

Knowle & Dorridge Lions Club

Annual report and accounts
for year ended 30 June 2023

Registered charity No: 509993

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Introduction

This report and accounts prepared by the Knowle & Dorridge Lions Club continues our policy to give the reader a better understanding of the activities of the charity and the manner in which the funds, collected from various events held during the year, are distributed. It combines information for the year ended 30 June 2023 with comparison figures for the previous year.

Trustees and officers

The Trustees for the year were the President – Stuart Davis, the Secretary – Jamie Walsh, Treasurer – Ian Gedge and Immediate Past President – Adrian Harris. Each year the club selects three of its members to fill the roles of President, Secretary and Treasurer and in turn they become the Trustees for the year along with the Immediate Past President. An existing officer can serve for more than one year or may serve again in the future in the same or an alternative role. There is no limit on the period an officer may serve although all members are encouraged to serve as an officer of the Club.

The officers for 2023/24 will be, President – Bob Thurtle, Vice President – Tony Gee Secretary – Adrian Harris and Treasurer – Ian Gedge. Stuart Davis has left the Club so will not serve as Immediate Past President.

Bankers

During the year, the Club maintained bank accounts with the following provider:

CAF Bank Limited
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
ME19 4JQ

There were two accounts with CAF Bank Limited, one current account and one deposit account. The Club also has a separate administration account not included within these accounts.

The report and accounts include this introduction, a report from the President – Stuart Davis, and the accounting figures themselves. Following the financial statements are the accounting policies and notes to the accounts. The final page includes a useful link to the Knowle and Dorridge Lions Club website, where details of the Lions meetings and the planned programme for the following year can be found.

Ian Gedge
Treasurer

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Report of the President

Knowle & Dorridge Lions have continued to serve the communities we cover, indeed as we have from the Chartering of our club in 1976.

During the past year we have welcomed two new members but in June four members left leaving our membership at 12. Efforts to increase our membership continue.

Our main fund raising activities would not be the success they are without the additional help of residents, who come out and give their time to assist us in running these events.

Two of our main fund raising activities are picking up again after the break due to Covid-19.

At the beginning of the year our Club meetings had started to get back to normal, and now we are back to full meetings at the Greswolde Arms Hotel. My thanks to them for their continued support and for letting us use their rooms for our meetings.

We continue to give service in the community, not just through fund raising activities, but contributing to the well being of our area. During the year we carried out regular litter picks in Knowle and the surrounding area. We also supported flu and covid clinics at our local surgeries.

Fund raising

Our fund raising started with the Festive Walk from Dorridge Village Hall in December when around 600 participants enabled us to raise nearly £2,000 for our charitable activities. This was followed in March by our popular Easter Egg Raffle for customers of the Black Boy where we gave £600 to Age UK Solihull and retained almost £600 for our charitable work.

The year would not be complete without the Knowle Fun Run which took place in May from Arden Academy. Numbers were beginning to reach the pre-pandemic level and that enabled us to raise over £15,000 for the chosen charities and our ongoing charitable work. We are also grateful to the many volunteers without whom the event could not take place. There were over 100 volunteers helping with delivery of Fun Run programmes, marshalling the course and setting up on the day.

Fund distribution

During the year we were able to make payments to various charitable organisations including Lions International, finance our Youth Travel Bursary and run our two senior events, the coach trip to Weston Super Mare and the tea party at Knowle Royal British Legion. In total we paid out £22,650.91.

Socials

In addition to our monthly Club meetings we hold a number of social events for members and their friends. This year we had a visit to Hook Norton Brewery on Saturday 20 August when eight members and partners toured the facility and sampled various beers followed by a meal. A number of us attended the Buddy Holly tribute at the Core Theatre on 22 October. This was followed by Afternoon Tea at the Arden Hotel on the Coventry Road on 3 December enjoyed by a number of Lions and partners. My thanks to Lion Bob who organised these events.

We ended the year (well really the next year) in July with our visit to the Pétanque Club at Blossomfield Club where Tony Robson was declared the winner and we enjoyed a meal in the club house afterwards.

