THE SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY

England & Wales · Charity number 210619

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	00012383
Registered	1964-05-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	The Old Dairy Rockingham Castle and Park Rockingham Market Harborough LE16 8TH
Phone	01536771611
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Website	www.shire-horse.org.uk

Activities

Objects: 3. Objects3.1 The objects of the Charity are, for the public benefit,:-3.1.1 to improve the breed and promote the breeding and use of English Cart Horses, more particularly the Shire Horse, and to this end to maintain a Stud Book and Grading Register in which are entered the names of all registered Shire Horses complying with conditions for the time being applied to the Charity; and3.1.2 to educate the public about the Shire Horse and the importance of preserving the breed and its heritage.

Activities: The Society's principle charitable objective is the improvement and promotion of English cart horses, more particularly the Shire horse and, to this end, maintaining a Stud Book in which are entered the names of all registered Shire horses complying with the conditions for the time being applied by the Society.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

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Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£538,940	£494,305	£1,466,613	5
2023-09-30	£673,406	£433,579	£1,421,023	4
2022-09-30	£732,079	£353,957	£1,152,140	4
2021-09-30	£238,062	£218,738	-	-
2020-09-30	£247,521	£290,079	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anna Soroko		2025-03-07
David Clarke		2024-03-08
Helen Maureen Thomas		2021-12-14
James Hick		2022-11-15
John Robinson		2024-03-07
Mary Foster		2025-03-07
Simon Livesey		2022-11-15

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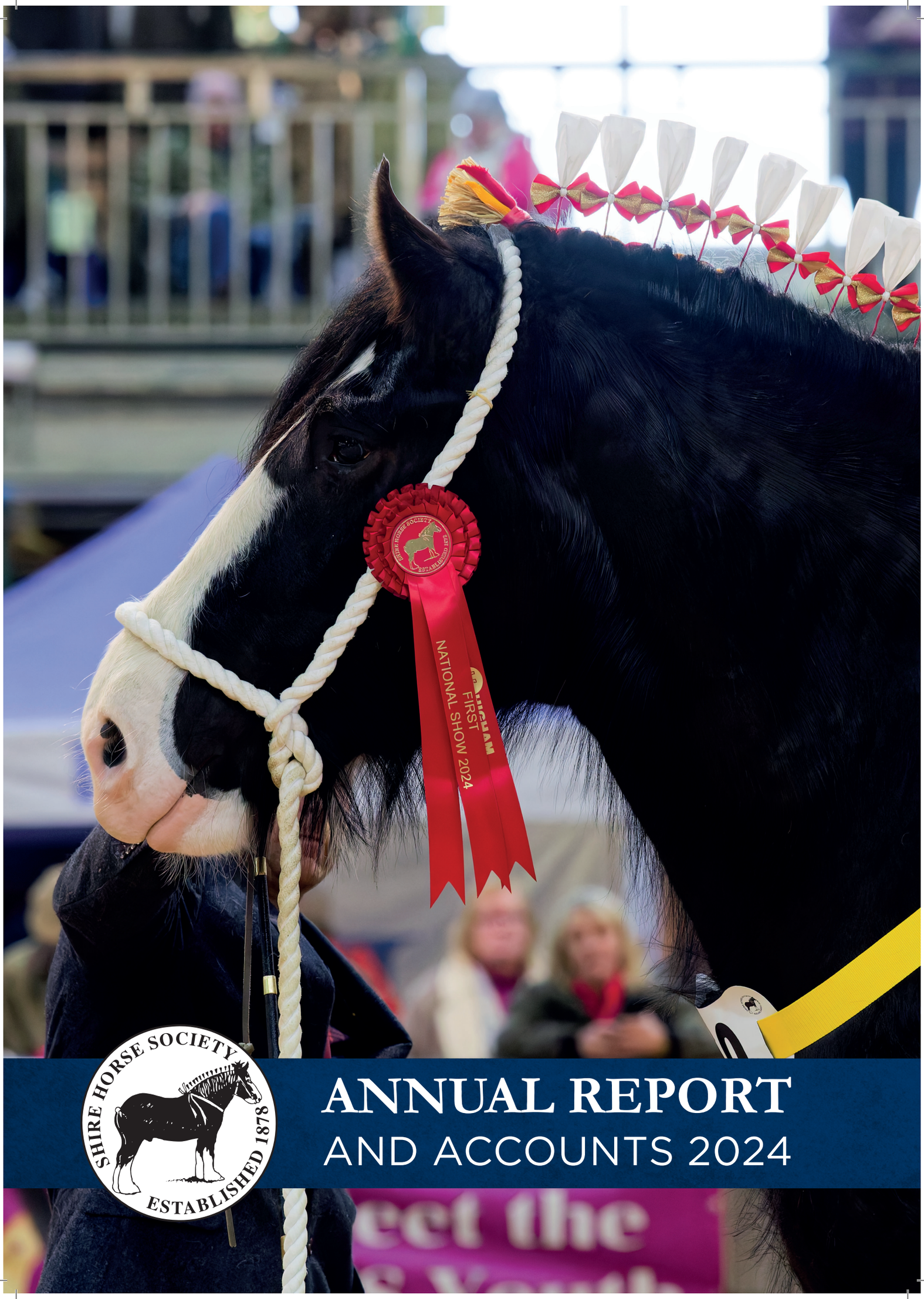

ANNUAL REPORT
AND ACCOUNTS 2024

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY

Patron
HIS MAJESTY KING CHARLES III

President
Mr H Whitbread

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2024

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY

Established in 1878 to promote the Old English Breed of Cart Horse

Governing Document:
Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Registered in England – Certificate of Incorporation 12383

Registered Charity No. 210619

Registered Office:
The Old Dairy, Rockingham Castle & Park,
Rockingham,
Market Harborough, LE16 8TH

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Chief Executive:
Victoria Clayton

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Chair of Board's Report

It gives me great pleasure to wish you a Happy New Year and reflect on 2024.

Our National Show back at Stafford was a great success and being inside we were safeguarded against the bad weather. The Heavy Horse Camp continues to be well supported and is enjoyed by all that attend. I would like to thank you all for making our National Show and Camp such great events. Our Shires were well represented at the affiliated shows and of course the highlight of the year was the Horse of the Year Show.

The SPARKS breeding programme is in its first full year and the signs of take up are good, which can only be good for the needed diversity in genetics. I hope the breeders soon start to realise the benefits of such a programme.

Our vision is to be the leading global authority in the preservation, promotion, and welfare of Shire horses, fostering a vibrant community of enthusiasts dedicated to safeguarding this iconic breed for future generations.

Our Core values are.

Heritage: respect for the rich history and heritage of the Shire horse breed.

Integrity: commitment to honesty, transparency, and ethical practices.

Excellence: pursuit of excellence in all aspects of breed preservation, promotion, and welfare.

Community: fostering a supportive and inclusive community of Shire horse enthusiast.

Innovation: embrace innovation and adaptability to meet the evolving needs of the breed and its community.

The Strategic Goals of The Shire Horse Society are:

1. Breed Preservation and Promotion – to enhance efforts to preserve the genetic diversity and improve the visibility of Shire horses.

2. Member Engagement and Retention – to strengthen member engagement and retention strategies to cultivate a vibrant community of Shire horse enthusiasts.

3. Education and Outreach – to expand educational initiatives to raise awareness about the history, characteristics, and care of Shire horses.

4. Welfare and Well-being – to prioritise the welfare and well-being of Shire horses through advocacy, research, and support services.

5. Financial Sustainability – to ensure the long-term sustainability and growth of the Shire Horse Society.

We are now working on a three-year plan so that we can further the aims and objectives of the Society in a planned, resourced way to ensure that we lay good, clear foundations for the future.

Finally, I would like to thank the Board, Council Members, Committee members, Staff and Volunteers for all their hard work, dedication, and support for which the Society is very grateful.

Helen Thomas,
Chairman of Board

Chief Executive's Report

Welcome to 2025- the 147th year of the Society. 2025 adds up to nine and I am told that it is linked to new adventures. With that in mind, we have new adventures ahead with changes to our Committee Chair personnel.

Following sixty dedicated years' service to the Society Mr Jim Yates retires from Council and his position as Chair of Council. Jim has worked in all areas of the Society in his time, he was the first ever Chair of Council and he has seen much change. He remains the one we all look to for advice and counsel and I will miss working with him day to day enormously. Jim leaves some very large shoes to fill and will be superseded by Mr Paul Bower of Thames Oak Shires. Paul is no stranger to chairing committees as he is the Chair at South Eastern Shire Horse Association and has a previous career in law enforcement. Paul will take the helm after the AGM in March.

We also welcome a new Editing Chair in Jane Domhill, following in the footsteps of Libby Archer. We thank Libby enormously for all her work, effort, and dedication to the breed over her seven-year tenure ship. Jane has a significant equine

background, as an elected trustee of the British Horse Society, Chair of BHS Qualifications Ltd, and on the Board of the British Equestrian Federation. She is currently Vice-Chair of The Showing Council. The Editing Committee have some very exciting plans and are working on major projects looking at breed sustainability including further developing gene banking, so Jane is hitting the ground running.

The last twelve months have had its challenges, successes, highs, and lows. We focus going forward as ever looking at breeding and breeders. The first SPARKS payments were made in December, and the result of our inaugural breeder's competition was announced. The first winner was the Cowerslane Stud, with second place going to Bewholme Shires and third to Acle Shires. Congratulations to you all, we look forward to seeing who the winner of this award in 2025 will be.

As ever at this time of year, the office is busy and excited with the thought of the upcoming National Show. After the feeling of all competitors and exhibitors, we will return to the indoor venue of Bingley Hall, Stafford for 2025. We hope that competitors, spectators, judges, and officials all enjoy the show; and wish anyone competing the very best of luck.

The season of election is soon upon us and within this document you will see some CVs for dedicated Council members standing for re-election and those new members wishing to be elected. We have some wonderful candidates forward who would all bring expertise, knowledge, and ideas to the table. These members will sit on Committees who in turn aid the Board in the running of the Society. Please do use your vote.

The office staff of Angela, Sue, Carol, Laura, and I are all here to help and along with Council members to encourage newcomers and new members to strive to help to preserve, promote and protect the horse that put the Great into Britain.

On behalf of the Shire Horse Society, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the members for your continued support and love of the breed.

Victoria Clayton,
Chief Executive

Chair of Council's Report

As I start to write my last report as Chair of Council my memories go back for 50 years and more. Changes have been made with new ideas coming forward. I am a firm believer that youth must come into the equation going forward.

The Council is the eyes and ears of the Society as they are representing the members who have voted for them.

Over my term there have been some fundamental introductions into the running of the Society. Sparks and the breeding programme, the foot scheme, modernising the rules and regulations up to present day standards, bringing our Training and Education up to date, introducing the Youth Council and keeping Council more informed about the Society's finances.

All this has taken a considerable amount of time and effort by those involved and has led to extra work and meetings being held.

Thanks must go to all those who have helped bring these changes to Council.

At the Council meeting in October, I was privileged to be made an Honorary Vice-President of the Society which is something I am immensely proud of.

I wish my successor Paul Bower all the best and a big thank you to everybody who has supported me in the past.

Jim Yates
Chairman of Council

Notice of AGM

Notice is hereby given that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Members of the Shire Horse Society will be held on Friday 7th March 2025 in the Boden Room, Staffordshire County Showground Pavilion, at 4.30pm

AGENDA:

1. **WELCOME ADDRESS.**
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**
3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 8TH MARCH 2024.**
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**
5. **RECEIVE REPORT OF TRUSTEES & STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.**
6. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS.**
7. **ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.**
8. **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER.**
9. **ELECTRONIC AGM MAILING FROM 2026.**
10. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

By Order of the Council
Victoria Clayton, Chief Executive

AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Shire Horse Society's Annual General Meeting held on Friday 8th March 2024 in The Boden Room, Staffordshire County Showground, Stafford, at 4:30pm.

PRESENT:

Mrs H Thomas (Chair of Board)
Mr T J Yates (Chair of Council)
Mr D Clarke (Honorary Treasurer)
Mr S J Peacock (Chair of Show Committee)
Mr D Baker CFW (Accountants LLP)

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Mr N Andrews, Mrs D Badger, Mr H Bardsley, Mr D Beardmore, Mr W Bedford, Mr D Billingsley, Mr P Bower, Mr P Bowyer, Mr A H Brown, Miss R Burgess, Mr M Butterworth, Miss A Chetwood, Mr J Clarke, Miss J-A Clubley, Mr P J Cockcroft, Mrs S Cockcroft, Mr C Dawson, Miss C Eagle, Mrs L Froggatt, Mr T Froggatt, Mrs V A Giles, Mr J Goodwin, Mrs H Gordon, Mr R Greenwood, Mrs S L Greenwood, Mr R Griffith, Mr E Groen, Mr J Hick, Mr C Horler, Mr M Horler, Mrs T Horler, Mr D Iles, Miss S Jones, Mr S Kerswell, Mr S Ledsham, Mr S Leedham, Mr E Leverett, Mrs S Leverett, Mr S Leverett, Mr G Livesey, Mr S Livesey, Mrs C Martin, Mr M J Martin, Mr B Masters, Mrs B Moore, Mr D Mouland, Mr H T Murphy, Mrs D E Nulty, Mr A J Peacock, Mrs H Preece, Mr G J Rawlins, Mr F M Richardson, Mr F W Richardson, Mr C Rink, Mr J Robinson, Mr H Roetgerink, Mr D Shardlow, Mr P Shipman, Mrs B Silverwood, Mr J Silverwood, Miss C M Threlfall, Miss L Trotter, Mr N Turner, Mrs M Ward, Mr A Wareing, Mr A J Wass, Miss M Webster, Mrs J R Wells, Mr T E Whittaker, Mr C Wilkins, Mr P Williams, Mr P Willis, Mr B A Winn, Mrs J Wordsworth, Mr D Worthington, Mrs A Worthington, Mr J Worthington, Mr D J Yates and Miss C Young.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss V L Clayton (Chief Executive)
Mrs C Coles (Accounts)
Mrs S M Fox (Administration)
Miss A Whiteway (Registrations)

1. WELCOME ADDRESS

In the absence of the President, Mr J Robinson, the Chair of the Board, Mrs H Thomas welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Miss E Archer, Mr B Banham, Mr H Bedford, Mr M Bedford, Mr P Bedford, Mr Wm Bedford, Mr M Burks, Mr J C Etches, Mr L M Fountain, Mr K Hasemore, Mr B Morgan, Mrs B Morgan, Mr P Ryder-Davies, Mr P Simmons, Mrs Y Simmons, Miss M A J Swinley, OBE, Mrs W Toomer-Harlow, Captain C Trenchard Jarrett, Mrs P Wass and Miss E Worthington.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 10TH MARCH 2023.

The Minutes had been circulated to all members in the Annual Report and Accounts 2023.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Chair asked if there were any matters arising from the Minutes. There were no matters arising and Mr F M Richardson proposed the Minutes should be signed as a true and correct record. Mr P Bower seconded the proposal. Members agreed.

4. RECEIVE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr D Clarke took Members through the accounts for the year ending September 2023 as set out in the Annual Report & Accounts.

Mr Clarke highlighted that legacy income was down in 2023 to £463,287 (2022: £489,874) but on a positive note membership had increased from £41,555 to £42,484 and investment income rose from £24,355 to £28,636.

Total Income and Endowments: £673,406 (2022: £732,078)

Expenditure on raising funds had increased from £53,051 to £67,064 and the cost of staging the National Shire Horse Show from £77,871 to £103,767. Other charitable activities which increased expenditure included attendance at shows around the country, demo teams and passports.

Total net gain on investments: £29,056 - 2022: (£121,162)

Net Income: £268,883 (2022: £256,960)

Balance Sheet: Total funds £1,421,023 (2022: £1,152,140).

The Chair of Board, Mrs H Thomas invited members to ask questions.

Mrs D Badger said the accounts looked pleasing and in 2016 the Society had £740,000 and now the accounts have increased to £1.4m and as a Society we should be pleased by the work of the Board, Chief Executive and staff as the Shire Horse Society is in a stronger position than before.

Mr S Ledsham asked why the professional and consultancy fees had risen from £15,795 to £29,755. Mr D Baker from CFW Accountants responded that this is owing to advice and work relating to the governance, policies and Articles of Association and Regulations. This has now been completed.

Mr S Ledsham added that the Memorandum and Articles of Association has now cost a further £20,000 and he thought that this work had been completed. The Chair confirmed that this figure was spent on legal advice, governance packs and policies.

Mr D Beardmore raised a question relating to the Society's investments and asked if the Society's money is being invested correctly. The Honorary Treasurer replied that James Sharp Investments looks after the Society's investments and believes they are working in its favour. Mr Beardmore questioned whether the company is looking to invest in different funds. The Chair and Hon. Treasurer confirmed this will be done.

There being no further questions Mrs D Badger proposed that the Accounts for the year ending 2023 should be adopted, and Mr P Bower seconded the proposal. All agreed.

5. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The Chair reported that two new Trustees had been co-opted to the Board, Mr Huw Murphy, and Mr John Robinson (Robinsons Brewery).

Mr Murphy is seventh generation owner of Dyfed Shire Horse Farm, a Shire Horse Society approved visitor centre in Wales. The farm supports local charities and organisations. Dyfed Shires are well-known for their success in supplying Shire horses to the Household Cavalry for use as drum horses.

The Chair of the Board, Mrs H Thomas proposed that Mr H Murphy is appointed to the Board of Trustees. Mr S Ledsham seconded the proposal.

The Society's current President, Mr John Robinson's family run Robinsons Brewery in Stockport and are great supporters of the Shire horse and Society, so much they have had Shire horses in their business for over one hundred years. Robinsons Brewery embarked on

their own breeding programme to help preserve and promote the breed.

The Chair of the Board, Mrs H Thomas proposed that Mr J Robinson is appointed to the Board of Trustees. Mr C Horler seconded the proposal.

Both Mr H Murphy and Mr J Robinson were successfully appointed to the Board of Trustees.

The Chair explained that as per the Articles of Association, one third of the Trustees retire on an annual basis. Mrs H Thomas informed the members that it was now her time to tender her resignation and offer herself for re-election if members so wished.

Mrs Thomas said she had enjoyed working for the Society and that the Board is making progress in governance matters. She added there is a great team in place – in the office, our committees and on Council and the passion for the breed is infectious.

Mr J Hick proposed that Mrs H Thomas is re-elected to the Board of Trustees. Mr J Clarke seconded the proposal.

A show of hands in the meeting took place and proxy voting for the election of Trustees and all were duly elected to the Board.

6. ELECTION OF TRUSTEE & HONORARY TREASURER

The Chair said the Society were introduced to Mr David Clarke, and subsequently he agreed to be the Society's Honorary Treasurer.

Mr Clarke's family is from a farming business which has always had horses and from an early age he has had a love of the Shire horse. Mr Clarke is pleased to be part of the Shire Horse Society and will do all he can to further the charity and help meet its objectives.

Mr Clarke is a chartered accountant who qualified in 2008 and made a Fellow in 2018. Mr Clarke's experience of audit and accounting for companies and charities gained through a practice training contract with clients ranging from farmers, landowners, local charities, and trading companies.

His work experience covers not-for-profit organisations to large, listed companies. Mr Clarke works in a manufacturing business overseeing all elements of the business reporting and risk.

The Chair of the Board, Mrs H Thomas proposed that Mr D Clarke is appointed a Trustee and Honorary Treasurer. Mr J Clarke seconded the proposal.

A show of hands in the meeting took place and proxy voting for the election of Mr D Clarke as a Trustee and the Society's Honorary Treasurer and he was duly elected to the Board.

7. ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr D Baker from CFW Accountants LLP who act as the Scrutineers confirmed they had received 235 voting papers of which 234 were counted.

The Candidates duly elected were:

Mr M Burks (170)
Mrs D E Nulty (157)
Mr J C Etches (133)
Mr C Malkin (133)
Mr L E Harrison (131)
Mr T E Whittaker (122)
Mr P Bower (120)
Mr D Roberts (118)
Mr B A Winn (108)
Mr R Clarke (101)
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow (101)
Mrs H Preece (78)

The Council members were duly elected and congratulated. Grateful thanks were recorded to Mr D Baker and CFW Accountants LLP for their assistance.

8. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mr J Hick proposed that CFW Accountants LLP should be re-appointed as the Society's Independent Examiners. Mr P Shipman seconded this. All approved and Mr D Baker was thanked for his help.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no further matters relating to the accounts and the Chair formally closed the Annual General Meeting at 4:50pm. An Open Meeting followed the Annual General Meeting.

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 September 2024

For Shire Horse Society

CFW Accountants LLP
Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers
3 Weekley Wood Close
Kettering
Northamptonshire
NN14 1UQ

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 00012383 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 210619

Report of the Trustees

The Board of Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) as applicable to charities in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity, in accordance with the applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice - UK GAAP), including FRS102; The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
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The Society's principal objective is the improvement and promotion of the English Cart Horse, more particularly, the Shire Horse, and to this end, maintaining a Stud Book in which are entered the names of all registered Shire Horses complying with the conditions for the time being applied by the Society.

To meet the objective the Society has established an expert Judging Panel, introduced a comprehensive system of DNA testing for all Pedigree animals and devised a Stallion inspection scheme in order to ensure that male animals used for breeding meet strict conformation and health criteria and introduced training courses.

The Society is generously assisted in its breeding policies by a grant from the Horserace Betting Levy Board which itself sets strict conditions for grant payment. The grant aided work is regularly reviewed by both parties in order to ensure its effectiveness.

The Charity has due regard during the year to the guidance published by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE SHOW 2024

The National Show returned to an indoor venue, at the familiar venue of Bingley Hall, Stafford. The venue has been historically very popular with the exhibitors and the members. The 2024 show saw increase on visitor numbers and horse numbers from the show of 2022 and 2023. In 2025 the show will again be held indoors at Stafford.

EXPORTS

Specific numbers are of horses exported are no longer recorded. Records from Stud Book entries and overseas attendance at the National Show indicate that the demand for quality horses abroad continues to be strong. Society members do not always notify the Society of exports therefore it is difficult to maintain accurate export figures.

MERCHANDISING AND MARKETING

The Society attended 30 events and shows including the two foals shows and three demonstration events in 2024. There has been significant promotion where possible and use of the website for sales of merchandise where possible. The Society is deeply indebted to the help of its volunteers and very much hope those and others wish to be a part of the marketing of the Society this coming year.

STALLION PREMIUM SCHEME

The Editing Committee have removed the premium scheme in its entirety. Other funding and grants will be given to breeders from 2023 onwards.

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY APPROVED CENTRES

The approved centres offer visitor experience and training facilities. The Trustees continue to consider the options available and develop a programme of activities that yield the maximum educational, training and promotional benefits for the Society and supporters.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE TRUST FUND

The financial objective of the Society remains to increase the accumulated fund at a rate not less than inflation for the current year thus ensuring that the purchasing power of the fund is maintained. The financial attitude of the Society remains to pursue a break even position financially, without the historic dependence on donations or legacies. By

doing so, any excess income can be utilised in a more beneficial way for the breed generally.

The Trust Fund is used firstly and most importantly to further the Society's charitable objectives including the promotion of the Shire Horse both at home and overseas and to also meet the Society's operating costs. In addition, the Society is required to contribute to the Stallion Fund at a level of 20% of the funding received from the Horserace Betting Levy Board. The Society's contribution is taken from the Trust Fund.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial statements show an overall increase in net funds of £45,590 (2023: increase £268,883) as shown on the Statement of Financial Activities.

The Society received legacy income totalling £182,017 (2023: £395,528). This source of revenue remains important to the Society in improving the capital base and investment income. The Board of Trustees has agreed it is not appropriate to rely on legacy income.

During the year the Society changed investment fund managers to a fully managed service, which should result in improved income and growth. The Society realised gains of £6,070 during the year, and at the balance sheet date had unrealised losses of £5,115, a net gain of £955 (2023: £29,056). The market value of the Society's investments at the end of the year was £688,811 (2023: £682,703).

Investment returns saw a slight increase in the year at £27,954 (2023: £25,970). Additionally interest received on the investments increased to £21,863 [2023: £2,666].

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Prospects, as ever for 2025 remain increasingly challenging, but with net assets valued at £1,466,613 (2023: £1,421,023) the Society is well placed to continue to assist Shire Breeders and encourage new owners.

The Society continues to invest heavily in the National Show as it is viewed by Trustees as an essential tool to promote the Shire both at home and overseas.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board of Trustees will continue to review the systems that are in place to mitigate the Society's exposure to major risks.

RESERVES POLICY

The Society maintains a prudent level of reserves to generate income to help fund the activities that further the Society's charitable aims and objectives. This income is intended to counter large fluctuations in irregular income such as legacies and help fund the National Show.

The Trustees continue to maintain a greater proportion of reserves in short term cash deposits to protect the Society from the volatile nature of equity and bond markets.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Society is no longer required to undertake a full audit, CFW Accountants LLP have undertaken an independent examiner's review and their report is enclosed.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
SOCIETY GOVERNANCE

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Society's governing document was reviewed and the adoption of new Articles of Association took place on 14th December 2021.

The Charity is governed by Board of Trustees who meet at least four times a year. The Board with the support of the Council has established a committee structure to deal directly with specific aspects of the Society's affairs. These Board and committees currently are:

The BOARD OF TRUSTEES dealing with financial matters and the day to day operation of the Society along with the CEO.

The EDITING COMMITTEE are responsible for all matters relating to the Stud Book, breeding programme and pedigrees.

The TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE are responsible for the education of the public about the Shire Horse, running training events and programmes for the membership and the appointment, training and maintenance of an expert and active panel of Judges.

The SHOW COMMITTEE are responsible for all matters relating to the running of the National Show.

The STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE identify areas of strength and weaknesses within the Society. It is to promote and deliver new initiatives that provide for succession within the Society, including youth schemes and its sustainability for the long term.

The DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE deal with all matters concerning the conduct of Members.

All Council and Committee members are volunteers who receive no payment for their services. The National Show in March, is also run, in part, by Stewards who give their time in a voluntary capacity.

Council, Committees and Officials

RETIRE 2025

Mrs D Badger, Tamworth
Wm Bedford, Yorkshire
J Burks, Lincolnshire
Miss C Eagle, Suffolk
Mrs S Flintham, Nottinghamshire
R Griffith, Wales
C Horler, Somerset
S Ledsham, Shropshire
G Rawlins, Tamworth
F M Richardson, Yorkshire
J Worthington, Cheshire
T J Yates, Derbyshire

RETIRE 2026

W Bedford, Yorkshire
M Bedford, Yorkshire
A Chetwood, Cheshire
J Fairbairn, Northumberland
L M Fountain, Derbyshire
J Holder, Gloucestershire
S J Peacock, Essex
D Shardlow, Cheshire
P Shipman, Lincolnshire
Mrs Y Simmons, Shropshire
D Worthington, Cheshire
D Yates, Derbyshire

RETIRE 2027

P Bower, Essex
M Burks, Lincolnshire
J C Etches, Derbyshire
L E Harrison, Co. Durham
M A Horler, Somerset
C Malkin, Shropshire
Mrs D E Nulty, Cheshire
Mrs H Preece, Cheshire
D Roberts, Devon
Mrs W Toomer Harlow**,** Essex
B A Winn, Lincolnshire

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mrs H Thomas (Board Chair), Mr T J Yates (Chairman of Council), Mr Simon Livesey, Mr James Hick, Mr H Murphy, Mr J E Robinson.

EDITING COMMITTEE

Miss L Archer (Chairman) Mr P Ryder-Davies & Mr B Ryder-Davies (Honorary Veterinary Surgeons), Mr W Bedford, Mr M Burks, Mr J Holder, Mr D Roberts, Mr P Shipman, Mr C Malkin.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs Y Simmons (Chair), Mrs D Badger, Miss C Eagle, Mr R Griffith, Mr M Richardson, Mr M Bingham (co-opt).

SHOW COMMITTEE

Mr S J Peacock (Chairman), Mr A Peacock (Chief Steward), Mr M Bedford, Miss A Chetwood, Mr C Horler, Mr M Rendle (co-opt), Mrs S Flintham, Mr M Fountain, Mr T Brown (co-opt).

