

VICTORIA PARK, BUCKFASTLEIGH

England & Wales · Charity number 200624

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1961-12-22

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

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Activities

Objects: THE USE AND ENJOYMENT BY THE INHABITANTS OF BUCKFASTLEIGH AND NEIGHBOURHOOD AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY OF THE TRUST PREMISES FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECREATION AND HEALTH.

Activities: The use and enjoyment by the inhabitants of Buckfastleigh and neighbourhood and the public generally of the Trust premises for the purpose of recreation and health.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Amateur Sport
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BUCKFASTLEIGH AND NEIGHBOURHOOD
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£88,747	£96,858	-	-
2024-03-31	£117,686	£110,272	-	-
2023-03-31	£98,747	£97,244	-	-
2022-03-31	£75,040	£100,358	-	-
2021-03-31	£99,397	£66,687	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Phil Northcott	Chair	2020-11-09
Amber Rice		2024-12-12
James Rice		2024-12-12
Mark Meadows		2023-11-28
Ronald Fox		2023-05-18
Sabrina Stolfa		2025-03-15
Samuel Webber		2023-09-19
Susan Louise Clarke		2023-05-18

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AGM 12 June 2025

Chair's Report 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

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We are very lucky to have a long standing, professional and highly experienced team of lifeguards to start the season, joined by a few new recruits and we started the 2024 season with a positive mentality and ready to drive the pool forward.

This year didn't start with a bang, with a wet May and June suppressing the amount of customers we would normally expect to receive.

However, the following months' proved to be more successful, and by the end of the Summer Season, we had made up what we had lost, and ticket sales were on a par with 2023 season.

What has become apparent is that the general economic situation is still very far from being stable. This has been reflected in reduced bookings from local schools, who are feeling the pinch of reduced budgets.

The promised reduction in gas and electricity prices has not been realised and we are still paying nearly two-and-a-half times what we were paying during the 2022-2023 season.

Due to the lack of grants we were unable to offer as many free swims as in previous years. However, this season saw the opening of the little children's play area which was fully refurbished in 2024 with grateful thanks to the Valencia Communities Fund. It has a wheelchair accessible roundabout, adventure tower with a slide, a swing for toddlers, a basket swing, an in-ground trampoline, climbing equipment, and sound flowers.

For local children and their families, Victoria Park remains the centre of the town's Hello Summer! activities and events which will continue into 2025.

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Overall, we provided around 7,500 swims during the year, and we were still able to offer the local and concession rates.

In October we ran our very popular Halloween Changing Rooms of Doom free spooky experience. Over 250 children and their families from all over the local area came to have their wits scared out of them. Many thanks to Ian and Gemima, and all the volunteers for their hard work and creativity, it was a great success.

We also continued our very successful Night Swims with Bat Walk, and Starry Nights evenings, with the help and support of 'Dartmoor Skies'

As ever, we are incredibly grateful to all our supporters, donors, volunteers, and staff that help keep this vital and much loved facility open for the community. We are especially grateful for the financial support from Buckfastleigh Town Council which means we can keep the charity solvent through these particularly challenging times.

Signed: Philip Northcott



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Balance Sheet

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As at 31 March 2025

Account	31-Mar-25	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand			
Victoria Park - Sinking Fund	20,133.06	20,133.06	0.00
Victoria Park - Trading	12,157.83	12,157.83	0.00
Total Cash at bank and in hand	32,290.89	32,290.89	0.00
Petty Cash/Till Float	550.00	550.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	32,840.89	32,840.89	0.00
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Accounts Payable	352.26	352.26	
PAYE	216.66	216.66	
Pensions Payable	58.35	58.35	
Rounding	(0.11)	(0.11)	
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	627.16	627.16	0.00
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	32,213.73	32,213.73	0.00
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	32,213.73	32,213.73	0.00
Net Assets	32,213.73	32,213.73	0.00
Capital and Reserves			
Current Year Earnings	(8,110.80)	(8,110.80)	
Retained Earnings	40,324.53	40,324.53	
Total Capital and Reserves	32,213.73	32,213.73	0.00

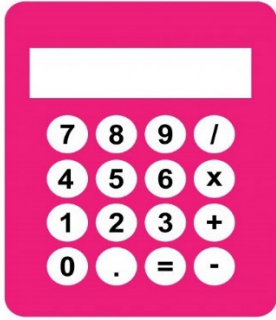
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12/06/2025



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I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages...

