

**Ryedale Agricultural Society**

**RYEDALE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

**Charity No. 1189568**

**Trustees Report and Accounts  
For the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**

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**Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements**  
**for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**

Period covered, from 01/11/2022 to 31/10/2023

<b>Charity name</b>	Ryedale Agricultural Society
<b>Charity registration number</b>	1189568
<b>Trustees</b>	W N Baldwin N J Hargrave S T Stonehouse C Leckenby R Myers
<b>President</b>	D Wass
<b>Chairman</b>	R Wood
<b>Show Directors</b>	C Leckenby T Scaling
<b>General Secretary</b>	K Sirr-Hovendon
<b>Treasurer</b>	K Sirr-Hovendon
<b>Registered Office</b>	The Show Office 2 Market Place Kirkbymoorside York YO62 6BB
<b>Telephone</b>	07984 939701
<b>Bankers</b>	Barclays Bank Plc 23 Yorkersgate Malton North Yorkshire YO17 7AE
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Hallgarth Accountants Ltd Chartered Accountants 2 Hallgarth Pickering North Yorkshire YO18 7AW

## **Ryedale Agricultural Society**

### **Objectives and Activities**

To promote, advance and improve for the benefit of the public agriculture, horticulture and rural crafts and skills in all their branches by the improvement of livestock and the demonstration and showing of livestock, machinery, crafts, products, methods and processes connected with agriculture and agricultural education in particular, by the holding of an annual show.

### **Public Benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

### **Achievements and Performance – a message from the Trustees**

What a baptism of fire for our new Secretary! Everyone who was on the show field on the Sunday evening before the show were horrified by the conditions. It was noted and appreciated that William Shaw wanted the show to go on. This decision was rewarded, as we were blessed with a good drying day on the Monday, which made an unbelievable difference to the showground. Despite the trying conditions everyone pulled together, which is what makes the Ryedale Show so special.

Behind the scenes, the new structure of the Ryedale Agricultural Society is coming together and Keira has put in place new policies regarding how everyone is treated, in line with Charity Commission requirements, available for all to access on the new team area of our website.

The Trustees would like to express their thanks to the F&GP committee and all the Section Secretaries for their sterling work this year, especially as for some this was their first year in charge. Our grateful thanks also go to all our stewards and volunteers, without whom there would be no Ryedale Show.

### **Financial Review**

The total show day income for the year was £161,080 (2022: £137,749) with other operating income being £11,438 (2022: £14,158). Direct show day expenditure totalled £116,183 (2022: £104,021) with overheads being £35,462 (2022: £27,567). Charitable donations were also paid to the total of £4,700 (2022: £4,500). This left the Charity with an overall surplus of £16,173 (2022: £15,819).

Fund balances at period end amounted to £151,912 (2022: £135,739).

### **Reserve Policy**

The reserves of the charity are those that are freely available to be spent in pursuing the charity's objectives. The trustees consider it necessary to hold reserves to protect against fluctuations in income and expenditure, unforeseen events such as pandemic, animal disease, or extreme weather events causing cancellation of the show.

## **Ryedale Agricultural Society**

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **Constitution**

The Ryedale Agricultural Society is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered by the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020. The governing documents of the charity are the CIO foundation model constitution, which is a constitution of a CIO whose only voting members are its charity trustees.

#### **Organisational structure**

The trustees have appointed a Show Council, made up of experienced volunteers with skills and knowledge necessary to the organisation of the Ryedale Show. New Council members are proposed by existing members and appointed by the trustees.

The Finance and General Purpose Committee (F&GP) has been created by the trustees and is structured as follows:

- Three council representatives from each of the designated areas of Pickering, Kirkbymoorside and Helmsley.
- The charity trustees.
- Section Secretaries by invitation.
- Show Directors.

The purpose of the F&GP is to act as a steering group in organising Ryedale Show on behalf of the society and the wider show council.