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mrs W Toomer-Harlow (Chair), Mrs H Preece, Mr G Rawlins, Miss M Langley (co-opt), Mr D Shardlow.

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The President, two Past Presidents or past deputies, two past chairs, a solicitor.

HONORARY TREASURER

Mr D Clarke.

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc, Church Street, Peterborough.

ACCOUNTANTS AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

CFW Accountants LLP, 3 Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, NN14 1UQ

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Victoria Clayton MRICS FAAV

STUD BOOK AND REGISTRATIONS

Miss Angela Whiteway

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number: 00012383 (Eng and Wales)

Registered Charity number: 210619

Registered Office:
The Old Dairy
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TRUSTEES

T J Yates
Mrs H Thomas
S Livesey
J Hick
H Murphy None (appointed 8.3.24)
J Robinson None (appointed 8.3.24)
D Clarke Accountant (appointed 8.3.24)

COMPANY SECRETARY

Miss V Clayton

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner David Ian Baker FCCA, CFW Accountants LLP, Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers, 3 Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, Northamptonshire NN14 1UQ

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Victoria Clayton
Secretary
21st January 2025

Independent Examiner's Report

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY ('THE COMPANY')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2024.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and 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.

David Ian Baker FCCA
CFW Accountants LLP
Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers
3 Weekley Wood Close
Kettering
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Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2024** Total funds £	**2023** Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	244,081	35,000	279,081	463,287
Charitable activities	5				
Membership subscriptions		42,186	-	42,186	42,484
Direct charitable purpose		150,725	-	150,725	131,790
Other trading activities	3	17,131	-	17,131	7,209
Investment income	4	49,817	-	49,817	28,636
Total		503,940	35,000	538,940	673,406
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	6	80,881	-	80,881	67,064
Charitable activities	7				
Shire horse show		142,382	-	142,382	103,767
Stud book fees, sales and service books		132,867	-	132,867	125,266
Membership subscriptions		38,945	-	38,945	36,135
Support costs		62,068	-	62,068	57,062
Direct charitable purpose		-	26,521	26,521	30,730
Shire/Heavy horse camp		10,641	-	10,641	13,555
Total		467,784	26,521	494,305	433,579
Net gains on investments		955	-	955	29,056
NET INCOME		37,111	8,479	45,590	268,883
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,299,427	121,596	1,421,023	1,152,140
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,336,538	130,075	1,466,613	1,421,023

Balance Sheet

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2024** Total funds £	**2023** Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	13	19,336	-	19,336	21,983
Investments	14	558,736	130,075	688,811	682,703
		578,072	130,075	708,147	704,686
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	15	10,938	-	10,938	8,412
Debtors	16	23,718	-	23,718	28,894
Cash at bank and in hand		751,139	-	751,139	700,700
		785,795	-	785,795	738,006
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	17	(27,329)	-	(27,329)	(21,669)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		758,466	-	758,466	716,337
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,336,538	130,075	1,466,613	1,421,023
NET ASSETS		1,336,538	130,075	1,466,613	1,421,023
FUNDS	19				
Unrestricted funds				1,336,538	1,299,427
Restricted funds				130,075	121,596
TOTAL FUNDS				1,466,613	1,421,023

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

a. ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

b. preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue and were signed on its behalf by:

T J Yates - Trustee
H Thomas - Trustee
J Hick - Trustee
S Livesey - Trustee

Cash Flow Statement

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash generated from operations	21	(5,127)	210,267
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(5,127)	210,267
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(1,889)	-
Purchase of fixed asset investments		(1,172,147)	-
Sale of fixed asset investments		1,179,785	-
Interest received		21,863	2,666
Dividends received		27,954	25,970
Net cash provided by investing activities		55,566	28,636
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		50,439	238,903
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		700,700	461,797
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		751,139	700,700

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

General information and basis of preparation
Shire Horse Society is a private company, limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales . In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £5 per member of the charity.
The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 12 of these financial statements.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.
These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income is shown within four main categories in the Statement of Financial Activities:
Voluntary income
Activities for generated funds
Investment income
Incoming resources from charitable activities

Voluntary income includes bequests and donations, and are accounted for at the time of arising.

Gifts in kind are accounted for by recognising as an incoming resource at a reasonable estimate of their fair value. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

Activities for generated funds include proceeds from commercial trading activities.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. Dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Incoming resources from charitable activities include membership subscriptions, proceeds relating to the Shire Horse Show and income from the maintenance of a Shire Horse database.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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

Paintings	2% on cost less residual value
Motor Vehicles	25% on reducing balance
Office equipment	25% on reducing balance

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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, and include the following:
The Farriery Fund is established to promote farriery skills and improve animal welfare.
The Stallion Fund is established to encourage stallion ownership, the purpose of which is appropriate genetic diversity.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

PENSION COSTS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

DONATED SERVICES

No income or expense is recognised in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP 2019, however further detail is included in the Trustees' Annual Report.

DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Debtors receivable / creditors payable within one year are measured at transaction price (less any impairment losses on debtors for bad and doubtful debts). Loans and other financial assets / liabilities are initially measured at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method (less any impairment losses on debtors) for bad and doubtful debts.

INVESTMENTS

Investments are stated at their fair value. Unrealised gains on the revaluation of investments are included on the Statement of Financial Activities.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Government grants are recognised on an accrual basis and are classified as either 'revenue-based' grant or a 'capital-based' grant.

The grants relating to revenue are recognised in income on a systematic basis over the periods in which the entity recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. The grant which becomes receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs is recognised in income in the period that it become receivable.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2024** Total funds £	**2023** Total funds £
Legacies	182,017	-	182,017	395,528
Grants	-	35,000	35,000	35,000
Sponsorships and donations	62,064	-	62,064	32,759
	244,081	35,000	279,081	463,287

In 2024 the income from donations and legacies was £279,081 (2023: £463,287) of which £35,000 (2023: £35,000) was attributable to restricted income funds, with the balance of £244,081 (2023: £428,287) adding to unrestricted funds.
Included in sponsorships and donations is Gift Aid of £1,366 (2023: £1,212).

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2024 £	**2023** £
Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant	35,000	30,000

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2024** Total funds £	**2023** Total funds £
Sale of goods	17,131	-	17,131	7,209

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2024** Total funds £	**2023** Total funds £
Listed investments	27,954	-	27,954	25,970
Bank interest received	21,863	-	21,863	2,666
	49,817	-	49,817	28,636

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Membership subscriptions £	Direct charitable purpose £	**2024** Total activities £	**2023** Total activities £
Shire horse show	-	82,453	82,453	60,134
Stud book fees, sales and service books	-	46,097	46,097	44,110
Sundry sales and other income	-	7,117	7,117	11,154
Stallion fund	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	36,751	-	36,751	35,380
Life membership subscriptions	5,435	-	5,435	7,104
Shire/Heavy horse camp	-	13,058	13,058	14,392
	42,186	150,725	192,911	174,274

6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2024** Total funds £	**2023** Total funds £
Raising donations and legacies				
Marketing and merchandise costs	14,711	-	14,711	11,516
Attendance at shows and events	22,207	-	22,207	15,126
Support costs	43,963	-	43,963	40,422
	80,881	-	80,881	67,064

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 8) £	Totals £
Shire horse show	142,382	-	142,382
Stud book fees, sales and service books	13,907	118,960	132,867
Membership subscriptions	5,326	33,619	38,945
Support costs	-	62,068	62,068
Direct charitable purpose	26,521	-	26,521
Shire/Heavy horse camp	10,641	-	10,641
	198,777	214,647	413,424

In 2024 the expenditure on charitable activities was £413,424 (2023: £366,515) of which £26,520 (2023: £30,730) was expenditure from restricted funds and £386,903 (2023: £335,785) was from unrestricted funds.

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Administration charge	Professional fess	Shire horse of the year championship	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Raising donations and legacies	38,946	3,569	1,448	43,963
Stud book fees, sales and service books	105,384	9,657	3,919	118,960
Membership subscriptions	29,782	2,729	1,108	33,619
Support costs	54,984	5,039	2,045	62,068
	229,096	20,994	8,520	258,610

9. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	**2024**	**2023**
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	4,536	5,415

10. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2024 nor for the year ended 30 September 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2024 nor for the year ended 30 September 2023.

11. STAFF COSTS

	2024	**2023**
	£	£
Wages and salaries	119,284	89,867
Social security costs	4,532	2,818
Other pension costs	2,446	1,917
	126,262	94,602

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	**2023**
Administrative staff	5	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

12. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REMUNERATION

Included in the accounts is a charge of £3,890 (2023: £3,680) in respect of the Independent Examiner's remuneration.

13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Paintings £	Motor Vehicles £	Office equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 October 2023	5,765	48,311	17,639	71,715
Additions	-	-	1,889	1,889
At 30 September 2024	5,765	48,311	19,528	73,604
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 October 2023	-	35,417	14,315	49,732
Charge for year	-	3,226	1,310	4,536
At 30 September 2024	-	38,643	15,625	54,268
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 September 2024	5,765	9,668	3,903	19,336
At 30 September 2023	5,765	12,894	3,324	21,983

14. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 October 2023	682,703
Additions	1,172,147
Disposals	(1,173,715)
Revaluations	7,676
At 30 September 2024	688,811
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 September 2024	688,811
At 30 September 2023	682,703

Listed investments includes £nil (2023: £16,558) held outside the UK. All investments are held primarily for an investment return.
The Additions and Disposals noted above (and on the Cash Flow Statement) occurred on the transfer of investment fund managers as noted in the Trustees Report.

15. STOCKS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Goods held for resale	10,938	8,412

16. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	4,770	4,690
VAT	-	334
Prepayments and accrued income	18,948	23,870
	23,718	28,894

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	6,421	9,268
Social security and other taxes	2,612	1,314
VAT	609	-
Other creditors	3,205	1,146
Accruals and deferred income	14,482	9,941
	27,329	21,669

18. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Within one year	9,375	12,500
Between one and five years	-	9,375
	9,375	21,875

19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.10.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	1,299,427	37,111	1,336,538
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	118,207	8,479	126,686
	121,596	8,479	130,075
TOTAL FUNDS	1,421,023	45,590	1,466,613

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	503,940	(467,784)	955	37,111
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	35,000	(26,521)	-	8,479
TOTAL FUNDS	538,940	(494,305)	955	45,590

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.10.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	1,034,813	264,614	1,299,427
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	113,938	4,269	118,207
	117,327	4,269	121,596
z **TOTAL FUNDS**	1,152,140	268,883	1,421,023

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	638,406	(402,848)	29,056	264,614
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	35,000	(30,731)	-	4,269
TOTAL FUNDS	673,406	(433,579)	29,056	268,883

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.10.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	1,034,813	301,725	1,336,538
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	113,938	12,748	126,686
	117,327	12,748	130,075
TOTAL FUNDS	1,152,140	314,473	1,466,613

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	1,142,346	(870,632)	30,011	301,725
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	70,000	(57,252)	-	12,748
TOTAL FUNDS	1,212,346	(927,884)	30,011	314,473

20. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2024.

21. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	45,590	268,883
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	4,537	5,415
Gain on investments	(955)	(29,056)
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	(12,792)	-
Interest received	(21,863)	(2,666)
Dividends received	(27,954)	(25,970)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(2,526)	2,307
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	5,176	(8,682)
Increase in creditors	5,660	36
Net cash provided by operations	(5,127)	210,267

22. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.10.23 £	Cash flow £	At 30.9.24 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	700,700	50,439	751,139
	700,700	50,439	751,139
TOTAL	700,700	50,439	751,139

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Legacies	182,017	395,528
Grants	35,000	35,000
Sponsorships and donations	62,064	32,759
	279,081	463,287
Other trading activities		
Sale of goods	17,131	7,209
Investment income		
Listed investments	27,954	25,970
Bank interest received	21,863	2,666
	49,817	28,636
Charitable activities		
Shire horse show	82,453	60,134
Stud book fees, sales and service books	46,097	44,110
Sundry sales and other income	7,117	11,154
Stallion fund	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	36,751	35,380
Life membership subscriptions	5,435	7,104
Shire/Heavy horse camp	13,058	14,392
	192,911	174,274
Total incoming resources	538,940	673,406
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Marketing and merchandise costs	14,711	11,516
Attendance at shows and events	22,207	15,126
	36,918	26,642
Charitable activities		
Shire horse show	142,382	100,537
Studbook, sales and service book costs	13,907	15,889
Silver spoons and membership recruitment costs	5,326	5,224
Stallion premiums	15,860	9,115
Carried forward	177,475	130,765

	2024	2023
	£	£
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Brought forward	177,475	130,765
Stallion approvals	5,786	5,032
Stallion travelling	3,214	3,702
Stallion premium foals	350	6,500
Stallion semen storage	-	1,078
Shire/Heavy horse camp	10,641	13,555
Judges assessments and seminars	1,311	8,533
	198,777	169,165
SUPPORT COSTS		
Administration charge		
Salaries	119,284	89,867
Social security	4,532	2,818
Pensions	2,446	1,917
Postage	8,933	8,272
Printing and stationery	7,550	7,751
Meeting expenses	10,602	5,745
Bank charges	5,926	5,593
Promotion, advertising and website	6,530	5,818
Establishment costs	30,800	29,096
Sundry expenses	5,258	1,967
Irrecoverable VAT	22,678	28,988
VAT interest	20	-
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	4,537	5,415
	229,096	193,247
Professional fees		
Accountancy charges	9,705	3,815
Professional and consultancy fees	7,399	29,755
Independent examiner's remuneration	3,890	3,680
	20,994	37,250
Shire horse of the year championship		
Net deficit	8,520	7,275
Total resources expended	494,305	433,579
Net income before gains and losses	44,635	239,827
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	6,070	-
NET INCOME	50,705	239,827

Election of Trustees and Honorary Treasurer

MARY FOSTER

Mary Foster has spent her career in investment banking, specialising in equities, based in the City of London. She now farms with her husband in Suffolk where they have a diversified enterprise ranging from arable to holiday accommodation. She enjoys supporting the Mid Suffolk Light Railway, which is on their land. She also works as a trustee for various charities, helping devise and manage investment portfolios to ensure and grow the funds available. The overall aim being to make certain the activities which are carried out are able to continue and that its longer-term needs are provided for within a clear governance framework, to ensure that ethical and sustainable goals are also met. Elsewhere she divides her time between Suffolk and London and is a keen liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Farmers and also the Worshipful Company of Arts Scholars, where she also chairs the finance committee. She is also a keen supporter of the arts and music

ANNA SOROKO

Anna Soroko is a solicitor and a Texas qualified US Attorney at Law and has lived in several countries around the world. She has worked as an energy lawyer internationally for over 40 years in both private practice and industry. Anna was also an elected director of the East of England Energy Group for 12 years and a member of the advisory board of the University of East Anglia business school for several years.

Anna has also had several articles and papers published and spoken at numerous conferences on various energy matters, including LNG, gas quality, carbon capture and storage and M&A.

She has had a lifelong interest in, and love of horses, and has competed at dressage, showjumping, and eventing in both the US and UK. Anna has also kept horses at livery in both the US and UK and, for a short while, helped break-in the Sheik of Abu Dhabi's racehorses.

She owns three eventers competing from BE100, to advanced level. She currently sits on a BE committee.

DAVID CLARKE

An accountant, with over 20 years' experience working in both practice and in-house. I have experience of audit and accounting for a wide range of clients including farmers, landowners, local charities, and trading companies. I have worked across the full spectrum of organisations, from charities, public sector, listed companies and private companies. I currently work in a manufacturing business overseeing all elements of the business, reporting and risk. I am delighted to have acted as honorary treasurer for the last two years and would value your support in being re-elected to the post. I have had connections with horses from a very early age, both in my family farming business and from friends and colleagues. My fascination with Shire horses started when visiting a Shire breeder as a child. Volunteering my time to support this charity enables me to ensure the breed continues to fascinate many more generations to come.

Election of Council Members

Council members who retire in 2025 and have confirmed their intention to stand for re-election this year:

Mrs D Badger, Tanworth in Arden, West Midlands
Wm Bedford, York, North Yorkshire
J Burks, Market Rasen, Lincolnshire
Miss C Eagle, Sudbury, Suffolk
Mrs S Flintham, Newark, Nottinghamshire
R Griffith, Caernarfon, Gwynedd
C Horler, Bath, Somerset
S Ledsham, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
G Rawlins, Tamworth, Staffordshire
F M Richardson, Driffield, Yorkshire
J Worthington, Macclesfield, Cheshire

New members standing for elections:
M Martin, Askam-in-Furness, Cumbria
Mrs J Muntz Torres, Solihull, West Midlands
S Roper, Battle, East Sussex

There are 12 spaces within the Council available.

Please find on the following pages a brief introduction of existing and new members putting themselves forward for the 2025 Shire Horse Society Council Elections.

Please vote for your preferred candidates on the voting papers enclosed and return to the address shown in advance of the deadline.

For the avoidance of doubt, members can vote for up to twelve candidates. Members do not have to use all twelve votes. A member may only vote for one candidate once.

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EXISTING COUNCIL MEMBERS STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Mrs D Badger

Mr W M Bedford

Mr J Burks

Miss C Eagle

Mrs S Flintham

Mr R Griffith

Mr C Horler

Mr S Ledsham

Mr G Rawlins

Mr F M Richardson

Mr J Worthington

MRS D BADGER

Meetings attended 8 of 8

I have now been on Council for three years and would like to stand for re-election. My family and I have a long history of breeding Shire horses at Bickers Court, which we continue to do so. We are breeding and using the SPARKS scheme as we believe in its value to increase the diversity of the gene pool to protect the Shire horse for future generations. During my time on Council, I have been a proactive member of the Training and Education committee, supporting training days and Heavy Horse Camp. I continue to support the Demo Team in their work promoting the versatility of the Shire horse breed to both the general public and wider membership. It would be an honour to be re-elected to Council and I would continue to work hard to represent Society members.

MR W M BEDFORD

Meetings attended 5 of 8
(3 apologies received)

I have been a member of Council for many years and have previously served on the Editing Committee, the former Executive Committee, and the Judges Assessment Panel. My main interest is upholding breeding standards and breeding quality show horses. I stand a number of champion stallions each year at stud and next year is no different.

MR J BURKS

Meetings attended 6 of 8
(2 apologies received)

I have been a great supporter of the Shire breed for the last 65 years, in that time I have been honoured to serve the members on Council, the judges panel as well as breeding and showing. I wish to stand for re-election and ask for your vote. I am a strong supporter of the next generation as well as new disciplines for the Shire and want to make sure the breed has a healthy future so future generations can enjoy them. Whilst not a political monster I do have an opinion and am prepared to stand up and be counted.

MISS C EAGLE

Meetings attended 6 of 8
(2 apologies received)

Helping to promote the Shire to the public and raising the profile of the breed is very important to me. I would really like to be voted back on to the Council this year to continue to be part of the Training and Education Committee. I am actively involved in projects which will invest in the breed's future to ensure longevity. I am passionate about helping people and ensuring that members feel inclusive, with access to any help required. I am involved with Heavy Horse Camp, which helps a considerable amount of people with confidence, improving knowledge and creating a network of new friends. I take part in demonstrations for the Society, to help promote the breed, raise awareness, and show its versatility. I am a rider and breeder but having been involved in Society events and training days, I now do some agricultural classes at shows and occasionally drive.

MRS S FLINTHAM

Meetings attended 7 of 8
(1 apology received)

I am a Shire breeder and farmer in Nottinghamshire, alongside my father and two daughters. I am passionate about encouraging new people into the Shires and keeping the history alive too. I specialise in breeding horses and have been breeding with our Shire stallions, via artificial insemination, for a number of years. I have held a breeding training day for the Youth Council and a show training day for Lincolnshire Shire Horse Association and plan to do more days like these in the coming years. I have been on the Council for three years and I am now on the Show Committee, I would like to continue to help keep up the integrity of the Shire horse and support the breeders and owners of these fantastic horses.

MR R GRIFFITH

Meetings attended 8 of 8

I have been around the Shire breed all my life and am the third-generation breeder and exhibitor at the Trem y Wyddfa Stud, North Wales. I have been a life member from the age of fifteen and have been fortunate to show in-hand across the country from a young age, including at young handlers and HOYS. I enjoy the breeding side of the Shires, running multiple stallions in order to preserve and develop the breed. What I breed and

how I show is a good representation of what I stand for as I promote Shires and showing in and around Wales. Standing for my second term, I am now an in-hand panel judge and the Chairman of the North Wales Shire Horse Society. I am a strong voice to represent members of the Society and the only Welsh representative on Council.

MR C HORLER

Meetings attended 8 of 8

My name is Colin Horler of Radford Shires, I have been a member of the Society for over 40 years and have been around and showing Shire horses for more years than I care to remember. If I were lucky enough to be re-elected back onto Council, I would do my upmost to make sure that the members voices and opinions are heard at Council Meetings. I feel it is down to the members and the Shire Horse Society to guide the magnificent Shire horse in the right direction for the future, I think it is important to have a mixture of the modern ways of the Shire world working alongside the traditional ways.

MR S LEDSHAM

Meetings attended 6 of 8
(2 apologies received)

I originally stood for Council to promote, protect, and preserve the Shire breed. Whilst on Council I have expressed my views on issues I feel have been important to achieve those goals. I have faced much opposition to my views on correct shoeing practices and on hock conformation. I know there are Council Members who agree with my opinions but are reluctant to express their views. I also believe that many of the general membership are of similar views to myself. I have failed to convince Council of the need to investigate the issues of conformation further and therefore I need to show that I have some support within the general membership. You can show your support by casting a vote for me in this election. If I am unable to increase the number of votes I had at the last election, I intend, with much regret, to step down from Council.

MR G RAWLINS

Meetings attended 8 of 8

I have enjoyed my time on the Council, and I have attended all the meetings, taking a great interest in what has been discussed. I am particularly passionate about keeping up the number of foals born each year and encouraging more mares to be used for breeding. I have been an active member of the Strategy and Development committee for the past three years, during which time we have supported the setting up of the Youth Council. I have also enjoyed taking part in several Shire Horse Society demonstrations and fundraising events that have helped raise the profile of the Shire horse breed. Finally, I lead the Shire breeding and showing programme for my family business, which continues the Rawlins family tradition in the Midlands, dating back nearly 100 years. I feel strongly that as a member of Council, I have the preservation of the Shire and interests of the members of Society at my heart.

MR F M RICHARDSON

Meetings attended 8 of 8

I have been a part of the Council for the last 17 years; I have fully embraced this to help my aim of keeping the Shire horse in the forefront of the equestrian breeds. Alongside of the Council I am also on the full judges panel keeping the quality of the Shire standard upmost throughout Europe. Breeding and the showing of Shires throughout the summer promotes our great horses whilst carrying on the breed. Listening to the members and reporting this to the Council, so that continuous development can be made, whilst tradition is maintained.

MR J WORTHINGTON

Meetings attended 7 of 8 (1 apology received)

I am willing to be considered for another term on Council taking forward opinions of other members and my own to keep the breed being promoted and exhibited all over the globe. I am the fourth generation of breeding the Shire horse. The Shire is in my blood, and I hope that the love and appreciation of them passes down to my own children along with other families. My priority is to encourage others to breed Shires so they can be used in whatever discipline they want and show their versatility.

NEW CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION

Mr M Martin

Mrs J Muntz Torres

Mr S Roper

MR M MARTIN

In my relative to some, short 10 years working with the Shire horse, I have developed a great passion for all aspects of showing and breeding of our great breed. Starting as a young handler, to owning, showing, and breeding my own horses. I have been lucky enough to learn from some of our great breeders and show men/women, and I believe it is imperative to pass on the knowledge and experience I have consumed to others. As a previous newcomer myself I recognise how overwhelming the Shire horse world could be and pride myself on being approachable and will always offer advice and support to others just as I have previously received. If elected I would be a voice for the great lovers of showing our magnificent horses, with a passion for maintaining our breed traditions for future generations to come.

MRS J MUNTZ TORRES

I am putting my name forward for Council 2025: I support the working Shire and the younger generation. I bought my first unbroken Shire in 1997. The Horlers broke him in and trained me, so I achieved an NVQ level 3 in Working and Driving Horses. I was driving from 1998 and started ploughing regularly from 2008. I have been a member of the MHHA since 1983 and Secretary from 2014-2023. I showed in harness, agricultural vehicle and implement classes: I started horse-boating in 2014. I was a contributor to Heavy Horse World until recently producing show reports.

MR S ROPER

I was four when we got our first Shire, and I have not been without one at any time since. I am an active breeder under the prefix 'Horsmans.' I am an avid follower of pedigrees and favour horses with depth, power, and good movement. I aim to breed to the standard, but it is growing increasingly difficult, I am concerned that there is a decline of these qualities. I have a dozen Shires and show regularly during the season, I believe in fairness and transparency for all exhibitors, again I am concerned that these fundamentals are sometimes lacking. I would like to support the Society's members in upholding equality and preserving breed standards.

Shire Horse of the Year Qualifying Shows

2024 Driven Champion Landcliffe Glassia

2025 HOYS Qualifiers

National Stallion
National Mare
Driffield Show
South Wales Shire Horse Show
Royal Cheshire Show
Royal Norfolk Show
Bakewell Show
Great Eccleston Show
Newport Show
Derbyshire County Show
Penistone Show
New Forest County Show
Suffolk County
Nottinghamshire County Show
Staffordshire County Show
Royal Welsh Show
Devon County Show

Demonstrations

Grateful thanks are recorded to the following members who helped the Society organise demonstrations promoting the Shire horse across the country in 2024.
Neil Andrews, Denise Badger, Mike Bingham, Rob Clarke, Jo-Ann Clubley, Caroline Eagle, Jono Fryer, Callum Fuller-Shapcott, Gayle Fuller-Shapcott, Joanne Grant, Deb Green, Stuart Green, Kelly Holder, Brett Masters, Hook Norton Brewery, Sally Jones, Greg Rawlins, Mark Richardson, Yvonne Simmons, Colin Stokes, Carolyn Truss, Rita Wells.

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To preserve, promote and protect the horse that put the Great into Britain

National Shire Horse Show

7th-9th March 2025

Bingley Hall, Staffordshire Showground, ST18 0BD

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Chair of Board's Report

It gives me great pleasure to wish you a Happy New Year, welcome you to 2024 and reflect on 2023.

2023 was a year when we were able to fully resume a normal way of life and get our horses out and about. It was good to see so many at our National Show at Newark when we had such bad weather, and we were nearly snowed away. The affiliated shows were a great success culminating with excellent classes at the Horse of the Year Show to bring the season to a close.

The SPARKS breeding programme has been taken up by many and we wait to see the anticipated benefits bear fruit for the gene pool by using such a programme.

Our Articles of Association give us a clear framework to work within and allows the Society to progress with its purpose and objectives – which are to improve the breed and promote the breeding of the Shire Horse, and to educate the public about the Shire Horse and the importance of preserving the breed and its heritage. The Board has put together a Board Governance Pack to ensure that the Society meets the governance standards required of a charity of its size, the Board mitigate risks to the Society, complies with all legal and regulatory requirements and we observe the Charity Governance Code. The Board has also been reviewing policies to give greater guidance to the Society.

We very much look forward to our National Show at Stafford this year, being inside will safeguard the impending weather at this time of year. I hope to see many of you there. We hope that the Heavy Horse Camp continues to be a great success, and also for our affiliated shows where we can show off our beautiful Shires. I would like to thank all those for making our National Show and Camp such great events.

We are now working on a three-year plan so that we can further the aims and objectives of the Society in a planned, resourced way to ensure that we lay good, clear foundations for the future. This has been done in co-operation with the Council who have brought forward some good ideas to develop.

Finally, I would like to thank my co-Trustees and Board members for their dedication and effort and also thank the office staff and CEO who work tirelessly for the breed on so many fronts.

Helen Thomas,
Chairman of Board

Chief Executive's Report

As I sit down to write this, we are at a completely different end of the spectrum weather wise to this time last year, rather than needing thermals and grit; I have sent for supplies to start building an ark! We have however, had the shortest day and winter solstice and therefore the lighter nights will soon be upon us.