Respective responsibilities of trustees and 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 section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;

have not been met; or

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

Hania Lee

Signed.....*Hania Lee*.....

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Date.....19 May 2025.....

Profit and Loss

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For the year ended 31 March 2025

Account	2025	2024
Turnover		
Bungalow Rent	1,662.00	1,662.00
Fixed Grants and Funding	24,500.00	24,025.00
Interest Income	447.10	528.36
Ticket Sales & Pool Rental	39,504.13	40,391.94
Training Income	2,619.00	2,405.04
Tuck & Shop Merchandise Sales	3,399.91	2,719.53
Total Turnover	72,132.14	71,731.87
Cost of Sales		
Cost of Goods Sold (Tuck)	1,447.85	918.35
Direct Wages	45,677.43	54,441.91
Lifeguard Training Costs	1,261.95	875.00
Pensions Costs	364.08	586.31
Pool Equipment	366.98	289.29
Pool Service & Chemicals	2,563.58	3,729.60
Water Rates	901.26	1,017.32
Total Cost of Sales	52,583.13	61,857.78
Gross Profit	19,549.01	9,874.09
Administrative Costs		
Advertising & Marketing	0.00	251.50
Audit & Accountancy fees	4,059.10	3,699.40
Bank Fees	700.81	678.88
Consulting	3,380.00	2,282.45
General Expenses	769.73	749.33
Insurance	2,553.05	2,217.80
IT Software and Consumables	586.39	742.90
Legal Expenses	1,179.12	2,467.98
Light, Power, Heating	21,792.41	31,884.90
Park Maintenance	5,007.91	812.80
Postage, Freight & Courier	0.00	24.90
Printing & Stationery	176.47	109.38
Repairs & Maintenance	1,946.80	654.88
Staff Training	220.00	425.20
Subscriptions	160.00	154.00
Telephone & Internet	411.28	396.85
Waste Disposal	1,331.40	861.16
Total Administrative Costs	44,274.47	48,414.31
Operating Profit	(24,725.46)	(38,540.22)
Other Income		
Ad-hoc Grants	5,000.00	21,955.00
Buckfastleigh Town Council - Energy Grant	7,475.00	15,000.00
Donations and sponsorships	4,139.66	8,999.47
Total Other Income	16,614.66	45,954.47
Profit on Ordinary Activities	(8,110.80)	7,414.25

CHAIRPERSON: PHILIP NORTHCOTT

SIGNED: 

DATE: 12/06/2025

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Date: 15 April 2023

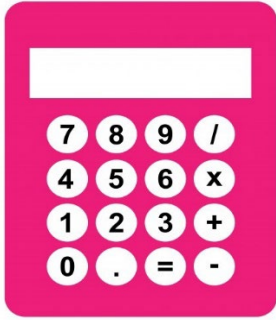
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Total Turnover	71,731.87	67,709.24
Cost of Sales		
Cost of Goods Sold (Tuck)	918.35	1,785.33
Direct Wages	54,441.91	38,897.21
Lifeguard Training Costs	875.00	1,089.00
Pensions Costs	586.31	410.70
Pool Equipment	289.29	590.08
Pump System	0.00	19,260.00
Pool Service & Chemicals	3,729.60	1,682.57
Water Rates	1,017.32	1,035.92
Total Cost of Sales	61,857.78	64,750.81
Gross Profit	9,874.09	2,958.43
Administrative Costs		
Advertising & Marketing	251.50	1,348.35
Audit & Accountancy fees	3,699.40	4,026.80
Bank Fees	678.88	673.09
Consulting	2,282.45	3,573.78
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Waste Disposal	861.16	0.00
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Operating Profit	(38,540.22)	(29,329.21)
Other Income		
Ad-hoc Grants	21,955.00	17,360.00
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Date: 15 April 2023

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Registered Charity No: 200624, Ltd Co No: 09490008

