

For Annual Report 2020-2021

Minutes of the
15th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING^(SEP) of the
Teesdale & Weardale
Search & Mountain Rescue Team

Held remotely via 'MS Teams'
At 19.00hrs Thursday 4th November 2021

1. Opening Remarks

Steve OWERS

The Team Leader thanked everyone for their attendance.

2. Apologies

Alan & Leslie Best, Tom Keenan, Andy Bottrill, Anthony Tubbs, Helen James, Des Toward, David Thompson,

Attendance

David Clarke, Chris Roberts, Steve Owers, Pete Bell, Adam Hearn, Des Lee, Marc Tomlinson, Mike Needham, Kim Jones, Dan Miller, Mark Colledge, David Bartles-Smith, Izzy De Santis, Jane Ashcroft, Don McCartney, Andy Neill, Mark Sauer, James Chilcott, Alicia Stanley, Holly Story, Damian Bubb, John Little, James Wheeler, Ben Healy, Jodie Surenrdran, Dan Taylor, Josh Lawton

3. Minutes of the 2020 AGM

The Minutes were accepted as a true and acceptable reflection of the 2020 AGM.

Agenda items 5.1-5.18: Team Officers had produced their reports (as contained herein) for the Team Members prior to this meeting.

4. Presentation of Service Certificates

This year saw Des TOWARD qualify for his 40 year certificate from MRE, Karen FISHER and John LITTLE for their 20 year certificates and James CHILCOTT his 10 year certificate.

Note: MREW has recently changed its policy from only issuing certificates at 25 and 40 years service to presenting them for every 10 years. This meant that we had also got certificates for team members who had already passed these milestones some time previously. They were as follows:

20 year MREW certificates:

Jan 2018 - Rich WARNE
Mar 2018 - Adam HEARN
Jun 2020 - Scott BISSET

10 year MREW certificates:

Mar 2012 - Paul RENWICK
Mar 2013 - Pete BELL
Mar 2013 - Russ WARNE
Jan 2014 - Richard WILLIAMS
Apr 2015 - Tom KEENAN
Apr 2015 - Anthony TUBBS
Feb 2017 - Tony HIGH
Feb 2017 - Dave WIGHAM
Dec 2018 - Des LEE
Dec 2018 - Marc TOMLINSON
Sep 2020 - Andy BOTTRILL

The Team Leader Steve OWERS congratulated all on these achievements. The certificates would be presented at a suitable time when we were able to get together without COVID restrictions.

5. Team Leader's Report

Steve OWERS

I would have hoped that my report this year would make minimum reference to covid, unfortunately as we all know it still plays a major part in our lives both within and outside the Team.

I would like to thank all team members for continuing to follow our COVID procedures. This has helped us to protect team members and prevented the virus from spreading within the team.

COVID has had a knock on effect on many of our team activities. Because of the uncertainties we have not achieved as much as a team as we would have in previous years. However, the bottom line is we have successfully attended 49 call outs this year only two down on last year, our busiest year for some time.

As part of our annual plan, we have completed a number of standard operating procedures which will go towards making us a safer and more effective team. We have also been working with the management a number of locations where we seem to get repeated callouts High Force, Hamsterley Forest and Swinhope Ski Centre to produce Emergency Plans. After some initial work we have put on hold for now the issue of becoming a charitable incorporated organisations.

We continue to play an active role with our neighbouring teams throughout NESRAS and NO-SARCOG. We have assisted NESRA teams on two occasions this year and required their assistance ourselves at three incidents, two of these being underground.

Our relationship with our local blue light agencies continues to develop.

We are currently working on procedures for incidents in caves and abandoned ore mines within the County with Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service.

We have been involved in the training of Durham Constabulary's Lost Person Search Managers as well as their control room staff.

North East Ambulance Service were instrumental in obtaining initial COVID vaccinations for all of our team members.

Looking forward to the next 12 months I am hoping we will get back to 'business as usual' within the team while still not dropping our guard in relation to COVID. Many of us have got out of the habit of regular attendance at training sessions and other team activities. Getting together on a regular basis as a group is the cornerstone of operating a successful mountain rescue team like ours.

Last but certainly not least a big thank to all of you and your families. Without your continued support for the Team and your families supporting you we would not be able to provide the service we do to the people of County Durham and Darlington and beyond. Let's hope and strive for a better 2022.

5. Deputy Team Leader's Reports

5.1 Deputy Team Leader's / Search Management Group Lead's Report

Pete BELL

This has again been a challenging year due to the pandemic and the condition imposed by it.

However, progress continues to be made by the team.

Search management moves forward with an agreement with CDDFRS regarding our role in water incidents and we have been written into their callout procedures, and this has worked well.

We are in discussion with CDDFRS regarding a similar arrangement for underground incidents in County Durham, and whilst these are relatively uncommon, we have been to two this year, and with the increase activity by 'mine' and 'urbex' explorers there is potential for more incidents.

With the above in mind the team has discussions with COMRU and SMRT for aid in underground incidents and we have agreed a procedure

Search management could do with more reinforcements to spread the load and further progression. We have a training ladder for duty controllers and progression to search manager, which has been agreed and we will be looking for prospective duty controllers/search managers in the near future.

