

BLOOD BIKES WALES

England & Wales · Charity number 1201700

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Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2023-01-24
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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND PROTECT HEALTH BY THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORT OF BLOOD, DRUGS, HUMAN TISSUES, AND OTHER MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS BETWEEN HOSPITALS, BLOOD TRANSFUSION BANKS, AND OTHER MEDICAL FACILITIES, IN PARTICULAR BUT WITHOUT LIMITATION, TO ASSIST THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, PRIMARILY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY IN WALES

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£305,646	£221,754	-	-
2024-03-31	£240,672	£187,587	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Neil Prescott	Chair	2024-11-09
Christoher Mark Naylor		2025-06-28
Christopher Jones		2023-01-24
Helen Rees-Jones		2023-01-24
Ian Davies		2023-10-14
Jason Stewart Hall		2024-11-09
June Diane Jones		2024-11-09
Lesley Isaacs-Penny		2023-01-24
Mark Snatchfold		2023-01-24
Paul Abraham		2025-04-07
Paul hughes		2023-01-24
ROY CHANDLER		2023-01-24
Ray Rand		2023-01-24

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Annual Report & Accounts 2024/25



Chair's Report

I am pleased to present the Blood Bikes Wales Annual Report for the year 2024-25. This has been my first term as Chair of our fantastic Charity and I am amazed and humbled by the amount of effort so many of you give to make our mission such a success.

Our service has continued to grow since last year, we have completed more jobs, covered more miles and given more of our free time than before in our mission to help the NHS as well as continued fund raising efforts and PR events giving us financial security in very difficult times. More importantly we have saved lives and genuinely improved outcomes for many people across Wales and without all of you this wouldn't have been possible.

As we reflect on the many successes of the last year and the continued growth of our Charity I would like you all to turn an eye to the future. The only certain thing in this world is that things will change and we must be careful not to get left behind or get caught out by sudden change we had not prepared for.

Myself and my fellow Trustees are committed to making our Charity more open and transparent and to give as many opportunities to our volunteers to contribute to the development we are undertaking. We want to hear your opinions and help you get involved in the management of our Charity so, please, do not be shy in stepping forwards if you feel you can help us.

Finally, I would ask that each one of you takes every opportunity to share the great stories we have to tell, help grow the reputation of Blood Bikes Wales and spread the word and understanding across Wales. We need to reinvigorate our existing membership to continue giving their time as freely as they have done and also encourage new membership into our Charity. What we do is truly amazing.

Thank you all for what you have done over the last year and I look forward to the next year and what we can continue to achieve.

Take Care,

Neil Prescott
Chair

“ Thank you for your commitment and volunteering to help.”

(Anonymous donor)

Vice-Chair's Report

Review of the Year and the Charity

During the financial year 01/04/24 to 31/3/2025 our charity provided **free courier** transportation to **7 Health Boards** within Wales. This was done by our fleet of **22** motor bikes which are based in **9** localities across Wales. We do this with the backup of the generosity of our supporters through donations and fundraising.

Every week our volunteer Controllers covered **21** shifts equaling **120** hours. Our volunteer riders covered **90** shifts totalling **557.5** hours. Some days we were asked for extra rider shifts to cover urgent ad hoc jobs. So let's round this figure up to the nearest 100 including both roles:

700 volunteer hours given each week, 52 weeks of the year =
36,400 hours given freely to help the NHS in Wales every year.
Throughout the year we collected and delivered **3,920 Scheduled** jobs.

These "scheduled" jobs are the agreed regular daily/weekly commitment to individual health boards working to a prearranged timetable. They include such things as the onward transportation of samples taken at doctors' surgeries for testing in the pathology labs at the regional hospital.

Our next most used service was **Ad Hoc** requests: Urgent calls asking for jobs to be expedited for quicker results. These include: blood, urine, spinal fluid, stem cell samples, the conveyance of pharmaceuticals from one hospital pharmacy to another and sometimes medical equipment or patients' notes which are left behind after transfer!

2,732 Ad Hoc jobs were completed throughout the year!

A couple of years ago we agreed to help Public Health Wales with the transportation of "time sensitive" **Sepsis** samples. These samples are collected from the "hot labs" in both Morriston, Princess of Wales and Prince Charles hospitals, and delivered to the "hot lab" in Singleton Hospital and Royal Glamorgan Hospital for further testing. Speedier testing and faster diagnosis is crucial for the treatment of Sepsis. During 2024-25 we helped this much needed service with the transportation and delivery of over **200 samples**.

Human Donated Milk

One of the services that many people who are new to "what we do" have never heard about is our transportation of **Human Donor Milk**.

Wales can proudly boast of having 3 Milk Banks: **Chester, Singleton and Glan Clwyd**. Blood Bikes Wales is pleased to be associated with and helping all three. Sometimes we are delivering to them, other times collecting for delivery to Neonatal units throughout Wales. But these aren't the only "milk banks" from where we collect. We have a fantastic group of human donors called **MOTHERS** who contact the milk bank asking for a collection of milk they have produced but no longer have use for, which they have stored in their freezers ready for collection. Did you know?... *"In the first few days newborn babies need very small amounts of milk, around 5-7 ml per feed. This increases as they grow, with most babies needing around 150-200 ml per kilo of body weight by the end of the first week."* Last year we made **355** collections/deliveries from Mothers and milk banks totalling **1,301 litres!!!** Over to you to work out how many babies we helped feed.

Faecal Microbiota Transplantation (FMT)

FMT is a live transplant treatment deriving from a healthy person's faecal movement that is processed into an infusion that can help treat conditions such as inflammatory bowel disease, functional gastrointestinal disorders or metabolic disorders. "FMT" jobs always involve a relay with another Blood Bike group to transfer the sample to different hospitals. These are also "time sensitive" samples that have to reach the destination and recipient by an agreed time because often the patient will have been made ready for the operating table awaiting its arrival.

FMT treatments have up to 90% success rate and patients can fully recover from previous conditions. Our contribution to this vital service last year was **32** which is a commendable amount considering the number that are being completed throughout the UK.

These facts and figures are all quantifiable against records that we keep, but.....
We have many **hours given** by volunteers that are “**unrecorded.**”

Such as:

Accounting

Our accounting guru provides us with a monthly report covering all transactions and ensures we keep track of all monies received and spent!

IT Management

Without our IT system it would be extremely difficult to run this charity and certainly to produce the figures already supplied above. The hours that are given to its maintenance and update are constantly ongoing.

Back-Up Controllers

For every controller shift there is a back-up controller and a duty trustee covering the same hours.