Profit and Loss

Victoria Park, Buckfastleigh

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	
Turnover			
Bungalow Rent	1,662.00	1,662.00	
Fixed Grants and Funding	23,811.00	23,811.00	
Interest Income	156.44	156.44	
Swim Income	33,992.51	33,992.51	
Training Income	2,250.00	2,250.00	
Tuck & Shop Merchandise Sales	6,043.29	6,043.29	
Total Turnover	67,915.24	67,915.24	0.00
Cost of Sales			
Tick & Merchandise for resale	1,785.33	1,785.33	
Staff Salaries	39,513.91	39,513.91	
Lifeguard Training Costs	1,089.00	1,089.00	
Light, Power, Heating	9,689.40	9,689.40	
Pool Equipment	590.08	590.08	
Cleaning	271.43	271.43	
Pump System	19,260.00		19,260.00
Water Utilities and chemicals	2,549.12	2,549.12	
Total Cost of Sales	74,748.27	55,488.27	19,260.00
Gross Profit	(6,833.03)	12,426.97	(19,260.00)
Administrative Costs			
Events Costs	9,177.56	9,177.56	
Audit & Accountancy fees	4,026.80	4,026.80	
Bank Charges	673.09	673.09	
Insurance	2,590.81	2,590.81	
IT Software and Consumables	447.72	447.72	
Printing & Stationery	418.39	418.39	
Pool Repairs & Maintenance	1,691.29	1,691.29	
Park Repairs and Maintenance	2,657.00	2,657.00	
Subscriptions	201.00	201.00	
Sundry Expenses	218.00	218.00	
Telephone & Internet	394.52	394.52	
Total Administrative Costs	22,496.18	22,496.18	0.00
Operating Profit	(29,329.21)	(10,069.21)	(19,260.00)
Other Income			
Ad-hoc Grants	27,348.00	27,348.00	
Charity Box	340.01	340.01	
Donations and sponsorships	3,144.44	3,144.44	
Total Other Income	30,832.45	30,832.45	0.00
Profit on Ordinary Activities	1,503.24	20,763.24	(19,260.00)

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Victoria Park Buckfastleigh AGM April 2022

Chair's Report

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The Pool

We opened the pool this year with a new timetable and new procedures in place to keep everyone safe. We decided to introduce new one-hour slots but not to go with a booking system, instead capping the number of swimmers into the pool and running the one-hour sessions on a first come basis. As always, the community got behind the pool and took all the changes in their stride and although we didn't quite match the figures of 2019 we still managed a total of 6,653 swimmers through the door, making it a great summer season back after lockdown.

Alongside the changes in the timetable, we also changed how we supported local children's swimming, creating a TQ11 pass and free sessions for the children to attend everyday throughout the summer. We also gave local children a reduced rate to the normal sessions that we run meaning that all the children in the town were able to access the pool over summer should they wish to. These sessions were greatly received and we gave out a total of 281 passes to the local community which were used a total of 715 times through out the summer. Alongside this we still ran our "It's Your Pool Too" campaign and gave away 38 different ticket types totalling £1813 pounds worth of tickets to families / individuals from the local community who would have otherwise struggled to afford to swim on a regular basis. In total between the TQ11 Passes and the "Its Your Pool Too" we gave away £2814 of free / reduced swimming to 319 people within the community. We owe a massive thank to Buckfastleigh Town Council who continue to provide us with significant grant funding which makes this possible.

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With the restrictions lifting we were able to have the chance to run the Halloween haunted changing rooms and the team got to work decorating the female side of the changing rooms for the spooky event. Once again the weather was good to us and the Halloween changing rooms where a success with a 155 people happily attending the event and some leaving a little scarred.

We ran our cold water swimming sessions on a Sunday morning 9:30 to 10:30 and they have been very popular with around 20 people attending each session from beginners to experienced cold water swimmers. We ran the sessions all the way through to the end of February and were highly popular.

The Park

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Coming Up

We will be working towards the upcoming season having to consider the increases in service rates and the challenges it brings with it.