Thanks to all our current search managers for their efforts over the year.

Challenges to come in the next year include integrating technology such as drones into search management.

Equipment continues to be managed by Eric in his enthusiastic and detailed manner. Can I ask all team members to look after team equipment, put it in the correct place and report any faults or deficiencies to Eric.

Medical continues to run smoothly and its thanks to Dan and his assistants. Dan in particular has brought his knowledge to the team with respect to our COVID procedures.

Several team members are due to revalidate their extended skills casualty care certificates at Easter 2022.

In conclusion thanks to all team members for their time and commitment in a difficult year, we can but hope 2022 will be less constrained and easier.

5.2 Deputy Team Leader's / Transport Lead's Report

Des LEE

Training

It's been a difficulty year again for our Training Lead Andy Bottrill mainly due to the effect Covid had on the way we train and interaction with each "we missed the crack" throughout this time Andy has managed to organise quality training sessions for us, at the same time made-sure our training complied with Covid /Team procedures to help keep us all safe.

I think you would all agree that Andy and all the Trainers who organised or delivered a session this year and not forgetting guys who arranged land clearance All deserve a Massive thanks for all their hard work & commitment.

Note: Guys it's been a hard year for us all, but we need to remember if we don't practice the skills we learn, we will lose that skill, there is now a lot of training information on SharePoint, so please have a look and there's nothing stopping you dropping into Base and practicing with equipment.

Transport

No Vehicle accidents this year, another clean sheet Massive thanks to all drivers Drivers yearly licence check has been carried out in accordance with our insurance provider requirements.

All vehicles have been Mot, Serviced, taxed and insured.

Driver training is going to plan and with the trailer towing law changes we are introducing some trailer training.

Big thanks to all Drivers and helpers for washing / clean vehicles off after a Callout or training

5.3 Deputy Team Leader's / Canoe Group Lead's Report

John LITTLE

Canoe Team

It's been a quiet year for the Canoe Team however we have run a number of on water training sessions and have re-assessed every Canoe Team members basic skill level. We may need to consider recruiting some more members to ensure there's enough resource to respond to every request for help.

DTL

A few numbers to reflect on: The Team has been called upon 49 times in the last 12 month - this is an unprecedented level of demand given there has not been an extreme weather event. Many of these callouts have come from NEAS requesting assistance - these calls often have a very rapid turnaround. The Team currently consists of 60 Team members including trainees and supporters. We have a total of 1174 attendances recorded across all Team activities (and we know there's a lot of good work behind the scenes that isn't formally recorded). Thank you to everyone who's supported the Team - it has felt like a busy year. I suspect with difficult times ahead; we could yet get busier.

Work behind the scenes has continued this year. There are a number of key policies which are still in development, hopefully they will make it to implementation in the not too

distant future. Thank you to everyone who has supported me in my role. If you want me to do something to support you, please ask.

6. Treasurer's Report

Steve OWERS

For the past three years we have been able to approve our financial accounts at the AGM. Unfortunately, this year this will not be possible. With the AGM date being brought forward and a number of COVID related delays I made the decision to delay the production of the final accounts. I envisage there should be completed in the next few weeks and be available for approval by the committee before Christmas. The deadline for submission to the Charity Commission is May 2022.

On a positive note, we are in a healthy financial position, our income for 20/21 was down as anticipated however our expenditure was also less than usual allowing us to show a surplus at the end of the year.

Going forward we now have two new and enthusiastic members of our fundraising working group to assist Holly. We are looking at a number of fundraising activities for the coming year which involve minimal input from team members.

I would like to finish by thanking all of the people involved in helping me as a Treasurer, our bookkeeper Alison, our accountant Jane, Holly our Fundraising Lead and the members of the fund raising working group.

7. Training Officer's Report

Andy BOTTRILL

Training again this year has been difficult, but we have managed to run a number of good training events. Let's hope that the coming year looks a whole lot more normal and training is less disrupted. I am slightly concerned that attendance at training seems a little down on usual numbers and would like to remind team members about the need to remain operationally ready. I would also always be happy to receive any help with the large job that is sorting out all the elements of the training program.

8. Equipment Officer's Report

Eric GILHOOLEY

This has been a 'full' year of covid, and as such it has seemed to be a very long one. Issues with delays to delivery of some equipment started to occur later in the year but otherwise 'business' has been as normal.

After a long, convoluted ordering process the Mountain Equipment Kongur jackets finally arrived early in the year and were issued to hill team members. Some team members have made very positive comments about them, but I would appreciate more team members giving me their opinions, especially after use in less 'pleasant' weather conditions. They certainly look very impressive!

The stretcher wheel which was purchased last year produced many positive comments about its effectiveness in allowing rapid and smooth extraction of casualties in most circumstances. Unfortunately, it developed a puncture problem which seemed to be caused by the design of the wheel (the puncture occurred next to the inside rim of the wheel). When contacted, Lyon the manufacturer responded quickly and sent out a higher quality wheel. Hopefully the problem will have been resolved.

