

NAME: **TOPSHAM SWIMMING POOL
ASSOCIATION
(CHARITABLE INCORPORATED
ORGANISATION)**

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ADDRESS: **FORE STREET
TOPSHAM
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DEVON
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ACCOUNTS: **FOR THE YEAR
TO 31ST DECEMBER 2023**

Topsham Swimming Pool Association

For the year ended 31st December 2023

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Topsham Swimming Pool Association

Charity Information for the year ended 31st December 2023

Charity Name: *Topsham Swimming Pool Association*

Registered Charity No. *1183843*

Address: *Fore Street
Topsham
Exeter
Devon
EX3 0HF*

Trustees: *Elizabeth Trevelyan (Chairperson)
Sharon Orchard (Secretary)
David Richardson (Treasurer)
Guy Harrill
Kathryn James
Jacqueline Minto
Peter Tapp
Alan Thomas
Jane Thomas
Sharon Wannell
Derek Whittingham
Dorothy Whittingham*

Topsham Swimming Pool Association

Trustees Report for the year ending 31st December 2023

The Trustees present their report together with financial statements covering the year ending 31st December 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with appropriate accounting policies and comply with the Charities Trust Deed and the Charities Act 2011 the Statement of Recommended Practice. Accounting reporting by Charities Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Topsham Swimming Pool Association is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which commenced on the 11th June 2019 with assets and liabilities transferred from the previous Charity no. 271140.

The main objects of the CIO is to promote within the local community swimming activities in the open air and it is operated as a not for profit charity by the Board of Trustees.

The pool is open from Easter until September of each year and it fully supports a swimming club together with various schools who are involved in teaching their local children.

The charity also supports a thriving early morning swimming club which operates between the Easter and summer opening times.

The charity employs suitably qualified lifeguards throughout the season who have been trained by the Royal Life Saving Society and are remunerated in accordance with the appropriate terms and conditions.

The pool was originally opened in 1979 and it is the heart of the local community where they can enjoy swimming in the open air during the season running from Easter until September on a daily basis.

The report was approved by the Trustees on the 22nd February 2024.

.....*John Truvelyan*.....
Chairperson

.....*S. Croud*.....
Secretary

Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)

Charity Commission Registration Number 1183843

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Topsham Swimming Association
for the year to 31st December 2023**

I report on the financial statements of the Trust for the year to 31st December 2023 as set out on pages 4-8.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. 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 this report and for no other purpose. 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 work for this report or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. The charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- 1. examine the financial statements under Section 145 of the 2011 Act.*
- 2. 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*
- 3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention*

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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from the 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 financial statement present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)

Charity Commission Registration Number 1183843

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Topsham Swimming Association
for the year to 31st December 2023 (Cont.)

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act, and
 - To prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;

have not been met; or

- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Mr T V Mills FFA
T V Mills & Co
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Exeter
Devon
EX4 4JA

7 February 2024

Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)
Receipts and Payments Accounts

		<u>Year to</u> <u>31.12.23</u>	<u>Year to</u> <u>31.12.22</u>
	<i>Note</i>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Pool Operating Account</u>	2		
Pool Usage		129592	97112
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Staff Costs		47725	30126
Gas		11789	7705
Electricity		17554	12380
Water Charges		8291	7471
Insurance		4949	4593
Chemicals		10085	8449
Cleaning		254	1072
Maintenance	3	11622	14633
Rubbish Removal		196	157
Telephone		442	380
Printing & Stationery		50	220
Advertising		--	--
Professional Fees	4	2741	1590
Sundries	7	496	614
Clothing Expenses		--	211
Donations		--	--
Depreciation		8425	7537
Card Fees		1252	987
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		125871	98125
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Operating Surplus/Loss		3721	(1013)
		<hr/>	<hr/>
<u>General Revenue</u>			
Vending Surplus		1671	1736
Equipment Surplus		1096	60
Bank/Building Society Interest		492	227
Grants	6	1170	--
General Donations & Gift Aid	5	7844	2801
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		12273	4824
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Overall Surplus for the Year		15994	3811
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Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)
Balance Sheet at 31st December 2023

	<i>Note</i>	<u>Year to</u> <u>31.12.23</u> £	<u>Year to</u> <u>31.12.22</u> £
<u>Fixed Assets</u>			
Pool and Buildings	1	287766	287097
Plant and Equipment	1	62394	63543
Furniture and Fixtures	1	13625	9895
		<hr/> 363785	<hr/> 360535
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Virgin Account		87038	86549
Lloyds Bank Treasurer's Account		32157	42101
Lloyds Reserve Account		25003	--
Cash in Hand		141	--
		<hr/> 144339	<hr/> 128650
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Sundry Creditors	8	(2971)	(26)
		<hr/> (2971)	<hr/> (26)
<u>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</u>			
		<hr/> <hr/> 505153	<hr/> <hr/> 489159
<u>The Funds of the Charity</u>			
General Reserve at 31.12.22		489159	485348
Add Surplus for Year		15994	3811
		<hr/> 505153	<hr/> 489159

.....*Elizabeth Trevelyan*.....
Elizabeth Trevelyan – Chairperson

Date: *29-02-2024*

Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)
Notes to Accompany Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet

Note 1

	<i>Pool & Buildings</i>	<i>Plant & Equipment Cost up to 2013</i>	<i>Plant & Equipment Cost 2014 onwards</i>	<i>Furniture & Fixtures</i>	<i>Total</i>
<u>Cost/Valuation</u>					
<i>At 31 December 2022</i>	287097	58487	52392	30114	428090
<i>Additions</i>	669	--	3885	7121	11675
<i>Disposals/Loss</i>	--	--	--	--	--
<i>At 31 December 2023</i>	287766	58487	56277	37235	439765
<u>Depreciation</u>					
		<i>5% of NBV</i>	<i>10% SL</i>	<i>20% SL</i>	
<i>At 31 December 2022</i>	--	24325	23011	20219	67555
<i>Charge for Year</i>	--	1708	3326	3391	8425
<i>On disposals</i>	--	--	--	--	--
<i>At 31 December 2023</i>	--	26033	26337	23610	75980
<u>NBV</u>					
<i>At 31 December 2023</i>	287766	32454	29940	13625	363785
<i>At 31 December 2022</i>	287097	34162	29381	9895	360535

Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)
Notes to the Financial Statements for the year to 31st December 2023

Note 2 – Pool Usage

Pool Takings	89962
Donation – Nutters Club	21500
Donation – Swimming Club	5000
Pool Parties/School Swimming Lessons	13130
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	129592
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Note 3 – Maintenance - £10898 (Costs over £500 reported)

Pool Maintenance & Repairs	9223
Support Software	825
Equipment Rental	850
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	10898
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Note 4 – Professional Fees £2741

T V Mills & Co.	1248
Water Quality Testing Charges	1493
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	2741
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Note 5 – General Donations and Gift Aid (Main Income £7844)

Fund Raising	580
Co-operative Community Fund Scheme	2165
Inland Revenue Gift Aid	361
Sundry Donations	238
Frank Page	200
A Yates	800
Sport England via Ashburton	2000
Topsham Repair Centre	500
Topsham Fayre	1000
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	7844
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Topsham Swimming Pool Association (CIO)
Notes to the Financial Statements for the year to 31st December 2023

Note 6 – Grant £1170

<i>ECC Grant</i>	345
<i>Norman Trust</i>	825
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	1170
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Note 7 – Sundries £496

<i>Volunteers' End of Season Party and AGM</i>	496
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	496
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Note 8 – Sundry Creditors

<i>Includes outstanding payment due for purchase of new inflatable</i>	2945
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	2945
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Topsham Pool AGM Chair's Report – 27th March 2024

It is good to see so many people here tonight – Topsham pool is important to all of us for different reasons – exercise, mental health, social contact, public service - giving a bit of ourselves back to the community.

2023 was the first year of me being Chairperson and it has been a busy interesting year.

Firstly, let me say a huge thank you to all our volunteers who keep this pool going. Our desk receptionists, who encounter both enthusiasm & smiles to complaints and unfortunately sometimes abuse in their desk duties. Our Lifeguards who have the immense task of keeping us all safe when in the pool, To all our customers – without them the pool would not be still operating after 45 years.

Also thank you to the Trustees, whose responsibility it is to run the pool and secure its future – this year 2 felt they could not commit the amount of time that is needed to be an effective Trustee so Vicky & Peter Tapp have resigned - thank you to them for their contribution over the years. Vicky has been involved with the pool since a young child as her father was an active committee member for many years and Peter as her husband volunteered too.

Last year we were opened on Good Friday by The Lord Mayor & Town Crier. They presented Derek Whittingham, our President with a long service award for all his hard work since the pool opened in 1979. I would also like to thank Derek for all the support he has given me over the past year.

Derek is known as the face of Topsham Pool and when Derek had his hip replacement last year, I'm sure the surgeon found the words Topsham Pool running through his bones like Blackpool rock. Of course, behind every good man is an equally good woman and Dot and Derek have worked tirelessly to ensure Topsham had a functioning swimming pool by fund raising, building, running the pool. Their knowledge has been invaluable to me.

The pool's day starts with the Nutter's Club – an adult only club with over 300 members – they have the pleasure of seeing the sun rise and the steam rising from the pool – very ethereal.

Local schools then bring their Year 3 to 6 pupils for swimming lessons so they can achieve swimming 25 metres as set down on the National Curriculum.

After lunch the two hourly public sessions start and last year we had over 20,000 swimmers and spectators through our doors.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays Swim Club welcomes children over the age of 5 years for 12 weeks of swimming lessons and it is great to see how the children progress in confidence and ability.

Our busiest session of the week is Saturday morning when the giant inflatable is available for young people to play on. It is a fun session which helps children develop jumping, climbing, balancing skills as well as confidence in and under the water when they fall off or slide into the water. Our inflatable was quite old and had been patched up many times – then nearly at the end of the season it went pop and the split in the slide part was too big to be repaired so fundraising was started to buy a new one

Last year, for the first time, as a trial, the pool has opened from September to December for weekend cold water swimming. This move was a result of so many requests for the pool to stay open in the winter and provide an alternative place for sea swimmers to go when the sea is rough and polluted by storm overflow. This proved very popular and 1100 swimmers have braved the elements with lifeguards trained in the hazards of cold-water swimming. The comments in our comments book have been so positive.

Our previous plant operator Benji who did a marvelous job last year recommended a programme of works to be done in the plant room to update our machinery so the pool could be run more efficiently and hopefully reduce some of our energy bills which is always welcome. He started this work but then moved on so Derek and I have been meeting with pool experts & tradesmen - I have learnt so much about the pool - filters, boilers, solar panels. Who knew that the pool contains 375 cubic metres of water and the water turnover rate is 4.6 hours – I do now!!!

We now await this work to be done

Looking forward to this year - on 31st July the pool has been operating for 45 years – that is a Sapphire anniversary so there will be celebrations and special events that week as well as events throughout the season.