The last twelve months have had its challenges, successes, highs, and lows. We focus going forward in 2024 looking at breeding and breeders. This year will be the first year we see how many foals are born within the 'green and yellow' bands for the SPARKS system and we keenly await the new life that a new year brings. I wish all of our dedicated breeders a safe and successful breeding season. With that in mind, a new initiative borne from the Editing Committee will be in operation, to give back to breeders. Points will be awarded to breeders based on horses showing with their prefix. Points will be awarded at affiliated shows and for a full range of classes. At the end of the season, the breeder with the most points will be awarded the title of 'Breeder of the Year' and £500, second placed £300 and third placed £150. Double points will be awarded for prizes won at the National Show. These prizes have very generously been donated respectively for this year by Colloe Grove Shires (Jason Holder), David Yates as Luke Evans Bakery and Alderley and Walton Shires (Jonathan Worthington). Our most sincere and grateful thanks to you all.

As ever at this time of year, the office is busy and excited with the thought of the upcoming National Show. We return to the indoor venue of Bingley Hall, Stafford for 2024. There is a feeling of returning 'home' for us in the office, having had four wonderful shows between 2016 and 2019. We hope that competitors, spectators, judges, and officials all enjoy being back under cover; and wish anyone

competing the very best of luck. The return is not without its challenges, namely higher costs, and whilst we have tried to limit passing these to exhibitors, some higher costs are unavoidable and for this we hope you will understand.

We will welcome a new member of the office team in January, Laura, our new Events and Fundraising Co-ordinator. Laura joins us with a wealth of experience, and she will look forward to meeting many of you, our members at the show in March.

Time waits for no one, and it is soon election time again, please take the time to read the CVs of the dedicated Council members standing for re-election and those new members wishing to be elected. We have some wonderful candidates forward who would all bring expertise, knowledge, and ideas to the table. These members will sit on Committees who in turn aid the Board in the running of the Society. Please do use your vote.

The office staff of Angela, Sue, Carol, Laura, and I are all here to help and along with Council members to encourage newcomers and new members to strive to help to preserve, promote and protect (the three P's) the horse that put the Great into Britain.

My job is to help with the 'three P's' and to look at the bigger picture to help and to create demand and sustainability for the Shire horse for generations to come, for which I am deeply committed. I simply ask that we work together to continue to demonstrate why the Shire horse is the iconic, majestic and instantly most recognisable horse in the world.

On behalf of the Shire Horse Society, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the members for your continued support and love of the breed.

Victoria Clayton,
Chief Executive

Chair of Council's Report

In 1974 I was elected by the membership to join the Shire Horse Society's Council attending my first meeting at Devonshire Street in London. I never envisaged being made Chairman of Council. Seeing many changes from the introduction of the stallion scheme, grants and approval, to a Spring Show move from a weekday to the weekend, Shire Horse of the Year and a move from Peterborough to Rockingham.

The Shire Horse Society took a new route in 2021 by creating a Board of Trustees in charge of the charity status taking an independent view. There is now a Vice Chairman who will succeed me when I retire.

Council is the eyes and ears of the Society being voted for by the membership every year. There are some strong-minded people on Council that are passionate about the breed and their opinions over the years. A number of members have resigned over the years over different opinions, and it is only right and democratic as long as they conduct themselves in a correct manner.

This year there was a need to call an extra meeting to discuss matters brought forward by the various chairs and their committees.

Change is not always easy, and things have to be discussed and debated before being accepted.

It has been a privilege to work and support the Shire Horse Society over the years of which on the whole I have enjoyed.

Jim Yates
Chairman of Council

Notice of AGM

Notice is hereby given that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Members of the Shire Horse Society will be held on Friday 8th March 2024 in the Boden Room, Staffordshire County Showground Pavilion, at 4.30pm

AGENDA:

1. **WELCOME ADDRESS.**
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**
3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 10TH MARCH 2023.**
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**
5. **RECEIVE REPORT OF COUNCIL & STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.**
6. **ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.**
7. **ELECTION OF HONORARY TREASURER**
8. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS.**
9. **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER.**
10. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

By Order of the Council
Victoria Clayton, Chief Executive

AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Shire Horse Society's Annual General Meeting held on Friday 10th March 2023 in the Sir Stuart Goodwin Pavilion at Newark Showground at 4:30pm.

PRESENT:

Mr J Robinson (President)
Mrs H Thomas (Chair of Board)
Mr T J Yates (Chair of Council)
Mr J W Clarke (Honorary Treasurer & Board Trustee)
Ms L Archer (Chair of Editing & Training Committee)
Mr S J Peacock (Chair of Show Committee)
Mrs Y Simmons (Chair of Training & Education Committee)
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow (Chair of Strategy & Development Committee)
Mr D Baker (CFW Accountants LLP)

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Mrs D Badger
Mr M Barnett
Mrs D Bingham
Mr M Bingham
Mr P Bower
Mr R Brewster
Mr A H Brown
Miss H Carr
Mr P J Cockcroft
Mrs S Cockcroft
Miss C Eagle
Mr T Froggatt
Mr M Gath
Mr J Goodwin
Miss C Harrison
Mrs R L Harvey
Mr J Hick
Mr C Horler
Mr D Iles
Miss J Jones
Mr M King
Mr S Ledsham
Mr E Leverett
Mrs S Leverett
Mr S Leverett
Mr G Livesey
Mr S Livesey
Mrs E Macey-Bracken
Mr M J Martin
Mr D Mouland
Miss L Parr
Mr A J Peacock
Mrs H Preece
Mr G J Rawlins
Mr M Rendle
Mr F Richardson
Mr P Shipman
Mr P Simmons
Miss L Trotter
Mr D Walker
Mr A J Wass
Mrs P L Wass
Mr J Verhoeven
Mrs N Verhoeven
Mr C Wilkins
Mrs A Worthington
Miss E Worthington
Mr J Worthington
Mrs J Wordsworth
Mrs S Yates

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss V L Clayton (Chief Executive)
Mrs C Coles (Accounts)
Mrs S M Fox (Administration)
Miss A Whiteway (Registrations)

1. WELCOME ADDRESS

The Chair of the Board, Mrs H Thomas welcomed members to the AGM and then introduced the Society's new President Mr J Robinson who will be in office for two years. Mr Robinson's family firm, Frederic Robinson (Robinsons Brewery) has a long relationship with Shire horses.

The President said he was no expert on Shire horses but his love for the breed stems from seeing the horses at the brewery and learning about them from Mr John Walker. The President added Robinsons Brewery not only have working Shires at the brewery but have also embarked on a breeding programme. He is proud to be President of the Society and offered his telephone number and email via the Chief Executive to those who wished to speak to him about Society matters. The President added he hoped to meet many members over the weekend and throughout his tenure.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr N Andrews, Mr A Atkin, Mr B Banham, Mr H Bedford, Mr W Bedford, Mr Wm Bedford, Mr J Burks, Mr M Burks, Mr J Clayton, Mrs J Clayton, Mr P Clayton, Miss J-A Clubley, Mr C Dawson, Miss S Field, Mrs S Flintham, Mrs L Froggatt, Mrs D Green, Mrs E Green, Mr R Green, Mr S Green, Mr R Griffith, Mr C Horler, Mr M Horler, Mrs T Horler, Miss L Hudd, Mr B Morgan, Mrs B Morgan, Mrs J Muntz-Torres, Mrs D Nulty, Mrs M Rendle, Mr P Ryder-Davies, Mr F M Richardson, Mr G Robinson, Mr D Shardlow, Mr C Trenchard Jarrett, Mr D Worthington and Mr D Yates.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 11TH MARCH 2022.

The Minutes had been circulated to all members in the Annual Report and Accounts 2022.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The President asked if there were any matters arising from the Minutes. There were no matters arising and Mr P Shipman proposed the Minutes should be signed as a true and correct record. Mr P Bower seconded the proposal. Members agreed.

4. RECEIVE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr J W Clarke took Members through the accounts for the year ending September 2022 as set out in the Annual Report & Accounts.

Mr Clarke said in 2022 the Society received a surprise legacy which has helped the Society's funds. The Heavy Horse Camp and National Shire Horse Show both realised a small profit and investments have recovered after Covid and the Ukrainian war.

The accounts are in good shape and James Sharp Investments manage the Society's investments well. Expenditure is up on the previous year but on the whole, they are in better shape and the impact of the Ukrainian war has not been as dramatic on the accounts as was initially thought.

The Honorary Treasurer reported that membership needs to grow and asked members to help recruit more people. More help is needed from Gift Aid donations. He added money is being invested in the new SPARKS (breeding programme).

Balance Sheet: Cash in the bank is high, due to legacies at the time the accounts were finalised and overall, in good shape. The Honorary Treasurer stated officials are doing their best they can with the accounts, and he was pleased to see a good recovery following on from the Covid years. Trends are positive and encouraging.

Chair of Board, Mrs H Thomas invited members to ask questions.

Council member, Mr J Worthington asked if legacy money is 'squandered' on running costs. He added that those who leave a legacy for a particular purpose should have their request respected. The Chair and Honorary Treasurer confirmed that such money is directed to the right areas and legacies with a particular purpose are directed to the areas in which the instruction was received. The SPARKS breeding programme is funded by legacy money.

There being no further questions Mrs W Toomer-Harlow proposed that the Accounts for the year ending 2022 should be adopted, and Mrs D Badger seconded the proposal. All agreed.

5. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The Chair reported that two new Trustees were co-opted to the Board, Mr James Hick and Mr Simon Livesey. During this time both have been valued members and contributed to the work of the Shire Horse Society. Mr Hick is the Chief Executive of the British Horse Society and owns Shire horses which he shows in hand.

Mrs H Thomas proposed that Mr J Hick is appointed to the Board of Trustees. Mrs D Badger seconded this. All agreed.

Mr Simon Livesey runs a family business which grows, packs and distributes woodland mushrooms, which has become one of the largest in Europe. He runs a pedigree herd of Hereford cattle as well as breeding Shire horses.

Mrs H Thomas proposed that Mr S Livesey be appointed to the Board of Trustees. Mr T J Yates seconded this. All agreed.

Members voted in favour of Messrs. Hick and Livesey. Mr J Hick – 98%; Mr S Livesey – 88%.

Both Mr Hick and Mr Livesey were successfully appointed to the Board of Trustees.

6. RE-ELECTION OF TRUSTEE/HON. TREASURER

The Chair explained to members that as per the Articles of Association, one third of Trustees retire on an annual basis.

Mr James Clarke has since tendered his resignation and unfortunately has taken the decision not to stand for re-election.

Mr Clarke was appointed President of the Shire Horse Society in 2018, after which he took on the role of Honorary Treasurer of the Society from Mr Richard Fuller.

The Chair thanked Mr Clarke for all the work he had done with the Shire Horse Society and presented him with a memento from the Society.

7. ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr D Baker from CFW Accountants LLP who acted as the Scrutineers confirmed they had received 265 voting papers of which 260 were counted.

The Candidates duly elected were:

Mr W Bedford (147)
Mr J Holder (139)
Mr S J Peacock (136)
Mr L M Fountain (135)
Mr M Bedford (132)
Mr D Worthington (126)
Mr D Shardlow (123)
Mr D Yates (114)
Mr P Shipman (112)
Mrs Y Simmons (107)
Miss A Chetwood (103)
Mr J Fairbairn (89)

The Council members were duly elected and congratulated. Grateful thanks were recorded to Mr D Baker and CFW Accountants LLP for their assistance.

8. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mrs Y Simmons proposed that CFW Accountants LLP should be re-appointed as the Society's Independent Examiners. This was seconded by Mr J Clarke and approved by the majority. Mr D Baker was thanked for all his help.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no further matters relating to the accounts and the Chair formally closed the AGM at 4:51pm.

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 September 2023

For Shire Horse Society

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 210619

Report of the Trustees

The Board of Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) as applicable to charities in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity, in accordance with the applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice - UK GAAP), including FRS102; The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

The Society's principal objective is the improvement and promotion of the English Cart Horse, more particularly, the Shire Horse, and to this end, maintaining a Stud Book in which are entered the names of all registered Shire Horses complying with the conditions for the time being applied by the Society.

To meet the objective the Society has established an expert Judging Panel, introduced a comprehensive system of DNA testing for all Pedigree animals and devised a Stallion inspection scheme in order to ensure that male animals used for breeding meet strict conformation and health criteria and introduced training courses.

The Society is generously assisted in its breeding policies by a grant from the Horserace Betting Levy Board which itself sets strict conditions for grant payment. The grant aided work is regularly reviewed by both parties in order to ensure its effectiveness.

The Charity has due regard during the year to the guidance published by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE SHOW 2023

The National Show returned in 2023, held outdoors at Newark and Nottinghamshire County Showground. It was a successful show despite poor weather, large numbers of visitors attended and the quality of animals on display was clear for all to see. The show in 2024 will return to an indoor venue in Stafford. The venue has been historically very popular with the exhibitors and the members and the return indoors will hopefully see an increase in visitors on the numbers for 2023.

EXPORTS

Specific numbers are of horses exported are no longer recorded. Records from Stud Book entries and overseas attendance at the National Show indicate that the demand for quality horses abroad continues to be strong. Society members do not always notify the Society of exports therefore it is difficult to maintain accurate export figures.

MERCHANDISING AND MARKETING

The Society attended 16 events and shows including the two foal shows and three demonstration events in 2023. There has been significant promotion where possible and use of the website for sales of merchandise where possible. The Society is deeply indebted to the help of its volunteers and very much hope those and others wish to be a part of the marketing of the Society this coming year.

STALLION PREMIUM SCHEME

The Editing Committee have removed the premium scheme in its entirety. Other funding and grants will be given to breeders from 2023 onwards.

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY APPROVED CENTRES

The approved centres offer visitor experience and training facilities. The Trustees continue to consider the options available and develop a programme of activities that yield the maximum educational, training and promotional benefits for the Society and supporters.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE TRUST FUND

The financial objective of the Society remains to increase the accumulated fund at a rate not less than inflation for the

current year thus ensuring that the purchasing power of the fund is maintained. The financial attitude of the Society remains to pursue a break even position financially, without the historic dependence on donations or legacies. By doing so, any excess income can be utilised in a more beneficial way for the breed generally.

The Trust Fund is used firstly and most importantly to further the Society's charitable objectives including the promotion of the Shire Horse both at home and overseas and to also meet the Society's operating costs. In addition, the Society is required to contribute to the Stallion Fund at a level of 20% of the funding received from the Horserace Betting Levy Board. The Society's contribution is taken from the Trust Fund.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial statements show an overall increase in net funds of £268,883 (2022: increase £256,960) as shown on the Statement of Financial Activities.

The Society received legacy income totalling £395,528 (2022: £440,162). This source of revenue remains important to the Society in improving the capital base and investment income. The Board of Trustees has agreed it is not appropriate to rely on legacy income.

At the balance sheet date the Society had unrealised gains in the value of its portfolios of £29,056 (2022: unrealised losses £121,162). The market value of the Society's investments at the end of the year was £682,703 (2022: £653,647) and is higher than their original cost of £323,723.

Improved rates of investment returns saw a slight increase in investment income at £25,970 (2022: £24,355). There was also interest received on the investments that have not been seen before at £2,666.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Prospects, as ever for 2024 remain increasingly challenging, but with net assets valued at £1,421,023 (2022: £1,152,140) the Society is well placed to continue to assist Shire Breeders and encourage new owners.

The Society continues to invest heavily in the National Show as it is viewed by Trustees as an essential tool to promote the Shire both at home and overseas.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board of Trustees will continue to review the systems that are in place to mitigate the Society's exposure to major risks.

RESERVES POLICY

The Society maintains a prudent level of reserves to generate income to help fund the activities that further the Society's charitable aims and objectives. This income is intended to counter large fluctuations in irregular income such as legacies and help fund the National Show.

The Trustees continue to maintain a greater proportion of reserves in short term cash deposits to protect the Society from the volatile nature of equity and bond markets.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Society is no longer required to undertake a full audit, CFW Accountants LLP have undertaken an independent examiner's review and their report is enclosed.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
SOCIETY GOVERNANCE

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Society's governing document was reviewed and the adoption of new Articles of Association took place on 14th December 2021.

The Charity is governed by Board of Trustees who meet at least four times a year. The Board with the support of the Council has established a committee structure to deal directly with specific aspects of the Society's affairs. These Board and committees currently are:

The BOARD OF TRUSTEES dealing with financial matters and the day to day operation of the Society along with the CEO.

The EDITING COMMITTEE are responsible for all matters relating to the Stud Book, breeding programme and pedigrees.

The TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE are responsible for the education of the public about the Shire Horse, running training events and programmes for the membership and the appointment, training and maintenance of an expert and active panel of Judges.

The SHOW COMMITTEE are responsible for all matters relating to the running of the National Show.

The STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE identify areas of strength and weaknesses within the Society. It is to promote and deliver new initiatives that provide for succession within the Society, including youth schemes and its sustainability for the long term.

The DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE deal with all matters concerning the conduct of Members.

All Council and Committee members are volunteers who receive no payment for their services. The National Show in March, is also run, in part, by Stewards who give their time in a voluntary capacity.

Council, Committees and Officials

RETIRE 2024

P Bower, Essex
M Burks, Lincolnshire
J C Etches, Derbyshire
L E Harrison, Co. Durham
M A Horler, Somerset
C Malkin, Shropshire
Mrs D E Nulty, Cheshire
Mrs H Preece, Cheshire
D Roberts, Devon
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow, Essex
B A Winn, Lincolnshire

RETIRE 2025

Mrs D Badger, Tamworth
Wm Bedford, Yorkshire
J Burks, Lincolnshire
Miss C Eagle, Suffolk
Mrs S Flintham, Nottinghamshire
R Griffith, Wales
C Horler, Somerset
S Ledsham, Shropshire
G Rawlins, Tamworth
F M Richardson, Yorkshire
J Worthington, Cheshire
T J Yates, Derbyshire

RETIRE 2026

W Bedford, Yorkshire
M Bedford, Yorkshire
A Chetwood, Cheshire
J Fairbairn, Northumberland
L M Fountain, Derbyshire
J Holder, Gloucestershire
S J Peacock, Essex
D Shardlow, Cheshire
P Shipman, Lincolnshire
Mrs Y Simmons, Shropshire
D Worthington, Cheshire
D Yates, Derbyshire

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mrs H Thomas (Board Chair), **Mr T J Yates** (Chairman of Council), **Mr Simon Livesey, Mr James Hick.**

EDITING COMMITTEE

Miss L Archer (Chairman) Mr P Ryder-Davies & Mr B Ryder-Davies (Honorary Veterinary Surgeons), Mr J Holder, Mr D Roberts, Mr P Shipman, Mr C Malkin (co-opt), Mr J Worthington, Mr B Winn, Mr D Yates.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs Y Simmons (Chair), Mrs D Badger, Miss C Eagle, Mr R Griffith, Mr M Richardson, Mr M Bingham (co-opt).

SHOW COMMITTEE

Mr S J Peacock (Chairman), Mr A Peacock (Chief Steward), Mr M Bedford, Mr A Brown (co-opt), Miss A Chetwood, Mrs D Nulty, Mrs B Harvey (co-opt), Mr M Burks (co-opt), Mr C Horler.

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mrs W Toomer-Harlow (Chair), Mrs H Preece, Mr G Rawlins, Miss M Langley (co-opt), Mr D Shardlow, Mr J Fairbairn.

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The President, two Past Presidents or past deputies, two past chairs, a solicitor.

HONORARY TREASURER

Mr D Clarke.

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc, Church Street, Peterborough

ACCOUNTANTS AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

CFW Accountants LLP, 3 Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, NN14 1UQ

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Victoria Clayton MRICS FAAV

STUD BOOK AND REGISTRATIONS

Miss Angela Whiteway

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number: 00012383 (Eng and Wales)

Registered Charity number: 210619

Registered Office:
The Old Dairy
Rockingham Castle and Park
Rockingham
Market Harborough
LE16 8TH

TRUSTEES

T J Yates
J W Clarke (resigned 10.03.23)
Mrs H Thomas
S Livesey (appointed 15.11.22)
J Hick (appointed 15.11.22)

COMPANY SECRETARY

Miss V Clayton

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner David Ian Baker FCCA, CFW Accountants LLP, Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers, 3 Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, Northamptonshire NN14 1UQ

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Victoria Clayton
Secretary
16th January 2024

Independent Examiner's Report

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY ('THE COMPANY')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2023.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and 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.

David Ian Baker FCCA
CFW Accountants LLP
Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers
3 Weekley Wood Close
Kettering
Northamptonshire
NN14 1UQ

Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2023** Total funds £	**2022** Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	428,287	35,000	463,287	489,874
Charitable activities	5				
Membership subscriptions		42,484	-	42,484	41,555
Direct charitable purpose		131,790	-	131,790	167,895
Other trading activities	3	7,209	-	7,209	8,399
Investment income	4	28,636	-	28,636	24,355
Total		638,406	35,000	673,406	732,078
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	6	67,064	-	67,064	53,051
Charitable activities	7				
Shire horse show		103,767	-	103,767	77,871
Stud book fees, sales and service books		125,266	-	125,266	102,999
Membership subscriptions		36,135	-	36,135	32,296
Support costs		57,062	-	57,062	47,067
Direct charitable purpose		-	30,730	30,730	27,701
Shire/Heavy horse camp		13,555	-	13,555	12,971
Total		402,849	30,730	433,579	353,956
Net gains/(losses) on investments		29,056	-	29,056	(121,162)
NET INCOME		264,613	4,270	268,883	256,960
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,034,813	117,327	1,152,140	895,180
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,299,427	121,596	1,421,023	1,152,140

Balance Sheet

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2023** Total funds £	**2022** Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	13	21,983	-	21,983	27,398
Investments	14	561,107	121,596	682,703	653,647
		583,090	121,596	704,686	681,045
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	15	8,412	-	8,412	10,719
Debtors	16	28,894	-	28,894	20,212
Cash at bank and in hand		700,700	-	700,700	461,797
		738,006	-	738,006	492,728
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	17	(21,669)	-	(21,669)	(21,633)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		716,337	-	716,337	471,095
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,299,427	121,596	1,421,023	1,152,140
NET ASSETS		1,299,427	121,596	1,421,023	1,152,140
FUNDS	19				
Unrestricted funds				1,299,427	1,034,813
Restricted funds				121,596	117,327
TOTAL FUNDS				1,421,023	1,152,140

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

a. ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
b. preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue and were signed on its behalf by:

T J Yates - Trustee
H Thomas - Trustee
J Hick - Trustee
S Livesey - Trustee

Cash Flow Statement

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash generated from operations	21	210,267	334,312
Net cash provided by operating activities		210,267	334,312
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		2,666	-
Dividends received		25,970	24,355
Net cash provided by investing activities		28,636	24,355
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		238,903	358,667
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		461,797	103,130
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		700,700	461,797

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

General information and basis of preparation
Shire Horse Society is a private company, limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales . In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £5 per member of the charity.
The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 12 of these financial statements.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.
These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income is shown within four main categories in the Statement of Financial Activities:
Voluntary income
Activities for generated funds
Investment income
Incoming resources from charitable activities

Voluntary income includes bequests and donations, and are accounted for at the time of arising.

Gifts in kind are accounted for by recognising as an incoming resource at a reasonable estimate of their fair value. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

Activities for generated funds include proceeds from commercial trading activities.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. Dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Incoming resources from charitable activities include membership subscriptions, proceeds relating to the Shire Horse Show and income from the maintenance of a Shire Horse database.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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

Paintings	2% on cost less residual value
Motor Vehicles	25% on reducing balance
Office equipment	25% on reducing balance

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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, and include the following:
The Farriery Fund is established to promote farriery skills and improve animal welfare.
The Stallion Fund is established to encourage stallion ownership, the purpose of which is appropriate genetic diversity.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

PENSION COSTS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

DONATED SERVICES

No income or expense is recognised in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP 2019, however further detail is included in the Trustees' Annual Report.

DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Debtors receivable / creditors payable within one year are measured at transaction price (less any impairment losses on debtors for bad and doubtful debts). Loans and other financial assets / liabilities are initially measured at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method (less any impairment losses on debtors) for bad and doubtful debts.

INVESTMENTS

Investments are stated at their fair value. Unrealised gains on the revaluation of investments are included on the Statement of Financial Activities.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Government grants are recognised on an accrual basis and are classified as either 'revenue-based' grant or a 'capital-based' grant.

The grants relating to revenue are recognised in income on a systematic basis over the periods in which the entity recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. The grant which becomes receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs is recognised in income in the period that it become receivable.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2023** Total funds £	**2022** Total funds £
Legacies	395,528	-	395,528	440,162
Grants	-	35,000	35,000	30,000
Sponsorships and donations	32,759	-	32,759	19,712
	428,287	35,000	463,287	489,874

In 2023 the income from donations and legacies was £463,287 (2022: £489,874) of which £35,000 (2022: £30,000) was attributable to restricted income funds, with the balance of £428,287 (2022: £459,875) adding to unrestricted funds.
Included in sponsorships and donations is Gift Aid of £1,212 (2022: £695).

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2023 £	**2022** £
Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant	35,000	30,000

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2023** Total funds £	**2022** Total funds £
Sale of goods	7,209	-	7,209	8,399

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2023** Total funds £	**2022** Total funds £
Listed investments	25,970	-	25,970	24,355
Bank interest received	2,666	-	2,666	-
	28,636	-	28,636	24,355

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Membership subscriptions £	Direct charitable purpose £	**2023** Total activities £	**2022** Total activities £
Shire horse show	-	60,134	60,134	82,322
Stud book fees, sales and service books	-	44,110	44,110	44,601
Sundry sales and other income	-	11,154	11,154	20,458
Stallion fund	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	35,380	-	35,380	33,630
Life membership subscriptions	7,104	-	7,104	7,925
Shire/Heavy horse camp	-	14,392	14,392	18,514
	42,484	131,790	174,274	209,450

6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2023** Total funds £	**2022** Total funds £
Raising donations and legacies				
Marketing and merchandise costs	11,513	-	11,513	10,263
Attendance at shows and events	15,129	-	15,129	9,448
Support costs	40,422	-	40,422	33,340
	67,064	-	67,064	53,051

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 8) £	Totals £
Shire horse show	103,767	-	103,767
Stud book fees, sales and service books	15,889	109,377	125,266
Membership subscriptions	5,224	30,911	36,135
Support costs	-	57,062	57,062
Direct charitable purpose	30,730	-	30,730
Shire/Heavy horse camp	13,555	-	13,555
	169,165	197,350	366,515

In 2023 the expenditure on charitable activities was £366,515 (2022: £300,905) of which £30,730 (2022: £27,701) was expenditure from restricted funds and £335,785 (2022: £273,204) was from unrestricted funds.

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Administration charge £	Professional fess £	Shire horse of the year championship £	Totals £
Raising donations and legacies	32,852	6,333	1,237	40,422
Stud book fees, sales and service books	88,895	17,135	3,347	109,377
Membership subscriptions	25,122	4,843	946	30,911
Support costs	46,378	8,939	1,745	57,062
	193,247	37,250	7,275	237,772

9. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	**2023** £	**2022** £
Depreciation - owned assets	5,415	7,220

10. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2023 nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2023 nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

11. STAFF COSTS

	2023 £	**2022** £
Wages and salaries	89,867	85,036
Social security costs	2,818	3,190
Other pension costs	1,917	1,790
	94,602	90,016

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	**2022**
Administrative staff	4	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

12. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REMUNERATION

Included in the accounts is a charge of £3,680 (2022: £3,550) in respect of the Independent Examiner's remuneration.

13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Paintings £	Motor Vehicles £	Office equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 October 2022 and 30 September 2023	5,765	48,311	17,639	71,715
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 October 2022	-	31,116	13,201	44,317
Charge for year	-	4,301	1,114	5,415
At 30 September 2023	-	35,417	14,315	49,732
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 September 2023	5,765	12,894	3,324	21,983
At 30 September 2022	5,765	17,195	4,438	27,398

14. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 October 2022	653,647
Revaluations	29,056
At 30 September 2023	682,703
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 September 2023	682,703
At 30 September 2022	653,647

Listed investments includes £16,558 (2022: £17,680) held outside the UK. All investments are held primarily for an investment return.