A second wheel was also ordered so that the stretcher on Mobile One can be used in the same way as the one on Mobile Two, or the Ferno stretcher on Control. I would like to note that Lyon (and Petzl) have always been very supportive and helpful to myself and the team: advice has been given quickly; equipment ordered has been sent out promptly; and problems, particularly with Alveo Vent helmets have been resolved rapidly and free of charge.

In the second part of the year problems started to arise with the ordering and delivery of equipment. The most prominent of these has been the ordering of P.F.D.'s for the canoe team. All of the suppliers I browsed on the internet were out of stock of the models we required. I did contact one supplier and they agreed to us placing an order with the proviso that we only made a payment when the company actually had the equipment in stock. The P.F.D.'s were promised for the end of August, but confirmation that part of the order was ready did not arrive until 29th. October.

Keela have had a 10 week delay on supply of their jackets and kit with some items also out of stock. Delivery of kit for trainee team members and 'dogsbodies' has been delayed.

Equipment has been checked according to the timetable. As usual team members have been very supportive in helping with this and highlighting any problems which have occurred.

9. Casualty Care Officer's Report

Dan MILLER

With the COVID 19 pandemic ongoing it's been another challenging year within the team. Unfortunately, a few team members have contracted COVID but thanks to robust SOPs and everyone's adherence to protocol, there hasn't been any spread within the team. We are still continuing to protect out vulnerable team members as best as we can and are in regular contact.

Training has been going well and I envisage a fair few coming through the casualty care course next year with a view to sitting the exam Dec 2022.

Thanks to James, Eric, Alicia and Kat for ongoing help with medical equipment and drugs.
CD audit remains up and running with no issues raised.

Quality improvement has taken a back seat mostly due to the pandemic, but I hope we'll be able to pursue more projects this coming year as we have in previous years.

As usual thanks to all who help out with delivery of training.

10. Radio & IT Systems Lead's Report

Mark COLLEDGE

What a year 2021 has been! Firstly, I would like to start by thanking everyone for their continued professionalism and support. There haven't been any big changes to our IT and Comms in the last 12 months thankfully!

Our office 365 system has continued to be stable and team members haven't reported any issues to me. This has allowed us to continue to train virtually, hold meetings and importantly has become a pre-callout collaboration system for the search managers. I don't envision any complications with the system moving forward.

SharePoint is continuing to grow, and many seem to be accessing this often. This has been critical moving forward with our data storage solutions and a big thanks to Andy N for his time making the system work.

All IT hardware remains operational in both base and printing facilities are now working again. Even with the recent flooding of the base at Durham, no IT hardware was damaged with is good news!

Our communications network is continuing to grow across the north east teams with radio coverage on T3 all the way down to York now! A big thanks to Adam H for his continued work on this.

Trainees will be issued with personal radios shortly and no current hill team member has reported any issues with their personal radio. Recently the teams old police airwave sets were replaced with new ones thanks to Durham constabulary. Our relationship with them has continued to grow and the support we receive is exceptional. Recently we provided airwave coverage due to an issue they were having in the south of the region, this was much appreciated by their radio engineers.

I would like to continue in the role of the IT and Comms lead for 2022 should I be re-appointed. As always, and IT gurus who feel they could assist the team please get in touch. If anyone has any problems at all, please drop me a text/call/email.

11. Support Members' Lead's Report

Chris ROBERTS

Two newsletters have been sent to our Associate Members, and circulated to all Team Members (past and present). The majority of the newsletters are sent via email; there are however about a dozen members who require a paper copy. Two editions a year, New Year and Summer, seem to fit the bill well.

The newsletters have been well received, so a big thanks to everyone who has contributed. Keep the articles coming!

The concept of Support Members is having a positive impact on the Team. Our support members have contributed in many ways this year:

- book-keeping
- collection tin management
- equipment packing and tidying
- fundraising
- driving

I expect that once we have got through current Covid 19 restrictions it will be easier for people to come forward to offer their services as Support Members, and for existing members to have more face to face interactions.

12. Hon. Secretary's Report

Andy NEILL

Nothing of note to report.

13. Press & PR Lead's Report

Scott BISSET

Press opportunities have been relatively low this year although we have had some reports and photographs in the local and north East papers and i even managed to get a couple in the MR magazine.

Media PR continues to be mainly through our Facebook page giving me very little to do in that area.

I am standing down as Press and PR Lead, but remain available to help the team wherever possible. It just remains for me to thank those who have helped and supported me during my time in this position.

14. Fundraising Lead's Report

Holly STORY

Over the past 12 months we have built up a small team to help support fundraising activities for the team. Gemma Siddle and Sarah Hall have joined us as support team members and have been helping to build our fundraising activities and promote them more widely.

We now have a charity text number, partly in response to fewer people carrying cash than they used to.

We are working on a new supporter's t-shirt and a fundraising pack to share with individuals who are wanting to fundraise for the team to give them advice, resources and support.

Our first street collections 'post COVID' are also in the diary - Darlington street collection has been confirmed for the 27th November and Durham for the 18th December.

15. Group Leaders' Report

James CHILCOTT

Given what has been going on in the world since 2020 the team and team members should be proud that the team has remained operational and able to provide the MR service when needed.

