

WORLD DEAF RUGBY

England & Wales · Charity number 1203975

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-07-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE AMATEUR SPORT OF RUGBY, SPECIFICALLY DEAF RUGBY, WORLDWIDE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE PROMOTION OF PARTICIPATION IN DEAF RUGBY AND THROUGH FACILITATING THE DEVELOPMENT IN PREPARATION FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS OF DEAF RUGBY PLAYERS; AND THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STANDING FORUM WHERE ALL REPRESENTATIVE BODIES OF DEAF RUGBY LEAGUES MAY BE REPRESENTED AND MAY COLLECTIVELY OR SINGULARLY WHERE APPROPRIATE FORMULATE AND PROMOTE MEASURES TO IMPROVE AND DEVELOP THE SPORT OF DEAF RUGBY. TO PROMOTE EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IN THE SPORT OF RUGBY THROUGH PROMOTING AND SUPPORTING DEAF RUGBY PLAYERS AT ALL LEVELS BY: A. THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF DISABILITY; B. ADVANCING EDUCATION AND AWARENESS IN EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IN THE SPORT OF RUGBY; C. PROMOTING ACTIVITIES TO FOSTER A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN RUGBY UNIONS AND DEAF RUGBY PLAYERS; D. CONDUCTING OR COMMISSIONING RESEARCH ON EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IN THE SPORT OF RUGBY. NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 AND SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Amateur Sport, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Argentina
- Australia
- Canada
- Fiji
- France
- Ghana
- Hong Kong
- Ireland
- Italy
- Ivory Coast
- Japan
- Kenya
- Mongolia
- New Zealand
- Papua New Guinea
- Portugal
- Samoa
- South Africa
- Togo
- Tonga
- Uganda
- United States
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£14,350	£11,916	-	-
2024-03-31	£15,561	£7,113	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mariano Rafael Matut	Chair	2023-12-09
Antony Kuklinski		2023-12-09
Atsuhiko Hino		2023-12-09
Fabian Marcello Benedossi		2025-04-05
Fortunate Irankunda		2025-04-05
Johanna Joyce Plante		2023-12-09
Lisa Vogel		2023-12-09
Marvin Tatenda Mukuyu		2025-04-05
Michael Conroy		2023-12-09
Yaw Konadu Donkor		2023-12-09

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Accounts

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Annual Financial Return 2024-2025

Income/Expenditure

Carried Balance from Return 2023-2024

Statement start £8443.06

Month	In	Out
Apr 24		£825.37 Foreign Interpreter IS Trustee Meeting Foreign Payment Bank Charge Correspondence Fee
Jul 24	£14350.00 Barbarian Trust Grant	£4131.00 LOAN to Wales Deaf Sports
Aug 24		£1190.00 Foreign SADRA Injured Player Support Foreign Interpreter SASL WDR Meeting
Sep 24		£1705.92 WDR Ties & Badges Design/Production Washington Design/Cardiff Embroidery
Nov 24		£3012.44 Deputy Chair Congress Attendance Trustee G Griffiths WDR Expenses Foreign Payment Bank Charge
Feb 25		£1051.15 Foreign Interpreter IS Trustee Meeting LOAN to Wales Deaf Sports Polo Production Foreign Payment Bank Charge
Total	£22793.06	£11915.88

Balance Carried forward to 2025-2026

Statement end £10877.18

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World Deaf Rugby - Annual Report to Charity Commission 2023/24

Dear Charity Commission

This is WDR Annual Report and Trustees and Members would like to thank you for the information, advice and support you gave that saw WDR set up as a CIO.

You can see on our Letterhead that we are a World Wide Governing Sports Body with Members and Trustees in all five Continents.

It was vital that we got set up as a CIO as this enabled us to get the Finance to set up WDR and grow the organisation. You will note from the Accounts submitted by the Treasurer that we have already had grants from the Barbarians Charitable Trust and also Moondance the Admiral Foundation. There are a number of Applications in train including Audiology Companies Amplifon and Specsavers. Working relationships have also been set up with World Sports Companies Gilbert and Macron to generate funds from Merchandising.

You will note the WDR Logo and this brand has been sent in Ties and Badges to Members

The Community side of the Game sees us working with World Rugby Participation Manager, Greg Woods, to ensure support from Members Home Rugby Unions and also to encourage those Home Rugby Unions who do not have Deaf Teams to set up.

Also World Rugby are setting up Coaching Courses via ISL for Members.

There is also following our attendance at the ICSD Conference at Paris the opportunity

to be recognised as a Member and have Deaf 7's at the Deaflympics

The Performance side of the Game has seen, following the Bid Selection Process, the

next World Deaf 7's will be Japan 2026 and there are proposals in place for Wales 2028

and New Zealand 2030

Following the very successful 7's in Argentina there was a good Tournament in South Africa

and a number of International Fixtures between Members occurs every year.

World Deaf Rugby continues to grow, thanks to your Recognition, for Women and Men and

we look forward to sending in our Annual Report each year to confirm this!

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Income/ Expenditure

Statement	In	Out
Apr 23	3811.06	3488.64
Jun 23		215.15
Sep 23	11,750.00	
Sep 23		1825.96
Oct 23		27.41
Dec 23		93.18
Dec 23		141.72
Feb 24		990.40
Mar 24		300.00
Mar 24		34.88
Total	15,561.06	7113.34
Balance	8443.66	

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