15. STOCKS

	2023 £	2022 £
Goods held for resale	8,412	10,719

16. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	4,690	3,990
Other debtors	-	1,292
VAT	334	-
Prepayments and accrued income	23,870	14,930
	28,894	20,212

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	9,268	10,847
Social security and other taxes	1,314	1,264
VAT	-	779
Other creditors	1,146	1,281
Accruals and deferred income	9,941	7,462
	21,669	21,633

18. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Within one year	12,500	12,500
Between one and five years	9,375	21,875
	21,875	34,375

19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.10.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	1,034,813	264,614	1,299,427
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	113,938	4,269	118,207
	117,327	4,269	121,596
TOTAL FUNDS	1,152,140	268,883	1,421,023

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	638,406	(402,848)	29,056	264,614
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	35,000	(30,731)	-	4,269
TOTAL FUNDS	673,406	(433,579)	29,056	268,883

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.10.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	780,152	254,661	1,034,813
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	111,639	2,299	113,938
	115,028	2,299	117,327
TOTAL FUNDS	895,180	256,960	1,152,140

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	702,079	(326,256)	121,162)	254,661
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	29,999	(27,700)	-	2,299
TOTAL FUNDS	732,078	(353,956)	(121,162)	256,960

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.10.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	780,152	519,275	1,299,427
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	111,639	6,568	118,207
	115,028	6,568	121,596
TOTAL FUNDS	895,180	525,843	1,421,023

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	1,340,485	(729,104)	(92,106)	519,275
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	64,999	(58,431)	-	6,568
TOTAL FUNDS	1,405,484	(787,535)	(92,106)	525,843

20. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2023.

21. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	268,883	256,960
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	5,415	7,220
(Gain)/losses on investments	(29,056)	121,162
Interest received	(2,666)	-
Dividends received	(25,970)	(24,355)
Decrease in stocks	2,307	233
Increase in debtors	(8,682)	(1,244)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	36	(25,664)
Net cash provided by operations	210,267	334,312

22. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.10.22 £	Cash flow £	At 30.9.23 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	461,797	238,903	700,700
	461,797	238,903	700,700
TOTAL	461,797	238,903	700,700

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Legacies	395,528	440,162
Grants	35,000	30,000
Sponsorships and donations	32,759	19,712
	463,287	489,874
Other trading activities		
Sale of goods	7,209	8,399
Investment income		
Listed investments	25,970	24,355
Bank interest received	2,666	-
	28,636	24,355
Charitable activities		
Shire horse show	60,134	82,322
Stud book fees, sales and service books	44,110	44,601
Sundry sales and other income	11,154	20,458
Stallion fund	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	35,380	33,630
Life membership subscriptions	7,104	7,925
Shire/Heavy horse camp	14,392	18,514
	174,274	209,450
Total incoming resources	**673,406**	**732,078**
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Marketing and merchandise costs	11,513	10,263
Attendance at shows and events	15,129	9,448
	26,642	19,711
Charitable activities		
Shire horse show	100,537	77,871
Studbook, sales and service book costs	15,889	12,787
Silver spoons and membership recruitment costs	5,224	6,801
Stallion premiums	9,115	16,863
Stallion approvals	5,032	9,627
Carried forward	135,797	123,949

	2023	2022
	£	£
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Brought forward	135,797	123,949
Stallion travelling	3,702	102
Stallion premium foals	6,500	-
Stallion semen storage	1,078	1,109
Shire/Heavy horse camp	13,555	12,971
Judges assessments and seminars	8,533	-
	169,165	138,131
SUPPORT COSTS		
Administration charge		
Salaries	89,867	85,036
Social security	2,818	3,190
Pensions	1,917	1,790
Postage	8,272	8,902
Printing and stationery	7,751	7,169
Meeting expenses	5,745	3,442
Bank charges	5,593	5,400
Promotion, advertising and website	5,818	4,973
Establishment costs	29,096	25,759
Sundry expenses	1,967	2,182
Irrecoverable VAT	28,988	10,415
PAYE interest	-	8
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	5,415	7,220
	193,247	165,486
Professional fees		
Accountancy charges	3,815	3,988
Professional and consultancy fees	29,755	15,795
Independent examiner's remuneration	3,680	3,550
	37,250	23,333
Shire horse of the year championship		
Net deficit	7,275	7,295
Total resources expended	433,579	353,956
NET INCOME	239,827	378,122

Election of Trustees and Honorary Treasurer

HELEN THOMAS DL

Since Henry Weston founded Westons Cider in the Herefordshire village of Much Marcle in 1880 there have been five generations of Westons spanning the business. Helen Thomas, Henry's great-granddaughter, became its first female Managing Director in 1996.

During her 20+ years in the role Helen has spearheaded Westons' growth; taking turnover from £5.5m to more than £65m. The company now employs two hundred and thirty people. One of the largest independent family cider makers in the UK today, Westons makes a broad range of premium drinks with its key brands including Stowford Press, Henry Westons, Old Rosie, and Mortimer's Orchard. They use traditional methods in their cider making process, skills passed down through the generations. Their brands are now widely available throughout the UK as well as in over forty countries globally.

Helen spear-headed the creation of a new visitor centre as a diversification exercise. and was able to bring Shire Horses back to Westons with Pride and Prince being purchased in 1991. Shire Horses are still at Westons and are always very popular with visitors. Helen also has two home-bred Shires at home.

Helen is a past Chair of the National Association of Cidermakers, a role she has occupied on two occasions. She became the first female to be appointed Chair in 2005 and recently undertook a second two-year term between 2016 and 2018. She is a member of the NACM Pomology Group.

Helen held the honorary position of President of Three Counties Agricultural Society in 2019-20 and is a Vice-President of the Shire Horse Society.

She became a Deputy Lieutenant of Herefordshire in 2011 and is a Trustee of John Masefield High School, Hereford Cider Museum and Chair of the Buchanan Trust.

JOHN ROBINSON

John Robinson's family run Robinsons Brewery based in Stockport in Cheshire. Mr Robinson works for the company who are great supporters of the Shire horse and Society, so much so, they have had Shire horses in their business for over one hundred years.

With the decline in the breed, Robinsons Brewery in 2018 embarked on their own breeding programme to help preserve and promote the Shire horse and have since welcomed some super foals.

Mr Robinson is the current President of the Shire Horse Society, and the breed is important to him and the industry that he works in, without the famous Shire he said as a business they would not be where they are today – nor for that matter would our great country. They are a huge part of their history, and he very much hopes for them to be a huge part of their future.

Their working Shires can be seen at the brewery's Society approved visitor centre, at shows or around the streets of Stockport.

DAVID CLARKE

A Chartered Accountant who qualified in 2008 and was made a Fellow in 2018. I have experience of audit and accounting for companies and charities gained through a practice training contract with clients ranging from farmers, landowners, local charities, and trading companies. My work experience covers not-for-profit organisation to large, listed companies. I currently work in a manufacturing business overseeing all elements of the business, reporting and risk. My family have a farming business which has always had horses. From a young age I would often visit John Segrave who breeds shire horses and I have been fascinated by the breed since.
I am pleased to be part of this historic organisation and will do all I can to further the Charity and help it meet its objectives.

HUW MURPHY

Huw Murphy is the seventh-generation owner of Dyfed Shire Horse Farm a Shire Horse Society approved visitor centre located in Pembrokeshire, Wales a farm which has been owned by the family since 1849. This farm is currently the only non-English located visitor centre and offers visitors an opportunity to see and interact with Shire Horses in farm activities. The farm supports and sponsors many local charities and local organisations. Huw's love for Shire Horses came from growing up and assisting his grandfather Mr J R Lewis who himself was a ploughman and breeder of note whose Shires were exported to many countries to include Germany and the USA. Huw's mother Enid a then dairy farmer opened the farm to the public in 1992 as a means of offsetting the cost of Shire Horse ownership on the death of her father Mr Lewis.

Huw is married to Nikki and have two children, namely Joseff who is currently at the University of East Anglia and Erin who is on a gap year following completion of her studies at Peter Symonds College, Winchester.

Huw and his family are well known within the Shire Horse fraternity, especially in South and West Wales. Dyfed Shires are probably most well-known for their success in supplying a number of Shire Horses to the Household Cavalry for use as "Drum Horses" for ceremonial parades such as Trooping the Colour and State Visits. At Trooping the Colour 2023 both Shire Horses on parade, namely Apollo and Juno commenced their learning at Dyfed Shires with home bred Juno the first female Shire to perform in this role since this event was first held in 1661.

Huw graduated with a degree in History in 1989, then serving as a police officer for 30 years, the vast majority as an armed response officer. During his later years Huw balanced policing with becoming increasingly involved with Dyfed Shires which was purchased from a family member.

In May 2022 Huw stood as an Independent candidate and was subsequently elected as a County Councillor for the Newport & Dinas Ward of Pembrokeshire County Council. Huw is a member of a number of committees to include being the Chair of the Schools and Learning Scrutiny Committee.

In the spare time at his disposal Huw enjoys outdoor activities, political and current affairs, attending rugby and football internationals both home and away and visiting family members in the Falkland Islands as often as time allows.

Election of Council Members

Council members who retire in 2024 and have confirmed their intention to stand for re-election this year:

P L Bower, Essex
M Burks, Lincolnshire
J Etches, Derbyshire
L E Harrison, Co. Durham
C Malkin, Shropshire
Mrs D E Nulty, Cheshire
Mrs H Preece, Cheshire
D Roberts, Devon
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow, Essex
B A Winn, Lincolnshire

There are 12 spaces within the Council available.

Please find on the following pages a brief introduction of existing and new members putting themselves forward for the 2024 Shire Horse Society Council Elections.

Please vote for your preferred candidates on the voting papers enclosed and return to the address shown in advance of the deadline.

For the avoidance of doubt, members can vote for up to 12 candidates. Members do not have to use all twelve votes. A member may only vote for one candidate once.

EXISTING COUNCIL MEMBERS STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Mr P L Bower

Mr M Burks

Mr J C Etches

Mr L E Harrison

Mr C Malkin

Mrs D E Nulty

Mrs H Preece

Mr D Roberts

Mrs W Toomer-Harlow

Mr B A Winn

MR P L BOWER

Meetings attended 6 of 6

I have 38 years experience of breeding and showing Shires, I am a panel judge and Chairman of SESHA. I have recently been voted by the Shire Horse Council to be their Vice Chairman and represent them on The Board of Trustees when I succeed as Chair of Council. This is a role I feel very honoured and privileged to have and I do always represent all the members in every matter arising. I am again putting myself forward for election and I need you behind me to be able to continue in this challenging role. By voting for me I can continue to be 'the bridge' between The Shire Council and The Board of Trustees ensuring all your views and suggestions are not only voiced but are always fully considered.

MR M BURKS

Meetings attended 6 of 6

I have been involved with Shires all my life - breeding, showing and marketing them, having now served five terms on the Society's Council as well as serving on the show committee.

I feel I still have a lot to offer the Society and the breed's future and will continue to do all I can to promote the uses and versatility of the great breed. I am a huge supporter of young people in the breed, having shown in young handler classes myself, as well as encouraging newcomers to the breed. With your vote I shall serve the breed to the best of my ability in these challenging times.

MR J C ETCHES

Meetings attended 6 of 6

It is 55 years since I first showed one of my late father's Shires. I am proud to continue to breed, exhibit and judge our magnificent Shire horses and still keep our stud farm going after 140 years.

I have previously worked on the Editing and Executive Committees along with the Stallion Approval Panel. I am dedicated to helping promote and improve the breed both locally and nationally and will continue to support the interests of all members of the Shire Horse Society. I would be honoured to have your support and serve another term on Council.

MR L E HARRISON

Meetings attended 5 of 6

During my time on Council, the people I try to represent are the ones who are putting their time and finances into actually doing the job, whether that is breeding, exhibiting, promoting or simply owning Shire horses, whatever they use them for. If re-elected, I will continue to do so to the best of my ability.

MR C MALKIN

Meetings attended 6 of 6

After serving on Council for the last three years I'm putting myself forward for re-election, so that I can continue to represent the members in the whatever way I can. The Shire horse needs our support in these ever-changing times so that it can survive as a breed. So please give me your vote to enable me to help do that.

MRS D E NULTY

Meetings attended 5 of 6 (1 apology received)

I don't make promises that I can't or won't keep. In the time I have served on the Shire Horse Council I have done everything in my power to preserve the pure shire. I have put forward the opinions and requests of the membership I serve. I have never been afraid to speak up and say my piece. For over forty years I have championed the cause of young handlers and the need for encouraging them and new blood into the Society to secure the future of the breed. I promote the shire horse the length and breadth of the British Isles. The true Shire has been and will always be the passion that drives me. Nothing has changed.

MRS H PREECE

Meetings attended 3 of 6 (3 apologies received)

I joined Robinson's Brewery in Stockport back in 2002 and was appointed Head-horseman in 2013. I introduced the Brewery's breeding programme in 2018, to help to preserve and promote the breed.

It is important to me to maintain traditions and to pass on the knowledge to the future generation. I am a strong supporter of the SHS Youth Council. I feel it is important that our junior members feel seen and heard. Since serving on Council, I am an active member of the strategy and development committee and also a valued member of the SHS charity cycling team. I bring the members concerns to Council to be addressed and want to improve the communications between the society and its members going forward.

MR D ROBERTS

Meetings attended 5 of 6 (1 apology received)

I have been currently standing on the Council and Editing Committee for the last six years and also being one of the youngest to do so I have been loving every minute and proud to do so.

Being in Devon I am the only representative of the southwest comprising of Cornwall, Devon and Somerset. I own, show and have bred shire horses with my family for many years and continuing to do so. I am very proud to also hold and be the youngest to do so as a full panel judge.

Achievements so far on Council is helping with other Council members to provide more support to members and stallion owners. Encouraging younger members to join the Council and support best I can around the shows. Biggest was the SPARKS programme to keep this amazing breed and bloodlines going for the future. I am loving every minute of this breed and always learning from peers and members which I would really appreciate to carry on doing. Most importantly it is the future of the amazing shire horse and the next generation to carry this breed to survive and prosper.

MRS W TOOMER-HARLOW

Meetings attended 5 of 6 (1 apology received)

If am lucky enough to be re-elected I will continue to endeavour to be a voice for the membership and to champion and promote the shire horse through its many uses, particularly the driven and ridden. The Strategy and Development Committee which I currently chair have launched a number of initiatives this year aimed at our junior membership such as the Youth Council and Merit Badge Award Scheme. I would be grateful for the opportunity to help develop further initiatives going forward and be a voice for the membership where I can. I own and show under my prefix Eversley Shires but do not have any commercial links or interests connected to the breed.

MR B A WINN

Meetings attended 5 of 6 (1 apology received)

As a long-term member, I have gained extensive experience and have made considerable contributions whilst preserving and promoting Shire Horses in the UK and further afield. I am actively involved in breeding and judging Shire horses both at home and abroad. I sponsor the Young Handler class at the National Show along with two other members. It is important to encourage young people who are interested in Shires, as they are the future for the breed and for the Society. For the last three years I have been on the Editing Committee where we have worked hard on the design and implementation of SPARKS to help identify line breeding and in breeding. We have also introduced guidelines to improve shoeing for shires during showing. If re-elected, I will continue to put your points forward and will encourage new people to get involved, as well as supporting the showing and ridden classes.

NEW CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION

Mr R Clarke

Mr T E Whittaker

Mr K Winn

MR R CLARKE

I have been involved with the shire horse for a number of years now. I enjoy working my horses at home and I, along with my horses show regularly in turnout classes all over the country and take part in working demonstrations and other educational activities. For me I would love to join the Council to help to showcase the breed further and to pass on some of the knowledge and time that has been so generously passed on to me. I am increasingly worried about the low number of entries at a lot of the shows and would love to help increase these figures before the classes are dropped and lost forever.

MR T E WHITTAKER

From a family that have always had Shires, they are well and truly in my blood. The breed has allowed me to become a showman, breeder and most recently a judge on the panel. I have been lucky enough to grow up in an era of watching and learning off some of the best breeders and showman the shire horse world has to offer. Now into my 30's I feel the time is right to stand on Council alongside these people to help benefit the Society using my passion, enthusiasm and youthful ideas to keep the breed moving forward.

MR K WINN

I've always had a passion for heavy horses, shires in particular. Almost nine years ago our dreams came to fruition with the purchase of our first filly, closely followed by the establishment of our harness and tack business as the struggle to find anything to fit was real! Our business was born out of necessity, but it also has given a great insight into the world of the noble shire. Showing these horses is a great help in promoting the breed and nobody could argue against the magnificent sight that a ring full of these beasts presents. However, our business puts us in contact with thousands of hobby owners which provides great insight into lives of the non-show horses and the issues their owners face. I would be striving to address some of the issues that have been raised by owners regarding breed standards and the health of our shires to make sure we have a healthy population going forward.

Shire Horse of the Year Qualifying Shows

2023 Shire Horse of the Year Show Champion Batley Pepper Gray owned by Mr R Bedford.

2024 HOYS Qualifiers

National Shire Horse Show – Stallion
National Shire Horse Show – Female
Great Yorkshire Show
Royal Welsh Show
Royal Cheshire Show
Royal Norfolk Show
Derbyshire County Show
Driffield Show
Great Eccleston Show
Newport Show
Penistone Show
New Forest Show
Essex Shire Horse Show
Heckington Show
Shropshire and West Midlands Show
Royal Three Counties Show
Royal Bath & West Show

Demonstrations

Grateful thanks are recorded to the following members who helped the Society organise demonstrations promoting the Shire horse across the country in 2023.
Neil Andrews, Denise Badger, John Barnes, Mike Bingham, Rob Clarke, Jo-Ann Clubley, Caroline Eagle, Joanne Grant, Deb Green, Stuart Green, Hook Norton Brewery, Sally Jones, Gemma McClorey, Pip Read, Malcolm Rendle, Marilyn Rendle, Mark Richardson, Yvonne Simmons, Colin Stokes, Colin Taylor, Carolyn Truss, Jane Wordsworth, Charlotte Webb, Rita Wells.

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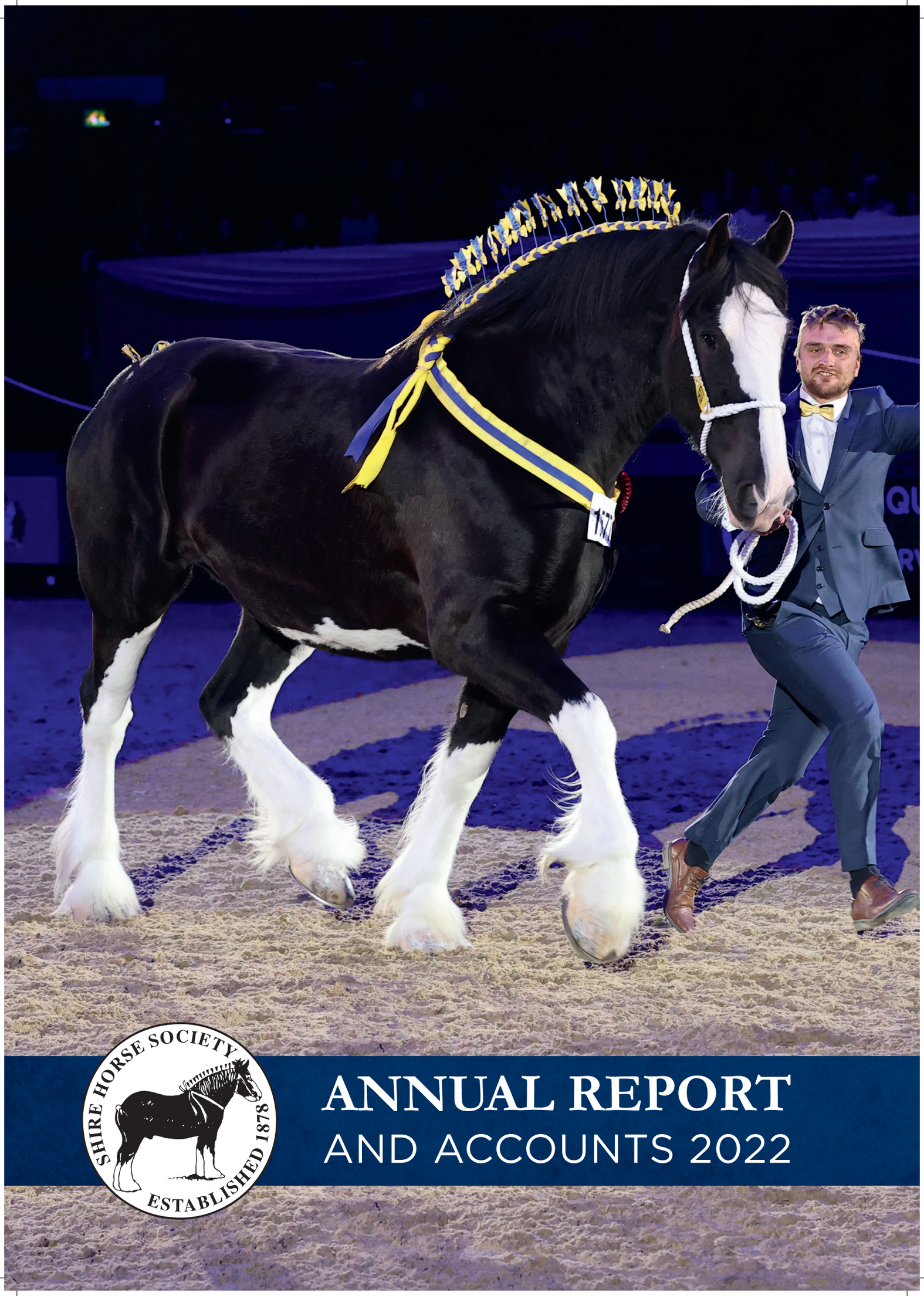

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Chair of Board's Report

2022 has been a busy year getting back to some sort of normality. It is a pleasure to be out and about visiting shows and working our horses again.

It was so good to be able to hold the National Show again and very warm thanks to HRH The Countess of Wessex, who was able to spend the day with us. As President the Countess took an active interest in the Society of which we are very grateful.

The Presidency has now moved to John Robinson, whose family have a long tradition with Shire Horses, and I am sure you will join me in thanking him for taking on the Presidency of the Shire Horse Society for the next two years.

As Chairman of the Board of Trustees, it is our collective duty to ensure that we have the correct resources in place and, managed properly, to meet the objectives and aims of the Shire Horse Society. We recognised the need to strengthen the depth and knowledge of the Board of Trustees and have co-opted two new Board Members as Trustees to the Shire Horse Society, they are James Hick, CEO of The British Horse Society and Simon Livesey, Managing Director of Livesey Brothers. Both James and Simon have a passion for the Shire horse, but importantly bring a broad range of commercial acumen and equestrian knowledge to the Board. They will be formally elected at the AGM on the 10th March and I will look forward to working more closely with them over the coming months and year ahead.

Leading the Board as Chair, the leadership role as chair must provide my fellow directors in working to create an effective board which provides direction for management, provides controls, takes well-informed decisions, behaves ethically, and creates the right framework, to meet our statutory duties under the Companies Act and Charities Commission.

Having a well-developed and defined purpose helps the Society develop our strategy, operating practices, regulations and approach to risk. This year we have adopted SPARKS to reduce the rate of increase in inbreeding and enhance genetic diversity in Shire horse breeding. SPARKS is a computer-based breed advisory scheme developed by Dr Andy Dell and endorsed by the Rare Breeds Survival Trust. It calculates Mean Kinships (a measure of how related any individual is to all other members of the population) and the potential inbreeding of foals resulting from specific male / female pairings in populations of horses.

The Society's purpose and values should inform expected behaviours and practices throughout the Society. The values need to be explained and integrated into the different function and operation of the Society. A healthy culture is critical to the Society's success and vital to the creation and protection of long-term value. Culture can be defined as a combination of the values, attitudes and behaviours manifested in its operations and relationships with its stakeholders. The board, members and management must make and maintain a commitment to embedding the desired culture throughout the Society.

The Board should lead on the establishment of transparent policies in relation to raising concerns about misconduct and unethical practices. The Board manages conflicts of interest, and a balance should be struck between short-term needs and long-term aspirations.

As a Board we will promote the long-term sustainable success of the Society by identifying opportunities to create and preserve value and establishing oversight for the identification and mitigation of risks.

We must safe guard all that we hold dear and ensure that the Shire Horse continues for centuries to come.

Helen Thomas,
Chairman of Board

Chief Executive Report

As I sit down to write this, we are experiencing a severely cold snap and frozen water pipes are causing chaos for many of us equestrians, carting water to horses and other livestock never gets any more fun and taking a tumble on icy yards no matter how much padding and layers you might be wearing it still stings!

The Society has just completed its first full year under the new Governance with the Board of Trustees, following the review and update of the Articles of Association last December. The Board have had many challenges in the first year and have handled them all with professionalism and efficiency. From working within the new structure, I can see changes happening for the better and long-term future survival and success of the breed. I am sure that you in the membership will soon start to see the results filtering down to you all and will agree that the change has been nothing but positive.

During the course of this year, the Society has agreed the single biggest change to the breeding programme in 100 years. This is in the introduction of the SPARKS system. The Editing Chair, Training and Education Chair and myself will have seen many of you, or will be seeing many of you early in the new year at the various briefings on this topic around the country. It is another tool for the breeder's toolbox, and we hope one that will slow the high level of inbreeding that currently exists within the breed. A huge thanks goes to the Editing Chair for her tireless work on this alongside the office, it has been a mammoth task but one that hopefully brings positive results.

As ever at this time of year, the office is busy and is excited with the thought of the upcoming National Show. Competitors, spectators, judges, and officials; I hope that you will all enjoy this year's show and wish anyone competing the very best of luck.

Time waits for no one, and it is soon election time again, please take the time to read the CVs of the Council members standing for re-election and those new members wishing to be elected. We have some wonderful candidates forward who would all bring expertise, knowledge, and ideas to the table. These members will sit on Committees who in turn aid the Board in the running of the Society. Please do use your vote.

The office staff of Angela, Sue, Carol and I are all here to help and along with Council members to encourage newcomers and new members to strive to help to preserve, promote and protect the horse that put the Great into Britain. It is irrelevant whether you show, work, or ride your Shire horse, the horse is only surviving because of the strong membership and dedicated breeders that we are so lucky to have. Please remember, the Society is inclusive not exclusive.

On behalf of the Shire Horse Society, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the members for your continued support.

Victoria Clayton
Chief Executive

Chair of Council Report

With no control of time or weather it does not seem a year since I wrote my last report.

Council remains the ears and eyes of the Society with members airing their views both of their own thoughts but also voicing concerns put to them by other Society members. Difficult issues raised in Council meetings have been put forward to the Board and all have been resolved to the good of the Society and to the Shire horse.

The Chairman of the Board, Treasurer, and Chairs of Editing, Training and Education, Strategy and Development and Show all regularly put their views and reports forward to the Board of Trustees. Over the year several items have been brought forward and appropriate action has been taken.

I have to report that the intensity of interest from Council members in the new breeding programme called SPARKS which was presented by Andy Dell on behalf of RBST has been immense and I believe that bodes well for the future of the breed.

My position on the Board working for Council and putting my views forward together with the views of Council has worked well with three members of the Board. However, I have endeavoured to increase the number of Board members as if one of us was unable to attend there would not be a quorum. Two new members have now been put forward and will hopefully be confirmed by members at the AGM.

Jim Yates
Chairman of Council

Notice of AGM

Notice is hereby given that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Members of the Shire Horse Society will be held on Friday 10th March 2023 in the Sir Stuart Goodwin Pavilion at Newark Showground at 4.30pm

AGENDA:

1. **WELCOME ADDRESS.**
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**
3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 11TH MARCH 2022.**
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**
5. **RECEIVE REPORT OF COUNCIL & STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.**
6. **ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**
7. **RE-ELECTION OF TRUSTEE**
8. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS.**
9. **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER.**
10. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

By Order of the Council
Victoria Clayton, Chief Executive

AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Shire Horse Society's Annual General Meeting held on Friday 11th March 2022 in the Sir Stuart Goodwin Pavilion at Newark Showground at 4:30pm.