As team members we are all likely to have suffered skill fade over the last 1-2 years due to not attending as much training as we should in a normal year. Hopefully in 2022 we can get back to similar pre covid training attendance on Wednesday and Sunday sessions.

The trainers planning these sessions (Andy in particular, medical leads, technical leads, group leaders) have to put a lot of pre work in and usually takes the same planning time to run the session for 25x team members as it does for 10x team members so the more people attending the better return it is for all.

Looking forward to the 2022 Winter training weekend in February and helping to organise this event which has been a big benefit in every previous year from a team training and team bonding view.

3 Peaks 2021 was able to proceed with a lot of covid pre event work to minimise risks to students/drivers/leaders. Fortunately, there were no covid cases as a result of the event and the fundraising contribution was likely our most successful 3 Peaks in history with over £13,000 raised for the team. We are still waiting on a DUCK payment for the event running costs to fully wrap the 2021 event up.

The 2022 event is already well under way on planning side with a signup talk having taken place and minibuses planned for 11th/12th June 2022. There is also a one off separate fundraising event planned for 2nd/3rd July in Lake District which is done in conjunction with Durham University Hill walking club to celebrate their 70th year in existence which should also be a valuable fundraiser for our team in 2022.

16. Water Lead's Report

Rich WARNE

As with all other areas of training, water-specific training has suffered over the past year due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Training at MOD 1 level has been provided for all Team members and received a good uptake; especially from our newer members.

Discussion around where the Team intends to go with regard to water operations and training continues. As a result, no further investment has been made in equipment or logistics and training at any level above MOD 1 has been suspended.

It is imperative that movement be made on these matters over the coming year so that Team members are safeguarded by means of adequate and appropriate training and equipment, and that Team policy addresses operational need and resilience.

17. MRSDE Lead's Report

Des TOWARD

2021 saw us return to national training and assessments. We have held training courses in Northumberland, Dartmoor, Yorkshire Dales and the Peak District.

Local training continues on a weekly basis.

Assessments have taken place on Dartmoor and in Northumberland,

Karen Fisher and Paul Renwick attended and graded their dogs at the Northumberland assessment, well done both.

Land clearance and permission to run the dogs is always an emotive issue so to those organising training events please check that landowners are happy to have dogs there, we currently have really good support from local gamekeepers and landowners, and it would be a shame to lose this due to poor communication.

Big thank you as always to landowners/keepers and farmers, but a massive thank you must go to our regular "dogs' bodies" who support our training by lying out there in some horrendous conditions to allow us to train the dogs, and ultimately provide the team with a fantastic search facility.

18. Acceptance of 2020/2021 Financial Statement

Steve OWERS

We were not in a position to present the accounts at the AGM

Addendum: The Annual Accounts were subsequently agreed at an Extraordinary General Meeting (via MS Teams) held at 19.30hrs on Wednesday 23rd March 2022

19. Election of President and Vice Presidents

The following were unanimously approved:

Role	Candidate
President	David BARTLES-SMITH
Vice Presidents	Alan BEST, David CLARK, Ian FINDLAY, David THOMPSON, Pete BELL. Chris ROBERTS

20. Election of Officers and Committee Members

The Following were unanimously approved:

Role	Candidate
Team Leader	Steve OWERS
Deputy Team Leader	Pete BELL
Deputy Team Leader	John LITTLE
Deputy Team Leader	Des LEE
Hon Secretary	Andy NEILL
Hon. Treasurer	Steve OWERS
Training Lead	Andy BOTTRILL
Group Leaders (4)	Marc TOMLINSON James CHILCOTT Rich WARNE
Press & Public Relations Lead	Mike NEEDHAM
Equipment Lead	Eric GILHOOLEY
Fundraising Lead	Holly STORY
Transport Lead	Des LEE
Casualty Care Lead	Dan MILLER
Radio & IT Systems Lead	Mark COLLEDGE
Operational Support Team Lead	Chris ROBERTS
Search Management Lead	Pete BELL
Crag Lead	Vacant
Water Lead	Rich WARNE
Canoe Group Lead	John LITTLE
MRSD (England) Lead	Des TOWARD

21. Date & Time of 2022 AGM

TBA

Charity Registration Number: 508877

**Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue
Team**

Accounts

For the Year Ending

31 July 2021

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Accounts

Year Ended 31 July 2021

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Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report

Year Ended 31 July 2021

The trustees present their report and the unaudited accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Objectives and Activities

The charity's objects are to provide a mountain search and rescue service for the whole of County Durham, from the highest fells in the West to the Coastal Communities of the North Sea. The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are to respond to requests by the police to a range of incident types, from injured or lost people in the hills to vulnerable missing people in urban settings, and there has been no change in these during the year.

The charity operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and Performance

A detailed review of the activities, achievements & performance is filed with the financial statements and is available from www.charitycommission.gov.uk.

Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to at least three months' expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team
Charity registration number 508877
Principal office The Chris Scott Mountain Search & Rescue Centre
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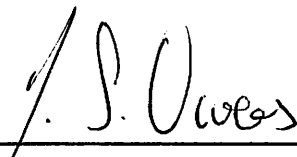
The Trustees

Mr J S Owers
Mr D W Toward
Dr J Little
Mr P Bell
Mr S Bissett (Resigned 4 November 2021)
Mr E Gilhooley
Mr D Lee
Mr M Tomlinson
Mr J Chilcott
Mr P Morrison (Resigned 4 November 2021)
Mr A Neill
Mr A Bottrill
Mr D Miller
Mr R Warne
Mr M Colledge
Mr C Roberts (Appointed 4 November 2020)
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Independent Examiner Lisa Hutchinson FMAAT
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The trustees' annual report was approved on ...02/02/22... and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mr J S Owers
Trustee



Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Year Ended 31 July 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team ('the charity') for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.



Lisa Hutchinson FMAAT
Independent Examiner

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Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 July 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	35,713	–	35,713	89,693
Charitable activities	5	1,638	–	1,638	2,236
Other trading activities	6	12,108	–	12,108	10,382
Investment income	7	278	–	278	221
Other income	8	2,028	–	2,028	115
Total income		<u>51,765</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>51,765</u>	<u>102,647</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of other trading activities	9	1,725	–	1,725	288
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	53,822	416	54,238	63,610
Total expenditure		<u>55,547</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>55,963</u>	<u>63,898</u>
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds					
		<u>(3,782)</u>	<u>(416)</u>	<u>(4,198)</u>	<u>38,749</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		283,495	9,072	292,567	253,818
Total funds carried forward		<u>279,713</u>	<u>8,656</u>	<u>288,369</u>	<u>292,567</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 15 form part of these accounts.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Statement of Financial Position

31 July 2021


	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible fixed assets	16	70,226	89,177
Current Assets			
Debtors	17	8,200	8,053
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>212,046</u>	<u>195,753</u>
		220,246	203,806
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>2,103</u>	<u>416</u>
Net Current Assets		218,143	203,390
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		<u>288,369</u>	<u>292,567</u>
Funds of the Charity			
Restricted funds		8,656	9,072
Unrestricted funds		<u>279,713</u>	<u>283,495</u>
Total charity funds	19	<u>288,369</u>	<u>292,567</u>

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 02/02/22 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr J S Owers
Trustee



Mr D Lee
Trustee



The notes on pages 6 to 15 form part of these accounts.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Accounts

Year Ended 31 July 2021

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is The Chris Scott Mountain Search & Rescue Centre, Lanchester Road, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5RA.

2. Statement of Compliance

These accounts have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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 (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Accounts *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
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Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible Assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Accounts *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	-	15% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	-	12% straight line

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Accounts *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations				
Donations	26,714	26,714	24,595	24,595
Collection boxes	716	716	622	622
Street collections	–	–	2,885	2,885
Gift aid income	5,443	5,443	1,982	1,982
Vehicle fuel donation	1,875	1,875	1,125	1,125
Teesdale and Weardale Stone	965	965	35	35
Legacies				
Legacies	–	–	58,449	58,449
	<u>35,713</u>	<u>35,713</u>	<u>89,693</u>	<u>89,693</u>

5. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Communications income	638	638	1,396	1,396
Income from medical cover	1,000	1,000	330	330
Training income	–	–	510	510
	<u>1,638</u>	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,236</u>	<u>2,236</u>

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6. Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Associate member subscriptions	210	–	210
Fundraising income	11,898	–	11,898
	<u>12,108</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>12,108</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Associate member subscriptions	210	–	210
Fundraising income	10,112	60	10,172
	<u>10,322</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>10,382</u>

7. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Bank interest receivable	278	278	221	221
	<u>278</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>221</u>	<u>221</u>

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Other income	–	–	115	115
Sale of equipment	2,028	2,028	–	–
	<u>2,028</u>	<u>2,028</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>115</u>

9. Costs of Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Fundraising costs	1,725	1,725	288	288
	<u>1,725</u>	<u>1,725</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>288</u>

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10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Costs of charitable activities (see page 18)	<u>53,822</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>54,238</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Costs of charitable activities (see page 18)	<u>63,102</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>63,610</u>

11. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Total funds 2021 £	Total fund 2020 £
Costs of charitable activities (see page 18)	<u>54,238</u>	<u>54,238</u>	<u>63,610</u>

12. Net (Expenditure)/Income

Net (expenditure)/income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>21,050</u>	<u>20,750</u>

13. Independent Examination Fees

	2021 £	2020 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the accounts	<u>—</u>	<u>200</u>

14. Staff Costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2020: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2020: Nil).

15. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the current or previous year.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

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Year Ended 31 July 2021

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 August 2020	19,024	167,872	186,896
Additions	<u>2,099</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2,099</u>
At 31 July 2021	<u>21,123</u>	<u>167,872</u>	<u>188,995</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 August 2020	18,468	79,251	97,719
Charge for the year	<u>398</u>	<u>20,652</u>	<u>21,050</u>
At 31 July 2021	<u>18,866</u>	<u>99,903</u>	<u>118,769</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 July 2021	<u>2,257</u>	<u>67,969</u>	<u>70,226</u>
At 31 July 2020	<u>556</u>	<u>88,621</u>	<u>89,177</u>

17. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments	1,654	1,633
Gift aid recoverable	1,808	1,792
VAT debtor	4,363	4,488
Other debtors	<u>375</u>	<u>140</u>
	<u>8,200</u>	<u>8,053</u>

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	<u>2,103</u>	<u>416</u>

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Year Ended 31 July 2021

19. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 August 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	50,959	48,153	(12,069)	(24,599)	62,444
Fixed assets	89,177	–	(21,050)	2,099	70,226
Vehicle replacement fund	7,681	–	–	28,495	36,176
Contingency fund	26,000	–	–	–	26,000
Specific team areas	21,494	3,612	(13,059)	17,500	29,547
Audrey Jones legacy	29,735	–	(9,369)	(8,883)	11,483
Pam Wright legacy	58,449	–	–	(14,612)	43,837
	<u>283,495</u>	<u>51,765</u>	<u>(55,547)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>279,713</u>

	At 1 August 2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	50,043	41,141	(14,374)	(25,851)	50,959
Fixed assets	109,273	–	(20,750)	654	89,177
Vehicle replacement fund	2,681	–	–	5,000	7,681
Contingency fund	26,000	–	–	–	26,000
Specific team areas	20,918	2,997	(22,467)	20,046	21,494
Audrey Jones legacy	35,534	–	(5,799)	–	29,735
Pam Wright legacy	–	58,449	–	–	58,449
	<u>244,449</u>	<u>102,587</u>	<u>(63,390)</u>	<u>(151)</u>	<u>283,495</u>

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Year Ended 31 July 2021

19. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 August 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Youth Section fund	2,162	–	–	–	2,162
Base Security	1,410	–	–	–	1,410
Scotto Trust	4,500	–	–	–	4,500
Search Computers	1,000	–	(416)	–	584
	<u>9,072</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(416)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>8,656</u>

	At 1 August 2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Specific donors fund	7,207	–	–	(7,207)	–
Youth Section fund	2,162	–	–	–	2,162
Avalanche Kit	–	60	(508)	448	–
Base Security	–	–	–	1,410	1,410
Scotto Trust	–	–	–	4,500	4,500
Search Computers	–	–	–	1,000	1,000
	<u>9,369</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>(508)</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>9,072</u>

The Vehicle Replacement fund contains funds that have been earmarked for the purpose of replacing team vehicles as they age.

The Contingency fund is money that has been set aside to cover any working capital requirements in the event of a fall in income or unexpected expenditure, for example the loss of a vehicle through accident or theft or fire at one of our bases.

The Specific Team Areas funds include areas of team activities both operational and training e.g. Crag, Water, Comms, Dogs etc.

The Youth Section fund represents money that was specifically donated to run the youth section of the team. We no longer have a youth section but the fund will remain until a decision is made as to whether restarting the youth section is viable. This remains a restricted fund.

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Notes to the Accounts *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

20. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	70,226	–	70,226
Current assets	211,590	8,656	220,246
Creditors less than 1 year	(2,103)	–	(2,103)
Net assets	<u>279,713</u>	<u>8,656</u>	<u>288,369</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	89,177	–	89,177
Current assets	194,734	9,072	203,806
Creditors less than 1 year	(416)	–	(416)
Net assets	<u>283,495</u>	<u>9,072</u>	<u>292,567</u>

21. Related Parties

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the current or previous year.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Management Information

Year Ended 31 July 2021

The Following Pages Do Not Form Part of the Accounts.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 July 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	26,714	24,595
Collection boxes	716	622
Street collections	–	2,885
Gift aid income	5,443	1,982
Vehicle fuel donation	1,875	1,125
Teesdale and Weardale Stone	965	35
Legacies	–	58,449
	<u>35,713</u>	<u>89,693</u>
Charitable activities		
Communications income	638	1,396
Income from medical cover	1,000	330
Training income	–	510
	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,236</u>
Other trading activities		
Associate member subscriptions	210	210
Fundraising income	11,898	10,172
	<u>12,108</u>	<u>10,382</u>
Investment income		
Bank interest receivable	278	221
Other income		
Other income	–	115
Sale of equipment	2,028	–
	<u>2,028</u>	<u>115</u>
Total income	<u>51,765</u>	<u>102,647</u>

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Expenditure		
Costs of other trading activities		
Fundraising costs	1,725	288
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Insurance	2,162	3,827
Premises costs	81	745
Vehicle expenses	5,676	5,932
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	1,514	2,267
Communications	2,392	5,060
Depreciation	21,050	20,750
Equipment purchases	17,870	15,547
Training	2,997	7,209
Other costs	496	2,273
	<u>54,238</u>	<u>63,610</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total expenditure	55,963	63,898
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net (expenditure)/income	(4,198)	38,749
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Charity Registration Number: 508877

**Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue
Team**

Accounts

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Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

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Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report

Year Ended 31 July 2021

The trustees present their report and the unaudited accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Objectives and Activities

The charity's objects are to provide a mountain search and rescue service for the whole of County Durham, from the highest fells in the West to the Coastal Communities of the North Sea. The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are to respond to requests by the police to a range of incident types, from injured or lost people in the hills to vulnerable missing people in urban settings, and there has been no change in these during the year.