Maintenance

Our fleet of Bikes are kept in designated lock ups and routinely maintained by designated volunteers and taken to “approved” garages for servicing and maintenance as per the bike’s handbook.

Fleet Management

Our fleet manager keeps an eagle eye on all of our bikes from a distance through his fleet management system alongside all our volunteer maintenance personnel.

Membership

We have a membership management team: a group of great volunteers ensuring that all prospective members are onboarded with relative ease and speed, some of whom have full time jobs and responsibilities.

Meetings

Every month we hold local area meetings for our volunteers to meet together, be updated with the events of the charity, and are able to give their input. Often with the chance to enjoy a drink depending on the venue!

Management

As with the local areas, the Board of Trustees along with the managers meet to discuss the needs of the Charity monthly in person at a central venue.

Merchandise

If you have ever had a talk from one of our groups or been to one of our PR events you will have seen our array of merchandise goodies! These are looked after by a volunteer area merchandiser being supplied by a central system looked after by our Merchandise Manager.

PR Events

Throughout the year we have events taking place in every area of Wales, some are regular and fixed every year, others are as and when the invite demands. We receive requests from many different organisations and groups for our attendance with bikes. Often it’s a **talk** for example to a small group of lovely people such as the Women’s Institute (those ladies love the chance to sit on a bike) but these events are counterbalanced by invitations to big events such as **RAF Valley family day** or the **Faery Fest**, Wrexham. We try to accept every invitation, the more we get the word out there, the more we can continue to grow our membership.

Rota Managers

These important volunteers ensure that as many of the shifts on the rotas as possible are covered.

The Trustees of Blood Bikes Wales would like to express a huge vote of thanks to **ALL** our volunteers who give their time so freely and so regularly.

We would also like to thank the following people who provide storage and housing for our bikes across Wales:

North West Wales: ***Myfyr Wynne Jones & family Faenol Estate***
North Wales Fire and Rescue Service (Pwllheli)

North Wales: ***The Gwersyllt Sports Club***
The Estate Management of Ysbyty Glan Clwyd

Aberystwyth: ***The National Library of Wales***

Pembrokeshire: ***Pembrokeshire County Council especially the airport staff***

Powys: ***Jeff James who has provided the storage facility and electricity to run the unit***

Carmarthen: ***The National Botanic Gardens of Wales***

Swansea Bay: ***Mid and West Wales Fire & Rescue Service***

Cwm Taf: ***Hospital Innovations, Llantrisant***

Aneurin Bevan: ***South Wales Fire and Rescue Service (Cwmbran)***

Your generosity over the past years is very much appreciated.

Those of you who know about Blood Bikes Wales and what we do will also know that we are able to offer our courier service free of charge to our NHS here in Wales because of the generous donations. These generous donations come from sources big and small. Sometimes it's a few pence dropped into a collection pot, a regular donation through a bank account, a planned fundraising project or a company/ organisation donation.

Whilst we can't thank every individual by name here, these are a few of the names that have helped us financially over the past year 2024-25:

CA Ball,
Brian's Tractor Run,
I Colloff,
DeGraaf,
Paul Devereaux,
Chris Dyson,
Karen Farrell, High Sheriff of Clwyd,
Francis Ltd,
Gladestry Pop-in Cafe,
Heeley Bryn,
Carl Kammerling,
S L Kirby,
NFU,
Newquay Memorial Hall,
R. Thompson,
South Wales Goldwings, Llandudno Goldwings,
Toyota UK,
Various Tesco and Asda Stores for allowing us to collect on their premises,
Wrexham, Whitton, Llandre, Penllwyn WI's and many others,
Young Farmers Charitable Trust.

Our membership is far greater than our active volunteer count.

Each of us gives what we can, and as a trustee, we are especially grateful for the time and commitment you, our volunteers, offer.

However ...

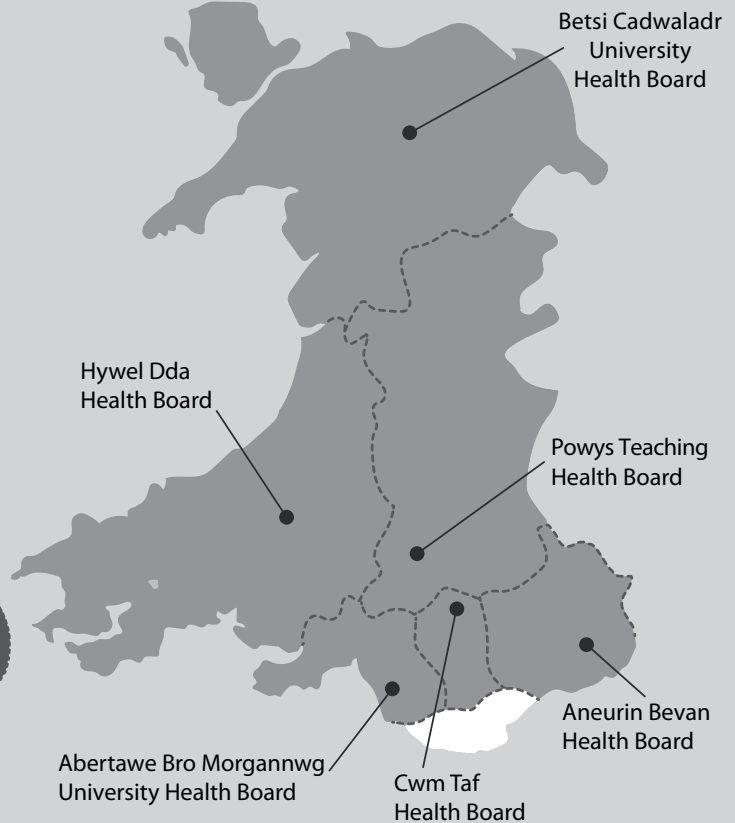
I can't help but wonder about those who participate less actively. I find myself asking:
"If volunteering isn't a priority, what drives you to be part of a volunteer organisation?"

