

NORFOLK COAST RDA ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

TRUSTEES REPORT for the period ended 31 March 2021

Trustees

Mrs A. M. C. Brownlow (Chairman)

Mrs P. M. Landale (Secretary)

Ms. Z. Tooze (Treasurer)

Mrs J. Collingridge

Claire Shopland

Mrs J Hume

Structure, Governance and Management

The Norfolk Coast RDA was formed when the North Norfolk RDA split into two groups, when the original venue closed, and two new venues were found. The Norfolk Coast RDA became a CIO-association on 22 January 2019 and was incorporated as a charity 1181672, currently operating out of The North Norfolk Riding Centre, Little Walsingham, Norfolk. The Trustees meet quarterly;. The Group have an active membership of 25 volunteers, in addition to six trustees. At the AGM there will be formal elections of new and existing Trustees.

Objectives, Activities and Public Benefit

The aim is to provide the opportunity of riding in North Norfolk for special needs children and adults who might benefit in their general health and well being. The North Norfolk Riding Centre, owner Sarah Hancock, has provided us with six lovely horses. Due to covid, the year has been unusual in that numbers riding have been varied. . We are lucky to have very supportive "carers" for our riders who have been wonderful in helping with mounting, leading and sidewalking.

Numbers have gone up and down all year. We have averaged about ten a week on two mornings.

We have three coaches and one in training and nearly 25 volunteers with a great variety of skills: two speech therapists, several teachers, a Barrister, a solicitor, a CQC worker, a council administrator, marketing expertise, several Trustees of other local and international charities and two artists. Between them they have a great variety of equine skills: racing, eventing, endurance, dressage, natural horsemanship and hacking. International event rider Piggy March (nee French) is our patron and she held a wonderful fund raising jumping clinic at Wakefield farm just before Christmas ably organised by Polly Baker. Annabel Greenwood a long time supporter and volunteer has agreed to be our President and is a fantastic support.

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TRUSTEES REPORT for the period ended 31 March 2020 (continued)

We have benefited over the past year from advice and support from several other groups: The West Norfolk, and Buckenham House, for which we are very grateful and also from Sally Campbell-Gray and Peter Tobitt.

Review of financial activities

Fund raising activities were curtailed over the year due to covid restrictions but we managed to hold a few fund raising events. We received a generous donation from the Gurney family with which we purchased an arena mirror.

- Dressage competition
- Sales of second hand tack and donation bucket at Marsham Saddlery
- Sales of Christmas cards and branded clothing
- Donation from Piggy March's demonstration evening.

Risk management

The Trustees formally considered the various risks to which the Charity is exposed and has taken the appropriate steps to mitigate these risks. COVID-19 has obviously had a disruptive effect on our activities but, with minimal overheads, the charity is financially well placed to withstand the disruption.

NORFOLK COAST RDA ACCOUNTS PERIOD April 1 2020 - March 31, 2021

Carried FWD **56,431.41**

INCOME

DONATIONS 532.00

SALES 230.50

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES 3,224.67

TOTAL INCOME **3,987.17**

EXPENDITURE

ADMIN 390.00

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES 1,865.63

FUNDRAISING 1,916.80

VOLUNTEERS 95.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURE **4,267.43**

ANNUAL SURPLUS **-280.26**

Carried FWD **56,431.41**

TOTAL SURPLUS **56,151.15**

Balance Sheet March 31 2021

Cash on Hand PC 29.15

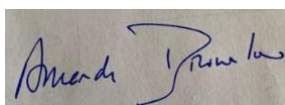
Bank Balance Bank 56,122.00

Debts outstanding -

Creditors Outstanding -

TOTAL **56,151.15**

Discrepancy **0.00**



Amanda Brownlow
Chairman, Norfolk Coast Riding for the Disabled
September 2021



Zena Tooze
Treasurer, Norfolk Coast Riding for the Disabled

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It has been a strange year for everyone but we managed to recommence riding after lockdown (the first to do so in Norfolk) and with strict rules enforced by the COVID Risk Assessment, we managed to operate on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Our helpers worked on a one to one basis with riders and we managed to train carers to mount, dismount and sidewalk so we were able to accommodate all riders who wished to continue to ride. It was a delight to welcome Thornage Hall riders back although sad that Simon rejoined Holt Hub on Wednesdays, so was unable to continue. With the change to Tuesday this year for Thornage Hall, hopefully he will return to riding. We were delighted to have Karen back riding independently with Lisette. Gabe and Len have gone from strength to strength, both have moved up a size in horse and we have new riders in Louise and Hannah, who are doing really well. The riders have definitely benefitted from one to one tuition and Len and Hannah have achieved their Level 3 in Riding and Horsecare which is excellent, tested and passed by Mary Allbrook from Worstead and District RDA.

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Gabe and Hannah have continued to ride with Sarah at North Norfolk Riding Centre throughout the summer and photos from parents show that they are continuing to improve so we will be deciding on next steps for them this term. Joe left us last year but he has also been riding at the riding school and will return to us next term. Some new helpers and riders are joining us next term so we are looking forward to meeting them.

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Zena has started her training to be a pink coach and under Amanda's mentorship she has conducted some excellent lessons for Gabe, also Lisette and Karen. Helen has given several coaching sessions and judged some tests during the year, which has been most helpful. Our Chairman's organizational skills have been instrumental in achieving our success as we have been given specific tasks and duties, allowing us all to operate safely and successfully.

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Sara
8 September 2021