The charity operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and Performance

A detailed review of the activities, achievements & performance is filed with the financial statements and is available from www.charitycommission.gov.uk.

Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to at least three months' expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team
Charity registration number 508877
Principal office The Chris Scott Mountain Search & Rescue Centre
Lanchester Road
Durham
County Durham
DH1 5RA

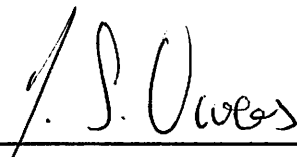
The Trustees

Mr J S Owers
Mr D W Toward
Dr J Little
Mr P Bell
Mr S Bissett (Resigned 4 November 2021)
Mr E Gilhooley
Mr D Lee
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Mr J Chilcott
Mr P Morrison (Resigned 4 November 2021)
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Independent Examiner Lisa Hutchinson FMAAT
5 Coronation Terrace
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The trustees' annual report was approved on ...02/02/22... and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mr J S Owers
Trustee



Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Year Ended 31 July 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team ('the charity') for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.



Lisa Hutchinson FMAAT
Independent Examiner

5 Coronation Terrace
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Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 July 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	35,713	–	35,713	89,693
Charitable activities	5	1,638	–	1,638	2,236
Other trading activities	6	12,108	–	12,108	10,382
Investment income	7	278	–	278	221
Other income	8	2,028	–	2,028	115
Total income		<u>51,765</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>51,765</u>	<u>102,647</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of other trading activities	9	1,725	–	1,725	288
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	53,822	416	54,238	63,610
Total expenditure		<u>55,547</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>55,963</u>	<u>63,898</u>
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds					
		<u>(3,782)</u>	<u>(416)</u>	<u>(4,198)</u>	<u>38,749</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		283,495	9,072	292,567	253,818
Total funds carried forward		<u>279,713</u>	<u>8,656</u>	<u>288,369</u>	<u>292,567</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 15 form part of these accounts.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Statement of Financial Position

31 July 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible fixed assets	16	70,226	89,177
Current Assets			
Debtors	17	8,200	8,053
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>212,046</u>	<u>195,753</u>
		220,246	203,806
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>2,103</u>	<u>416</u>
Net Current Assets		218,143	203,390
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		<u>288,369</u>	<u>292,567</u>
Funds of the Charity			
Restricted funds		8,656	9,072
Unrestricted funds		<u>279,713</u>	<u>283,495</u>
Total charity funds	19	<u>288,369</u>	<u>292,567</u>

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 02/02/22 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr J S Owers
Trustee



Mr D Lee
Trustee



The notes on pages 6 to 15 form part of these accounts.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Accounts

Year Ended 31 July 2021

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is The Chris Scott Mountain Search & Rescue Centre, Lanchester Road, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5RA.

2. Statement of Compliance

These accounts have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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 (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Accounts *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

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Teesdale and Weardale Search and Mountain Rescue Team

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Year Ended 31 July 2021

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Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

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3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations				
Donations	26,714	26,714	24,595	24,595
Collection boxes	716	716	622	622
Street collections	–	–	2,885	2,885
Gift aid income	5,443	5,443	1,982	1,982
Vehicle fuel donation	1,875	1,875	1,125	1,125
Teesdale and Weardale Stone	965	965	35	35
Legacies				
Legacies	–	–	58,449	58,449
	<u>35,713</u>	<u>35,713</u>	<u>89,693</u>	<u>89,693</u>

5. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Communications income	638	638	1,396	1,396
Income from medical cover	1,000	1,000	330	330
Training income	–	–	510	510
	<u>1,638</u>	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,236</u>	<u>2,236</u>

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6. Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Associate member subscriptions	210	–	210
Fundraising income	11,898	–	11,898
	<u>12,108</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>12,108</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Associate member subscriptions	210	–	210
Fundraising income	10,112	60	10,172
	<u>10,322</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>10,382</u>

7. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Bank interest receivable	278	278	221	221
	<u>278</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>221</u>	<u>221</u>

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Other income	–	–	115	115
Sale of equipment	2,028	2,028	–	–
	<u>2,028</u>	<u>2,028</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>115</u>

9. Costs of Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Fundraising costs	1,725	1,725	288	288
	<u>1,725</u>	<u>1,725</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>288</u>

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10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Costs of charitable activities (see page 18)	<u>53,822</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>54,238</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Costs of charitable activities (see page 18)	<u>63,102</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>63,610</u>

11. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Total funds 2021 £	Total fund 2020 £
Costs of charitable activities (see page 18)	<u>54,238</u>	<u>54,238</u>	<u>63,610</u>

12. Net (Expenditure)/Income

Net (expenditure)/income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>21,050</u>	<u>20,750</u>

13. Independent Examination Fees

	2021 £	2020 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the accounts	<u>—</u>	<u>200</u>

14. Staff Costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2020: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2020: Nil).

15. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the current or previous year.