Lesley Isaacs-Penny
Vice-Chair

Key Facts

2024-25 Deliveries completed

Figures from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025



432
members



22 bikes



391,858
miles covered



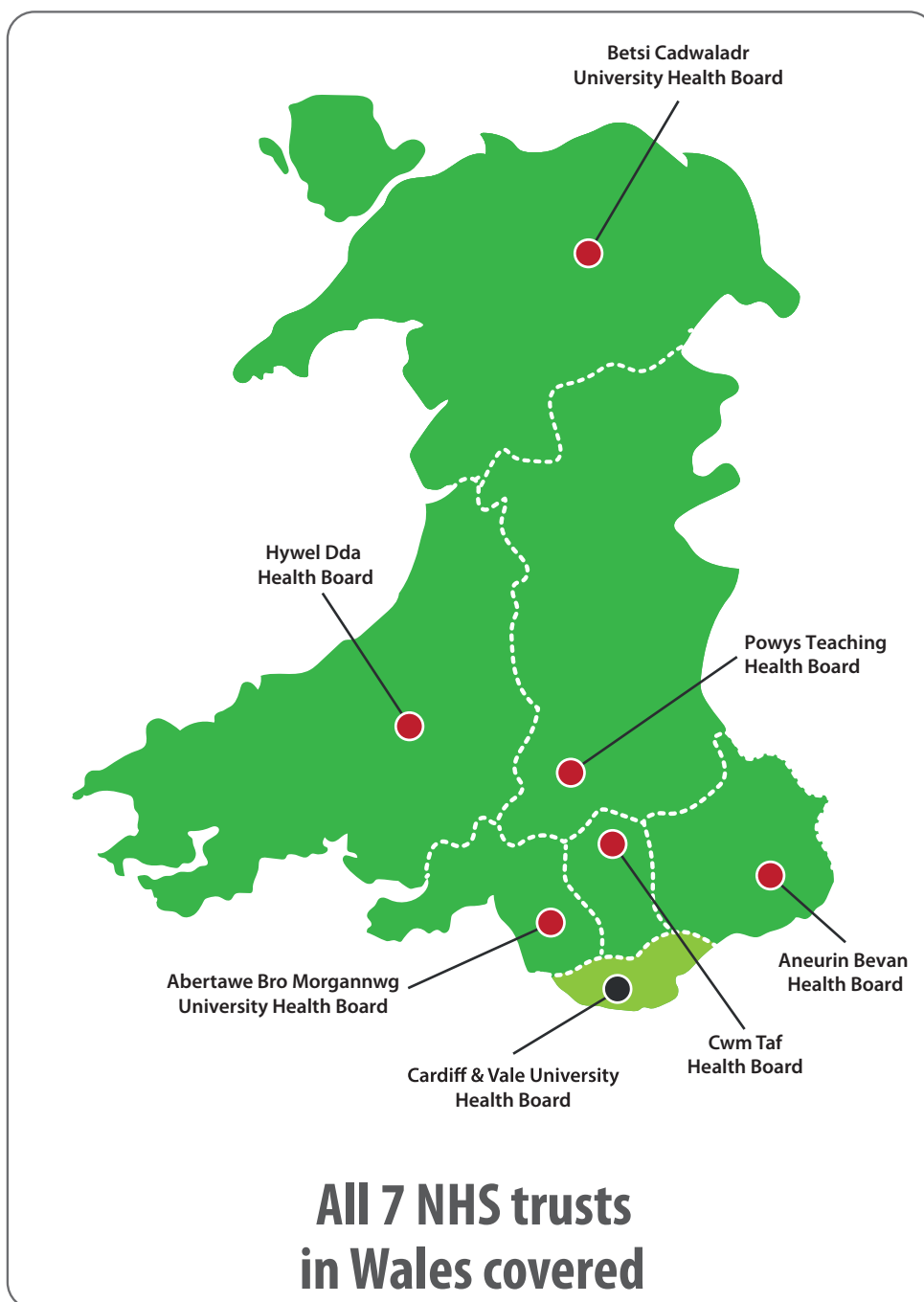
Our Core Value:

“To save transport costs for the NHS in Wales.”

