Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	January	2022		31	December	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Kent Schools Athletic Assossiation
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	274121
Charity's principal address	1 The Hawthorns, Talbot Road
	Hawkhurst
	Cranbrook
	Postcode **TN18 4LW**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Geoff Snell		Full year	KSAA Committee
2	Lynda Lenton		Full year	KSAA Committee
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by the committee.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	The aim of the Kent Schools' Athletic Association is the advancement of athletics through the provision of Track and Field and Cross-Country competition on an annual basis among the children the children attending schools within the administrative areas in Kent, Bromley, Bexley and Medway.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

KSAA oversees at district level (13 areas) and organises and administers at county level, athletic and cross country competition for all schools in the county. It promotes athletics and cross country working in close liason with the various athletic clubs. We organise a variety of county championships and run Kent schools teams at junior, intermediate and senior level at inter county and national.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2022 has been one of the most successful years in the nearly 100 year history of the Kent Schools' Athletic Association. We are the current Aggregate trophy winners for both the Track and Field championships and Boys Cross Country. We are the holders of both of the Championship shields for the Junior Boys and Junior Girls teams – first presented back in 1925. Whilst we have won both in the past, this is the first time ever that we have held both at the same time. It was also a year that saw us host a long awaited ESAA Cross Country Championships at the Hop Farm, Paddock Wood the first post pandemic championships for the ESAA.

In January 2022, we found ourselves hosting our Cross Country Championships at a venue new for Kent Schools. The Hop Farm had been chosen by us to host the ESAA championships but we had not held an event there so it made sense for us to host a trial event there. Whilst there were some significant difficulties in the planning, the venue turned out to be very successful and gave us a lot of good ideas for the final details for March.

Over the flat but challenging course we had a number of high quality races with 567 athletes competing across all of the age groups. With the planning of Paul Hills and Angela Newark we were able to host a full return to competition with success and good weather. Our attempts to go digital with QR codes for athlete registration nearly went wrong but it turned out ok in the end! Races were won by Megan Barlow in the Junior Girls and Oliver Head with a victory of more than 25 seconds in the Junior Boys race. However, Annabelle Souter won by 40 seconds a very large margin indeed. Hayden Gear of Swale (IB) , Anna Palmer (SG) and Jack Small (SB) were our other victors. The Senior Boys race was particularly strong and gave an indication of what was to happen a few weeks later. Our thanks go to all involved in staging the event and setting our year off with such a bang.

At the Inter Counties in Reigate we won both the Senior and Intermediate Girls, and the Senior Boys. Thanks to all involved in selecting and team managing for that event and our other Cross Country events in 2022.

March found us as hosts of the English Schools XC championships for the first time since 2004. Our thanks must be

offered most loudly for both the energy and passion of our former Beths boys – Geoff Snell and Paul Hills. Over the nearly three years of planning Paul's desire to make a successful and enjoyable course allied to the experience of Geoff Snell as a recent ESAA Assistant XC Secretary meant that the preparations were always going to create a high-quality event. Sadly, at times in the build-up the Hop Farm were not always fully organised or cooperative. Nor were other organisations and providers. Without the patience of Geoff and then Paul Allison from ESAA we might not have had a championship at all.

On the day, all turned out to be very successful. The course looked fantastic – thanks to Paul, John Sanders and a range of other friends and connections from across the county and the country. We were pleased to see a number of old friends and welcome around 2000 athletes and some former champions to witness six excellent races in which Kent Schools won the overall Boys title and took the Senior boys title with Louis Small finally taking an individual victory a few years after making his debut as a footballer that could run! It was a personal joy to be asked to present the winning Trophy to our Senior Boys and a memory I will long remember.

