19.11.24	Sale of saddle	BACs		£100.00			£100.00
19.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
19.11.24	Rider fees	92	£110.00				£110.00
21.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£32.00				£32.00
21.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
21.11.24	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
02.12.24	Rider fees	93	£40.00				£40.00
02.12.24	Christmas carols raffle	94		£276.00			£276.00
04.12.24	Legacy from Jospeh (Frank) Jones	BACs			£10,000.00		£10,000.00
16.12.24	Donation - Claire Forster	BACs			£30.00		£30.00
20.12.24	Donation from St James' Place Foundat	BACs			£844.00		£844.00
21.01.25	Recycle 4 Charity	BACs		£21.25			£21.25
28.01.25	Donation	95			£100.00		£100.00
29.01.25	Rider fees	BACs	£48.00				£48.00
07.02.25	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00

07.02.25	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
10.02.25	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
12.02.25	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
18.02.25	Rider fees	BACs	£40.00				£40.00
21.02.25	Rider fees		£40.00				£40.00
21.02.25	Rider fees		£40.00				£40.00
21.02.25	Rider fees		£40.00				£40.00
24.02.25	Tack sale			£30.00			£30.00
24.02.25	Rider fees		£40.00				£40.00
24.02.25	Rider fees		£40.00				£40.00
27.02.25	Rider fees		£40.00				£40.00
07.03.25	Rider fees		£48.00				£48.00
11.03.25	Rider fees		£48.00				£48.00
12.03.25	Rider fees		£24.00				£24.00
18.03.25	Rider fees		£120.00				£120.00
18.03.25	Helene donation from sale of clothes			£30.00			£30.00
							£0.00
							£0.00
	Totals		£3,654.00	£2,396.41	£24,569.00	£130.28	£30,749.69



Date	Item	Trf	Interest
04.05.23	Trf from Current account	£8,000.00	
31.05.23	Bank Interest		6.39
30.06.23	Bank Interest		7.57
31.07.23	Bank Interest		9.01
31.08.23	Bank Interest		9.55
29.09.23	Bank Interest		9.25
31.10.23	Bank Interest		10.22
30.11.23	Bank Interest		9.60
29.12.23	Bank Interest		9.29
31.01.24	Bank Interest		10.58
29.02.24	Bank Interest		9.31
28.03.24	Bank Interest		9.00
	Year end closing balance		99.77
	Balance brought forward		
30.04.24	Bank Interest		10.62
31.05.24	Bank Interest		9.99
28.06.24	Bank Interest		9.03
31.07.24	Bank Interest		10.66
28.08.24	Trf from Current account	5000.00	
30.08.24	Bank Interest		10.10
30.09.24	Bank Interest		16.19
31.10.24	Bank Interest		15.67
29.11.24	Bank Interest		14.14
20.12.24	Trf from Current account	13000.00	
31.12.24	Bank Interest		20.91
31.01.25	Bank Interest		29.56
28.02.25	Bank Interest		25.17
31.03.25	Bank Interest		27.89
		26000.00	199.93

Expenditure	Balance
	£8,000.00
	£8,006.39
	£8,013.96
	£8,022.97
	£8,032.52
	£8,041.77
	£8,051.99
	£8,061.59
	£8,070.88
	£8,081.46
	£8,090.77
	£8,099.77
	£8,099.77
	£8,099.77
	£8,110.39
	£8,120.38
	£8,129.41
	£8,140.07
	£13,140.07
	£13,150.17
	£13,166.36
	£13,182.03
	£13,196.17
	£26,196.17
	£26,217.08
	£26,246.64
	£26,271.81
	£26,299.70

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of East Devon Riding For The Disabled Association Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the East Devon Riding For The Disabled Association Group (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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 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 Trust 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: *D Webber*

Name: D Webber

Address: 11 Chineway Gardens, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1JG

Date: 17/12/25

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At the end of the financial year 2023-24 for East Devon (RDA) Group the accounts showed a loss of income over expenditure of £1,699.07 bringing the total assets of the Group to £11,335.78.

Income from donations were up from the previous year with generous donations from local Charitable Trusts, notably the Norman Family Trust & Viscount Amory Charitable Trust totalling £2000, (thanks to Jan for completing the sometimes complicated and time consuming application forms). These together with two private donations of £500 each plus several small donations gave a final total of £3615.27.

Fund raising increased slightly with Honiton Charter Day making £170.00 and Honiton Show £657.00 Helene and Jan add details of second-hand tack & equipment on Facebook which has brought in a few more sales. We attended two Christmas Fayres, one at Dunkeswell and one at Awliscombe raising £153.50. At the Christmas Carol Celebration Jan organised a raffle which raised £126.00. This was thanks to the very generous donations of items for the hampers from the volunteers.

Our main expense is the hire of horses for the lessons totalling £6900.00 of which some is covered by the riders' payments (£3555.00) but obviously with more rides we have had more expense as the riders only pay a proportion of the actual cost. We continue to pay farrier fees, vet fees & flu vaccinations for Blue Jack, Seamus and May. The livery & pony expenses also include the cost of a leather saddle for Bluejack for when he is used by the stables. The donation from the Viscount Amory Charitable Trust covered the purchase of the saddle.

Other expenditure includes payments such as RDA Membership & Insurance, DBS certification for volunteers, Instructor's travel costs, more hats for the new riders and Honiton Show fees and tickets storage of second-hand equipment.