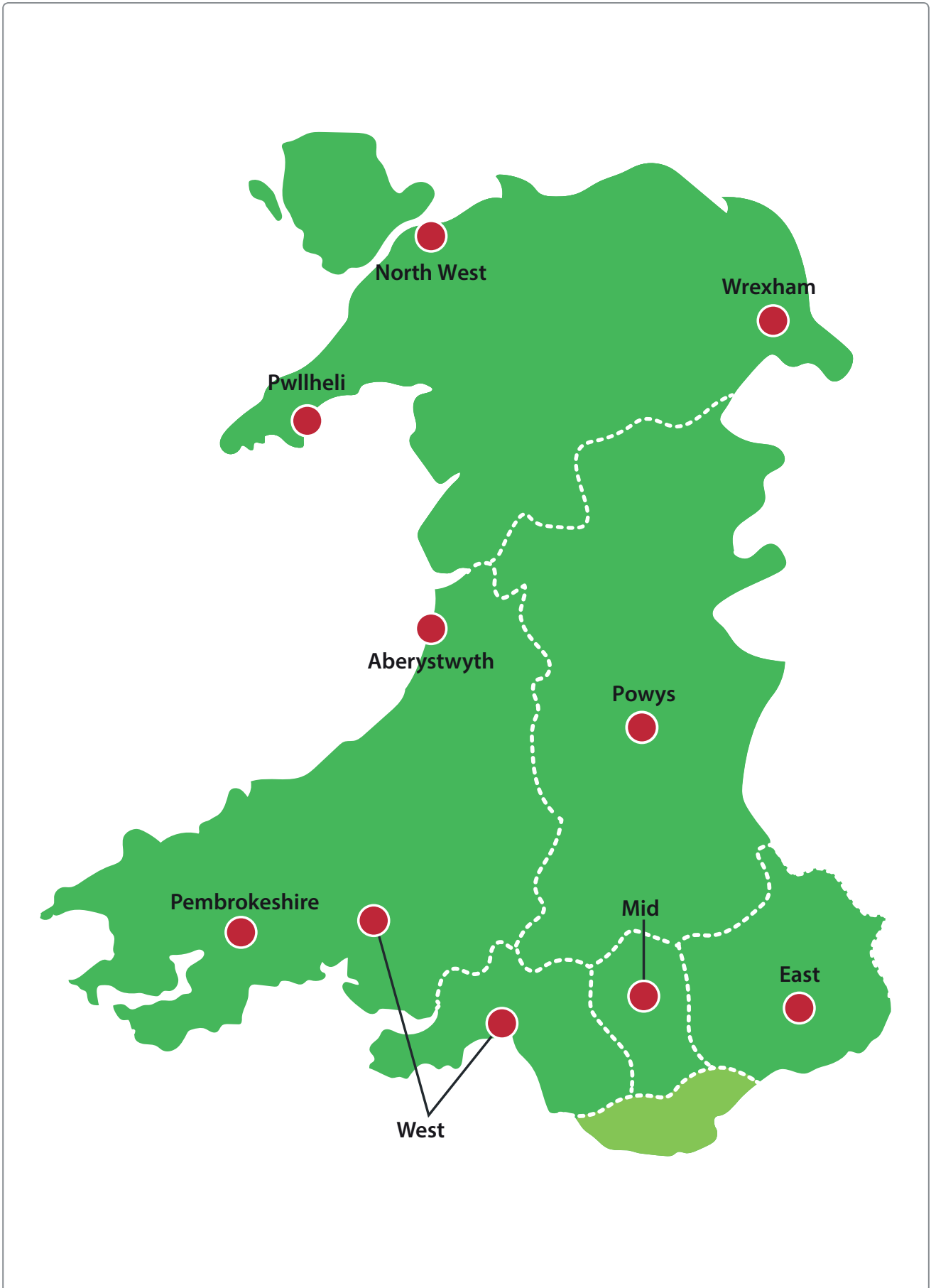
Job breakdown

Scheduled	3,920
Ad hoc	2,732
Donor Milk	355
Sepsis	200
FMT	32
Total jobs last year	7,239

Trusts



Blood Bikes Wales Regional Bases



Treasurer's Report

For the year ended 31st March 2025

The media has frequently reported the difficulties encountered by many charities due to the financial pressures on donors. The cost-of-living crisis and tougher economic conditions have left large sections of the public with less disposable income. It is a problem which we, at Blood Bikes Wales, have yet to experience. We have always been extremely fortunate in having generous and loyal supporters, both organisational and individual, who have stuck by us during even the most difficult times. In 2024/25, we benefitted from this support with income up an amazing 27%. We do try to convey our gratitude to each donor, but it is not always possible given the numbers involved. I urge every member who connects with a donor to thank them. Without such support we would not be able to continue to offer our free service to the NHS.

It is not surprising that our costs have increased, though not by as much as our income has risen. The fall in fuel prices has helped to mitigate the rise in the overall fuel expense, given the extra mileage covered last year. Our maintenance and repair bills are virtually unchanged from the previous years, perhaps reflecting more reliable and less expensive components making up our fleet. Not surprisingly, our insurance costs rose a little, by 6%, but less than the 9% quoted for the motor insurance industry as a whole.

The net result is that once again we ended the financial year in a very strong financial position. We are well placed to invest in our infrastructure, perhaps speed up our fleet replacement and improve our IT systems.

As always, I have to conclude by extending my sincere thanks to all our active members and generous supporters who have contributed to putting us in such a safe and solvent state.

Professor Roy Chandler
Treasurer



Income and Expenditure Account

For the year ended 31st March 2025

	Note	2025		2024	
		Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total £	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Collections & donations		-	304,560	304,560	237,509
Memberships		-	630	630	984
Miscellaneous income		-	173	173	443
Merchandise sales		-	283	283	1,736
		-	305,646	305,646	240,672
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Bank interest received		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		-	305,646	305,646	240,672
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities:					
Motorbike running costs	3	-	152,288	152,288	112,696
Merchandise and promotions		-	19,752	19,752	12,878
Equipment repairs & renewals		-	23,663	23,663	32,178
Support costs:					
Management	4	-	26,051	26,051	29,835
Total Resources expended		-	(221,754)	(221,754)	(187,587)
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		-	83,892	83,892	53,085
Total funds: Brought forward		-	439,065	439,065	385,980
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	522,957	522,957	439,065

The notes on pages 12- 14 form part of these accounts.

“What a selfless, amazing organisation unfortunately grown out of huge need. Keep up the great work.”

(Anonymous donor)



Balance Sheet

as at 31st March 2025

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	1 & 5		168,448		205,807
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	6	37,414		51,682	
Paypal balance		917		250	
Bank accounts		316,803		182,225	
		<u>355,134</u>		<u>234,157</u>	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(625)</u>		<u>(899)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			354,509		233,258
NET ASSETS			<u><u>522,957</u></u>		<u><u>439,065</u></u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds	8		<u><u>522,957</u></u>		<u><u>439,065</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Executive Committee on ...June 1, 2025....
and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Professor R.A.Chandler - Trustee

The notes on pages 12 - 14 form part of these accounts.



“ Thank you for all the work you do for us! We really appreciate all you do for our patients x”

(Anonymous donor)

Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31st March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

1.2 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1.3 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Motorbikes	3 years
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1.5 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2025.

3. MOTORBIKE RUNNING COSTS:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Fuel	35,365	33,076
Repairs & maintenance	43,164	42,713
Road Tax	(581)	633
Insurance	19,101	17,945
Depreciation	76,297	43,550
Profit on sales of motorbikes	(21,058)	(25,221)
	<u>152,288</u>	<u>112,696</u>

“Forever grateful.”

(Anonymous donor)



Notes to the Accounts

(continued)

4. MANAGEMENT COSTS

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Printing, stationery, I.T. & postage	3,394	11,794
Professional fees	8,615	5,905
Communications	6,233	6,514
Sundries	7,809	5,622
	<u>26,051</u>	<u>29,835</u>

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicles £
<u>COST</u>	
At 1st April 2024	304,398
Additions	59,330
Disposals	<u>(79,519)</u>
At 31st March 2025	<u>284,209</u>
<u>DEPRECIATION</u>	
At 1st April 2024	98,591
Charge for the year	76,297
On disposals	<u>(59,127)</u>
At 31st March 2025	<u>115,761</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st March 2025	<u>168,448</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st March 2024	<u>205,807</u>



**“ Thank you for delivering my chemo tablets
every month though rain or shine. ”**

(Anonymous donor)

Notes to the Accounts

(continued)

6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
V.A.T.	21,212	36,782
Gift Aid rebate due	2,656	2,171
Prepaid Insurance	13,046	12,578
Deposits paid for motorbikes	500	-
Sundry debtors	-	151
	<u>37,414</u>	<u>51,682</u>

7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Accountancy fees	625	625
Sundry creditors	-	274
	<u>625</u>	<u>899</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds	At 1.4.24	Incoming Resources	Resources	Net	At 31.3.25
	£	£	expended	movement	£
	£	£	£	in funds	£
	439,065	240,672	187,587	53,085	492,150
	<u>439,065</u>	<u>240,672</u>	<u>187,587</u>	<u>53,085</u>	<u>492,150</u>

“ Keep up the great work.”