Not long after the Cross Country came to an end, we heard the news that Mike Rowbottom our Honorary Life President and Kent Schools' legend passed away after a number of years in a care home. His funeral, attended by a number of KSAA members was a real celebration of Mike's life and work – but did not mention so much about his athletics and Kent Schools. We are all aware that Mike was a passionate enthusiast of school's athletics. But it was great to hear that among his most significant personal memories are of presenting medals at the Schools International, and of being awarded our highest honour of Life Vice Presidency. We all have so much to thank Mike for. For some he was their first coach, or a good friend, for others he taught us how to select and identify the key things to look for when making decisions about teams and athletes. He also provided us with many stories of t-shirts round the wrong way, fire alarms in hotels, ice creams in the summer, foil blankets in the cold and sandwich packets stabbed with biros. Mike – you were so much fun to be with and we miss you greatly. We thank you for all

that you did for Kent Schools' and for the athletics in our wider community.

Moving on to the summer we found ourselves hosting the Kent Schools' at Medway Park, a new venue to the championships. We must note the very significant contribution made by Steve Hesketh in preparing the stadium for us to be able to use throughout the day. His preparation and coordination of the volunteers among a whole host of challenges ensured that the athletes were able to do so well on the day. The conditions were very good and saw six new Championship best performances.

Our thanks go to all involved in staging the championships – especially, Iain Presnell and Brian Charlton. To all officials that gave of their time freely and with such expertise. We must note here that so many of our officials were appointed to officiate at the 2022 Commonwealth Games representing our county with such skill, commitment and professionalism. With our own Julie Roe leading from the front as Meeting Manager. We are very lucky to have the use of such expertise.

At the English Schools' in July we were met with the hottest of temperatures in Manchester. But the action on the Track for Kent Schools was equally scorching! In total we secured 21 medals including 8 Golds.

Only 13 athletes out of the 70 did not score a point. Overall, we won the following: the Junior Girls with 58 points, Junior Boys with 101 points, Inter Boys 2nd Senior Boys 3rd. Overall we won the Aggregate trophy with 350 points – 316 was second place. This is the highest Kent Schools' score ever and amounts to an average of 5 points per athlete. Huge congratulations to all of the team managers and individuals involved. To Gary Jones for mastering the operation and to our new team manager Rebecca Hawkins who made such a successful debut and offered so much to the athletes. Next year we will be in Birmingham – with many of those athletes still available for selection and participation. We look forward to what is to come. We are again grateful to Paul Nash for his kind sponsorship and support and hope that he continues to enjoy the links we have forged between him and our association for so many years.

Section D Achievements and performance

Earlier in June we secured yet another victory in the annual Cunliffe Cup – against Surrey, Sussex and Hampshire. Our athletes performed well at the Combined Events and Race Walks Championships in their final in Bedford in late September. With both the Inter Boys and Junior Girls winning their team events. Our thanks go to each member of our committee and wider support network for their time in team managing for all of our teams.

Ken Burkett and Iain Presnell are once again elected to serve on the General Committee of the ESAA and Geoff Snell continues his role as Assistant Treasurer. As the ESAA moves forward nearer to its own century we hope that our representatives on the ESAA will help, advise and guide the officers and others to ensure that the future of the Association lives on for many more years to come.

2022 was certainly something like service back to normal – with so many events and opportunities for the athletes offered by KSAA. We had a very successful year – among our most successful ever. As we near the 25th July 2025 the date of our founding at a Meeting in Maidstone 100 years before we need to begin to plan for commemorations and celebrations of our Centenary. We are in a strong position both within our committee and our athletes to step onwards in to our next century with energy and great confidence. KSAA continues to be relevant to the athletes, offer a great deal that others wish to be associated with and to set the standards that others seek to follow. I commend 2022 to you all and look forward to another successful year in 2023.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	Any reserves are held to cover any shortfall of the cost of running events. It is also used to help cover the cost of any hardship cases where participants cannot afford to take part.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Finances differ significantly from the previous year due to COVID. In 2021, many events were still not running and therefore cashflow had been much reduced.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	G.Snell	L.Lenton
Full name(s)	Geoff Snell	Lynda Lenton
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Hon Life Member	Hon Life Member
Date	31.10.23	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total*(Gross income for AR)*	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval