



Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation

02nd April 25

# Chairmans Report

The Last two years have been without precedent the region has been exceptionally busy not just in relation to consistent growth in callouts with 2024 being the regions busiest year on record, it was a complete coincidence that this also marked our 60th anniversary. We have also been busy in non operational ways to moving from to a new CIO charitable status which I have to thank Ian Donaldson and Keith Montgomery for all the work they put in to make it happen..

In 2023 we had some significant movement in the regions operations group, with our long serving regional training officer stepped down due to securing the roles of MREW National training officer replaced by Toby Green. We closed off 2023 with Ian Bunting stepping down as Operational support to take on the National Operations Director role, Patch Haley of GMRT stood up to replace Ian and has continued the great work of the OMG and revitalising the Emergency services liaison group.

In 2024 as mentioned above we celebrated our 60th anniversary in May thanks to great work by Edale's Thomo Thompson and Neil Roden we met with some of the original searchers from the 4 inns tragedy the catalyst for the foundation of the PDMRO, this meeting was recorded by the BBC and gained a lot of national coverage. Unfortunately a few weeks

after this we had of the passing of Ray Davis the team leader of Glossop who led the 4 Inns search and founding member of the region. Ray was a stalwart of Mountain Rescue and for many years was the secretary of the MRC (Later became MREW).

At the very first meeting post the 4 Inns to discuss forming a MR region Derbyshire Cave Rescue were present, DCRO have been an integral part of the region ever since and its fitting that as we moved to a new CIO status we fully bring in DCRO as a full member team, this was voted on unanimously by the exec in July 2024. With this new status the region supported DCRO's application to become a full member of MREW.

Moving on into late summer Toby Green and the OMG claimed we were going to have a celebration called Peak Diamond to mark 60 years, this as you will have seen in the opps report was the biggest MR led exercise of its kind and gained massive national attention from many of the media outlets, and I am sure this and the new PDMRO website has helped bring a steady stream of donations in to the region and teams.

The region has gone from strength to strength over the last two years our national representation is really strong, with Ian, Patch and Myself attending many of the Ops and regional chair meetings, all the subgroup leads keep the PDMRO share of voice high to.

The next few years will shape things to come Mountain Rescue as a volunteer led organisation is being stretched all 47 national teams busier than they have ever been some averaging more than a shout a day, some teams are now reflecting on years of mission creep and are consolidating the activities they do and returning to core Mountain Rescue jobs. Ian is leading the way nationally around risk assessments and the impact on team, add this to the ongoing what is the future of MR question from Mike Park and the whole organisation as we know it could be at a cross roads. That said I think we have a very strong and aligned region and will definitely be a driving force into the future, this is all thanks to each and every team member and the families that support them for the time it takes to get out and save lives.

Matt

Matt Dooley

Chairman PDMRO

PEAK DISTRICT MOUNTAIN RESCUE ORGANISATION

ACCOUNTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**  
**OF PEAK DISTRICT MOUNTAIN RESCUE ORGANISATION CHARITY**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 set out on pages 2 to 4.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 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 by the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner 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 Commissioner. 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 the seeking of 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:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act: and
  - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*P.A. Shepherd*

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**PEAK DISTRICT MOUNTAIN RESCUE ORGANISATION**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>		
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>				
Donations	11,102	9,738	20,840	21,082
MREW Refund	2,117	-	2,117	2,228
TEAM Refund	375	-	375	320
VAT Refund	821	-	821	730
Charity Patches	945	-	945	1,104
Stripe	303	-	303	-
Interest Received	110	-	110	107
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<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>15,773</b>	<b>9,738</b>	<b>25,511</b>	<b>25,571</b>
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<b><u>Resources Expended</u></b>				
<u>Management and Administration</u>				
Insurance	-	7,682	7,682	6,523
Communications	4,022	-	4,022	26,578
Travel	58	-	58	133
Training	14,281	-	14,281	4,803
Just Giving Fees	216	-	216	216
Administration	35	-	35	35
Accountancy	360	-	360	336
Bank Charges	60	-	60	60
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<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>19,032</b>	<b>7,682</b>	<b>26,714</b>	<b>38,684</b>
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<b><u>Net Incoming Resources</u></b>				
<b><u>For The Financial Year</u></b>	<b>(3,259)</b>	<b>2,056</b>	<b>(1,203)</b>	<b>(13,113)</b>
<b><u>Fund Balance at 1st January 2024</u></b>	<b>46,993</b>	<b>3,817</b>	<b>50,810</b>	<b>63,923</b>
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<b><u>Fund Balance at 31st December 2024</u></b>	<b>43,734</b>	<b>5,873</b>	<b>49,607</b>	<b>50,810</b>
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**PEAK DISTRICT MOUNTAIN RESCUE ORGANISATION**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024**

1) **Principal Accounting Policies**

The following accounting policies have been consistently applied in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's accounts.

a) **Basis of Accounting**

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities.

2) **Independent Examiner**

		<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Fees paid during year	360	336
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