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The Way Ahead

Many organisations like ours are always needing more members so that our work in the community can continue, as it has since 1976.

Unfortunately, for me, during my year as President I have been unable to attend most of the meetings and fund raising activities due to illness. I would like to place on record my thanks to my two Vice Presidents Lion Bob Thurtle, Lion Richard Buckley and the officer's for keeping the Club on an even keel.

Finally I wish to thank all my fellow Lions for the tremendous support I have received. I have enjoyed my term as President and I am pleased to be able to pass the baton onto Bob Thurtle who becomes President for 2023/24. I wish him well in his role.

Stuart Davis
President 2022/23

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Knowle and Dorridge Lions Club

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 June 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

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

John Southwick
Chartered Accountant

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	2023	2022
Income			
Lions Festive Walk	2	2,756.46	2,345.51
Easter Egg Raffle	3	1,259.20	1,268.90
Fun Run	4	24,976.58	22,495.67
B93 Charity Ball	5	4,210.00	7,066.84
Donations & other income		2,103.69	4,148.46
Bank interest		251.55	13.37
Total Income		35,557.48	37,338.75
Expenditure			
Lions Festive Walk	2	459.30	325.00
Easter Egg Raffle	3	82.50	101.11
Fun Run	4	9,829.33	10,010.56
B93 Charity Ball	5	3,456.00	5,377.36
Charitable Payments	6	14,672.00	12,373.45
Partner Charities	6	7,978.91	5,795.51
Activity costs		339.21	26.55
Operating costs		457.62	349.43
Bank charges		111.39	143.02
Depreciation		111.36	111.36
Total expenditure		37,497.62	34,613.35
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		(£1,940.14)	£2,725.40
Balance at start of year		£28,192.30	£25,466.90
Balance at end of year		£26,252.16	£28,192.30

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Net Assets Statement

		2023	2022
Fixed assets			
Equipment	7	£227.31	£338.67
Stock	7	£0.00	£0.00
Total		£227.31	£338.67
Current assets			
Cash at bank		£33,305.10	£30,539.02
Debtors	8	£839.28	£628.63
Total		£34,144.38	£31,167.65
Current liabilities			
Creditors	8	(£8,119.53)	(£3,314.02)
Net current assets		£26,024.85	£27,853.63
Net assets		£26,252.16	£28,192.30

Signed:

Ian Gedge, Treasurer

Date:

Accounting policies:

The following principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, have been adopted in preparation of the financial statements.

Assets

The Club have a policy to record stock purchased, held and used during the year. The financial statements include the cash held in one or more of the accounts with the Club's bankers. Amounts receivable in relation to events held in this year have been included as debtors, where the amount is reasonably certain and assured. Amounts paid in respect of an event to be held after the end of the financial period covered by these accounts are also included as prepayments.

Depreciation

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

Equipment	5 year straight line
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Liabilities

The expenses expected in respect of events held during the year that remain unpaid have been included together with the sums payable to the Partner Charities and amounts received where these relate to an event to be held after the end of the financial period covered by these accounts.

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Notes to the accounts:

1. Tax claims

This note includes details of the Gift Aid tax claims made in the year although the amounts shown are included in the separate event notes as part of the income attributable to the particular event.

	Amount	Received
Lions Festive Walk	£509.90	5 Jan 2023
Fun Run	£463.45	23 Jun 2023
Fun Run	£805.63	4 Aug 2023
Total attributed to particular events	£1,778.98	

2. Lions Festive Walk

This year the event was again centred on Dorridge Village Hall with additional car parking at the Ye Olde Knowle Bowls Club & Dorridge Cricket Club. Participants could register online and make a donation using JustGiving and donations including some Gift Aid were paid direct to our account. Other participants made donations on the day with many using Gift Aid.

Income		Expenditure	
Donations & Gift Aid	£2,246.56	Expenses of event	£459.30
Gift Aid	£509.90	Charity – Fast Aid	£300.00
		Excess proceeds	£1,997.16
Total	£2,756.46		£2,756.46

3. Lions Easter Egg Raffle

This was held at the Black Boy and tickets were only sold to customers of the pub over a period of two weeks before Easter 2023 with the draw held on Maundy Thursday.