PRESENT:

Mr S J Peacock (Deputy President & Chairman of Show Committee)
Mrs H Thomas (Deputy President & Chair of the Board)
Mr T J Yates (Chair of Council)
Mr J W Clarke (Honorary Treasurer & Board Trustee)
Ms L Archer (Chairman of Editing & Training Committee)
Mr D Baker (CFW Accountants LLP)

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Mr N Andrews
Mrs D Badger
Mr M Barnett
Mrs D Bingham
Mr M Bingham
Mr A H Brown
Miss R Burgess
Mr M Burks
Mr R Clarke
Mr P J Cockcroft
Mrs S Cockcroft
Mr C Dawson
Miss C Eagle
Mr J C Etches
Mr M Gath
Mr R S Green
Mr R Greenwood
Mrs S L Greenwood,
Mrs C Grover
Mrs R L Harvey
Mr C Horler
Mr M Horler
Mr D Iles
Mr S Ledsham
Mr G Livesey
Mr S Livesey
Mr M J Martin
Mr D Mouland
Miss L Parr
Mr A J Peacock
Mr H Preece
Mr G J Rawlins
Mr C Rink
Mr G Robinson
Mr P Shipman
Mrs Y Simmons
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow
Miss L Trotter
Mr A Wareing
Mr A J Wass
Mrs P L Wass
Miss M Webster
Mrs J R Wells
Mr B Van Ingen-Zwaan,
Mrs W Van Ingen-Zwaan
Mr B A Winn
Mrs J Wordsworth
Miss E Worthington,
Mr D J Yates
Mrs S Yates

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss V L Clayton (Chief Executive)
Mrs S M Fox (Administration)
Miss A Whiteway (Registrations)

1. WELCOME ADDRESS

In the absence of the President, Her Royal Highness, The Countess of Wessex, the Deputy President, Mr S J Peacock took the Chair and welcomed everyone to the Shire Horse Society's Annual General Meeting. The Chairman explained that the Society's President, Her Royal Highness, The Countess of Wessex was unable to be at the meeting but sent her very best wishes to everyone.

The Chairman extended his grateful thanks to Victoria Clayton, Angela Whiteway, Susan Fox and Carol Coles for the extra work required over the past year in keeping the office going through Brexit, Covid and the new passport regulations for the European union.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Her Royal Highness, The Countess of Wessex, Mr B Banham, Mr William Bedford, Mr J Bryant, Mr J H Burks, Miss J-A Clubley, Mr L M Fountain, Mr W Fountain, Mrs L Froggatt, Mr T Froggatt, Mrs T Horler, Mr J Medhurst, Mrs J Muntz-Torres, Mr F Richardson, Mr F M Richardson, Mr P Simmons, Mr H Roetgerink, Captain C Trenchard Jarrett.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 7TH MAY 2021.

The Minutes had been circulated to all members in the Annual Report and Accounts 2021.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Deputy President asked if there were any matters arising from the Minutes. There were no matters arising and Miss C Eagle proposed the Minutes should be signed as a true and correct record. Mr G Robinson seconded the proposal. Members agreed.

5. RECEIVE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr J W Clarke took Members through the accounts for the year ending September 2021 as set out in the Annual Report.

Mr Clarke said that 2021 was a year of continued disruption and 2020/21 comparisons are not meaningful. Income is down and is similar to 2020, this being the fact that no show was held.

Investments at the end of the financial year 2020 had dropped significantly but recovered well as reflected in the accounts.

The Balance Sheet is strong, and the Society continues to try and use the revenue from the interest without touching the capital.

Legacy income clearly varies year on year, and the Society will be reporting a significant increase in legacy income at the end of this financial year.

He reminded members that all Trustees were not remunerated for their work. Finances continue to be well managed, and Mr Clarke thanked the office for their diligent work. The Society remains satisfied with the work of James Sharp who manage its investments, and the Board of Trustees will meet with James Sharp to review the Portfolio, particularly in light of the events in Eastern Europe and to place money in the right funds.

Income remains a key focus to support the Society's objectives, and the establishment of a new fundraising committee will drive this.

Mr Clarke added that it is great to have a show in 2022, and he hoped this signals the real start of a better and positive season, where we continue to achieve the Society's objectives.

Mr Clarke invited Members to ask questions.

Mr P Shipman asked what the membership breakdown is on page 17. Mr D Baker confirmed he would come back to Mr Shipman with the information following the meeting. Mr Shipman accepted Mr Baker's reply.

There being no further questions Mrs D Badger proposed that the Accounts for the year ending 2021 should be adopted, and Miss C Eagle seconded the proposal. All agreed.

6. ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr D Baker from CFW Accountants LLP who acted as the Scrutineers confirmed they had received 295 voting papers of which 291 were counted.

Mr T J Yates (186)
Mr J Worthington (175)
Mr C Horler (156)
Mr R Griffith (155)
Mr F M Richardson (151)
Mr S Ledsham (147)
Mr Wm Bedford (145)
Mr J Burks (127)
Mrs D Badger (123)
Mrs S Flintham (119)
Mr G Rawlins (117)
Miss C Eagle (113)

The Council members were duly elected and congratulated. Grateful thanks were recorded to CFW Accountants LLP for their assistance.

7. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mr J W Clarke proposed that CFW Accountants LLP should be re-appointed as the Society's Independent Examiners. This was seconded by Mr S J Peacock and

approved by the majority. Mr D Baker was thanked for his all his help.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs H Thomas as the Chair of the Board of Trustees introduced the Board to members.

Mr T J Yates is Chair of Council and in this position, he has an automatic right to be a Trustee/Director of the Society.

Mr James Clarke, Honorary Treasurer and Managing Director of Hook Norton Brewery and now an affiliated Shire Horse Society Approved Centre is also a Trustee/Director. Mrs Thomas thanked Mr Clarke for the work he is doing in ensuring the Society is being managed well.

Mrs Thomas, as Deputy President is now Chair of the of the Board. Mrs Thomas is Managing Director of Westons Cider and has loved horses all her life and currently has two Shires at her work and two at home.

A Director and past-Chair of The Cider Museum in Hereford she is also Chair of the Buchanan Trust which looks after the Bosbury Estate and Alms House for Veterans from the Armed Forces.

Mrs Thomas explained that as a Board their collective job is to ensure they have the correct resources in place and managed properly to meet the objectives and aims of the Shire Horse Society. They are there to support and mentor the Chief Executive Officer.

Since their election they have been making headway with reviewing the Regulations and Guidelines of the Society. Two new Committees will be in place these being a Training, Education and Development Committee and a new Fundraising Committee.

Mrs D Badger reported on the success of the Heavy Horse Camps which were held in 2019 and 2021. A third camp is scheduled for May 2022 and places have virtually sold out. Mrs Badger thanked the Council for supporting both the camp and the Committee who run the event on behalf of the Society. Mrs Badger added the Committee plans to develop fundraising at the event and to invite the public too.

Mrs H Thomas added the new Training, Education and Development Committee will support these events. Mr S J Peacock extended his thanks to the Heavy Horse Camp Committee for all their work.

There were no further matters relating to the accounts and the Deputy President reminded Members that following the AGM an Open Meeting would be held at 5.00pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and formally closed the meeting at 4.50pm.

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 September 2022

For Shire Horse Society

CFW Accountants LLP
Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers
3 Weekley Wood Close
Kettering
Northamptonshire
NN14 1UQ

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 00012383 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 210619

Report of the Trustees

The Board of Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) as applicable to charities in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity, in accordance with the applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice - UK GAAP), including FRS102; The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

The Society's principal objective is the improvement and promotion of the English Cart Horse, more particularly, the Shire Horse, and to this end, maintaining a Stud Book in which are entered the names of all registered Shire Horses complying with the conditions for the time being applied by the Society.

To meet the objective the Society has established an expert Judging Panel, introduced a comprehensive system of DNA testing for all Pedigree animals and devised a Stallion inspection scheme in order to ensure that male animals used for breeding meet strict conformation and health criteria and introduced training courses.

The Society is generously assisted in its breeding policies by a grant from the Horserace Betting Levy Board which itself sets strict conditions for grant payment. The grant aided work is regularly reviewed by both parties in order to ensure its effectiveness.

The Charity has due regard during the year to the guidance published by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE SHOW 2022

The National Show returned in 2022, at a new venue, held outdoors at Newark and Nottinghamshire County Showground. The event as held outdoors for the first time since 2007. It was a successful show, large numbers of visitors attended and the quality of animals on display was clear for all to see. The show in 2023 will return to Newark for a second year, the Society will keep the location of the National Show under review.

EXPORTS

Specific numbers are of horses exported are no longer recorded. Records from Stud Book entries and overseas attendance at the National Show indicate that the demand for quality horses abroad continues to be strong. Society members do not always notify the Society of exports therefore it is difficult to maintain accurate export figures.

MERCHANDISING AND MARKETING

The Society attended a handful of events and shows including the two foals shows and three demonstration events in 2022. There has been significant promotion where possible and use of the website for sales of merchandise where possible. The Society is indebted to the help of its volunteers and very much hope those and others wish to be a part of the marketing of the Society this coming year.

STALLION PREMIUM SCHEME

Stallion premium scheme returned in 2022 and premiums and grants were awarded to 20 colts and stallions at the National Show in March 2022. Following a full review of the breeding scheme and the support for breeders, the Editing Committee have scrapped the premium scheme in its entirety. Other funding and grants will be given to breeders from 2023 onwards.

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY APPROVED CENTRES

The approved centres offer visitor experience and training facilities. The Trustees continue to consider the options available and develop a programme of activities that yield the maximum educational, training and promotional benefits for the Society and supporters.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE TRUST FUND

The financial objective of the Society remains to increase the accumulated fund at a rate not less than inflation for the current year thus ensuring that the purchasing power of the fund is maintained. The financial attitude of the Society remains to pursue a break even position financially, without the historic dependence on donations or legacies. By doing so, any excess income can be utilised in a more beneficial way for the breed generally.

The Trust Fund is used firstly and most importantly to further the Society's charitable objectives including the promotion of the Shire Horse both at home and overseas and to also meet the Society's operating costs. In addition, the Society is required to contribute to the Stallion Fund at a level of 20% of the funding received from the Horserace Betting Levy Board. The Society's contribution is taken from the Trust Fund.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial statements show an overall increase in net funds of £256,960 (2021: increase £202,393) as shown on the Statement of Financial Activities.

The Society received legacy income totalling £440,163 (2021: £35,334). This source of revenue remains important to the Society in improving the capital base and investment income. The Board of Trustees has agreed it is not appropriate to rely on legacy income.

The Board of Trustees have identified loss making exercises; it intends to continue to maximise the income resources available.

At the balance sheet date the Society had unrealised losses in the value of its portfolios of £121,162 (2021: unrealised gains £183,069). The market value of the Society's investments at the end of the year was £653,647 (2021: £774,809) and is higher than their original cost of £323,723.

Improved rates of investment returns saw a slight increase in investment income at £24,355 (2021: 18,369).

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Prospects, as ever for 2023 remain increasingly challenging, but with net assets valued at £1,152,140 (2021: £895,180) the Society is well placed to continue developing a range of new initiatives to assist Shire Breeders and encourage new owners.

The Society continues to invest heavily in the National Show as it is viewed by Trustees as an essential tool to promote the Shire both at home and overseas.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council Members will continue to review the systems that are in place to mitigate the Society's exposure to major risks.

RESERVES POLICY

The Society maintains a prudent level of reserves to generate income to help fund the activities that further the Society's charitable aims and objectives. This income is intended to counter large fluctuations in irregular income such as legacies and help fund the National Show.

The Trustees continue to maintain a greater proportion of reserves in short term cash deposits to protect the Society from the volatile nature of equity and bond markets.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Society is no longer required to undertake a full audit, CFW Accountants LLP have undertaken an independent examiner's review and their report is enclosed.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
SOCIETY GOVERNANCE

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Society's governing document was reviewed and the adoption of new Articles of Association took place on 14th December 2021.

The Charity is governed by Board of Trustees who meet at least four times a year. The Board with the support of the Council has established a committee structure to deal directly with specific aspects of the Society's affairs. These Board and committees currently are:

The BOARD OF TRUSTEES dealing with financial matters and the day to day operation of the Society along with the CEO.

The EDITING COMMITTEE are responsible for all matters relating to the Stud Book, breeding programme and pedigrees.

The TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE are responsible for the education of the public about the Shire horse, running training events and programmes for the membership and the appointment, training and maintenance of an expert and active panel of Judges.

The SHOW COMMITTEE are responsible for all matters relating to the running of the National Show.

The STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE identify areas of strength and weaknesses within the Society. It is to promote and deliver new initiatives that provide for succession within the Society, including youth schemes and its sustainability for the long term.

The DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE deal with all matters concerning the conduct of Members.

All Council and Committee members are volunteers who receive no payment for their services. The National Show in March, is also run, in part, by Stewards who give their time in a voluntary capacity.

Council, Committees and Officials

RETIRE 2023

W Bedford, Yorkshire
M Bedford, Yorkshire
Miss A Chetwood, Cheshire
R Green, Lancashire
L M Fountain, Derbyshire
D Mouland, Hampshire
S J Peacock, Essex
P Shipman, Lincolnshire
Mrs Y Simmons, Shropshire
D Worthington, Cheshire
D Yates, Derbyshire

RETIRE 2024

P Bower, Essex
M Burks, Lincolnshire
J C Etches, Derbyshire
L E Harrison, Co. Durham
M A Horler, Somerset
C Malkin, Shropshire
Mrs D E Nulty, Cheshire
Mrs H Preece, Cheshire
D Roberts, Devon
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow, Essex
B A Winn, Lincolnshire

RETIRE 2025

Mrs D Badger, Tamworth
Wm Bedford, Yorkshire
J Burks, Lincolnshire
Miss C Eagle, Suffolk
Mrs S Flintham, Nottinghamshire
R Griffith, Wales
C Horler, Somerset
S Ledsham, Shropshire
G Rawlins, Tamworth
F M Richardson, Yorkshire
J Worthington, Cheshire
T J Yates, Derbyshire

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mrs H Thomas (Board Chair)**, Mr T J Yates** (Chairman of Council)**, Mr J Clarke** (Honorary Treasurer)**.**

EDITING COMMITTEE

Miss L Archer (Chairman) Mr P Ryder-Davies & Mr B Ryder-Davies (Honorary Veterinary Surgeons), Mr L M Fountain, Mr S J Peacock (co-opt, Chair of Judges and Rules), Mr D Roberts, Mr C Malkin (co-opt, approval panel), Mr R Green, Mr L E Harrison, Mr J Worthington, Mr B Winn, Mr D Yates.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs Y Simmons (Chair), Mrs D Badger, Miss C Eagle, Mr R Griffith, Mr M Richardson, Mr M Bingham (co-opt).

SHOW COMMITTEE

Mr S J Peacock (Chairman), Mr A Peacock (Chief Steward), Mr M Bedford, Mr A Brown (co-opt), Miss A Chetwood, Mrs D Nulty, Mr P Bower, Mrs B Harvey (co-opt).

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mrs W Toomer-Harlow (Chair), Mrs H Preece, Mr G Rawlins, Miss M Langley (co-opt), Mr D Shardlow (co-opt).

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The President, two Past Presidents or past deputies, two past chairs, a solicitor.

HONORARY TREASURER

Mr J Clarke, Hook Norton Brewery, Banbury

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc, Church Street, Peterborough

ACCOUNTANTS AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

CFW Accountants LLP, 3, Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, NN14 1UQ

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Victoria Clayton MRICS FAAV

STUD BOOK AND REGISTRATIONS

Miss Angela Whiteway

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number: 00012383 (Eng and Wales)

Registered Charity number: 210619

Registered Office:
The Old Dairy
Rockingham Castle and Park
Rockingham
Market Harborough
LE16 8TH

TRUSTEES

Miss E K Archer (resigned 14.12.21)
C J E Bartholomew (resigned 14.12.21)
W Bedford (resigned 14.12.21)
M W Bedford (resigned 14.12.21)
W Bedford Jnr (resigned 14.12.21)
A D Crossman (resigned 14.12.21)
J Etches (resigned 14.12.21)
L M Fountain (resigned 14.12.21)
R H F Fuller (resigned 14.12.21)
A G F Fuller (resigned 14.12.21)
W A Gilbey (resigned 14.12.21)
L Harrison (resigned 14.12.21)
M A Horler (resigned 14.12.21)
C M J Horler (resigned 14.12.21)
Ms A Hull (resigned 14.12.21)
J D Kay (resigned 14.12.21)
C W Lidstone (resigned 14.12.21)
C Malkin (resigned 14.12.21)
W E Massey (resigned 14.12.21)
P E Moss (resigned 14.12.21)
Mrs D E Nulty (resigned 14.12.21)
S J Peacock (resigned 14.12.21)
P B Robinson (resigned 14.12.21)
G Robinson (resigned 14.12.21)
P B Shipman (resigned 14.12.21)
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow (resigned 14.12.21)
Sir S C Whitbread (resigned 14.12.21)
B A Winn (resigned 14.12.21)
P Woof (resigned 14.12.21)
D Worthington (resigned 14.12.21)
A J Wass (resigned 14.12.21)
J Worthington (resigned 14.12.21)
T J Yates
D Roberts (resigned 14.12.21)
A H Brown (resigned 14.12.21)
M J Burks (resigned 14.12.21)
Miss C Eagle (resigned 14.12.21)
Mrs R L Harvey Trustee (resigned 14.12.21)
S Ledsham (resigned 14.12.21)
R Green (resigned 14.12.21)
D J Yates (resigned 14.12.21)
J W H Burks (resigned 14.12.21)
Miss A D Chetwood (resigned 14.12.21)
Mrs Y Simmons Trustee (resigned 14.12.21)
J W Clarke (appointed 14.12.21)
Mrs H Thomas (appointed 14.12.21)
Company Secretary: Miss V Clayton

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner David Ian Baker FCCA, CFW Accountants LLP, Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers, 3 Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, Northamptonshire NN14 1UQ

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Victoria Clayton
Chief Executive
18/01/2023

Independent Examiner's Report

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY ('THE COMPANY')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2022.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and 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.

David Ian Baker FCCA
CFW Accountants LLP
Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers
3 Weekley Wood Close
Kettering
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Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	459,875	30,000	489,875	117,270
Charitable activities					
Membership subscriptions		41,555	-	41,555	33,258
Direct charitable purpose		167,895	-	167,895	56,841
Other trading activities	3	8,399	-	8,399	3,030
Investment income	4	24,355	-	24,355	18,369
Other income	6	-	-	-	9,294
Total		702,079	30,000	732,079	238,062
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	7	53,052	-	53,052	38,761
Charitable activities	8				
Shire horse show		77,871	-	77,871	-
Stud book fees, sales and service books		102,999	-	102,999	90,815
Membership subscriptions		32,296	-	32,296	62,389
Support costs		47,067	-	47,067	3,341
Direct charitable purpose		-	27,701	27,701	15,517
Shire/Heavy horse camp		12,971	-	12,971	7,915
Total		326,256	27,701	353,957	218,738
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(121,162)	-	(121,162)	183,069
NET INCOME		254,661	2,299	256,960	202,393
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		780,152	115,028	895,180	692,787
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,034,813	117,327	1,152,140	895,180

Balance Sheet

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	14	27,398	-	27,398	34,618
Investments	15	536,320	117,327	653,647	774,809
		563,718	117,327	681,045	809,427
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	16	10,719	-	10,719	10,952
Debtors	17	20,212	-	20,212	18,968
Cash at bank and in hand		461,797	-	461,797	103,130
		492,728	-	492,728	133,050
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	18	(21,633)	-	(21,633)	(47,297)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		471,095	-	471,095	85,753
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,034,813	117,327	1,152,140	895,180
NET ASSETS		1,034,813	117,327	1,152,140	895,180
FUNDS	20				
Unrestricted funds				1,034,813	780,152
Restricted funds				117,327	115,028
TOTAL FUNDS				1,152,140	895,180

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

a. ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
b. preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue and were signed on its behalf by:

T J Yates - Trustee
J W Clarke - Trustee
18/01/2023

Cash Flow Statement

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash generated from operations	22	334,312	12,011
Net cash provided by operating activities		334,312	12,011
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(1,302)
Dividends received		24,355	18,369
Net cash provided by investing activities		24,355	17,067
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		358,667	29,078
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		103,130	74,052
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		461,797	103,130

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Shire Horse Society is a private company, limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £5 per member of the charity. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 12 of these financial statements.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income is shown within four main categories in the Statement of Financial Activities:
Voluntary income
Activities for generated funds
Investment income
Incoming resources from charitable activities

Voluntary income includes bequests and donations, and are accounted for at the time of arising.

Gifts in kind are accounted for by recognising as an incoming resource at a reasonable estimate of their fair value. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

Activities for generated funds include proceeds from commercial trading activities.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. Dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Incoming resources from charitable activities include membership subscriptions, proceeds relating to the Shire Horse Show and income from the maintenance of a Shire Horse database.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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

Paintings	2% on cost less residual value
Motor Vehicles	25% on reducing balance
Office equipment	25% on reducing balance

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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, and include the following:
The Farriery Fund is established to promote farriery skills and improve animal welfare.
The Stallion Fund is established to encourage stallion ownership, the purpose of which is appropriate genetic diversity.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

PENSION COSTS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

DONATED SERVICES

No income or expense is recognised in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP 2019, however further detail is included in the Trustees' Annual Report.

DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Debtors receivable / creditors payable within one year are measured at transaction price (less any impairment losses on debtors for bad and doubtful debts). Loans and other financial assets / liabilities are initially measured at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method (less any impairment losses on debtors) for bad and doubtful debts.

INVESTMENTS

Investments are stated at their fair value. Unrealised gains on the revaluation of investments are included on the Statement of Financial Activities.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Government grants are recognised on an accrual basis and are classified as either 'revenue-based'
grant or a 'capital-based' grant.

The grants relating to revenue are recognised in income on a systematic basis over the periods in which the entity recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. The grant which becomes receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs is recognised in income in the period that it become receivable.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
Legacies	440,163	-	440,163	35,334
Grants	-	30,000	30,000	37,500
Sponsorships and donations	19,712	-	19,712	44,436
	459,875	30,000	489,875	117,270

In 2022 the income from donations and legacies was £489,875 (2021: £117,270) of which £30,000 (2021: £37,500) was attributable to restricted income funds, with the balance of £459,875 (2021: £79,770) adding to unrestricted funds.
Included in sponsorships and donations is Gift Aid of £695 (2021: £1,729).

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2022 £	**2021** £
Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant	30,000	37,500

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
Sale of goods	8,399	-	8,399	3,030

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
Listed investments	24,355	-	24,355	18,369

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Membership subscriptions £	Direct charitable purpose £	**2022** Total activities £	**2021** Total activities £
Shire horse show	-	82,322	82,322	-
Stud book fees, sales and service books	-	44,601	44,601	40,618
Sundry sales and other income	-	20,458	20,458	5,166
Stallion fund	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	33,630	-	33,630	29,874
Life membership subscriptions	7,925	-	7,925	3,384
Shire/Heavy horse camp	-	18,514	18,514	9,057
	41,555	167,895	209,450	90,099

6. OTHER INCOME

		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
Job Retention Scheme Grant	-	-	-		9,294

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	**2022** Total funds £	**2021** Total funds £
Raising donations and legacies				
Marketing and merchandise costs	10,263	-	10,263	5,919
Attendance at shows and events	9,449	-	9,449	4,453
Support costs	33,340	-	33,340	28,389
	53,052	-	53,052	38,761

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 9) £	Totals £
Shire horse show	77,871	-	77,871
Stud book fees, sales and service books	12,787	90,212	102,999
Membership subscriptions	6,801	25,495	32,296
Support costs	-	47,067	47,067
Direct charitable purpose	27,701	-	27,701
Shire/Heavy horse camp	12,971	-	12,971
	138,131	162,774	300,905

In 2022 the expenditure on charitable activities was £300,905 (2021: £179,977) of which £27,701 (2021: £15,517) was expenditure from restricted funds and £273,204 (2021: £164,460) was from unrestricted funds.

9. SUPPORT COSTS

	Administration charge £	Professional fess £	Shire horse of the year championship £	Totals £
Raising donations and legacies	28,133	3,967	1,240	33,340
Stud book fees, sales and service books	76,124	10,732	3,356	90,212
Membership subscriptions	21,513	3,034	948	25,495
Support costs	39,716	5,600	1,751	47,067
	165,486	23,333	7,295	196,114

10. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	**2022** £	**2021** £
Depreciation - owned assets	7,220	9,620

11. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2022 nor for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2022 nor for the year ended 30 September 2021.

12. STAFF COSTS

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	85,036	82,101
Social security costs	3,190	2,954
Other pension costs	1,790	1,729
	90,016	86,784

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Administrative staff	4	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

13. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REMUNERATION

Included in the accounts is a charge of £3,550 (2021: £3,500) in respect of the Independent Examiner's remuneration.

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Paintings £	Motor Vehicles £	Office equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 October 2021 and 30 September 2022	5,765	48,311	17,639	71,715
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 October 2021	-	25,382	11,715	37,097
Charge for year	-	5,734	1,486	7,220
At 30 September 2022	-	31,116	13,201	44,317
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 September 2022	5,765	17,195	4,438	27,398
At 30 September 2021	5,765	22,929	5,924	34,618

15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 October 2021	774,809
Revaluations	(121,162)
At 30 September 2022	653,647
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 September 2022	653,647
At 30 September 2021	774,809

There were no investment assets outside the UK. All investments are held primarily for an investment return.

16. STOCKS

	2022 £	2021 £
Goods held for resale	10,719	10,952

17. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	3,990	1,319
Other debtors	1,292	1,300
Prepayments and accrued income	14,930	16,349
	20,212	18,968

18. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	10,847	8,530
Social security and other taxes	1,264	1,280
VAT	779	12,397
Other creditors	1,281	1,247
Accruals and deferred income	7,462	23,843
	21,633	47,297

19. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	12,500	12,500
Between one and five years	21,875	34,375
	34,375	46,875

20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.10.21	Net movement in funds	At 30.9.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	780,152	254,661	1,034,813
Restricted funds			
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	111,639	2,299	113,938
	115,028	2,299	117,327
TOTAL FUNDS	895,180	256,960	1,152,140

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	702,079	(326,256)	(121,162)	254,661
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	30,000	(27,701)	-	2,299
TOTAL FUNDS	732,079	(353,957)	(121,162)	256,960

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.10.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Tranfers between funds £	At 30.9.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	604,742	180,410	(5,000)	780,152
Restricted funds				
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	84,656	21,983	5,000	111,639
	88,045	21,983	5,000	115,028
TOTAL FUNDS	692,787	202,393	-	895,180

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	200,562	(203,221)	183,069	180,410
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	37,500	(15,517)	-	21,983
TOTAL FUNDS	238,062	(218,738)	183,069	202,393

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.10.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Tranfers between funds £	At 30.9.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	604,742	435,071	(5,000)	1,034,813
Restricted funds				
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	84,656	24,282	5,000	113,938
	88,045	24,282	5,000	117,327
TOTAL FUNDS	692,787	459,353	-	1,152,140

20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS *continued...*

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	902,641	(529,477)	61,907	435,071
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	67,500	(43,218)	-	24,282
TOTAL FUNDS	970,141	(572,695)	61,907	459,353

21. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2022.

22. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2022 £	**2021** £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	256,960	202,393
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	7,220	9,620
Unrealised losses/(gains) on investments	121,162	(183,069)
Dividends received	(24,355)	(18,369)
Decrease in stocks	233	1,056
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(1,244)	5,101
Decrease in creditors	(25,664)	(4,721)
Net cash provided by operations	334,312	12,011

23. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.10.21 £	Cash flow £	At 30.9.22 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	103,130	358,667	461,797
	103,130	358,667	461,797
TOTAL	103,130	358,667	461,797

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Legacies	440,163	35,334
Grants	30,000	37,500
Sponsorships and donations	19,712	44,436
	489,875	117,270
Other trading activities		
Sale of goods	8,399	3,030
Investment income		
Listed investments	24,355	18,369
Charitable activities		
Shire horse show	82,322	-
Stud book fees, sales and service books	44,601	40,618
Sundry sales and other income	20,458	5,166
Stallion fund	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	33,630	29,874
Life membership subscriptions	7,925	3,384
Shire/Heavy horse camp	18,514	9,057
	209,450	90,099
Other income		
Job Retention Scheme Grant	-	9,294
Total incoming resources	732,079	238,062
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Marketing and merchandise costs	10,263	5,919
Attendance at shows and events	9,449	4,453
	19,712	10,372
Charitable activities		
Shire horse show	77,871	-
Carried forward	77,871	-

	2022	2021
	£	£
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Brought forward	77,871	-
Studbook, sales and service book costs	12,787	13,999
Silver spoons and membership recruitment costs	6,801	3,942
Stallion premiums	16,863	12,035
Stallion approvals	9,627	1,300
Stallion travelling	102	-
Stallion semen storage	1,109	2,182
Shire/Heavy horse camp	12,971	7,915
	138,131	41,373
SUPPORT COSTS		
Administration charge		
Salaries	85,036	82,101
Social security	3,190	2,954
Pensions	1,790	1,729
Postage	8,902	7,519
Printing and stationery	7,169	3,980
Meeting expenses	3,442	220
Bank charges	5,400	3,940
Promotion, advertising and website	4,973	4,404
Establishment costs	25,759	24,316
Sundry expenses	2,182	3,544
Irrecoverable VAT	10,415	3,800
PAYE interest	8	-
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	7,220	9,620
	165,486	148,127
Professional fees		
Accountancy charges	3,988	3,267
Professional and consultancy fees	15,795	12,099
Independent examiner's remuneration	3,550	3,500
	23,333	18,866
Shire horse of the year championship		
Net deficit	7,295	-
Total resources expended	353,957	218,738
NET INCOME	378,122	19,324

Election of Council Members

Council members who retire in 2023 and have confirmed their intention to stand for re-election this year:

M Bedford, Yorkshire
W Bedford, Yorkshire
Miss A Chetwood, Shropshire
L M Fountain, Derbyshire
R S Green, Lancashire
D Mouland, Hampshire
S J Peacock, Essex
P Shipman, Lincolnshire
Mrs Y Simmons, Staffordshire
D Worthington, Cheshire
D Yates, Derbyshire

There are 12 spaces within the Council available.

Please find on the next page a brief introduction of existing and new members putting themselves forward for the 2023 Shire Horse Society Council Elections.

Please vote for your preferred candidates on the voting papers enclosed and return to the address shown in advance of the deadline.

For the avoidance of doubt, members can vote for up to 12 candidates. Members do not have to use all twelve votes. A member may only vote for one candidate once.

EXISTING COUNCIL MEMBERS STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Mr M Bedford

Mr W Bedford

Miss A Chetwood

Mr L M Fountain

Mr R S Green

Mr D Mouland

Mr S J Peacock

Mr P Shipman

Mrs Y Simmons

Mr D Worthington

Mr D Yates

MR M BEDFORD

Meetings attended 2 of 5
(3 apologies received)

I believe in looking after the breeders and the stallion owners as a priority, without these people we have no driving horses, no riding horses and no Society. After all, this is a 'breed society'. We also need to find ways to make showing fun again and have open arms to anyone who is willing to put in the effort to get up on a morning and put the time and money into it instead of putting them off. Showing is a major part of keeping the breed going, it gives great purpose and should be enjoyable for all. All whilst being transparent and accountable. I will continue to fight for this if re-elected.

MR W BEDFORD

Meetings attended 4 of 5
(1 apologies received)

Hello Shire Horse members and friends. It is time for me to submit my name for council once again.

With your votes I will always put the breed first. Thank you.

MISS A CHETWOOD

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I have been a member of the SHS since 1983 during which time I have bred, shown in hand, and competed in harness classes. In 1997 I was appointed to the full judges panel and I have judged many shows, I have had the honour to judge the National Shire Horse Show on two separate occasions. In 2004 I was elected the secretary of North West and Wales Shire Foal Society, a position I'm proud of and still retain. During the last three years I have been on the SHS Council for two of those years I have sat on the Show Committee. I fully support the Society in its endeavours to encourage younger members and to promote and preserve the Shire horse. If re-elected to Council I will and always do what I can for any member.

MR L M FOUNTAIN

Meetings attended 5 of 5

Although the Society has taken the Charity route, with a Board of Directors, the Council to some, seem diminished, in my opinion it has a vital role to play helping run the Society through various sub committees especially at the moment with the SPARKS breeding programme being introduced. I have been lucky enough to serve on the Editing Committee for the last three years and I am in my second year on the stallion approval scheme panel. I would like to think that I am active contributor to the benefit of the breed and with your help to continue to do so, where passion will not wane.

MR R S GREEN

Meetings attended 4 of 5
(1 apology received)

An active Council member for the last term, I embrace the changes which show the direction the Society is aiming for in order to revive animal numbers. I believe we need to promote diversity and look at opportunities for future growth for the breed. With your vote I would like to be elected to continue this momentum and build a strong foundation for the Society to grow and develop. I work with Shires in the public and private sector as Head Horseman at Thwaites and understand the importance of PR and business strategy.

MR D MOULAND

Meetings attended 1 of 5
(4 apologies received)

Bio. not received.

MR S J PEACOCK

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I have been professionally involved with Shire horses all my working life. Apart from having served on the SHS Council for thirty-eight years, I have been an active member of all of the sub-committees, including stallion inspections. For a number of years, I have chaired the Judges Seminars and Judges assessments and as Chairman of the Show Committee I would ask for your support and your vote to allow me to continue with this work or any other that would benefit the Society and its members.

MR P SHIPMAN

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I am coming to the end of my second term of serving on Council, during this time I have been a member of the now dissolved Executive Committee, Steward at the Spring Shows and a presenter at the Heavy Horse Camps. At home we breed, show and work our shires which are a continuous line back to 1885. Recently the Society governance has radically changed, this should mean it can react more quickly to the challenges it will face in a very uncertain world. However, the mission of promoting the breed, service

to all members and a financially strong position are as great as ever. If re-elected I will endeavour to pursue these goals

MRS Y SIMMONS

Meetings attended 5 of 5

The Shire Horse is at an important crossroads in its long and illustrious history. The next few years will be important ones that future generations will look back on and will quite rightly scrutinize the decisions that we are making today. I am committed to the hard work that is needed to ensure our great breed thrives and has a solid future. I was honoured to be chosen by the Board as the Chairman of Training and Education for the Society earlier this year. This is a role that I am deeply committed to and wish to continue with to further the development of the Society for future generations. In the service of you the membership, I can make a promise that without fear or favour my priority will always be the preservation of the breed we have today and the continuity of standards and integrity which we must uphold.

MR D WORTHINGTON

Meetings attended 5 of 5

Although I'm not as able bodied as I used to be and I lack a bit of speed, I am still able to propose and put forward thoughts and ideas of members. We still have an active farm with mares and stallions being at the forefront of my mind and think I have knowledge and experience to offer the Shire Horse Society.

MR D YATES

Meetings attended 5 of 5

Having served my initial term as a member of council and the Editing Committee, I would like to be considered for re-election. As a business owner, and board Director, I have tried to utilise these business skills, alongside my experience within the breed, to help support the Shire Horse Society. As prolific breeders and exhibitors, we inevitably promote the Shire horse, but only by continuing to evolve, endeavouring to improve, and always listening to our members, can we ensure that there is a Shire horse for our future generations to enjoy.

NEW CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION

Mr M Butterworth

Mr J Fairbairn

Mr S Green

Mr J Holder

Mr M King

Mr M Martin

Mr D Shardlow

Miss A Sillence

MR M BUTTERWORTH

Qualifying as a farrier in 2015, to specialising in shoeing heavy horses since 2018. I've developed a passion not only for shoeing but showing and breeding these amazing animals too. We've had three foals on the ground under our Buttermere Shires prefix and have two more in foal for 2023. Having horses competing in both the ridden and in hand it's great exposure to show how incredibly versatile they are. Taking pride with shoeing my own horses with handmade shoes and will continue to do so. I'm always approachable and will offer any advice or help as and when asked. I'd be a great voice for the Council in regards to shoeing and encouraging the versatility of the shire horse!

MR J FAIRBAIRN

I have been a member of the Society for 30 years, breeding and showing, mainly trade turnouts, under the Marshall Meadows prefix with great success. I now feel it's time to stand for Council and give members in the North of England and Scotland a voice. I am passionate about the Shire horse and to encourage new members and future generations. It would be an honour to be elected on to the Council and to represent the North of the country.

MR S GREEN

I have been involved with the Shire Horse breed for over 20 years, breeding foals and having stallions at stud. One of my interest lies with the functionality of the breed as I am involved with various heavy horse contracts with the National Trust, using our Shires in a number of draft roles. Aside from the commercial aspect of our Shires, we plough at a national level around the country at various matches. In the summer months we show our Shires in both agricultural and trade turnout classes. The harnessed horse is really my passion and I am keen to support its longevity in any way I can.

MR J HOLDER

I am fortunate enough to have been involved with owning and supporting our magnificent breed since a young

age, but more recently in the last two decades building our now 20 strong Colloe Grove stud. I am an active breeder and showman and currently President of the South Wales Shire Horse Society. If I were fortunate enough be voted on to Council I would bring my appetite for hard work and fair play and also a much needed link to Council for the south west and South Wales areas. The coming years will bring big challenges for our breed but where there are challenges there are also opportunities and I would give my all to help to maximise these.

MR M KING

I believe in action not words, upholding tradition, values and common decency, whilst always looking to the future and new technology. If you agree with what I think use your ink.

MR M MARTIN

In my relatively short eight years working with the Shire Horse, I have developed a great passion for all aspects of showing and breeding of our great breed. Starting as a young handler, to owning and showing my own horse, and breeding my first foal last year, I have learnt from some of the great breeders and show men/women in recent times. I believe it is imperative to pass on the knowledge and experience I have consumed to others. As a newcomer myself I recognise how overwhelming the Shire horse world could be and pride myself in being approachable and will always offer advice and support to others just as I have received previously. If elected I would be a voice for the great lovers of showing our magnificent horses and also the younger generation of the Society, with a passion for keeping the breed traditions going for our future generations.

MR D SHARDLOW

I have been involved with breeding, showing, working, and driving shires all my life, and have been a Life member of the Society for the last 18 years and full panel judge for the last six years. However, I worry if we don't do anything now to help save the breed my children won't have the opportunities with shires like I have had. I feel it's my turn to do something towards helping to save the breed, I have ideas which will benefit today's modern breeders and members who have full-time jobs and have shires as an enjoyable weekend hobby.

MISS A SILLENCE

For the past twelve years I have been involved in breeding, breaking, showing, riding and driving shires alongside my partner Daniel Borsey. Prior to working with the Shires, I had been at university gaining a Degree in Equine Science, specialising in nutrition and breeding. This year we have had a tremendous amount of fun exhibiting one of our shires in single trade turnout classes, with great success. I am very passionate about the preservation and improvement of our magnificent Shire horses. Shires are such a useful and versatile breed, we need to continue promotion to ensure their place firmly on the map for many more generations to love and enjoy, just as much as we do.
With your assistance, I would love to have the opportunity to become an active member of the Shire Horse Council.

Shire Horse of the Year Qualifying Shows

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Accounts

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

FOR

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Chairman's Report

To me it feels like trying to run a race on one leg. After the first lockdown, gaining a bit of momentum through the summer period, then joining the tier system, followed by two further lock downs with very serious developments. Hopefully, we can now see light at the end of the tunnel with vaccinations coming. Having to cancel two National Shire Shows makes it very hard for the breed, with no shop windows to promote and support the Society. Thanks, must be expressed to all those who have offered and given financial support and who have tried to organise a show for this year.

The Society has endeavoured to carry on the business of the Society as usual with registrations and stallion premiums. The income this year will obviously be down because there has been no opportunity to do sales and promotions at the shows and other events. This will be seen in the accounts for this very difficult year. Meetings have been restricted but several committees, AGM and one Council meeting have been held by ZOOM. The President the Countess of Wessex attended the Council meeting virtually in October. During the year, the Secretary Victoria Clayton has called on the Chairpersons for support in actions that have had to be taken.

Efforts to modernise the Society by using the internet more and social media have been carried out. Extensive work has been undertaken to bring the Articles of Association and Governance up to date. This has needed to be done to bring the Articles in line with the Charity Commission rules.

To everybody concerned in running this great Society I would like to give my heartfelt thanks and look forward to seeing you all virtually at the AGM.
Stay safe.

Jim Yates
Chairman of Executive

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Secretary's Report

Sitting to write the year that was 2020 leaves me drawing somewhat of a blank!

We sadly lost our show in 2020 and we have just announced that the 2021 show has also fallen victim to the coronavirus pandemic. We have to keep hopeful for shows and events later in the year after the vaccination programme has been rolled out.

I would like to issue a public thank you to the members for their support in the last 12 months, it has been a tortuous year for everyone. It is wonderful to have members who love the breed and have been generous with funds but also with their time in calling the office to make sure the staff are coping. That means a great deal, thank you.

The Show Committee have launched a Society Raffle, with cash prizes to be won. We have enclosed with this mailing tickets for you to purchase or sell to friends and neighbours. Tickets are also available to purchase online. We are very grateful to generous supporters for the donation of the prizes, thank you!

It is election time again; the three-year term passes very quickly for those standing for re-election. I am again delighted to see several new faces and respected Shire members taking the opportunity to stand for Council.

Please do take time to read the CVs of the candidates, and remember that it is you, the members who elect the men and women who will help shape the way in which the Society is run. Please do use your vote.

The office staff of Angela, Sharon, Sue and I are all here to help and along with Council members to encourage newcomers and new members in any way we can.

We are all passionate about the breed and we all strive to help preserve, promote and protect the horse that put the Great into Britain.

On behalf of the Shire Horse Society I would like to take the opportunity to thank you the members for your continued support.

Victoria Clayton
Secretary

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Notice of AGM

Notice is hereby given that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Members of the Shire Horse Society will be held on Friday 7th May 2021 at 10.30am via Zoom.

AGENDA:

1. **WELCOME ADDRESS.**
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**
3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 26TH JUNE 2020.**
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**
5. **RECEIVE REPORT OF COUNCIL & STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.**
6. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS.**
7. **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER.**
8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

By Order of the Council
Victoria Clayton, Secretary

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AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Shire Horse Society's Annual General Meeting held virtually on Friday, 26th June 2020 at 10am.

PRESENT:

Mr J W Clarke (Immediate Past President)
Mr R H F Fuller (Honorary Treasurer)
Ms L Archer (Chairman of Editing & Training Committee)
Mr S J Peacock (Chairman of Show Committee)
Mr T J Yates (Chairman of Executive Committee)
Mr D Baker (CFW Accountants LLP)

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Mrs D Badger
Mr G Bournes
Mr A H Brown,
Mrs J Christopher
Mr J C Etches
Mr R Green
Mrs R Harvey
Mr D Iles
Mr S Ledsham
Mr G Livesey
Miss L Parr
Mr A J Peacock
Mr R Pritchett
Mr F M Richardson
Mr P Ryder-Davies
Mr P Shipman
Mr P Simmons
Mrs Y Simmons
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow
Mr A J Wass
Mrs S Yates
Two additional members were in attendance but without names listed.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss V L Clayton (Secretary)
Mrs S M Fox (Administration)

1. WELCOME ADDRESS

The President took the Chair and thanked everyone for joining the virtual meeting which was held via Zoom owing to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The President highlighted the challenges the whole country has faced in both business and employment and hoped that everyone was coping in the crisis and especially with their health.

The President stated that in normal circumstances the AGM would have been held at the National Shire Horse Show, but along with all public events it had to be cancelled. Whilst this has been one of the biggest challenges that many of us will have encountered in our lifetime, he said we should remain positive and take the opportunities this may present as we go forward and go into 2021.

People have learnt new skills from cycling to baking and the President believes that what members do with their horses and particularly on the education side presents some opportunities in 2021. Where events are held in 2021 it will offer the Society the chance to take advantage to showcase the breed.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Ms C Christian, Mr J D Kay, Mr P Lawson, Mr J Medhurst, Mr G Robinson, Mr T C F B Sligo-Young, Miss M A J Swinley, OBE, Captain C Trenchard Jarrett, Mrs R Wells and Mr N Wray.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 22ND MARCH 2019.

The Minutes had been circulated to all members in the Annual Report and Accounts 2019.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The President asked if there were any matters arising from the Minutes. There were no matters arising and Mr A J Wass proposed the Minutes should be signed as a true and correct record. Mr J C Etches seconded the proposal. Members agreed.

5. RECEIVE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr R H F Fuller took the Members through the accounts for the year ended September 2019 as set out in the Annual Report.

Drawing attention to page 11 there were some key figures to look at.

i) Income is down by £3,156 to £359,818 in particular because of a year on year decline in legacies and donations of £33,037 to £92,846. Membership subscriptions have also fallen by 5% to £44,343.
ii) During the same period costs have risen by £38,909 to £377,075 as the costs associated with the production of the Stud Book and Service books has risen.
iii) This means that overall, the Society has reported a loss of £17,257 before considering the small loss of £4,040 we have made on our investments which can of course go up or down in the short term.

Many of the details in these accounts were shown in the Notes to the Accounts on page 14.

Mr Fuller drew Member's attention to Notes 5 and 7 on page 16.
From the notes Members saw that the 2019 National Shire Horse Show made a deficit of £3,984. Although this is still a loss, he reminded Members that the accounts have improved considerably from six years ago when the show lost £50,000. Mr Fuller thanked Mr John Peacock and his team for all their hard work. The aim is to make a surplus going forward, but the Society should always remember that the show is the key part of its Charitable Aims of educating the public about Shire horses and therefore the focus is not just about profit.

Turning to page 12; the Balance Sheet shows in simple terms what the Assets of the Society are at the end of the Financial Year. Mr Fuller said that the Assets had fallen from £939,008 last year to £917,711 this year. This was for several reasons but primarily as the amount of cash that the Society had has fallen in line with the increase in the costs. The value of the Society's investments fell only slightly to £852,263 despite the turmoil in the markets and the reduction in legacy income that Mr Fuller mentioned before. Members were reminded that investments, can go down as well as up but as the Society's policy is to invest for the long term, any fluctuations tend to smooth themselves out.

Mr Fuller is happy with the way James Sharp is handling the Society's investments and he stays in regular contact with them to discuss the Portfolio.

Mr Fuller reported that during the year the Society purchased a new promotional vehicle, part funded by donations, which although as you will see from Note 13 to the accounts is down as a new Asset, also gives rise to an additional Depreciation charge to the Profit and Loss account of £5,334.

The Society moved into new offices, which are a huge improvement on the previous ones but the move as expected incurred some set up costs. Once permitted to do so Mr Fuller encouraged everyone to pay a visit to see the office for themselves and thanked those donors and in particular Cliff Meddings for their contributions.

Mr Fuller said the decline in legacies highlights their importance. The Society is very grateful for what it receives. Every year something seems to arrive, completely unexpectedly and always very generously. A charity needs its legacies and donations, and Members all need to work hard to encourage their friends and supporters for help. Mr Fuller added that the Society should endeavour to live within its means. Excluding the legacies, the Society is running at a deficit and it would be nice to turn this into a surplus.

At this point, although it is not relevant to the year in review, Mr Fuller said he should probably mention that the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic has had a significant impact on the current year that means the Society has had to curtail some of its planned expenditure. The cancellation of the Show and the poor stock market performance (although this is recovering) means that the Society is having to be very careful about how it spends any money but balancing that with the need to ensure the Society is meeting all its obligations. The picture is starting to become clearer, but we have effectively had to say goodbye to most of the Shows that the Society might have attended and the related income. Mr Fuller paid particular thanks to the Secretary and her team who worked very hard in difficult circumstances for all they have done.

Mr Fuller is very keen that the Society does not use its capital to support the day to day running of the Society and he will be trying to make sure that only the income generated from its investments, which now stands at nearly £26,000 pa, is transferred to the Current Account.

Mr Fuller said we are living in very unpredictable times and we must take every opportunity to review what we do and how we do it. The Society should be looking to increase its efficiency, especially in its use of technology and also to find ways of cutting its costs.

Mr Fuller said he has mentioned many times before, the need for fundraising remains great and we all need to consider how to address this.

In summary, the Society is making progress in achieving the objectives it set itself when moving to its own offices despite the recent setback. Mr Fuller said that our intention was to steady the ship and then re-invest with a wide range of initiatives to help support our breeders and our members, and to attract further legacy income. This will help complement the hard work, enthusiasm and support provided worldwide by our Secretary, Staff, Members, Stewards, Officials, Clients, local societies, and enthusiasts for the Shire Horse Society.

The Hon. Treasurer asked if there were any questions. Mr S J Peacock asked a question on behalf of Mr

J Bryant. On page 23 (Charitable Activities) Mr Bryant asked why the life membership subscriptions had gone down by £100 from £6,293 in 2018 to £6,139 in 2019 as he understood they could not go down. The Hon Treasurer replied that this account is not just the balance of the life membership funds but shows new life memberships during the year. It was noted there were less taken out in 2019. Mr D Baker confirmed Mr Fuller's answer was correct and it was a very small fluctuation. Mr S J Peacock agreed to relay the message to Mr Bryant.

There being no further questions the Hon. Treasurer asked Members for a proposer and a seconder to adopt the accounts year ending September 2019. Mr S J Peacock proposed that the accounts should be adopted, and Mr A H Brown seconded the proposal.

The President thanked the Hon. Treasurer for his comprehensive report and said that there was no surprise in where the Society is at with the impact that COVID-19 has had, and the Society's investments are extremely well managed and added that we have all been slightly surprised at some of the more recoveries we have already seen. Although the Society couldn't hold its Show this year it's extremely encouraging to see the results from the Show last year and the President said the Society should remember that and when we start planning for the 2021 Show we should give it that extra bit of vigour and make sure it's fantastic and we generate a profit.

6. ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr D Baker from CFW Accountants LLP who acted as the Scrutineers confirmed that they had received 292 voting papers of which 288 were counted.

The Candidates duly elected were:

Mr W Bedford (194)
Mr L M Fountain (160)
Mr M Bedford (179)
Mr D Yates (158)
Mr D Worthington (175)
Miss A Hull (154)
Mr R Green (175)
Mrs Y Simmons (138)
Mr P Shipman (174)
Mr D Mouland (122)
Mr S J Peacock (171)
Miss A Chetwood (120)

The Council members were duly elected and congratulated. Grateful thanks were recorded to Mr D Baker for his assistance.

7. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mr T J Yates proposed that CFW Accountants LLP should be re-appointed as the Society's Independent Examiners. This was seconded by Mr R H F Fuller. All agreed.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs D Badger commented that seeing the reactions from the Show being cancelled there was a lot of emotional disappointment and if that can be carried to 2021 Mrs Badger thinks the Society can pull off a Show that will not only be brilliant but will also show a positive in the bank balance for a first time in many years. Mrs Badger recorded her thanks to the Society's staff who had to deal with the outcome of having the Show cancelled. She said it was a terrific disappointment for them, but they picked up and ran and got it all sorted in a respectable time. The President also agreed with her comments and the Secretary thanked Mrs Badger.

Mr S Ledsham understood that the Memorandum and Articles of Associated were deemed to be out of date and asked if there had been any progress on updating them. The Hon. Treasurer replied that over the last twelve months the Society had been talking to Lawyers about the best way to proceed and he stated that these things do take a lot of time to complete as they are very complex. Mr Fuller hoped that progress would be made over the next twelve months and would be reported to the membership in time. Mrs Y Simmons as a new member of Council requested a copy of the old Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Hon. Treasurer responded that there is some confusion as to which ones are the current set and suggested that at some point the Society would circulate what will change in the document. Mrs Simmons replied that she would like to have a copy because she is a new member of Council. The Hon. Treasurer asked to discuss this offline with Mrs Simmons.

The President echoed the thanks that had already been mentioned to the team at the office and thanked the Committee Members whose meetings will continue via the Zoom facility during the lockdown. Thanks, were also expressed to everyone on Council and indeed the wider membership for the support they have given. Again, the President looks forward to the Show in 2021 as well as looking forward to the season in 2021 because last year he managed to visit a few Shows which he too has missed this year.

The President said the Society should remain positive as it is in a strong position and to stay united and move things forward so the Society can recover from this.

The President asked members to continue to look out for each other both now and in the future. It has been a challenging time for everyone and in his role at Hook Norton Brewery he stated it had been the most challenging time for them in their 170 years; but it also potentially offers the greatest opportunity and this applies to the Society too. The President thanked everyone for their support and the Society will update members when the new President is announced.

There being no further business the President thanked members for attending the virtual AGM and declared the meeting closed at 10:35am.

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 September 2020

For Shire Horse Society

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Independent Examiner's Report

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY ('THE COMPANY')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2020.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and 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.

David Ian Baker
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Statement for Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	**2020** Total fund £	**2019** Total fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	76,767	30,000	106,767	92,846
Charitable activities	5				
Membership subscriptions		39,299	-	39,299	44,343
Direct charitable purpose		62,388	-	62,388	175,456
Other trading activities	3	6,636	-	6,636	21,313
Investment income	4	22,431	-	22,431	25,860
Other income	6	10,000	-	10,000	-
Total		217,521	30,000	247,521	359,818
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	7	52,880	-	52,880	72,105
Charitable activities	8				
Shire Horse Show		24,984	-	24,984	113,607
Stud book fees, sales and service books		104,691	-	104,691	96,661
Membership subscriptions		75,883	-	75,883	61,121
Support costs		4,125	-	4,125	3,293
Direct charitable purpose		-	25,191	25,191	22,166
Shire/Heavy Horse Camp		2,325	-	2,325	8,122
Total		264,888	25,191	290,079	377,075
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(182,366)	-	(182,366)	(4,040)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(229,733)	4,809	(224,924)	(21,297)
Transfers between funds	20	(5,000)	5,000	-	-
Net movement in funds		(234,733)	9,809	(224,924)	(21,297)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		839,475	78,236	917,711	939,008
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		604,742	88,045	692,787	917,711

Balance Sheet

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	**2020** Total fund £	**2019** Total fund £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	14	42,936	-	42,936	55,329
Investments	15	503,695	88,045	591,740	852,263
		546,631	88,045	634,676	907,592
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	16	12,008	-	12,008	8,792
Debtors	17	24,069	-	24,069	10,382
Cash at bank and in hand		74,052	-	74,052	32,392
		110,129	-	110,129	51,566
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	18	(52,018)	-	(52,018)	(41,447)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		58,111	-	58,111	10,119
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		604,742	88,045	692,787	917,711
NET ASSETS		604,742	88,045	692,787	917,711
FUNDS	20				
Unrestricted funds				604,742	839,475
Restricted funds				88,045	78,236
TOTAL FUNDS				692,787	917,711

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

a. ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
b. preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29th January 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

R H F Fuller - Trustee
T J Yates - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income is shown within four main categories in the Statement of Financial Activities:

- Voluntary income
- Activities for generated funds
- Investment income
- Incoming resources from charitable activities

Voluntary income includes bequests and donations, and are accounted for at the time of arising.

Gifts in kind are accounted for by recognising as an incoming resource at a reasonable estimate of their fair value. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

Activities for generated funds include proceeds from commercial trading activities.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. Dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Incoming resources from charitable activities include membership subscriptions, proceeds relating to the Shire Horse Show and income from the maintenance of a Shire Horse database.

EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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

Paintings	2% on cost less residual value
Motor Vehicles	25% on reducing balance
Office equipment	25% on reducing balance

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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, and include the following:

- The Farriery Fund is established to promote farriery skills and improve animal welfare.
- The Stallion Fund is established to encourage stallion ownership, the purpose of which is appropriate genetic diversity.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

PENSION COSTS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

DONATED SERVICES

No income or expense is recognised in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP 2019, however further detail is included in the Trustees' Annual Report.

INVESTMENTS

Investments are stated at their fair value. Unrealised gains on the revaluation of investments are included on the Statement of Financial Activities.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2020 £	2019 £
Legacies	61,490	53,487
Grants	30,000	24,500
Sponsorships and donations	15,277	14,859
	106,767	92,846

In 2020 the income from donations and legacies was £106,767 (2019: £92,846) of which £30,000 (2019: £24,500) was attributable to restricted income funds, with the balance of £76,767 (2019: £68,346) adding to unrestricted funds.

