

Cambridge College Riding for the Disabled Association

Reg charity no : 1187740

Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2023

Structure and objects of the charity

On 1st April 2021 the charity took over the activities of Cambridge College Riding for the Disabled Association (reg no 1074429) having registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 4th February 2020. The group promotes the objects of the national body Riding for the Disabled including Carriage Driving charity (reg no 244108) and has been active since 1998 providing riding for the disabled and people with special needs at the College of West Anglia, Milton, Cambridgeshire.

Trustees

The charity's activities are overseen by a board of Trustees consisting of :

Gillian Newsum – Chair and coach

Joe Ward – Treasurer

Mavis Bishop – Secretary

Gay Redman - President

Kathryn McGennity - coach

Dr Sarah Williams – safeguarding officer and volunteer co-ordinator

Giuseppe Cassettari - fundraising

Tomoko Sembongi – coach and horse welfare

Anne Harley – appointed 14th June 2022, fundraising

During the year Kate Hollis (28th September 2022) and Gillian Riviere (11th January 2023) resigned as Trustees and Pippa Corney was appointed by the Trustees. The appointment to be ratified at the AGM.

The Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustees and approved by the members at the AGM. The intention is to ensure there is sufficient expertise amongst the Trustees to ensure all activities of the group are properly overseen and carried out (rider and horse welfare, management of volunteers, finance, and governance), along with compliance with RDA UK's requirements regarding insurance, training, health and safety and risk management.

Activities in year

The group provides lessons once a week for about sixteen disabled young adult riders during the College term times. During the year the group took on five new riders. These lessons improve their confidence, health, mobility and social skills. During the year twelve of the riders took part in the RDA East Region Qualifier competitions and nine of these qualified for the RDA National Championships.

Thanks primarily to a generous donation from the Peter O'Sullivan Trust the group acquired a new pony and now have six to call upon. The group also currently has sixteen volunteers who help with the riders and horses. There are no paid employees.

Financial Review

Financial activities in the year to 31st March 2023 were :

Income	£ 23,296
Expenditure	18,683

Increase in reserves	£ 4,613
 Reserves b/f	 £ 90,375

Reserves c/f	£ 94,988

 Financed by :	
 Bank accounts	 £ 25,054
Investments at cost	69,934

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The market value of the group's investments were £84,733 at 31st March 2023 (2022 - £89,619).

Reserves policy

The group aims to cover its day to day costs from the income earned from its investments, donations from its riders, Gift Aid reclaimed, and 200 Club. It also seeks other donations to cover any unforeseen costs but more particularly to build up reserves to cover the costs of replacing or introducing new ponies. At 31st March 2023 this reserve stood at £ 12,417.

Report approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by :

Signature :



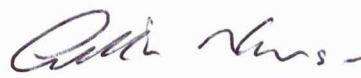
Name : Joe Ward

Position : Treasurer

Date : 4/7/23

Gillian Newsum

Chair


4/7/23