(Anonymous donor)



Independent Examiner's Report

To the Trustees/Members of Blood Bikes Wales

On the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2025

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025 set out on pages eight to twelve.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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 Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

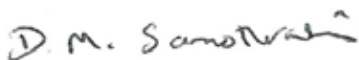
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion as to whether the financial statements present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- * the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- * the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- * the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements, concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

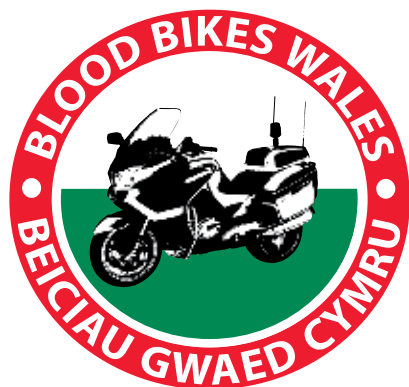
I have come across no other matters, in connection with the examination, to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Deborah Mary Samothrakis BSc FCA
Tester Accountancy & Bookkeeping Ltd
Chartered Accountants

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Date: June 1, 2025



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OUR WALES. OUR RED WALL. EIN CYMRU. EIN WAL GOCH.
GORAU CHWARAE CYD CHWARAE. DIOLCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

#ARBENYBYD
#TOGETHERSTRONGER
@CYMRU

Chair's Report

I am once again honoured to present the Annual Report for the year 2023-24. As we reflect on the journey we have taken over the past year, I am filled with deep appreciation for the resilience, dedication, and unity displayed by our extraordinary community of volunteers at Blood Bikes Wales.

Our mission to support the NHS through voluntary work has always been rooted in the belief that our collective efforts can make a difference. This year, we have continued to uphold that belief and strengthen it further, proving that when we come together, we can achieve remarkable things.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to all those who volunteer. Your commitment, generosity, and the countless hours you have devoted are noticed and greatly appreciated by the NHS staff. We also benefit NHS patients who may have no knowledge of what we do. It is your unwavering spirit and selflessness that form the heart of Blood Bikes Wales.

The past year has been filled with significant milestones. Notably, we expanded our services, ensuring that together with Public Health Wales, hospitals receive the support they need. We have also built on the success of the Llandovery Bike Show, making it an even greater success this year thanks to the lessons learned and the continued support from our community.

Financial transparency and stewardship remain pillars of our charity, and I am pleased to report that we have maintained our commitment to ensuring that every donation is used wisely. Our efforts have allowed us to further invest in our fleet of bikes and infrastructure while also securing the charity's long-term sustainability. The financial details of this year's performance can be found within the Treasurer's Report.

As we reflect on 2023-24, we also celebrate another important milestone: the 11th anniversary of our service to the NHS. Our journey has been one of growth, learning, and perseverance, and as we look ahead, we do so with the same hope and determination that have brought us this far. With the continued support of our volunteers, donors, and partners, I have every confidence that Blood Bikes Wales will continue to thrive and serve.

To all of our supporters, donors, and partners, your generosity and encouragement make our work possible. We are deeply grateful for your trust and belief in our mission, and you remain an inspiration for all that we do.

As we close out another successful year, I am proud of what we have achieved together; yet, I am reminded that our work is never truly done. I am certain that we will continue to make a lasting impact on the lives of those we serve.

Thank you for being a part of our journey and for your continued support.

Nigel Ward
Chair

“ Thanks BBW for everything you do. You've helped us out so many times when we've been let down by regular couriers or when we have urgent samples to send. We are incredibly lucky to have you.”

(Anonymous donor)

Vice-Chair's Report

We have come to the end of another successful and rewarding year as a charity. It is worth reminding ourselves and others that all of the work is done by volunteers and all of our finance is supplied through donations.

A couple of relevant terms can be emphasised in the context of running a charity:

Volunteering - the act of rendering selfless service to a cause, oftentimes for free and without coercion. It is about giving time to a good cause, specifically to help an organisation, your community or an individual you are not related to.

Benefactor - (latin bene - good, factor - maker) a person, group or organisation often giving monetary contributions to an organisation without expecting anything in return.

This charity consists of both volunteers and benefactors. Our benefactors, like our volunteers, come in many different guises:

The member of the public who pays for the fuel that has just been put into a bike;

The anonymous donation left on the bike parked outside of a hospital whilst the rider delivers the consignment;

The person who remembers us in their will, the grieving family who asks for donations in lieu of flowers at a loved one's funeral;

The societies, groups, congregations, friends, work colleagues, who nominate Blood Bikes Wales as their charity of choice for the coming year;

The larger organisations who, despite budget constraints, still find the funds to make charitable donations;

Or just simply the member of the public who drops coins into the collecting pot at one of our PR events.

Blood Bikes Wales could not operate without benefactors and donations. Literally every penny received is used to operate and run the charity. Over the past year we have received a plethora of donations, from many sources, some sizable, some not, but each and every one has been received with humility and gratitude. We never presume that the money will keep coming but we are always grateful for the continued support of regular donors and for donations from unexpected sources.

Our volunteers are also benefactors of the charity in that they give freely of their time and personal expenses without any call for recompense. Not one single volunteer gets paid. We are 100% volunteers. If you have been one of our benefactors during the past year, thank you sincerely from the bottom of our hearts. If you have volunteered during this period give yourself a pat on the back, walk tall and be proud of your giving. Thank you for every minute of your time.

YOU ALL have helped to keep this charity moving and enabled us to continue with our mission to help our NHS.

Lesley Isaacs-Penny
Vice-Chair

“ What a selfless, amazing organisation unfortunately grown out of huge need. Keep up the great work.”

(Anonymous donor)

Key Facts

2023-24 Deliveries completed
 Figures from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024



