

Ludlow and District Riding for the Disabled Association

Registered under Charity Number 1191318

A Member of the Riding for the Disabled Association incorporating Carriage Driving

Registered under Charity number 244108

Trustees Annual Report Financial Year ended 31st March 2021

Ludlow and District Riding for the Disabled Association, (also known as Ludlow & District RDA), became an independent charity on 1st April 1999. The constitution is the standard constitution of the Riding for the Disabled Association, first adopted at a meeting on the 19th November 1998.

During 2011 Ludlow and District Group merged with Leominster Group and approximately 20 riders and the assets were transferred.

Following an Extraordinary General Meeting in February 2020, Ludlow & District RDA applied for, and was successful in becoming an incorporated organisation in September 2020. It was unanimously agreed at the EGM that, if successful, all current and future assets and liabilities would be transferred to the new Charity. This was done in September and the new Charity number was adopted. A new constitution, again the standard constitution of the Riding for the Disabled Association, was also adopted.

The trustees manage the day to day running of the Group and are appointed or reappointed at the Annual General Meeting held each autumn. Members are advised at General Meetings that new Trustees are always welcomed. On occasion individual members are approached. The Trustees during the year to 31st March 2021 were as follows:

Denise Cottom – elected Chairman

Margaret Anderson – elected Secretary

Diane Sisley – elected Treasurer

Catherine Whitlock

Peter Dickin

The charity's correspondence address is Old Harpfields, Burford, Tenbury Wells, WR15 8HP.

The Groups' Bankers throughout the year were Barclays Bank, 3 King Street, Ludlow, SY8 1AJ.

The Association's cash assets as at 31st March 2021 were £33,030.58.

The aim of Ludlow & District RDA is to provide disabled adults and children with the opportunity to ride and drive, to benefit their health and wellbeing, in Ludlow and the surrounding area. These activities took place at North Farm Riding Establishment, Ludlow, but were severely reduced this year due to the Coronavirus pandemic, with only a very limited amount of riding and no carriage driving. However, 74 rides took place, providing huge respite to those participants we were able to accommodate after the lockdown restrictions. The charity has no employees and so is entirely reliant on voluntary helpers. During the year there were approximately 35 volunteers without whom the Group would be unable to function and the trustees are extremely grateful for their help and perseverance during this challenging year. They receive training to enable them to carry out their roles with participants and horses, and are invaluable in helping with the fundraising required to enable the Group to carry out its' prime objectives. They also receive Safeguarding training and are all DBS checked, as required.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the trustees.

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| Signature | | |
| Full name | Denise Cottom | |
| Position | Chair | |
| Date | | |

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Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2021

| | <u>Year to</u> <u>31.03.21</u> | | <u>Year to</u> <u>31.03.20</u> | |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| <u>Income</u> | | | | |
| Riding Contributions | 1,329.00 | | 16,518.00 | |
| Driving Contributions | - | | 419.00 | |
| Fundraising | 100.00 | | 2,434.74 | |
| Donations | 3,498.63 | | 6,217.79 | |
| 100 Club | 107.00 | | 570.00 | |
| Interest Received | 29.59 | | 67.04 | |
| Gift Aid | 1,400.00 | 6,464.22 | - | 26,226.57 |
| <u>Expenditure</u> | | | | |
| Riding Costs | 2,175.00 | | 23,222.00 | |
| Driving Costs | - | | 174.00 | |
| RDA Membership and Insurance | 975.00 | | 975.00 | |
| Administration Costs | 89.00 | | 264.60 | |
| Horse Costs | 2,028.20 | | 154.42 | |
| Training and Assessment | 150.00 | | 157.50 | |
| Repairs and Maintenance | 687.10 | | 1,082.03 | |
| AGM Costs | - | | 250.00 | |
| Sundry Expenses | 135.18 | | 607.95 | |
| Arena Ground Rent | 52.00 | 6,291.48 | 208.00 | 27,095.50 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year | | £172.74 | | (£868.93) |

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2021

| | <u>31.03.21</u> | | <u>31.03.20</u> | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | |
| Barclays Bank | 30,554.09 | | 29,828.23 | |
| National Savings | 2,477.49 | | 2,459.78 | |
| Cash in Hand | 105.00 | | 545.83 | |
| Sundry Debtors | 104.00 | 33,240.58 | 1,680.00 | 34,513.84 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | | |
| Sundry Creditors | | 210.00 | | 1,656.00 |
| | | £33,030.58 | | £32,857.84 |
| Represented by: | | | | |
| Balance brought forward | | 32,857.84 | | 33,726.77 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | | 172.74 | | (868.93) |
| | | £33,030.58 | | £32,857.84 |