Income		Expenditure	
Ticket sales & Donations	£1,159.20	Expenses of event	£82.50
Standley & Co sponsorship	£100.00	Charity - Age UK Solihull	£600.00
		Excess proceeds	£576.70
Total	£1,259.20		£1,259.20

4. Fun Run

This event was held at Arden Academy on 21 May 2023.

Income		Expenditure	
Entry fees & donations	£14,462.95	Timing chips	£2,734.62
Sponsors	£2,600.00	Traffic management	£2,394.00
Advertising	£5,307.50	Programme production	£2,449.00
Events & Sponsorship	£1,337.05	Charity Payments	£7,078.91
Gift Aid	£1,269.08	Other expenses	£2,251.71
		Excess proceeds	£8,068.34
	£24,976.58		£24,976.58

5. B93 Charity Ball

Income		Expenditure	
Ticket sales & Drinks	£4,210.00	Expenses of event	£3,456.00
		Excess proceeds	£754.00
Total	£4,210.00		£4,210.00

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6. Charitable Payments

During the year a number of donations were made either from the events direct or by proposals from the Community Services Committee to the Club meetings. The amount shown in the accounts is represented as follows:

Lions Clubs International (LCI) 105CW & other Lions causes	
LCI – Youth Award	£60.00
LCI – North Sea Lions	£100.00
LCI - Puerto Rico, Pakistan and Somalia Appeals	£1,000.00
Total	£1,160.00
Community Services	
Senior Citizens coach trip	£1,842.00
Christmas cards & Mince pies	£550.00
Senior Citizens Tea Party	£930.00
British Red Cross	£100.00
Royal British legion Poppy Appeal	£150.00
Entraid (Mutual Aid) Ukraine	£750.00
Arden Academy Trust	£400.00
Prostrate Cancer	£100.00
Youth Award Lauren Hu	£1,750.00
Youth Award Katherine Wood	£1,250.00
Youth Award Olivia Sheard	£120.00
Youth Award Esme Chatwin	£120.00
Make Them Smile	£1,000.00
Lapworth Riding for the Disabled	£1,000.00
Sparkhill Food Bank	£2,000.00
Dorridge Cricket Club	£600.00
Solihull County Scouts	£350.00
U11 Sills Tour	£500.00
Total	£13,512.00
Total from Lions	£14,672.00
Charity payments from specific events:	
Festive Walk	
Fast Aid	£300.00
Easter Egg Raffle	
Age UK Solihull	£600.00
Fun Run	
Meningitis NOW	£2,000.00
Age UK Solihull	£2,000.00
Solihull County Scout Council	£1,000.00
1 st Knowle Sea Scouts	£1,000.00
Maggie's Cancer Centre	£678.91
Fast Aid	£400.00
Total from events	£7,978.91
Grand total of all charity payments for year	£22,650.91

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7. Fixed Assets

	Equipment
Cost at 30 June 2022	£3,863.24
Additions	-
Disposals	-
Cost at 30 June 2023	£3,863.24
Depreciation at 30 June 2022	£3,524.57
Charge in year	£111.36
Depreciation at 30 June 2023	£3,635.93
Net book value at 30 June 2023	£227.31
Net book value at 30 June 2022	£338.67
	Stock
Value of stock held at 30 June 2022	£0.00
Stock purchased during year	£270.00
Less stock used during year	£270.00
Value of stock held at 30 June 2023	£0.00

8. Debtors and Creditors

Debtors	
Fun Run income	£836.78
Other income	£2.50
	<u>£839.28</u>
Creditors	
Fun Run expenses	£2,734.62
Fun Run charity payments	£4,678.91
Community Services bench	£700.00
Activities	£6.00
	<u>£8,119.53</u>

Signed: _____

Ian Gedge, Hon. Treasurer

Date: _____

Link to website:

Knowle and Dorridge Lions Club site for general information:

www.knowleanddorridgelions.com