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant	30,000	24,500

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2020 £	2019 £
Sale of goods	6,636	21,313

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2020 £	2019 £
Listed investments	22,431	25,860

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Membership subscriptions £	Direct charitable purpose £	2020 Total activities £	2019 Total activities £
Shire Horse Show	-	-	-	109,623
Stud book fees, sales and service books	-	48,917	48,917	50,438
Sundry sales and other income	-	7,583	7,583	4,520
Stallion fund	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	36,108	-	36,108	38,204
Life membership subscriptions	3,191	-	3,191	6,139
Shire/Heavy Horse Camp	-	3,888	3,888	8,875
	39,299	62,388	101,687	219,799

6. OTHER INCOME

	2020 £	2019 £
Rebates and grants	10,000	-

7. RAISING FUNDS

	2020 £	2019 £
Raising donations and legacies		
Marketing and merchandise costs	10,588	19,716
Attendance at shows and events	7,214	24,385
Support costs	35,078	28,004
	52,880	72,105

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 9) £	Totals £
Shire Horse Show	24,984	-	24,984
Stud book fees, sales and service books	9,773	94,918	104,691
Membership subscriptions	3,663	72,220	75,883
Support costs	-	4,125	4,125
Direct charitable purpose	25,191	-	25,191
Shire/Heavy Horse Camp	2,325	-	2,325
	65,936	171,263	237,199

In 2020 the expenditure on charitable activities was £237,199 (2019: £304,970) of which £25,191 (2019: £22,166) was expenditure from restricted funds and £212,008 (2019: £282,804) was from unrestricted funds.

9. SUPPORT COSTS

	Administration charge £	Professional fees £	Shire Horse of the Year Championship £	Totals £
Raising donations and legacies	26,892	6,946	1,240	35,078
Stud book fees, sales and service books	72,766	18,797	3,355	94,918
Membership subscriptions	55,365	14,302	2,553	72,220
Support costs	3,163	817	145	4,125
	158,186	40,862	7,293	206,341

10. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):	**2020** £	**2019** £
Depreciation - owned assets	12,393	6,532
Deficit on disposal of fixed assets	-	321

11. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2020 nor for the year ended 30 September 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2020 nor for the year ended 30 September 2019.

12. STAFF COSTS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and salaries	82,660	79,613
Social security costs	3,624	4,161
Other pension costs	1,766	1,466
	88,050	85,240

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2020	2019
Administrative staff	4	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

13. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REMUNERATION

Included in the accounts is a charge of £3,500, which includes an under provision in earlier years (2019: £3,500) in respect of the Independent Examiner's remuneration.

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Paintings	Motor Vehicles	Office equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 October 2019 and 30 September 2020	5,765	48,311	16,337	70,413
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 October 2019	-	7,548	7,536	15,084
Charge for year	-	10,191	2,202	12,393
At 30 September 2020	-	17,739	9,738	27,477
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 September 2020	5,765	30,572	6,599	42,936
At 30 September 2019	5,765	40,763	8,801	55,329

15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 October 2019	852,263
Additions	4,680
Disposals	(54,315)
Revaluations	(210,888)
At 30 September 2020	591,740
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 September 2020	591,740
At 30 September 2019	852,263

There were no investment assets outside the UK. All investments are held primarily for an investment return.

16. STOCKS

	2020 £	**2019** £
Goods held for resale	12,008	8,792

17. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade debtors	972	3,017
Other debtors	14,572	-
Prepayments and accrued income	8,525	7,365
	24,069	10,382

18. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade creditors	4,674	6,786
Social security and other taxes	1,237	1,813
VAT	18,793	18,529
Other creditors	1,169	1,850
Accruals and deferred income	26,145	12,469
	52,018	41,447

19. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Within one year	10,500	11,000
Between one and five years	39,410	59,375
	49,910	70,375

20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.10.19	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 30.9.20
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	839,475	(229,733)	(5,000)	604,742
Restricted funds				
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	74,847	4,809	5,000	84,656
	78,236	4,809	5,000	88,045
TOTAL FUNDS	917,711	(224,924)	-	692,787

20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS *continued...*

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	217,521	(264,888)	(182,366)	(229,733)
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	30,000	(25,191)	-	4,809
TOTAL FUNDS	247,521	(290,079)	(182,366)	(224,924)

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.10.18 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30.9.19 £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	868,106	(23,631)	(5,000)	839,475
Restricted funds				
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	67,513	2,334	5,000	74,847
	70,902	2,334	5,000	78,236
TOTAL FUNDS	939,008	(21,297)	-	917,711

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	335,318	(354,909)	(4,040)	(23,631)
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	24,500	(22,166)	-	2,334
TOTAL FUNDS	359,818	(377,075)	(4,040)	(21,297)

20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS *continued...*

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.10.18 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30.9.20 £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	868,106	(253,364)	(10,000)	604,742
Restricted funds				
Farriery Fund	3,389	-	-	3,389
Stallion Fund	67,513	7,143	10,000	84,656
	70,902	7,143	10,000	88,045
TOTAL FUNDS	939,008	(246,221)	-	692,787

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
National Shire Horse Trust Fund	552,839	(619,797)	(186,406)	(253,364)
Restricted funds				
Stallion Fund	54,500	(47,357)	-	7,143
TOTAL FUNDS	607,339	(667,154)	(186,406)	(246,221)

21. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2020.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

	2020 £	2019 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Legacies	61,490	53,487
Grants	30,000	24,500
Sponsorships and donations	15,277	14,859
	106,767	92,846
Other trading activities		
Sale of goods	6,636	21,313
Investment income		
Listed investments	22,431	25,860
Charitable activities		
Shire Horse Show	-	109,623
Stud book fees, sales and service books	48,917	50,438
Sundry sales and other income	7,583	4,520
Stallion fund	2,000	2,000
Membership subscriptions	36,108	38,204
Life membership subscriptions	3,191	6,139
Shire/Heavy Horse Camp	3,888	8,875
	101,687	219,799
Other income		
Rebates and grants	10,000	-
Total incoming resources	247,521	359,818
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Marketing and merchandise costs	10,588	19,716
Attendance at shows and events	7,214	24,385
	17,802	44,101
Charitable activities		
Shire Horse Show	24,984	113,607
Carried forward	24,984	113,607

	2020	2019
	£	£
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Brought forward	24,984	113,607
Stud Book, sales and service book costs	9,773	20,890
Silver spoons and membership recruitment costs	3,663	3,470
Stallion premiums	10,521	11,472
Stallion approvals	5,630	4,150
Stallion premium foals	6,422	-
Stallion assistance with show	-	3,000
Stallion dope testing	2,618	3,544
Shire/Heavy Horse Camp	2,325	8,122
	65,936	168,255
SUPPORT COSTS		
Administration charge		
Salaries	82,660	79,613
Social security	3,624	4,161
Pensions	1,766	1,466
Postage	8,029	9,172
Printing and stationery	3,929	5,655
Meeting expenses	297	1,408
Bank charges	5,222	5,853
Promotion, advertising and website	3,971	3,814
Establishment costs	27,534	18,558
Sundry expenses	3,930	4,124
Irrecoverable VAT	4,831	7,321
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	12,393	6,532
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed asset	-	321
	158,186	147,998
Professional fees		
Accountancy charges	2,840	2,759
Professional and consultancy fees	34,522	3,021
Independent examiner's remuneration	3,500	3,500
	40,862	9,280
Shire Horse of the Year Championship		
Net deficit	7,293	7,441
Total resources expended	290,079	377,075
Net expenditure before gains and losses	(42,558)	(17,257)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	28,522	7,040
NET EXPENDITURE	(14,036)	(10,217)

Council Report

YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

The Members of Council who are also Trustees and Directors present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) as applicable to charities in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity, in accordance with the applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice - UK GAAP), including FRS102; The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

REFERENCE DETAILS

Registered Company Number 0012383
(England & Wales)Registered Charity Number 210619

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

The Society's principal objective is the improvement and promotion of the English Cart Horse, more particularly, the Shire Horse, and to this end, maintaining a Stud Book in which are entered the names of all registered Shire Horses complying with the conditions for the time being applied by the Society.

To meet the objective the Society has established an expert Judging Panel, introduced a comprehensive system of DNA testing for all Pedigree animals and devised a Stallion inspection scheme in order to ensure that male animals used for breeding meet strict conformation and health criteria and introduced training courses.

The Society is generously assisted in its breeding policies by a grant from the Horserace Betting Levy Board which itself sets strict conditions for grant payment. The grant aided work is regularly reviewed by both parties in order to ensure its effectiveness.

The Charity has due regard during the year to the guidance published by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE SHOW 2020

Sadly, owing to the worldwide Coronavirus pandemic, the National Shire Show was not able to be held. The show was the first of the casualties of its kind during the 2020 show season. Its loss has been very much felt by all within the Society.

EXPORTS

Specific numbers of horses exported are no longer recorded. Records from Stud Book entries and overseas attendance at the Spring Show indicate that the demand for quality horses abroad continues to be strong. Society members do not always notify the Society of exports therefore it is difficult to maintain accurate export figures.

MERCHANDISE AND MARKETING

The Society's promotional activities were placed on hold in 2020 and attendance at events was not possible due to the Coronavirus pandemic. The Society has continued to promote where possible and driven sales of merchandise using its own website and social media pages. The coming year will face significant challenges.

STALLION PREMIUM SCHEME

In 2020 thirty eight Stallions (2019 – thirty two) received Premiums or Grant. The Super Premium Scheme was discontinued in 2019.

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY APPROVED CENTRES

The approved centres offer visitor experience and training facilities. The Trustees continue to consider the options available and develop a programme of activities that yield the maximum educational, training and promotional benefits for the Society and supporters. The Society awarded Approved Centre status to two new centres in 2020, these being Blists Hill Victorian Town, Ironbridge and Dyfed Shire Horse Farm, Pembrokeshire.

NATIONAL SHIRE HORSE TRUST FUND

The financial objective of the Society remains to increase the accumulated fund at a rate not less than inflation for the current year thus ensuring that the purchasing power of the fund is maintained. The financial attitude of the Society remains to pursue a break even position financially, without the historic dependence on donations or legacies. By doing so, any excess income can be utilised in a more beneficial way for the breed generally.

For this year, the net movement in funds had a negative movement of **£224,924** (2019- negative movement of £21,297). This is principally due to the negative impact of the Coronavirus pandemic on our

investments. The Trust Fund is used firstly and most importantly to further the Society's charitable objectives including the promotion of the Shire horse both at home and overseas and to also meet the Society's operating costs. In addition, the Society is required to contribute to the Stallion Fund at a level of 20% of the funding received from the Horserace Betting Levy Board. The Society's contribution is taken from the Trust Fund.

SOCIETY GOVERNANCE

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Charity is governed by Council Members who meet at least twice a year. The Council has established a committee structure to deal directly with specific aspects of the Society's affairs. These committees currently are:

The **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** dealing with financial matters and the day to day operation of the Society along with the CEO. Among those serving on this committee are the Chairmen of Editing and Training Committee and Show Committee.

The **EDITING AND TRAINING COMMITTEE** are responsible for all matters relating to the Stud Book, pedigrees and the appointment, training and maintenance of an expert and active panel of Judges.

The **SHOW COMMITTEE** are responsible for all matters relating to the National Show.

The **DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE** deal with all matters concerning the conduct of Members.

All Council and Committee members are volunteers who receive no payment for their services. The National Show in March, is also run, in part, by Stewards who give their time in a voluntary capacity.

The Governance of the Society is currently under review by Solicitors and the Council have approved a first draft of the structure of the Society. This is an ongoing project.

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Council, Committees and Officials

RETIRE 2021

A Brown, Ely, Cambridgeshire
M Burks, Boston, Lincolnshire
J C Etches, Tissington, Derbyshire
L E Harrison, Barnard Castle, Co.Durham
M A Horler, Bath, Somerset
C Malkin, Market Drayton, Shropshire
P E Moss, Congleton, Cheshire
Mrs D E Nulty, Macclesfield, Cheshire
D Roberts, Beaworthy, Devon
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow, Bowers Gifford, Essex
B A Winn, Lincolnshire
P Woof, Blackburn, Lancashire

RETIRE 2022

Wm Bedford, North Yorkshire
J Burks, Lincolnshire
Miss C Eagle, Suffolk
Mrs R Harvey, Norfolk
C Horler, Somerset
S Ledsham, Shropshire
W E Massey, Cheshire
F M Richardson, Yorkshire
G Robinson, Nottinghamshire
A J Wass, Stoke on Trent
J Worthington, Macclesfield
T J Yates, Derbyshire

RETIRE 2023

W Bedford, Yorkshire
M Bedford, Yorkshire
D Worthington, Cheshire
R Green, Lancashire
P Shipman, Lincolnshire
S J Peacock, Essex
L M Fountain, Derbyshire
D Yates, Derbyshire
Miss A Hull, Cheshire
Mrs Y Simmons, Shropshire
D Mouland, Hampshire
A Chetwood, Cheshire

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr T J Yates (Chairman), Mr R H F Fuller (Honorary Treasurer), (Chairmen of Editing & Training Committee), (Chairman of Show Committee), Mr M Horler, Mr F M Richardson, Mr P Shipman, Mrs W Toomer-Harlow and Mr A Wass.

EDITING AND TRAINING COMMITTEE

Miss L Archer (Chairman) Mr P Ryder-Davies & Mr B Ryder-Davies (Honorary Veterinary Surgeons), Mr J Etches, Mr L M Fountain, Mr S J Peacock (co-opt, approval panel), Mr D Roberts, Mr G Robinson, Mr P Moss, Mr C Malkin (co-opt, approval panel) and Mr J Worthington (co-opt, approval panel).

SHOW COMMITTEE

Mr S J Peacock (Chairman), Mr A Peacock (co-opt, Chief Steward), Mr M Bedford, Mr A Brown, Mr M Burks, Mrs D Nulty, Mrs Y Simmons, Mr P Bower (co-opt).

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The President or Chairman of Executive Committee and two Past Presidents.

HONORARY TREASURER

Mr R H F Fuller

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc, Church Street, Peterborough

ACCOUNTANTS AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

CFW Accountants LLP, 3, Weekley Wood Close, Kettering, NN14 1UQ

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Victoria Clayton MRICS FAAV

STUD BOOK AND REGISTRATIONS

Miss Angela Whiteway

ADMINSTRATION

The Old Dairy,
Rockingham Castle & Park,
Market Harborough,
Leicestershire LE16 8TH

Financial Accounts

The final accounts show an overall decrease in net funds of £224,924 (2019: decrease £21,297) as shown on the Statement of Financial Activities.

The Society received legacy income totalling £61,490 (2019: £53,487). This source of revenue remains important to the Society in improving the capital base and investment income. The Society Council has agreed it is not appropriate to rely on legacy income.

The Council and Executive have identified loss making exercises; it intends to continue to maximise the income resources available. The Society realised gains of £28,522 (2019 - £7,040) on sale of investments during the year. At the balance sheet date the Society had unrealised losses of £210,888 (2019: £11,080). The market value of the Society's investments at the end of the year was £591,740 (2019: £852,263) and is higher than their original cost of £323,723.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Prospects, as for 2021 look increasingly challenging, with the pandemic creating additional obstacles for the Society to navigate. The net assets are valued at £692,787 (2019: £917,711) but the Society is well placed to continue developing a range of new initiatives to assist Shire Breeders and encourage new owners.

The Society considers that the National Show as an essential tool to promote the Shire both at home and overseas. It is very disappointing that the show was not able to take place in 2020. Additionally we have just announced the cancellation of the 2021 show due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council Members will continue to review the systems that are in place to mitigate the Society's exposure to major risks.

RESERVES POLICY

The Society maintains a prudent level of reserves to generate income to help fund the activities that further the Society's charitable aims and objectives. This income is intended to counter large fluctuations in irregular income such as legacies and help fund the Spring Show.

AUDITORS AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Society is no longer required to undertake a full audit, CFW Accountants LLP have undertaken an independent examiners review and their report is enclosed.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29 January 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Victoria Clayton
Chief Executive Officer

Election of Council Members

Council members who retire in 2021 and have confirmed their intention to stand for election this year:

A H Brown, Cambridgeshire
M Burks, Lincolnshire
J C Etches, Derbyshire
L E Harrison, Co. Durham
M Horler, Somerset
C Malkin, Cheshire
P E Moss, Cheshire
Mrs D E Nulty, Cheshire
D Roberts, Devon
Mrs W Toomer-Harlow, Essex
B A Winn, Lincolnshire

There are 12 spaces within the Council available.

Please find below a brief introduction of existing and new members putting themselves forward for the 2021 Shire Horse Society Council Elections.

Please vote for your preferred candidates on the voting papers enclosed and return to the address shown in advance of the deadline.

For the avoidance of doubt, members can vote for up to 12 candidates. Members do not have to use all twelve votes. A member may only vote for one candidate once.

EXISTING COUNCIL MEMBERS STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Please note only five council meetings have taken place instead of the usual six due to Coronavirus Pandemic.

MR A H BROWN

Meetings attended 4 of 5
(1 apology received)

It was a great honour to be elected onto the Council and serve on the Show Committee three years ago. I hope I have been seen to be a valuable and positive member. I wish to continue to actively promote this majestic breed which I have been involved with for fifty years. I feel passionate about providing our young forthcoming members with support and knowledge to carry on this great Society, promoting the Shire Horse long into the future, and to do this I hope I have your support for re-election.

MR M BURKS

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I have been involved with Shires all my life - breeding, showing and marketing them, having now served 4 terms on the Society Council as well as the show committee.
I feel I still have a lot to offer the Society and the breed's future and will continue to do all I can to promote the uses and versatility of the breed. I am a huge supporter of young people in the breed, having shown in young handler classes myself, as well as encouraging newcomers to the breed. With your vote I shall serve the breed to the best of my ability in these challenging times.

MR J C ETCHES

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I have been a life member for over 40 years following in the footsteps of my Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather. I am proud to still continue to breed, exhibit and judge our magnificent Shire horses. I am currently on the Editing committee and have worked previously on the Executive committee and on the stallion approval and premium panel. I am dedicated to helping promote and improve the breed both locally and nationally and will continue to support the interests of all members of the Shire Horse Society. I would be honoured with your support to serve another term on the Council.

MR L E HARRISON

Meetings attended 4 of 5
(1 apology received)

If re-elected I will continue to put forward what I believe to be the views of the majority of members without regard to self-interest. The Society needs to actively encourage and help anyone with an interest in owning or breeding Shires whilst maintaining the standard in the breed. We have an ever increasing number of members and breeders outside the UK, this must be nurtured and reflected in all aspects of the Society. I also believe that we must be more open about Society business where possible, public support is vital if the breed is to survive and prosper.

MR M HORLER

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I have been a member of The Shire Horse Society Since 1973 and a life-long member for over 20 years. Also a member of Council for nearly 30 years, serving on all the committees, Editing, Training and at the moment on the Executive. Over the years we have held regional meetings and Stallion inspections at our farm, and I have always done all I can to support The Shire Horse Society and its members.

MR C MALKIN

Meetings attended 3 of 5
(2 apologies received)

I would like to serve another term on Council to try and help the Society find ways of keeping our members enthusiasm during this unprecedented times.
As a shire horse owner and breeder myself I understand how difficult 2020 has been for everyone and the Society. Here at Lockley Shires I will continue do the best I can for the breed and help those with the same passion.

MR P MOSS

Meetings attended 4 of 5
(1 apology received)

I have served on the Shire Council for many years now, and feel that I would like to be part of the Shire body for one more term. I breed some seven or eight foals each year together with supporting some 18 shows. Throughout the length and breadth all over the country, but my main passion is the members. Without you, the Society would not function also the new young breeders and show people who are most valuable to the future success of the Shire Horse Society. If I can be of any help to these important new comers, they can count on me for any advice and knowledge that I can offer.

MRS D E NULTY

Meetings attended 3 of 5
(2 apologies received)

I don't make promises that I can't or won't keep. For the past 22 years I have served on the Shire Horse Council and I have done everything in my power to preserve the pure Shire. I have put forward the opinions and requests of the membership I serve. I have never been afraid to speak up and say my piece. For over thirty-five years I have championed the cause of young handlers and the need for encouraging them and new blood into the Society to secure the future of the breed. I promote the Shire horse the length and breadth of the British Isles. The true Shire has been and will always be the passion that drives me. Nothing's changed.

MR D ROBERTS

Meetings attended 5 of 5

My name is Danny Roberts Dip WCF I am based in Devon with a huge passion for shire horses which I show and breed. I have already served on the Council for 3 years and I am also currently standing on the Editing and Training committee and I would love to continue my work for the Society and breed being the youngest serving member. My passion is to involve the next generation and keep the breed striving forward, I was due to judge the young handlers which has unfortunately been cancelled for the last two shire horse national spring shows. Hopefully we will get back to normal next year and working together we will keep the amazing shire horse striving forward for generations to come.

MRS W TOOMER-HARLOW

Meetings attended 5 of 5

I am currently on the SHS Council Executive Committee. If fortunate enough to be re-elected, I will continue to act as an independent voice for the membership, particularly the riders/drivers. To campaign for further transparency, inclusion and accountability whilst assisting with the challenges the Society has in these unprecedented times to ensure the future safety of the breed. I believe the Society has made huge strides in modernisation but has much work to do. I have a commercial business background, am an owner/competitor (Eversley Shires) but do not have any business interests in the breed.

MR B A WINN

Meetings attended 5 of 5

As a long term member, I have gained extensive experience and have made considerable contributions whilst preserving and promoting Shire Horses in the UK and further afield. I am actively involved in breeding, showing and judging Shire horses both at home and abroad. I sponsor the Young Handler class at the National Show along with two other Council members. It is important to encourage young people who are interested in Shires as they are the future for the breed and for the Society. If I am fortunate enough to be elected, I have been asked by the Council to join the Editing committee where I will continue to put your points forward. I will continue to encourage new people to get involved as well as supporting the showing and ridden classes.

NEW CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION

MR P BOWER

I have been involved with shire horses for nearly 40 years and I am the founder of Thames Oak Shires, I am also Chairman of South Eastern Shire Horse Association. If elected I would give 100% commitment to the role, such is my passion for the breed. I want to work with the Society for the reasons it was established and to secure a bright future for the shire horse.

MRS D BADGER

Hi, I'm Denise Badger of Bickerscourt Shires and I have had the good fortune to have been around Shires all of my life. My passion is breeding Shires. I am part of the committee that successfully delivered the first Heavy Horse Camp in 2019 and hopefully will deliver another later in 2021. I enjoy supporting the Society to promote the breed at events throughout the year. I am passionate about keeping diversity in the Shire gene pool so that we can maintain and develop the standards of the Shire horse. It would be a great honour to be elected to Council and I would work hard to represent Society members.

MRS H PREECE

I joined Robinsons Brewery, Stockport in 2002. I became head-horseman in 2013. For the last 5 years I have been part of the SHS demo team, and regularly represent the Society up and down the country, promoting the breed which I am extremely passionate about. I have also gained approved centre status for work. I feel that I would bring a modern viewpoint if my application was successful, to help move the Council forward into a modern day Society. Maintaining traditions but ensuring the Society stays relevant.

DR H ZIMAN

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The following list comprises stallions who have been issued with service books and are available for use in 2020. Stallions with late/incomplete applications will not be listed.

MARE OWNERS: Please check that the stallion of your choice is SHS approved and has been issued with a service book for the current year BEFORE sending your mare for service. Foals cannot be registered without service certificates. This also applies to Artificial Insemination.

ACLE CHARMER 47470, Bay, foaled 2009, s Dothan Buscot, d. Acle May Queen by Bodernog Master. Breeder B D Banham, Owner A Franklin & Sons, Higher Minn End Farm, Bosley, Macclesfield Cheshire. Tel: 01260 226511

ACLE DIRECTOR 47823, Bay foaled 2017, s. Leverton Leon, d. Acle Hello Topsy by Bodernog Master. Breeder B Banham, Owner J Worthington, Walton Farm, Welsh Row, Nether Alderley, Macclesfield, Cheshire. Tel: 01625 582985/07876 022704 **PREMIUM**

ACLE GOLDEN RULE 47102, Bay, foaled 2003, s. Bodernog Master, d. Acle Golden Girl by Stanley House Aristocrat. Breeder B D Banham, Owner J W Roper, Horsmans Farm, Seddlescombe, Battle, East Sussex. Tel: 07958 144243

ACLE KING LOUIE 47855, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Leverton Leon, d. Acle Annabelle by Bodernog Master. Breeder B Banham. Owner P Clayton Bentley Farm, 208 Wyke Lane, Bradford, Yorks. Tel: 01274 675807

ACLE KING OF DIAMONDS 47780, Black, foaled 2016, s. Martonian Norman, d. Acle Queen Of Diamonds by Burnham Green Alfie. Breeder B D Banham. Owner Wm Bedford, Chequer Hall, Escrick, York. Tel: 01904 728430 **PREMIUM**

ACLE MCBETH 47787, Bay, foaled 2016, s. Martonian Norman, d. Acle Sara by Bodernog Master. Breeder B D Banham. Owner Wm Bedford, Chequer Hall, Escrick, York. Tel: 01904 728430 **PREMIUM**

ACLE MOJO 47824, Dark Bay, foaled 2017, s. Rookhills Leapley Lad, d. Acle Queen Of Diamonds by Burnham Green Alfie. Breeder B D Banham. Owner J Worthington, Walton Farm, Welsh Row, Nether Alderley, Macclesfield, Cheshire. Tel: 01625 582985/07876 022704 **PREMIUM**

ACLE VALENTINO 47825, Bay, foaled 2017, s. Metheringham Upton Hamlet, d. Acle Annabelle by Bodernog Master. Breeder/Owner B Banham, Broad Farm, Boat Dyke Lane, Acle, Norwich, Norfolk. Tel: 07789 335055 **PREMIUM**

BODAFON JACK T 47700, black, foaled 2014, s. Manor Mac T, d. Bodafon Amy by Caerberllan Buskot. Breeder D & A Williams. Owner S Roper, Horsmans Farm, New Road, Seddlescombe, East Sussex. Tel: 07958 144243

BOWER HEATH BARNY 47644, Bay, foaled 2013, s.Southwood Frederick, d. Bower Heath Beatrice by Blackden Charlie. Breeder/Owner B Dulieu, Bower Heath Farm, Common Lane, Harpenden, Hertfordshire. Tel: 01582 767891

BOWER HEATH HAROLD 47645, Bay, foaled 2013, s.Southwood Frederick, d. Bower Heath Rose by Caerberllan Buskot. Breeder/Owner B Dulieu, Bower Heath Farm, Common Lane, Harpenden, Hertfordshire. Tel: 01582 767891 **PREMIUM**

BRICKELL FRANKIE 47826, Black, foaled 2017, s. Metheringham Upton Ryan, d. Brickell Pauline by Hainton Brickell Frank. Breeder/Owner R J Brickell, Willow Farm, Crawley Road, Witney, Oxon. Tel: 07815 209786

BRICKELL SOLAMAN 47827, Bay, foaled 2017, s. West Winds Henry, d. West Winds Polyanna by Caerberllan Real Enterprise. Breeder M L & L R Messer. Owner R J Brickell, Willow Farm, Crawley Road, Witney, Oxon. Tel: 07815 209786

COLLOE GROVE CONMAN 47744, Black, foaled 2015, s. Upper Boothay George, d. Colloe Grove Connie by Fifield Jack Of Diamonds. Breeder J Holder. Owner J Kitching, Rose Farm Barn, Moss Lane, Moore, Warrington, Cheshire. Tel: 07983 425417 **PREMIUM**

COLLOE GROVE TURBO 47745, Black, foaled 2014, s. Cae Mawr Aristocrat, d. Colloe Grove Connie by Fifield Jack Of Diamonds. Breeder J Holder. Owner N Hodges & K James, Rooks Castle Farm, Stapley, Taunton, Somerset. Tel: 01823 602746 **PREMIUM**

CORNEY MILL SPENCER 47671, Bay. Foaled 2013, s. Knutsford Edward The Second, d. Borrowdale Ground Mildred by Oxton Loose Valley. Breeder/Owner Mrs D Braithwaite, Borrowdale Ground, Bootle, Millom, Cumbria Tel: 01229 718659

CUMERAGH HOUSE JACK 47479, Brown, foaled 2009, s. Red Brae Black Jack, d. Danson's Border Sovereign by Cumeragh House King Edward. Breeder L E Harrison. Owner R Manchester, Moorside Farm, Blooming Heather, Dearham, Cumbria. Tel: 07779 568436

CUMERAGH HOUSE MAXAMILLION 47854, Dark Bay, foaled 2016, s. Acle Nelson, d. Cumeragh House Miss Kitty by Mill House Deano. Breeder L E Harrison. Owner Ms H Booker 14 Birks Drive, Brandlesholme, Bury, Lancs. Tel: 07966 270103 **PREMIUM**

CUMERAGH HOUSE UPTON SILVER 47829, Grey, foaled 2017, s. Acle Nelson, d. Ballyedmond Hessie by Metheringham Upton Baron. Breeder L E Harrison. Owner G Robinson, Hockerwood Farm, Upton, Newark, Notts. Tel: 01636 812854 **PREMIUM**

CUMERAGH HOUSE WINSTON 47858, Black, foaled 2018. s. Acle Nelsonm d. flaxley Hyacinth by Nottage Trump Card. Breeder/Owner L E Harrison, Streatlam Grange, Barnard Castle, Co Durham. Tel: 07770 778049

DDRYDWY PLOUGHMAN 47319, Bay, foaled 2006, s. Acle Merlyn, d. Bryntirion Queen by Hillmoor Mascot. Breeder E Ll Williams. Owner K G Tanner. Gellimarch Farm, Cadoxton, Neath, Glamorgan. Tel: 01639 632017 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use**

DEIGHTON SILVER TREASURE 47208, Grey, foaled 2004, s. Rue Moss Cavalier, d. Hartcliff Spice Girl by Landcliffe Tomahawk. Breeder R Bedford. Owner P & Y Simmons, Parklands House Farm, Lapley Lane, Stretton, Staffs, Tel: 07739 644032. **PREMIUM**

DOTHAN BUSCOT 47192, Bay, foaled 2004, s. Caerberllan Buscot, d. Calton Lees Sunrise by Coed Y Felin Hamlet. Breeder E W Roberts & Sons. Owner R Wilson, Hollywood Farm, Hollington, Tean, Stoke on Trent, Staffs. Tel: 07866 37396.