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16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 August 2020	19,024	167,872	186,896
Additions	<u>2,099</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,099</u>
At 31 July 2021	<u>21,123</u>	<u>167,872</u>	<u>188,995</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 August 2020	18,468	79,251	97,719
Charge for the year	<u>398</u>	<u>20,652</u>	<u>21,050</u>
At 31 July 2021	<u>18,866</u>	<u>99,903</u>	<u>118,769</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 July 2021	<u>2,257</u>	<u>67,969</u>	<u>70,226</u>
At 31 July 2020	<u>556</u>	<u>88,621</u>	<u>89,177</u>

17. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments	1,654	1,633
Gift aid recoverable	1,808	1,792
VAT debtor	4,363	4,488
Other debtors	<u>375</u>	<u>140</u>
	<u>8,200</u>	<u>8,053</u>

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	<u>2,103</u>	<u>416</u>

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19. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 August 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	50,959	48,153	(12,069)	(24,599)	62,444
Fixed assets	89,177	–	(21,050)	2,099	70,226
Vehicle replacement fund	7,681	–	–	28,495	36,176
Contingency fund	26,000	–	–	–	26,000
Specific team areas	21,494	3,612	(13,059)	17,500	29,547
Audrey Jones legacy	29,735	–	(9,369)	(8,883)	11,483
Pam Wright legacy	58,449	–	–	(14,612)	43,837
	<u>283,495</u>	<u>51,765</u>	<u>(55,547)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>279,713</u>

	At 1 August 2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	50,043	41,141	(14,374)	(25,851)	50,959
Fixed assets	109,273	–	(20,750)	654	89,177
Vehicle replacement fund	2,681	–	–	5,000	7,681
Contingency fund	26,000	–	–	–	26,000
Specific team areas	20,918	2,997	(22,467)	20,046	21,494
Audrey Jones legacy	35,534	–	(5,799)	–	29,735
Pam Wright legacy	–	58,449	–	–	58,449
	<u>244,449</u>	<u>102,587</u>	<u>(63,390)</u>	<u>(151)</u>	<u>283,495</u>

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19. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 August 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Youth Section fund	2,162	–	–	–	2,162
Base Security	1,410	–	–	–	1,410
Scotto Trust	4,500	–	–	–	4,500
Search Computers	1,000	–	(416)	–	584
	<u>9,072</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(416)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>8,656</u>

	At 1 August 2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 July 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Specific donors fund	7,207	–	–	(7,207)	–
Youth Section fund	2,162	–	–	–	2,162
Avalanche Kit	–	60	(508)	448	–
Base Security	–	–	–	1,410	1,410
Scotto Trust	–	–	–	4,500	4,500
Search Computers	–	–	–	1,000	1,000
	<u>9,369</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>(508)</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>9,072</u>

The Vehicle Replacement fund contains funds that have been earmarked for the purpose of replacing team vehicles as they age.

The Contingency fund is money that has been set aside to cover any working capital requirements in the event of a fall in income or unexpected expenditure, for example the loss of a vehicle through accident or theft or fire at one of our bases.

The Specific Team Areas funds include areas of team activities both operational and training e.g. Crag, Water, Comms, Dogs etc.

The Youth Section fund represents money that was specifically donated to run the youth section of the team. We no longer have a youth section but the fund will remain until a decision is made as to whether restarting the youth section is viable. This remains a restricted fund.

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20. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	70,226	–	70,226
Current assets	211,590	8,656	220,246
Creditors less than 1 year	(2,103)	–	(2,103)
Net assets	279,713	8,656	288,369

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	89,177	–	89,177
Current assets	194,734	9,072	203,806
Creditors less than 1 year	(416)	–	(416)
Net assets	283,495	9,072	292,567

21. Related Parties

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the current or previous year.

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Management Information

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The Following Pages Do Not Form Part of the Accounts.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 July 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	26,714	24,595
Collection boxes	716	622
Street collections	–	2,885
Gift aid income	5,443	1,982
Vehicle fuel donation	1,875	1,125
Teesdale and Weardale Stone	965	35
Legacies	–	58,449
	<u>35,713</u>	<u>89,693</u>
Charitable activities		
Communications income	638	1,396
Income from medical cover	1,000	330
Training income	–	510
	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,236</u>
Other trading activities		
Associate member subscriptions	210	210
Fundraising income	11,898	10,172
	<u>12,108</u>	<u>10,382</u>
Investment income		
Bank interest receivable	278	221
Other income		
Other income	–	115
Sale of equipment	2,028	–
	<u>2,028</u>	<u>115</u>
Total income	<u>51,765</u>	<u>102,647</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 July 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Expenditure		
Costs of other trading activities		
Fundraising costs	1,725	288
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Expenditure on charitable activities		
Insurance	2,162	3,827
Premises costs	81	745
Vehicle expenses	5,676	5,932
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	1,514	2,267
Communications	2,392	5,060
Depreciation	21,050	20,750
Equipment purchases	17,870	15,547
Training	2,997	7,209
Other costs	496	2,273
	<u>54,238</u>	<u>63,610</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total expenditure	55,963	63,898
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net (expenditure)/income	(4,198)	38,749
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