#### **Declarations**

The Trustees Report was approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Mr S. Stonehouse

Mr Stephen Stonehouse  
Trustee

Dated: 4 March 2024

## **Independent Examiners' Report to The Members of the Board of Management**

We report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

### **Respective Responsibilities of the Members of the Board of Management and Examiner**

As the Charity's Members of the Board of Management, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the **Charities Act 2011** (the 2011 Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

### **Basis of independent examiners' report**

Our 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 accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Members of the Board of Management concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### **Independent examiners' statement**

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

(1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements:

- to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met: or

(2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs H Raine ACA  
Hallgarth Accountants Limited, Chartered Accountants  
2 Hallgarth,  
Pickering,  
North Yorkshire  
YO18 7AW

Dated: .....

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**Income and Expenditure Account**

**For the Year ended 31 October 2023**

	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Show Day</b>				
Income per Notes		161,080		137,749
Expenditure per Notes		<u>(116,183)</u>		<u>(104,021)</u>
		44,897		33,728
Membership	9,405		12,473	
Investment Income	1,373		1,274	
Donations/ Misc. Income	270		385	
Bank Interest	390	11,438	26	14,158
		<u>56,335</u>		<u>47,886</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Secretarial Honorariums & Expenses	10,674		4,950	
Staffing Services	14,357		12,092	
Insurance	2,964		2,817	
Software Support	3,850		2,914	
Accountancy Fees	552		528	
Bank & Card Charges	969		1,793	
	<u>33,366</u>		<u>25,094</u>	
<b>Equipment and Improvements</b>				
Depreciation	2,096	(35,462)	2,473	(27,567)
<b>Surplus/ (Deficit) for the Year</b>		<u>20,873</u>		<u>20,319</u>
<b>Less: Donations</b>				
Ryedale Lions	1,500		1,500	
Pickering Rotary Club	1,700		1,500	
Friends of St Gregory's Minster	1,500	(4,700)	1,500	(4,500)
<b>Surplus for the Year</b>		<u><u>16,173</u></u>		<u><u>15,819</u></u>

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## Notes to the Accounts as at 31 October 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income:</b>				
Gate Receipts		91,003		77,295
Entry Fees		13,087		11,532
Sponsorship		5,225		4,400
Trade Stands		39,218		32,143
Catering		12,547		12,379
		<u>161,080</u>		<u>137,749</u>
<b>Expenditure:</b>				
Prize Money, Rosettes & Trophies		21,091		20,192
Hire Charges:				
Marquees and Equipment	39,417		39,510	
Public Address	1,891		1,677	
Course Building	850		5,395	
Toilets	<u>7,921</u>	50,079	<u>6,547</u>	53,129
Medical/ Ambulance		2,175		3,212
Catering		6,952		7,884
Judges Expenses		1,267		1,379
Site Maintenance & Security		19,523		10,092
Room Hire		2,942		1,197
Water Rates		148		97
Advertising		1,031		760
Subscriptions		1,403		251
PPS & Telephone		5,824		3,286
Sundry Overheads		640		304
Traffic Management		<u>3,108</u>		<u>2,238</u>
		<u>116,183</u>		<u>104,021</u>

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## Balance Sheet as at 31 October 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
<b>Equipment</b>		
Balance brought forward	10,479	11,868
Additions	1,494	1,083
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation for the year	(2,096)	(2,473)
Balance carried forward	9,877	10,478
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Barclays Bank Plc		
Business Premium Account	16,348	75,958
Current Account	62,983	1,828
Capital Fund - at Cost	2,850	2,850
(Value at 30.06.2023 - £69,204)		
J M Finn & Co - At Cost	45,000	45,000
(Value at 31.10.23 - £101,259)		
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Cash in Hand	338	212
PayPal	56	56
Debtors	17,877	-
	155,329	136,382
<b>Less: Current Liabilities</b>		
Sundry Creditors	(3,417)	(643)
	151,912	135,739
<b>Represented by:</b>		
<b>Society Fund Account - Unrestricted</b>		
Balance brought forward	135,739	119,919
Surplus for the year	16,173	15,819
Balance carried forward	151,912	135,739