432
 members

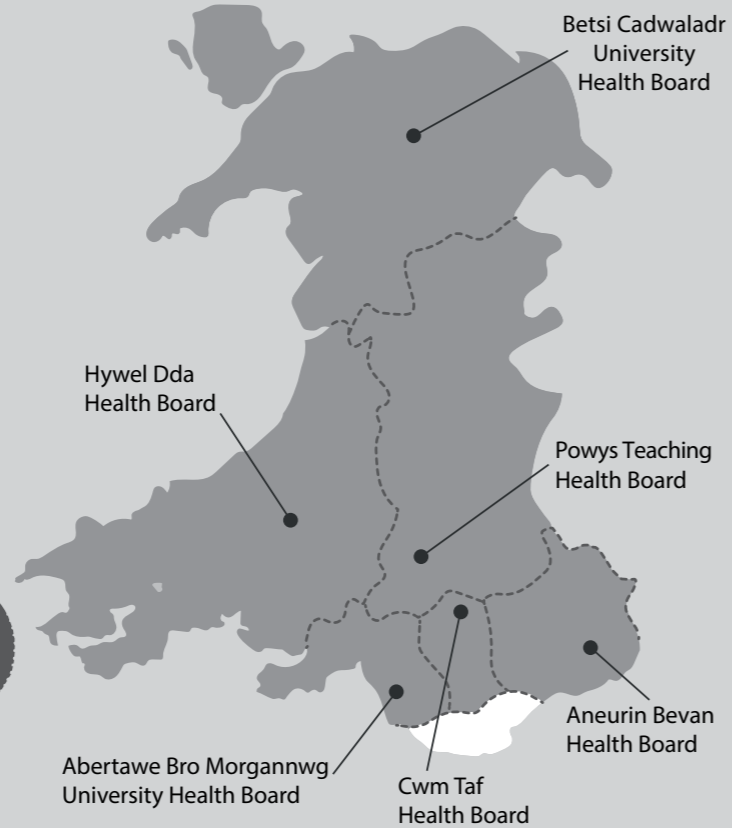


23 bikes

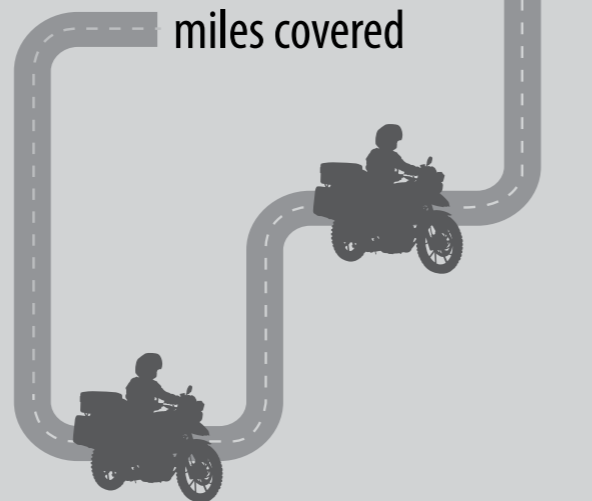


Our Core Value:

“To save transport costs for the NHS in Wales.”



388,777
 miles covered



Job breakdown

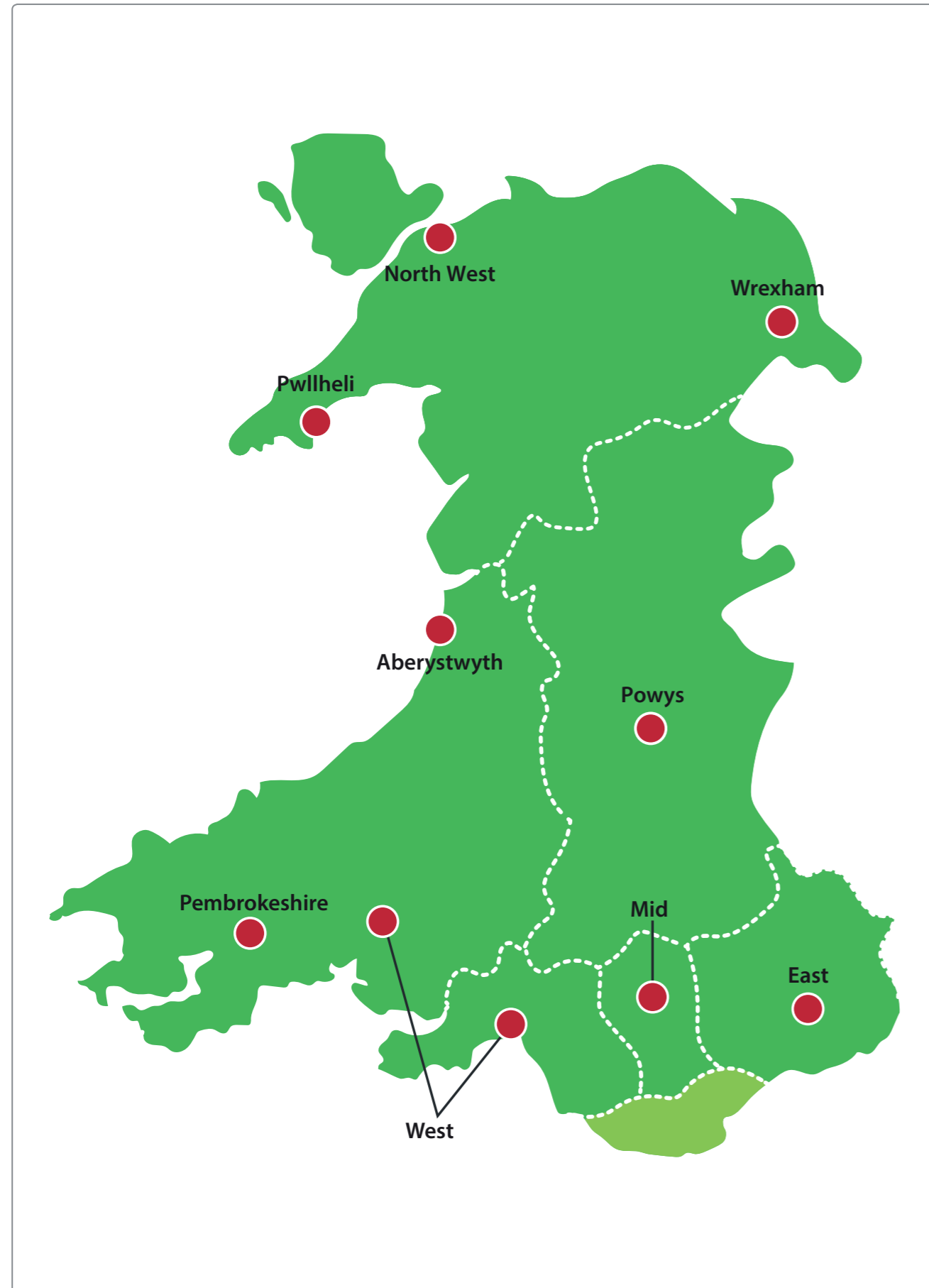
Ad hoc	3,185
Routine	4,005
Milk	327
Total jobs last year	7,517

Trusts



**All 7 NHS trusts
 in Wales covered**

Blood Bikes Wales Regional Bases



Treasurer's Report

for the year ended March 31, 2024

It is my pleasure to report that Blood Bikes Wales enjoyed another relatively successful year. It is true that we did not do as well this year as last: our income was down, mainly due to fewer large one-off corporate donations, and our expenditure was slightly up. Nevertheless, we ended with a significant financial surplus.

