



Trustees' annual report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	22	02	2019	To	31	03	2020

Reference and administration details

Charity name Helen Atkin Group Riding for the Disabled

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1182183

Charity's principal address Churchdale Hall
Ashford in the Water nr Bakewell
Derbyshire
DE45 1NX

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)
Wendy Howe	Chair		
Patricia Atkin	Treasurer		
Janine Frost	Group Secretary		
Janette Sykes			
Janis Abbotts			
Julie Andrew			
Richard Davies			
Pam Prior			

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 advisors (Optional information)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Accountant	Michael Percival	Lomas & Co 28A Hardwick St Buxton SK17 6DH

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

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Structure, governance and management**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document	Constitution adopted 22/2/19
How the charity is constituted	Charitable Incorporated Association
Trustee selection method	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in February

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

The Helen Atkin Riding for the Disabled Group is open to children and adults with physical and learning disabilities and autism residing in the High Peak locality.

Our group is part of the national Riding for the Disabled Association

The Group carries full Insurance and a combined liability policy as required by the Riding for the Disabled Association

The trustees oversee the day to day running of the group and seek the views of members, the Coaches and volunteers in deciding the activities to be run.

There are child and vulnerable adult safeguarding policies, a risk assessment for the venue, a Health and Safety policy, a GDPR policy and equine welfare policy in place.

Incident/accident procedures are in place

Fire procedures are in place

References and Disclosure barring checks are carried out prior to commencement of trusteeship and for all volunteers and checks are carried out again in line with statutory requirements.

Our group is partnered with Fern Farm Riding School with whom we jointly undertake the riding activity programme and from whom we rent equines for our RDA activities.

Our coaches complete RDA managed reviews yearly.

Our coaches and some trustees have regular Safeguarding training

Coaches have First Aid training and there is appropriate first aid equipment in place.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote the objects of the national Riding for the Disabled Association a umbrella charity registered under charity number 244108 by providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride and/or carriage drive to benefit their health and wellbeing in the High Peak and North Derbyshire Area

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

The main activities are as follows:

Providing riding therapy

Enabling riders to take part in Regional and National Riding competitions

Riding benefits disabled people by delivering physical and mental benefits develops self-confidence and improves communication and social skills, . We welcome all disabled people regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are grateful for the many hours our volunteers and coaches have spent encouraging and working with our riders.

Without this valuable contribution of time, energy, and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much.

We are also very grateful to Dave and Louise Thompson, without their boundless enthusiasm and hard work we would be unable to function.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year.

Fundraising

We have amongst other things raised funds by:
Holding a barn dance for RDA riders volunteers and the wider community in Buxton
Selling tea coffee and cakes at an open garden in Buxton
Organising a book and cake stall on Bakewell Market
Organising a toy and games stall at the Dickensian Market in Buxton
Hosting a western riding display at the Riding School
Running an online crowdfunder

All of the above have helped raise our fundraising profile in the Buxton and High Peak area.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Cash at bank at 31/3/20 £49,615 .
The main financial risk to the charity is loss of funding and reduced donations. The impact of Covid has seen all riding and most fundraising cease
The funds are held mainly to cover the building of an indoor arena (we shall need to raise circa £140,000) and future operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

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.

Our main source of funds this year has been grants, donations and riding fees.

Our expenditure has been used to pay horse hire fees, specialist safety equipment

Training for coaches and trustees

Transport and entry fees for competitions

Other optional information

Future Plans

The coming year will hopefully see a return to riding and the completion of our indoor arena.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Wendy Howe	Janine Frost
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair etc)	Chair	Group Secretary
Date		

Registered Charity number 1182183
(previously 1074129)

HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
(a Charitable Incorporated Organisation incorporated on 22 February 2019)

ACCOUNTS

for the period
22 February 2019 to
31 March 2020

HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
(Registered Charity Number 1182183)

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31 March 2020

	<u>31 March 2020</u>		<u>21 February 2019</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>				
Building	443		401	
Equipment	683		699	
Tack	557		597	
		1,683		1,697
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Debtors and prepaid expenses	72		1,938	
Bank and cash balances	49,615		17,501	
		49,687		19,439
		51,370		21,136
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Creditors and accrued expenses		2,224		55
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		49,146		21,081

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 January 2021.

Mrs W A Howe (Chair)

Mrs P W Atkin (Treasurer)

HELEN ATKIN GROUP
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
for the period 22 February 2019 to 31 March 2020

	<u>Period 22 February 2019</u> <u>to 31 March 2020</u>		<u>Period 1 April 2018</u> <u>to 21 February 2019</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>				
General donations		36,041		4,002
Riding donations and fees		5,975		2,452
Barn dance		1,227		-
Other fund-raising efforts		319		820
Building Society interest		24		14
		43,586		7,288
<u>PAYMENTS</u>				
Riding fees	7,578		7,112	
Travelling expenses	1,270		-	
Insurance	526		514	
Repairs and maintenance	34		45	
Expenses of barn dance	732		-	
Expenses of other fundraising efforts	46		9	
Postages, stationery and advertising	303		53	
Subscription	240		236	
Training courses	178		94	
Competition entry fees and expenses	96		100	
Expenses of meetings	69		87	
Christmas lunch (drinks and guests' meals)	-		55	
Clothing for helpers	-		276	
Disclosure and Barring Service checks	138		56	
Miscellaneous expenses	36		14	
Expenditure on building	42		401	
Expenditure on equipment	116		-	
Purchase of tack	68		126	
		11,472		9,178
<u>NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS) FOR THE PERIOD</u>		32,114		(1,890)
Bank and cash balances at beginning of period		17,501		19,391
Bank and cash balances at end of period		49,615		17,501

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SCHEDULE RELATING TO THE ACCOUNTS
for the period 22 February 2019 to 31 March 2020

<u>BANK AND CASH BALANCES</u>		<u>31 March 2020</u>	<u>21 February 2019</u>
		£	£
Nationwide Building Society account		31,306	15,569
Bank current account		18,309	1,932
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		49,615	17,501
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<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Tack</u>
	£	£	£
Net book value at beginning of period	401	699	597
Additions	42	116	68
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	443	815	665
Depreciation for period	-	132	108
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Net book value at end of period	443	683	557
Accumulated depreciation	-	5,111	1,152
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Cost/estimated market value at date introduced	443	5,794	1,709
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Additions:	£	£	£
Covered equestrian arena – phase 2	22.11.2019	42	
5 equestrian bibs	9.9.2019	45	
Swan catering urn	29.9.2019	71	
3 Horka horse riding helmets	9.9.2019		68
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
(Registered Charity Number 1182183)
for the period 22 February 2019 to 31 March 2020

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period 22 February 2019 to 31 March 2020 as set out on pages 1 to 3.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (a) accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- (b) the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michael E Percival FCA

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29 January 2021