Thanks

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Profit and Loss

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	2022	2021
Turnover		
Bungalow Rent	1,662.00	1,662.00
Fixed Grants and Funding	23,600.00	20,890.00
Interest Income	4.60	10.50
Lifeguard Cover	110.25	-
Pool Rental	920.00	(200.00)
School Swims	2,475.00	-
Sundry Income	27.72	-
Ticket Sales	20,532.91	550.42
Towel Sales	247.00	-
Training Income	2,090.00	200.00
Tuck & Shop Merchandise Sales	314.97	-
Total Turnover	51,984.45	23,112.92
Cost of Sales		
Cost of Goods Sold (Tuck)	18.09	-
Dept Manager	3,731.40	-
Direct Wages	2,389.05	29,308.08
Employer NI	-	69.26
Eventbrite Commission	267.89	-
Hello Summer PAYE/NI	196.77	-
Hello Summer Wages	1,949.64	-
Instructor	167.75	-
Lifeguard	9,983.58	-
Lifeguard Training Costs	456.00	-
Pool Equipment	2,507.92	-
Pool Manager	17,499.96	-
PPE & Cleaning	68.59	15.58
Rock Compliance (Pool Service Contract)	288.00	-
South West Water	(925.92)	2,040.50
Supervisor	3,023.30	-
Swimfix (Pool Chemicals)	3,864.24	229.80
Total Cost of Sales	45,486.26	31,663.22
Gross Profit	6,498.19	(8,550.30)
Administrative Costs		
Abbey Business Services	264.00	-
Audit & Accountancy fees	4,130.40	4,003.40
Bank Fees	25.50	-
Cleaning	65.95	117.27
Consulting	-	206.40
General Expenses	400.69	227.80

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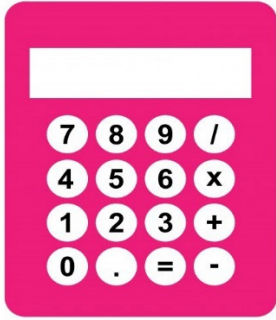
	2022	2021
Hello Summer Expenditure	6,071.30	11,773.00
Insurance	1,359.52	1,610.03
IT Hardware	39.94	728.00
IT Software and Consumables	168.77	1,364.62
Legal Expenses	644.20	-
Light, Power, Heating	12,409.54	908.28
Park Equipment	920.00	-
Pensions Costs	337.80	283.56
Pool Counter Hardware	2,940.68	-
Postage, Freight & Courier	26.04	12.95
Printing & Stationery	129.77	9.64
Repairs & Maintenance	22,139.97	11,823.27
Square Commission	229.62	-
Staff Training	1,390.20	455.50
Staff Uniforms	695.32	-
Staff Xmas Gifts	-	950.00
Subscriptions	-	140.00
Sundry Expenses	138.36	189.33
Telephone & Internet	343.95	220.80
Total Administrative Costs	54,871.52	35,023.85
Operating Profit	(48,373.33)	(43,574.15)
Other Income		
Ad-hoc Grants	21,988.00	52,131.00
Charity Box	175.19	-
Donations and sponsorships	57.00	300.76
HMRC JRS Grant	835.84	23,851.94
Total Other Income	23,056.03	76,283.70
Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	(25,317.30)	32,709.55
Profit after Taxation	(25,317.30)	32,709.55

Pam Barrett
CHAIR

11/9/22

[Signature]
TREASURER

11/04/2022



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Victoria Park, Buckfastleigh

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages...

Respective responsibilities of trustees and 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 section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required by an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts represent a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below .

Independent examiner's statement

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

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 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;

have not been met; or

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

Hania Lee

Signed.....*Hania Lee*.....

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Date.....22 August 2022.....

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Coming Up

We will be heating the pool and opening up for swimmers over the Christmas period. Details will be announced soon. Along with the Christmas opening are thoughts are looking towards further maintenance at the pool over the winter months.

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2021

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Repairs & Maintenance	11,823.27
Staff Training	455.50
Staff Xmas Gifts	950.00
Subscriptions	140.00
Sundry Expenses	189.33
Telephone & Internet	220.80
Total Administrative Costs	35,023.85

Operating Profit (43,574.15)

Other Income

Ad-hoc Grants	52,131.00
Donations and sponsorships	300.76
HMRC JRS Grant	23,851.94
Total Other Income	76,283.70
Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	32,709.55
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Signed: *P. Marrett.*

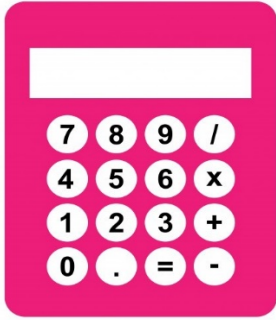
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Date: *8/12/2021*

Signed: 

Philip Northcott - Treasurer of Victoria Park Buckfastleigh

Date: *08/12/2021*



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