Looking at the detail: our motorcycle running costs were down significantly reflecting the replacement of the older and more expensive bikes. We needed to pay professional fees for legal advice on the conversion of the original unincorporated charity to the new Charitable Incorporated Organisation. We have invested in newer IT equipment to improve operating efficiency and in additional merchandise, not so much as a way of making money but as a means to enhance our public profile.

We continue to benefit from all the effort invested by our volunteers in previous years. A momentum has developed and looks set to continue. We have reached a position where we have in place sufficient funds to replace one third of the fleet when necessary and to cover at least 6 months' running costs in the unlikely event that our cashflow from donations were to dry up.

Once again, I want to record my sincere gratitude to all the volunteers who do such great work in raising awareness as well as funds from the varied events throughout the year. I am indebted to you all.

Professor Roy Chandler

Treasurer



Income and Expenditure Account

For the year ended 31st March 2024

	Note	2024			2023
		Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total £	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Collections & donations		-	237,509	237,509	252,121
Memberships		-	984	984	5,667
Miscellaneous income		-	443	443	-
Merchandise sales		-	1,736	1,736	2,726
		-	240,672	240,672	260,514
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Bank interest received		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		-	240,672	240,672	260,514
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities:					
Motorbike running costs	3	-	112,696	112,696	152,388
Merchandise and promotions		-	12,878	12,878	6,558
Equipment repairs & renewals		-	32,178	32,178	9,717
Support costs:					
Management	4	-	29,835	29,835	15,261
Total Resources expended		-	(187,587)	(187,587)	(183,924)
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		-	53,085	53,085	76,590
Total funds: Brought forward		-	385,980	385,980	309,390
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	439,065	439,065	385,980

The notes on pages 10 - 12 form part of these accounts.

“On learning of the activities of Blood Bikes Wales, I was really impressed. Keep doing the good work.”

(Anonymous donor)



Balance Sheet

as at 31st March 2024

	Note	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	1 & 5		205,807		140,363
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	6	51,682		63,402	
Paypal balance		250		2,395	
Bank accounts		182,225		180,445	
			234,157		246,242
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(899)		(625)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			233,258		245,617
NET ASSETS			439,065		385,980
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds	8		439,065		385,980

The accounts were approved by the Executive Committee on August 4, 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Professor R.A. Chandler - Trustee

Date: August 4, 2024

The notes on pages 10 - 12 form part of these accounts.

“Thank you for your commitment and volunteering to help.”

(Anonymous donor)

Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31st March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

1.2 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1.3 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Motorbikes	3 years
Equipment	3 years

1.5 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2024.

3. MOTORBIKE RUNNING COSTS:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Fuel	33,076	33,063
Repairs & maintenance	42,713	39,575
Road Fund Licences	633	731
Insurance	17,945	15,752
Depreciation	43,550	75,686
Profit on sales of motorbikes	<u>(25,221)</u>	<u>(12,419)</u>
	<u>112,696</u>	<u>152,388</u>

Notes to the Accounts

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4. MANAGEMENT COSTS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Printing, stationery, I.T. & postage	11,794	604
Professional fees	5,905	3,534
Telephone etc	6,514	7,503
Sundries	<u>5,622</u>	<u>3,620</u>
	<u>29,835</u>	<u>15,261</u>

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicles £
COST	
At 1st April 2023	298,053
Additions	151,997
Disposals	<u>(145,652)</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u>304,398</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1st April 2023	157,690
Charge for the year	43,550
On disposals	<u>(102,649)</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u>98,591</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st March 2024	<u>205,807</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st March 2023	<u>140,363</u>

“ Thank you for all your support for the nurses at our surgery. ”

(Anonymous donor)



“ Well done. You do great work. We really appreciate all of your efforts. ”

(Anonymous donor)

Notes to the Accounts

(continued)

6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
V.A.T.	36,782	23,503
Gift Aid rebate due	2,171	2,532
Prepaid Insurance	12,578	11,655
Deposits paid for motorbikes	-	25,565
Sundry debtors	151	147
	<u>51,682</u>	<u>63,402</u>

7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Accountancy fees	625	625
Sundry creditors	274	-
	<u>899</u>	<u>625</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds	At 1.4.23	Incoming Resources	Resources expended	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.24
	£	£	£	£	£
	385,980	240,672	187,587	53,085	439,065

Independent Examiner's Report

To the Trustees/Members of Blood Bikes Wales

On the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2024

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 set out on pages eight to twelve.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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 Act, 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 accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion as to whether the financial statements present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- * the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- * the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- * the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements, concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters, in connection with the examination, to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

D. M. Samothrakis

Deborah Mary Samothrakis BSc FCA

Tester Accountancy & Bookkeeping Ltd

Chartered Accountants

34, Fair Oak Road, Cathays, Cardiff CF24 4PY

Date: August 4, 2024

"Keep up the great work."

(Anonymous donor)



Social Media



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Holly Badman · 7 November 2022
We're delighted to be supported by the **Steve Morgan Foundation** in the continuance of our work.
#ItsWhatWeDo #BloodBikesWales 🇬🇧 🇨🇦 🇨🇦



Steve Morgan Foundation
28 October 2022
The **Steve Morgan Foundation** has added to the rescue of a charity which provides a free courier service for the NHS.

Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Chris Jones · 19 January
Last year blood bikes wales were 1 of the chosen charities of Toyota in Deeside who donated £2,000. Today Karth Williams and Ian Davies went along to be presented with a check for £15,000. What an amazing gesture. On behalf of all of our volunteers, can I say a huge thank you. This money will go a very long way to helping our NHS. Doich yn Fawr



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Nigel Ward · 23 April
Had this off Jim McElen Wrexham today
Every so often there is a moment on BB that epitomises the joy in what we do. Not satisfaction joy. Leaving the Path Lab yard after a usual drop off, a child of about 10, clearly on the Autism spectrum, sees the bike and goes mad with excitement. To me it's a must. Stop and spoil them. After pulling over and putting him on the seat for the obligatory photos and his Nan close to tears, I ride off beeping my horn and waving and watching him wave frantically until out of sight I realise my smile was sooooo much bigger than his. Joy.
Well done mate 🙌🙌

Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Matthew Leaman · 11 September 2022
Thanks to you all who came along yesterday morning to support Nia Gore at the coffee morning she organised...50% of proceeds will be donated to Blood Bikes Wales...the other 50% will be going to the Chemo Ward at Bronllys Hospital...I had a message from Nia last night to advise that she had raised a total of £1640.45. Amazing...Doich yn Fawr Nia...
Her next big fund raising event, will be a tractor run on October 9th (same day as the BBW AGM, which as you may know is being held at HBKS, Nr Bllw 5G...
She has asked me if we can offer 'Marshalls' again, to help on the run...Something we can discuss at our next area meeting...which by the way will be on Thursday 29th Sept...