We are still in an enviable position of having sufficient funds to run the group but each year this is reducing. As a charity it is the trustees' task to ensure the group has at least a years expenditure available, which at present we have. To cover the costs of the stable fees approx. £3,000 is required each year plus all our other expenses so the trustees are looking for ways of increasing our income. Jan Portlock has made several requests to local charitable trusts and most have been successful. A lot of time and effort is spent going to various fayres and events with only small amounts raised. One suggestion is to organise one large event such as a coffee morning or afternoon tea but this would need a great location and open to the general public. Any suggestions from the volunteers/carers would be most welcome.

I would personally like to thank Helene, our coach, for her enthusiasm and support, but also huge thanks goes to all our wonderful volunteers at riding

sessions, at shows and events and for spreading the word to others about our group. We have again been extremely fortunate to welcome several new enthusiastic volunteers. We would not be able to operate and continue our growth without the generous time, help and support you all give.

Balance Sheet for 2023/24

2022/23

Income			
2436.00	Riders Contributions	3555.00	
1139.65	Fundraising	1276.40	
2375.82	Donations	3615.27	
	Sundries		
5951.47	Total	8446.67	Interest on
Expenditure			
4762.00	Stable fees	6900.00	
460.00	Ins/membership fee	460.00	
520.50	Training		
262.90	Equipment		
621.55	Livery & Pony Exps	1454.36	
946.98	Sundries	671.68	
1260.00	Instructor fees	659.70	
	Rider refunds		
	Trf to Savings account	8000.00	Trf to Savin
8833.93	Total	18145.74	
	Income over expenditure	-9699.07	
12857.02	Bank balance as at 31.03.2023	12857.02	
	Plus income over expenditure	-9699.07	
	Bank balance as at 31.03.2024	3157.95	Savings acc
56.41	Petty cash	78.06	
12913.43	Total assets	11335.78	

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Income from donations was down but included generous donations from the Morton Charitable Trust of £1000 and £333 from Waitrose . There were donations of over £400 following funerals of local people not associated with EDRDA but forwarded to us by local funeral directors. This is an area the trustees would like to increase by contacting local funeral directors giving details of who we are and what we do and achieve. Also, to contact local solicitors as many write Wills for local people who may wish to make donations in their Will.

Fund raising increased slightly with Honiton Charter Day making £173.00 and Honiton Show £608.00 Thanks again to Helene and Jan adding details of second-hand tack & equipment on Facebook which has brought in a few more sales. We attended Honiton Hill Rally for the first time and raised £72.50 and an equine car boot sale near Bovey Tracey which raised £85.00. At the Christmas Carol Singing Jan organised a raffle which raised £181.00. This was thanks to the very generous donations of items for the hampers from the volunteers. Jan and I also gave a talk about the group and our experiences with EDRDA to Tipton Ladies who made a generous donation of £60. We now have a power point presentation should anyone else wish to hear about EDRDA.

Our main expense is the hire of horses for the lessons totalling £4762 of which some is covered by the riders' payments (£2436). We continue to pay farrier fees, vet fees & flu vaccinations for Blue Jack, Seamus and May.

Other expenditure includes payments such as RDA Membership & Insurance, DBS certification for volunteers, Instructor's travel costs, more hats for the new riders and Honiton Show fees and tickets storage of second-hand equipment. The renewal of our First Aiders was also a large but essential expense this year (£520).

We are still in an enviable position of having sufficient funds to run the group but each year this is reducing. As a charity it is the trustees' task to ensure the group has at least a years expenditure is available, which at present we have. The trustees are now looking for other ways of increasing our income and would welcome any suggestions.

I would personally like to thank Helene, our coach, for her enthusiasm and support, but also huge thanks to all our wonderful volunteers at riding sessions, at shows and events and for talking to others about our group. We have been extremely fortunate to welcome several new enthusiastic volunteers. We would not be able to operate and continue our growth without the generous time, help and support you all give.

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At the end of the financial year 2020-21 for East Devon Group (RDA) the accounts showed a loss of income over expenditure of £2,288.80 bringing the total assets of the Group to £18,207.80.

What a year!! Due to COVID restrictions the finances were also restricted. No income was received from the riders as few rides were possible. The riders who were able to attend were due refunds from the previous term and those who were unable to attend were given refunds for the lessons we were unable to provide.

We were however, grateful to receive donations from Waitrose (£333.00), Lions Club of Sidmouth (£150.00), Nib Consulting Ltd (£400.00) and Marion who received a reward which she kindly donated to the Group from a new neighbour for finding & rescuing her cat!

We were unable to attend our regular fundraising events such as Honiton Show and Honiton Charter Day.

On the expenditure side, our main costs were for the hiring of the school and ponies for the period in February & March 2019 before lockdown and for the limited sessions we held in September and October.

The 'Sundries' figure includes payments such as RDA membership and Insurance, the purchase of the new banners and flag for fund raising events and the Christmas cards (which we recouped as they were purchased by members with extra donations given). With Helene's magnificent weekly newsletters, Carol had extra printing and postage costs but I'm sure you will agree this was well worth it as it certainly gave me a sense of belonging and companionship even if this was remote.

The livery and pony expenses were also higher than usual. We paid livery for Alice when we had her on trial. Sadly once she was vetted the trustees decided she was not suitable for our Group. The vet bills also included flu jabs for Blue Jack & May as well as farrier fees.

As always, I would like to thank Helene, our coach, for her enthusiasm and support. Thanks also to all our wonderful volunteers at riding sessions, at shows and events and for talking to others about our group. I would also like to welcome our new enthusiastic volunteers. We would not be able to operate and continue our growth without the generous time, help and support you all give.