DOTHAN JASON KING 47375, Bay foaled 2006, s. Dothan Charlie, d. Dothan Mari by Dothan Mastermind. Breeder/Owner E W Roberts & Sons, Tal y Llyn, Ty Croes, Anglesey. Tel 01407 720225.

DYFED MERLIN 47861, Black, foaled 2018, s. Acle Timelord, d. Middle Meadow Beauty by Leverton Oscar. Breeder/Owner H Murphy, Dyfed Shire Horse Farm, Eflwyswrw, Pembrokeshire. Tel 01239 891107

EASTCOTE EXCELSUS 47749, Bay, foaled 2015, s. Metheringham Upton Hamlet, d. Eastcote Poppy by Fifield Jack Of Diamonds. Breeder C Dawson. Owner N Blakey, Shire Farm, Ruskington Fen, Billinghay, Lincs. Tel: 01526 832259 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use**

ELIAN GREY OWL 47051, Grey, foaled 2002, s. Leverton James, d. Elian Lady Grey by Skelton Masterpiece. Breeder J D P Williams. Owner E W Roberts & Sons, Tal y Llyn, Ty Croes, Anglesey.
Tel: 01407 720225. **PREMIUM**

ELLSTON JASPER 47821, Bay, foaled 2012, s. Skeyton Matthew, d. Luckington Gem by Peplow Mascot. Breeder S Haines. Owner M Burton 34 Holm Oaks, Butleigh,Glastonbury, Somerset. Tel: 07927 735174

FELLTHORPE FASCINATOR 47785, Dark Bay, foaled 2016, s. Metheringham Upton Hamlet, d. Ruskington Georgie Girl by Ruskington Bomber. Breeder Mrs E Oliver. Owner T Whittaker & M Pompeo, Church Farm, Tabley, Knutsford, Cheshire. Tel: 07922 648104 **PREMIUM**

FIFIELD JACK OF DIAMONDS 47093, Black, foaled 2003, s. Trelow Commodore, d. Red Brae Duchess by Fifield Charles. Breeder/Owner W T Jones & Co, Caerberllan, Llanfihangel Y Pennant, Tywyn, Gwynedd. Tel: 07967 022304 **AI For Home Use & Export**

FRETTHOLTS JOKER 47359, Bay foaled 2006, s. Frettholts Joseph, d. Hainton Lindy Lou by Stanley House Aristocrat. Breeder Mrs M Joksomovic. Owner B Winn, Winestead Shire, Wood Enderby, Boston, Lincs. Tel: 01507 568226 **PREMIUM**

HAINTON WINKY 47750, Black, foaled 2015, s. Wheatland King, d. Brickell Queen Of Hearts by Hainton Brickell Frank. Breeder F Cosgrove & Son. Owner R J Brickell, Willow Farm, Crawley Road, Witney, Oxon. Tel: 07815 209786

HARTCLIFF BOWIE 47862, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Wheathead Bowes Lyon, d. Worsborodale Chloe by Middle Meadow Prince. Breeder/Owner R Bedford, Hartshead Hall Farm, Hartshead Hall Lane, Liversedge, Yorks. Tel: 07721 646011

HARTCLIFF BRONSON 47836, Bay, foaled 2017, s. Ruskington Hartley, d. Ruskington Abby by Nottage Trump Card. Breeder/Owner N Blakey, Shire Farm, Ruskington Fen, Billinghay, Lincs. Tel: 01526 832259 **AI For Home Use**

HERKULES CATCHING FIRE 47863, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Moorfield Ted, d. West Winds Cari Ann by Brickell Whats Wanted. Breeder/Owner C Paulsson. Standing with C Young, Hall Farm, Drongan, Ayr, Scotland. Tel: 07871419517

HERKULES WHITE WALKER 47830, Grey, foaled 2017, s. Bromford Discovery, d. Styal Madonna by Rookhills Black Knight. Breeder C Paulsson. Owner A Nolan, 45 Sandringham Drive, Brinscall, Chorley, Lancashire. Tel: 07584 676769 **AI For Home Use.**

HIDEAWAY BLACK SUPREME 47864, Black, foaled 2016, s. Red Brae Black Jack, d. Rookhills Red Rose by Trelow Commodore. Breeder and Owner Mrs M Callister, 4 School Close, Chawleigh, Devon. Tel: 07813 165517 **PREMIUM**

HILLMOOR DOUBLE TROUBLE 47489 Grey, foaled 2009, s. Knutsford Edward the Second, d. Hillmoor Duchess by Walton Supreme. Breeder P E Moss, Owner Wm Bedford, Chequer Hall, Escrick, York. Tel: 01904 728430 **PREMIUM**

HILLMOOR TRUMP CARD 47751, Black, foaled 2015, s. Martonian Norman, d. Hillmoor Duchess by Walton Supreme. Breeder/Owner P E Moss, Hillmoor Farm, Eaton, Congleton, Cheshire Tel: 01260 281238 **AI For Home Use. PREMIUM**

HISTARMOOR ATHOSS 47752, Black, foaled 2015, s. Black, foaled 2015, s. Cae Mawr Aristocrat, d. Histarmoor Misty by Treveor Chieftain. Breeder M Burgoine. Owner J & H Harries, Heol Goeden, Plwmp, Llandysul, Ceredigion. Tel: 07964 379311

HORSMANS ARISTOCRAT 47753, Black, foaled 2015, s. Cae Mawr Aristocrat, d. Horsmans Moonlight by Ruskington Bomber 46932. Breeder J Roper. Owner M G King. Hamlets House, Grange Lane, Whitegate, Cheshire. Tel 07919 605350 **PREMIUM**

HORSMANS MERLYN 47754, Black, foaled 2015, s. Hainton Sampson, d. Horsmans Princess Giselle by Acle Golden Rule. Breeder J Roper. Owner W Langley, Southwood Farm, Buckhurst Rd. Westerham, Kent. Tel: 01959 540976

HURST GREEN HERCULEAN FLASH 47324, Bay, foaled 2006, s. Leapley Flashlight, d. Martonian Miranda by Scotlan Prince. Breeder/Owner Mrs J Gardiner, Hurst Green Shires, Broomlands Farm, Broomlands Lane, Oxted, Surrey. Tel: 07816 107440 **PREMIUM**

KINGS BLACK HAWK 47831, black, foaled 2017, s. Moorfield Edward, d. Manor Farm Spotlight by Manor Farm More Than Lucky. Owner MG King. Standing with B Banham, Broad Farm, Boat Dyke Lane, Acle, Norwich, Norfolk. Tel: 07789 335055 **PREMIUM**

KNIGHTWAYS NOBBY 47151, Black, foaled 2004, s. Nottage Trump Card, d. Knightways Supreme Magic by Snowhill Magic. Breeder/Owner M Knight. Standing with J Bower, 1 Riverview. Princess Margaret Road, East Tilbury, Essex. Tel: 07803 374500

LANDCLIFFE CHARLIE 47705, Bay, foaled 2014, s. Martonian Noman, d. Landcliffe Wendy by Landcliffe Tomahawk Breeder/Owner Wm Bedford, Chequer Hall, Escrick, York. Tel: 01904 728430 **PREMIUM**

LEAPLEY SHERPA 47186, Black, foaled 2005, s. Ithersay Black Knight, d. Ionos Diane by Moorfield Joseph. Breeder Mrs R M Bowden. Owner Mr & Mrs K Smith, Mileaway Farm Longford, Derby. Tel: 01335 330770

LEVERTON LEON 47695, Bay, foaled 2013, s. Cumeragh House Desperate Dan, d. Leverton Leander by Ruskington Hartley. Breeder N J Wright. Owner M & H Butterworth, 3 Derwent Avenue, Ashton Under Lyne, Lancashire. Tel: 107703 395034/07783 176635 **PREMIUM**

LEVERTON LEONARDO 47755, Bay, foaled 2015, s. Wheatland King, d. Leverton Leander by Ruskington Hartley. Breeder N Wright. Owner M G King. Standing with W A King, Cotebrook Shire Centre, Tarporley, Cheshire. Tel: 01829 760696/07919 605350

LILYBANK RUSSELL 47623, Bay, foaled 2001, s. Moorfield George, d. Ithersay Beauty by Hillmoor Mascot. Breeder/Owner Mrs S Long, 8A Churchill Avenue, Middleton By Wirksworth, Matlock, Derbyshire. Tel: 07795 598915

LOCKLEY JUDE 47865, Black, foaled 2018, s. Horsmans Aristocrat, d. Lockley Kayla by Milnerfield Sir William. Breeder/Owner Mr & Mrs C Malkin, Woodlands Cottage, Lockley Wood, Market Drayton. Tel 01630 661562/07976 562485 **AI For Home Use.**

MANOR FARM TOP SHOT 47591**,** Bay, foaled 2011, s. Manor Farm More Than Lucky, d. Hillmoor Brickell Annie by Walton Supreme. Breeder H S & A Callwood. Owner N Beswick, Reacliffe Farm, Rudyard, Leek, Staffs. Tel: 01538 306858 / 07932 155011 **PREMIUM**

MANOR FARM TOP SLOT 47789**,** Bay, foaled 2016, s. Manor Farm Top Shot, d. Manor Farm Jubilee Girl by Acle Fearless. Breeder/Owner H S & A Callwood, Manor Farm, Ollerton, Knutsford, Cheshire Tel: 07768 110275 **PREMIUM**

MARIETH MAJOR 47128, Bay, foaled 2004, s. Middleshaw Major, d. Shearbrook Princess Grace by Hillmoor Prince Charles. Breeder P Woof, Owner T Bull, The Willows, Minshull Lane, Church Minshull, Nantwich, Cheshire. Tel: 07836 617721 **PREMIUM**

MARIETH MASTERPIECE 47866, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Crossingtons Isaac, d. Marieth Maizie by Marieth Major; Breeder/Owner P Woof, 39 Whalley Road, Gt. Harwood, Blackburn, Lancs. Tel: 01254 889732

MARSHALL MEADOWS MASCOT 47656, Bay, foaled 2013, s. Cumeragh House Desperate Dan, d. Marshall Meadows Black Velvet by Cloverfield Little Nipper, Breeder/Owner J & C Fairbairn, 1 Marshall Meadows Farm Cottages, Berwick Upton Tweed, Northumberland. Tel: 01289 309880

MARSHALL MEADOWS STRIKER 47843, Black, foaled 2017, s. Marshall Meadows Mascot, d. Cumeragh House Kitty The Second by Ithersay Joseph, Breeder J & C Fairbairn. Owner L E Harrison, Streatlam Grange, Barnard Castle, Co Durham. Tel: 07770 778049

MELINDWR GLAS Y DORLAN 47715, Grey, foaled 2013, s. Moorfield Ted, d. Clarach Modern Bell by Bodernog Diplomat. Breeder A Roberts, Owner K G Tanner. Standing with Mr & Mrs C Malkin, Woodlands Cottage, Lockley Wood, Market Drayton. Tel 01630 661562/07976 562485 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use**

METHERINGHAM UPTON HEATHCLIFF 47867, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Rookhills Leapley Lad, d. Metheringham Upton Tulip by Metheringham Upton Sidney. Breeder G Robinson. Owner R Bedford, Hartshead Hall Farm, Hartshead Hall Lane, Liversedge, Yorks. Tel: 07721 646011

METHERINGHAM UPTON SIDNEY 47371, Black, foaled 2007, s. Moorfield Edward, d. Metheringham Upton Isabella by Metheringham Upton Baron. Breeder/Owner G Robinson, Hockerwood Farm, Upton, Newark, Notts.Tel: 01636 812854 **PREMIUM**

MILNERFIELD JACK 47868, Black, foaled 2017, s. Hillmoor Double Trouble, d. Kings Melody by Moorfield Ted. Breeder K Downs. Owner Miss C Bodsworth, Norfield House, Bancyffordd, Llandysul. Tel: 01559 384480

MILNERFIELD SIR WILLIAM 47326, Bay, foaled 2006, s. Moorfield Edward, d. Milnerfield Melody by Bodernog Black Knight. Breeder K Downs. Owner Mr C Malkin, Woodlands Cottage, Lockley Wood, Market Drayton. Tel 01630 661562/07976 562485 **AI For Home Use. PREMIUM**

MOORES GAY EDWARD 47445, Bay, foaled 2008, s. Primrose Hill Eds, d. Moore's Gay Gemma by Moorfield Edward. Breeder G W Kitching. Owner W E Massey, Primrose Hill, High Legh, Cheshire. Tel: 01925 753357 **PREMUIM**

OAKRIDGE OSCAR 47870, Black, foaled 2018, s. Histarmoor Carlos, d. Oakridge Charlotte by Sladbrook Statesman. Breeder P Hodges. Owner P Clayton Bentley Farm, 208 Wyke Lane, Bradford, Yorks. Tel: 01274 675807

OLD CROFT SERGIO 47793, Black, foaled 2015, s. Moorfield Edward, d. Snelson Lady Marion by Ithersay Joseph. Breeder B Wright. Owner P Mattia. Standing with J Whittaker, Church Farm, Tabley, Knutsford, Cheshire. Tel: 07922 648104

OLD STOCKLEY ISAAC 47794, Black, foaled 2016, s. Moorfield Edward, d. Grovemere Emily by Trofarth Cymro. Breeder S F Neighbour. Owner N Blakey, Shire Farm, Ruskington Fen, Billinghay, Lincs. Tel: 01526 832259 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use**

OLD STOCKLEY LENNARD 47871, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Eastcote Excelsus, d. Ddrydwy Ace Of Hearts by Metheringham Upton Hamlet. Breeder A F Neighbour. Owner T J Yates, Farnah House Farm, Duffield, Derbys. Tel: 01332840625

PENRHOS BRAVE GLYNDWR 47349, Black, foaled 2007, s. Trelow Nicodemus, d. Styal Bella by Hillmoor Mascot. Breeder Mrs A Hallwood. Owner N Beswick, Reacliffe Farm, Rudyard, Leek, Staffs. Tel: 01538 306858 / 07932 155011

PENRHOS BRAVE HEART 47110, Brown, foaled 2003, s. Acle Merlyn, d. Styal Bella by Hillmoor Mascot. Breeder Mrs A Hallwood. Owner P Bedford, Thorpe Hill Farm, Whixley, York. Tel: 01423 339038 **PREMIUM**

RED BRAE BLACK JACK 47169, Black, foaled 2004, s, Trelow Commadore, d. South Lodge Black Si by Coed y Felin Hamlet. Breeder J S Borland. Owner N Beswick, Reacliffe Farm, Rudyard, Leek, Staffs. Tel: 01538 306858 / 07932 155011

ROBIN HOOD STABLES FRIENDLY SIMON 47834, Black, foaled 2017, s. Acle B B King, d. Red Brae Susanna by Treow Commodore. Breeder/Owner J Verhoeven. Standing with P E Moss, Hillmoor Farm, Eaton, Congleton, Cheshire Tel: 01260 281238 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use.**

ROOKHILLS BRIGADIER 47795, Black, foaled 2016, s. Red Brae Black Jack, d. Cumeragh House Edwina by Cumeragh House King Edward. Breeder E A Sessions & Sons. Owner E W Roberts & Sons, Tal y Llyn, Ty Croes, Anglesey. Tel 01407 720225.

ROOKHILLS CAVALIER 47835, Black, foaled 2017, s. Kerrial William, d. Rookhills Georgegina by Red Brae Black Jack. Breeder E A Sessions & Sons. Owner E W Roberts & Sons, Tal y Llyn, Ty Croes, Anglesey. Tel 01407 720225. **PREMIUM**

ROOKHILLS EMPEROR 47595. Black, Foaled 2011, s. Red Brae Black Jack, d. Rookhills Mettle by Hillmoor Mascot. Breeder/Owner E A Sessions, & Sons, Osliston Hall Farm, Dalbury Lees, Ashbourne, Derby. Tel 01332 824322 **PREMIUM**

ROOKHILLS LEAPLEY LAD 47665, Black, foaled 2012, s. Cae Mawr Aristocrat, d. Red Brae Susanna by Trelow Commodore. Breeder K Sessions. Owner R Bedford, Hartshead Hall Farm, Hartshead Hall Lane, Liversedge, Yorks. Tel: 07721 646011 **PREMIUM**

RUSKINGTON PERCY 47718, Grey, foaled 2013, s. Decoy Prince Of Wales, d. Upper Delves Victoria by Skeyton Matthew. Breeder N Blakey. Owner Ms M Morgan, The Old Bakery, South Street, Stratton On the Fosse, Radstock, Somerset. Tel: 07863 542413 **PREMIUM**

RUSKINGTON THOR 47836, Bay, foaled 2017, s. Ruskington Hartley, d. Ruskington Abby by Nottage Trump Card. Breeder/Owner N Blakey, Shire Farm, Ruskington Fen, Billinghay, Lincs. Tel: 01526 832259 **AI For Home Use**

SHADLAC BLACK VELVET 47872, Dark Brown, foaled 2017, s. Leverton King Edward, d. Shadlac Lady Jewel by Moorfield Edward. Breeder C Turner & S Smith, Owner R Eddy, Boswens Farm, Newbirdge, Penzance, Cornwall. Tel: 07889 181193

SHIRLAND RICKY 47761, Black, foaled 2015, s. Knutsford Asterix, d. Shirland Jessica Rose by Ithersay Black Knight. Breeder M Shardlow. Owner W D Griffith & Sons, Tros Y Waen, Penisarwen, Gwynedd. Tel: 01286 871833 **PREMIUM**

SILVERHILLS DANNY BOY 47837, Black, foaled 2017, s. Red Brae Black Jack, d. Silverhills Lady Penelope by Eastcote Resolution. Breeder J E Goodwin, Owner R Wilson, Hollywood Farm, Hollington, Tean, Stoke On Trent, Staffs. Tel: 07866 373966.

SLADBROOK STATESMAN 47000, Bay, foaled 2001, s. Tremoelgoch Moss, d. Dothan Primrose by Dothan Sir George. Breeder E W Roberts & Sons. Owner P Hodges, Oakridge Farm, Pilch Lane, Singlebrough, Milton Keynes. Tel: 01296 715461

SOUTHWOOD FREDERICK 47433, Bay foaled 2008, s Leninhall Jack of Diamonds, d. Hill Lodge Princess Anne by Hill Lodge Clinton. Breeder/ Owner W Langley, Southwood Farm, Buckhurst Rd. Westerham, Kent. Tel: 01959 540976 **PREMIUM**

SOUTHWOOD GATSBY 47873, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Southwood Frederick, d. Old Croft Empress by Dothan Charlie. Breeder/Owner W Langley, Southwood Farm, Buckhurst Rd. Westerham, Kent. Tel: 01959 540976

STAPLEY HILL MONARC 47797, Dark Bay, foaled 2015, s. Barval Ernest Lucky Jim, d. Orfold Sunrise by Tremoelgoch Our Bengie. Breeder/ Owner N Hodges & K James, Rooks Castle Farm, Stapley, Taunton, Somerset. Tel: 01823 602746

STAPLEY HILL ROYAL 47874, Black, foaled 2018, s. Colloe Grove Turbo, d. Orfold Sunrise by Tremoelgocj Our Bengie. Breeder M Soul. Owner M G King. Standing with CC Smith, Mileaway Farm, Mammerton, Longford, Derbys. Tel: 01335 330346/ 07940 049960

TEIFI BRONSO 47796, Bay foaled 2015, s. Clarach Aristocrat Lad, d. Catwg Summer Dawn by Norseman Andrew Herbie. Breeder D Morgan. Owner D Davies, Troedrhiwceir, Aberffrwd, Aberyswyth. Tel: 01970 880633

TEIFI GEORGE 47719, Black, foaled 2014, s. Ddrydwy Ploughman, d. Catwg Contessa by Norseman Andrew Herbie. Breeder Mrs G Morgan. Owner P O Davies, Cwm Canol, Cwmsymlog, Aberystwyth. Tel: 01970 828788

THORPE HILL MCCOY 47763, Bay, foaled 2015, s. Metheringham Upton Hamlet, d. Deighton Model by Penrhos Brave Heart. Breeder P Bedford. Owner B Wright 10 Glebe Drive, Exning, Newmarket, Suffolk. Tel: 07956819227 **PREMIUM**

TOC HILL MR JONES 47875, Bay, foaled 2014, s. Caeerberllan Real Enterprise, d. Toc Hill Lady Jessica by Middle Meadow Prince. Breeder/ Owner J R Richardson & E Hoyle, Malt Kiln Farm, West Bretton, Wakefield, Yorks. Tel: 01924 830226

TREM-Y-WYDDFA COURAGE 47506, Bay, foaled 2009, s. Upper Boothay Richard, d. Trem y Wydffa Rosemary by Dothan Masterpiece. Breeder W H Griffith & Sons. Owner R Griffith, Tros Y Waen, Penisarwen, Gwynedd. Tel: 01286 871833 **PREMIUM**

TREM-Y-WYDDFA DYLAN'S LAD 47876, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Shirland Ricky, d. Trem y Wydffa Lady Of Snowdon by Boothay Richard. Owner/Breeder W H Griffith & Sons, Tros Y Waen, Penisarwen, Gwynedd. Tel: 01286 871833

TREM-Y-WYDDFA HUW'S CURIOSITY 47688, Bay, foaled 2013, s. Ithersay Joseph, d. Trem-Y-Wyddfa Rosemary by Dothan Masterpiece. Breeder W H Griffith. Owner P Clayton Bentley Farm, 208 Wyke Lane, Bradford, Yorks. Tel: 01274 675807 **PREMIUM**

TREM-Y-WYDDFA COURAGE 47506, Bay, foaled 2009, s. Upper Boothay Richard. d. Trem y Wydffa Rosemary by Dothan Masterpiece. Breeder W D Griffith & Sons. Owner R Griffith, Tros Y Waen, Penisarwen, Gwynedd. Tel: 01286 871833 **PREMIUM**

TREM-Y-WYDDFA TUDOR 47507, Bay, foaled 2008, s. Caerberllan Buscot, d. Trem y Wyddfa Juno by Leverton James, Breeder W H Griffith, Owner W D Griffith & Sons, Tros Y Waen, Penisarwen, Gwynedd. Tel: 01286 871833

WALTON EXPRESS 47723, Bay, foaled 2014, s. Warley Charlie, d. Old Croft Lady In Waiting by Ruskington Hartley. Breeder D Worthington. Owner N Andrews, Green Acres, Henny Street, Great Henny, Sudbury, Suffolk. Tel: 07977 537823 **PREMIUM**

WESTFIELD SIR JOSHUA 47840, Black, foaled 2017, s. Trem-y-Wyddfa Huw's Curiosity, d. Haslingfield Milly by Walton Supreme. Breeder M Woodger. Owner P Clayton, Bentley Farm, 208 Wyke Lane, Bradford, Yorks. Tel: 01274 675807

WEST WINDS ZEBEDEE 47800, Bay, foaled 2016, s. Milnerfield Sir William, d. West Winds Polyanna by Caerberllan Real Enterprise. Breeder M & R Messer. Owner J Holder, Colloe Grove Farm, Collafield, Littledean, Cinderford, Glos. Tel: 07919 015702 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use**

WHEATHEAD ATHELING 47877, Bay, foaled 2018, s. Wheathead Bowes Lyon, d. Wheathead Pendle Crystal by Wheathead Major. Breeder/Owner R Sumner, Wheathead Game Farm, Wheathead Lane, Blacko, Nelson. Lancs. Tel: 01282 690094

WHEATHEAD BOWES LYON 47046, Bay, foaled 2002, s. Blackden Charlie, d. Wheathead Pendle Gem by Moorfield Edward. Breeder R Sumner. Owner S J Hester C/o, R Sumner, Wheathead Game Farm, Wheathead Lane, Blacko, Nelson. Lancs. Tel: 01282 690094 **PREMIUM**

WHITEWALL LIMITED EDITION 47509, Grey, foaled 2009. s. Moorfield Grey Lad, d. Moorfield Beth by Moorfield Joseph. Breeder Mrs J Booker. Owner Miss H Booker 14 Birks Drive, Brandlesholme, Bury, Lancs. Tel: 07966 270103 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use and Export**

WITHENS STORMING NORMAN 47670, Grey, foaled 2013, s. Deighton Silver Treasure, d. Goose Greens Starlight by Penygarn Wheelers Gift. Owner/Breeder B Lowrie, Mill Race Farm, Finningley, Doncaster. Tel: 07974 960684 **PREMIUM AI For Home Use**

WOODCOCK PRINCE EDWARD 47148, Bay, foaled 2003. s. Trofarth Cymro, d. Nottage Lucky Janeie by Quixhill Emperor. Breeder G Middleton. Owner A Perkins, Woodcock Farm, Woodcock Lane, Iden Green, Kent. Tel: 01580 240670

WOODHOUSE MAGNIFICENT 47801, Dark Bay, Foaled 2016, s. Metheringham Upton Hamlet, d. Woodhouse Miss Dynamite by Moorfield Manor Mac. Owner and Breeder L M Fountain, Woodhouse Farm, Marston Montgomery, Ashbourne, Derbys, Tel: 07973 561306 **PREMIUM**

WOODHOUSE RAINMAN 47802, Bay, foaled 2016, s. Metheringham Upton Hamlet, d. Woodhouse Calendar Girl by Moorfield Ted. Owner and Breeder L M Fountain, Woodhouse Farm, Marston Montgomery, Ashbourne, Derbys, Tel: 07973 561306 **PREMIUM**

WRANGLE SIR GEORGE 47803, Bay, foaled 2016, s. Cowerslane Imperial, d. Wrangle Lady Emily by Ruskington Hartley. Breeder M Bray. Owner F Cosgrove & Son, North Walk Farm, Hainton, Lincs Tel: 01507 313727 **AI For Home Use**

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