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Matthew Leaman · 17 December 2022
Evening Guys...just wanted to say a massive thanks to those of you who were able to come along yesterday to the collection day at Tesco... Despite the immense financial strain on household incomes at the moment, and the looming cost of Christmas just a week away, we still managed to collect a staggering £567.57...thank you so much to all those who so kindly stopped for a chat & supported us...Doich yn Fawr



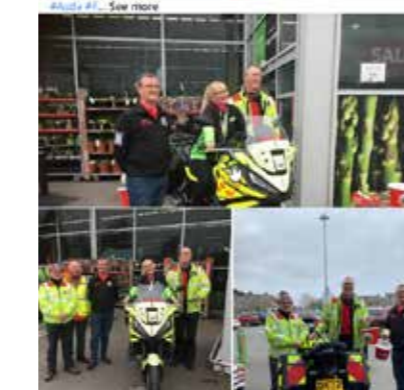
Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Matthew Leaman · 27 August 2017
They think its all over...its is now...Aled finished 8th in class out of 30...Great effort, I'm sure you'll all join me in congratulating Aled on an amazing result...Well done that man...M...
Aled was raising money for Bloodbikes Wales...at midday today, his total was just over £1000.00...Doich yn Fawr Mr Lewis...
Update... final figure is £1520.00...



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Chris Jones · 28 November 2022
Great day at the Mold Food Fair yesterday for the Wrexham crew. Almost 4,000 taken in donations and several membership enquiries.



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Hootsuite · 8 March
We would like to thank the Pullerri community, and ASDA for their generous donations of £540.13!
An additional thank you goes to our NW Blood Bike riders and volunteers for their time and efforts to support Blood Bikes Wales.
#BloodBikesWales #ItsWhatWeDo 🇬🇧 🇨🇦 🇨🇦
Aled #1 - See more



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Chris Jones · 1 October 2021
Pleas join me in welcoming our members Ryan Thomas, Cap Smith and Wendy Stratched the very best of luck today as they're taking the Cardiff Half Marathon Good luck all 🇬🇧 🇨🇦 🇨🇦
#CardiffHalf #CardiffHalfMarathon #Cardiff #CardiffCommunity #CardiffLife #CardiffCity #CardiffSports #CardiffRiders #CardiffBikes #CardiffBikeRiders #CardiffBikeRiders #CardiffBikeRiders



Social Media



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Hootsuite · 21 October 2022
You know what they say about buses. But this was an infrequent occurrence as 4 of our bikes simultaneously were at #WyllyGlanCwylf. David I was retiring from #Wyllyhead to Hlugh. The letter was then riding to #Chester to meet with #Shropshire + #Staffordshire + #Cheshire Blood Bikes for them to carry onwards for #Wiltshire #Yorkshire Blood Bikes to take to the final destination in #Leeds. In the meantime, Phil introduced 5 Wales transverse Leamy to his new patch.



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Hootsuite · 17 November 2022
At the beginning of October, Ryan Thomas completed the #CardiffHalf to raise money to support our work. Here rider Mark House graciously accepts a cheque for £810. Many thanks, Ryan and an outstanding effort.



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Chris Jones · 28 March
Busy day in the Wrexham group today 2 events one in Rhodfa food festival another in Ulay church thanks to all involved.



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Holly Badman · 14 January
Volunteers Stephen and Dale, along with the Carmarthenshire bike visited Llanarthne/Capel Dewi Young Farmer's Club (CYFF Capel-Arthne YFC) this evening. Stephen can be seen receiving a very generous donation from the proceeds of Christmas carol singing around the locality.
Thank you all so much for this generous donation!
#BloodBikesWales #ItsWhatWeDo 🇬🇧 🇨🇦 🇨🇦



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Hootsuite · 23 January
On Friday, controller Lesley and rider Martin, started a relay of samples from Noah's Ark Children's Hospital Charity Cardiff to Great Ormond Street Hospital and Children's Charity, Nick of SUREY & LONDON picked up the baton in Slough. A long trip and every mile free of charge to our #NHS #ItsWhatWeDo



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Holly Badman · 14 May
We had such a fun day at Swansea Comic and Gaming Convention today!
If you see yourself, please feel free to tag yourselves and any social media accounts you have for people to find & follow you!
Thank you for having us, and thanks to everyone for coming over and saying hi! See more



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Holly Badman · 23 December 2022
Volunteers, Gerard and Lorraine, went to Maesmaer today to accept a donation of £465 from the **Moat Stitching Team** who have been raising funds for us this year. They made a fabulous quilt which they then gave away to the person who was the closest in guess how many hexagons were in it.
#TheMoatStitchingTeam #Charity #Fundraising #Donation #ThankYou #ItsWhatWeDo #BloodBikesWales

Blood Bikes Wales
Published by vally Badman · 28 February
Volunteer Lorraine spent a lovely few hours with Caerwys Friendship Hour Club, at Caerwys Village Hall. They are a fabulous, friendly group with excellent tea and cake!
Very generous too, with a total of £104.17 received in donations which was greatly appreciated!
by Gerard Blund
See more



Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Chris Jones · 2 June
Blood Bikes Wales received a nice presentation today from Gary Evans who ran his first London Marathon this year in aid of Blood Bikes Wales.
We caught up with Gary at the Maergrwyn Wrexham, to thank him for the effort he put in, and to especially thank him for the £1,672.50 he raised.

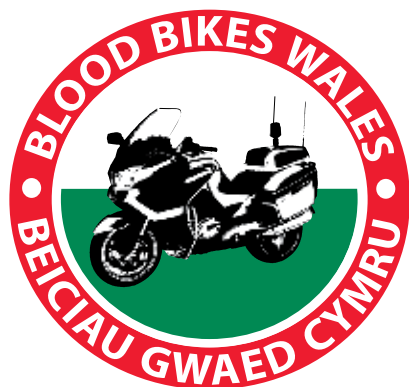


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Blood Bikes Wales
Published by Holly Badman · 10 January
We have gratefully received a donation from the John "Moranedd" Memorial fund for £1350. John "Moranedd" Griffiths was a really keen biker all his life, and a very well respected Marshal.
We also met his wife, Ann, at a talk we gave to Newborough WI, in 2022. Following this talk, John wished that a collection should be made for us at his funeral.
The caricature depicts him attempting to get into Heaven without paying (his favourite occupation apparently!)
His daughter G... See more





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