

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Period 22 August 2018 to 31 March 2019
for
Saints Sled Dog Rescue

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 22 August 2018 to 31 March 2019. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1179637

Principal address

41 Borthwick Park
Orton Wistow
Peterborough
Cambridgeshire
PE2 6YY

Trustees

Ms H Saville	- appointed 22.8.19
Mrs C Guscott	- appointed 22.8.18
S Murdy	- appointed 22.8.18
E German	- appointed 22.8.18
M Bateman	- appointed 22.8.18
Y Truckle	- appointed 22.8.18

Independent examiner

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document, objectives and activities

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The Charity is an unincorporated association which is controlled by its governing document. The association became a registered charity from 22 August 2018.

The objectives of the Charity are:

To promote humane behaviour towards animals, in particular Siberian Huskies and Alaskan Malamutes by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for such dogs which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage and to education the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the welfare of Siberian Huskies and Alaskan Malamutes in particular, and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among such animals.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

New Trustees are invited to join the Board, usually from existing volunteers. The Charity is looking to recruit from outside of the existing volunteers network to bring in additional expertise (such as legal and financial).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are currently given verbal training by existing Trustees and urged to review their responsibilities using online resources. The Board are considering producing a document that can be given to new Trustees.

Organisational structure

The Board is made-up of 6 individuals who are responsible for the day to day management of the Charity. They are in contact daily and will meet 4 times a year (including the AGM). To carry out the Charity's objectives the UK has been split into 18 areas and the Republic of Ireland is currently treated as one area. These areas are currently managed by volunteer Area Co-ordinators. Area Co-ordinators have the following responsibilities:

- Liaise with Trustees on a daily basis.
- Assess dogs to be rescued.
- Organise adoptions or foster homes for dogs.
- Carry out home checks for potential adoptors or fosterers.
- Promote the Charity in their area.
- Carry out education in their area.

As the Charity grows the intention is to increase the number of Area Co-ordinators. The Charity currently has no paid employees but the Trustees recognise that an employed administrator may be required in the future.

Related parties

The Charity operates with the assistance of its sister Charity, Saints Sled Dog Rescue (SC044070). This is a Charity registered in Scotland.

The Charity is always open to developing new relationships with other entities to help achieve the objects of the Charity.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the Charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurances against fraud and error. The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the Charity has an appropriate system of controls both in terms of health and safety, public liability, other operational areas and for taking suitable steps for safeguarding the assets of the Charity. Trustees are aware that systems of control can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss. The Trustees have examined the principal areas of the Charity's operations and considered the major risks in each of the areas.

The main risks identified are:

- 1) Reputational - maintaining high standards at all times and transparency for all interested parties.
- 2) Financial - ensure sufficient funds are available for the Charity to continue operations.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty to have due regard for general guidance on public benefit. During the year 71 dogs have been rehomed. Trustees have attended dog shows during the year to promote the Charity and educate individuals on the breed. The Charity has an educational DVD which is shown at all events and is now included on the website. The Trustees still aim to visit as many schools as possible. There are also plans to produce a regular magazine.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

The Charity is currently run solely by volunteers. It is estimated that there are in excess of 100 in the UK and Republic of Ireland. The Trustees would like to thank these individuals for their very important contribution during the year.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the Charity has achieved the following:

Consolidated its income sources to improve total income streams.

Attended schools to educate on the breed and owning a dog.

Consolidated plans in relation to fund raising towards a safe kennel environment.

Developed plans relating to a regular magazine.

Finally, the Trustees wanted to note that unfortunately the accounts were filed late for this year. This is the result of a clerical error on the side of the Charities Commission.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

During the year it has been the intention that all funds generated are expended in accordance with the objectives of the Charity. However, the Charity aims to build up the equivalent of 3 months operating costs into reserves. This would act as a buffer if there was a drop in income or allow the orderly winding down of the Charity if required.

Principal funding sources

The principal funding sources are general donations, sponsorship of specific dogs in care, donations received from adoptors when the dogs are rehomed, income generated from fundraising events and income generated from the sale of merchandise.

Longer term the Charity would like to obtain grant funding for specific projects and establish a relationship with longer term sponsors.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Over the next 12 months the Charity plans to do the following:

Start fundraising for the £100,000 target for the kennels.

Increase the sale of Charity merchandise as a source of income.

Continue to develop the idea of the production of a regular magazine or news letter as a way of communicating with stakeholders.

Investigate the potential of the production of a doggy recipe book which can be sold to raise funds.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24 July 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Ms H Saville - Trustee

I report on the accounts for the period 22 August 2018 to 31 March 2019, which are set out on pages five to eight.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I have examined your charity's accounts as required under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. that the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
4. that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

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24 July 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
Voluntary income		31,543
Activities for generating funds	2	11,151
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Adoption		13,495
Total incoming resources		56,189
 RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Costs of generating funds		
Costs of generating voluntary income	3	27,129
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other costs		3,329
Charitable activities		
Adoption		27,270
Governance costs		480
Total resources expended		58,208
 NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(2,019)
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		(2,019)

The notes form part of these financial statements

Saints Sled Dog Rescue

Balance Sheet

At 31 March 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Stocks	5	360
Debtors	6	2,430
Cash at bank		1,981
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		4,771
 CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(6,790)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<hr/> (2,019) <hr/>
 TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		 (2,019)
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NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<hr/> (2,019) <hr/>
 FUNDS	8	
Unrestricted funds		(2,019)
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TOTAL FUNDS		<hr/> (2,019) <hr/>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 24 July 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:

Ms H Saville -Trustee

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Stocks

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

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	£
Fundraising events	4,938
Merchandise sales	6,213
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	11,151
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3. COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY INCOME

	£
Sundries	178
Support costs	26,951
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	27,129
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4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 31 March 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 31 March 2019.

5. STOCKS

	£
Stocks	360
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6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£
Trade debtors	2,430
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£
Trade creditors	6,214
Other creditors	576
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	<u>6,790</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.19 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	(2,019)	(2,019)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(2,019)</u>	<u>(2,019)</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	56,189	(58,208)	(2,019)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>56,189</u>	<u>(58,208)</u>	<u>(2,019)</u>

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Merchandise purchases	3,329
Charitable activities	
Vet and medical	27,270
Governance costs	
Accountancy	480
Support costs	
Management	
Rates and water	26,951
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Total resources expended	58,208
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Net expenditure	<u><u>(2,019)</u></u>