

## Knaresborough Lions Club Report 2019/20

As Lion Jon Smithells took over the chain in July 2019, who could have foreseen what a Lionsitic year of two halves 2019/20 would be?

The club's first big event of the new year was the annual beer festival as part of FEVA. Once again, the event was held at the end of the festival to coincide with Party in the Park. Sales were strong again, with income just under £8,000. While this was slightly down on the previous year, lower costs due to high levels of sponsorship of barrels due to sterling work in particular from Lion Tony Pedel meant that profit was up by almost £1,000.

Autumn can be a quieter period traditionally for the club but is used to start planning for the following year's bed race, as well as Christmas activities. And in 2019, the club was given a big opportunity to host a mulled wine stall at Harrogate Christmas market. The event draws crowds in their tens of thousands with coaches arriving from across the country, so with planning led by Lion Richard Hall, teams to cover every shift were assembled including help from other local organisations such as the WI. The event proved to be a real money-spinner and profits were shared pro rata between the club and those organisations who helped.

In Knaresborough, the club was represented at Bright Friday and the Christmas market, with an appearance from Santa's sleigh and mulled wine sold. The sleigh also toured the streets of the town most evenings in December. Across all Christmas events, over £25,000 was raised with almost £13,000 boosting the club's bank account following deductions.

The New Year saw the opening of bed race entries with January also hosting Lion Jon's charter dinner at the Dower House. A good turnout of Lions and local dignitaries had a very enjoyable Sunday evening of good food and good conversation. However, as bed race entries closed at the end of February, the impact of coronavirus was starting to show well beyond China from where it had originated. While the draw for bed race was made, the country entered lockdown in March and it was clear that it would be unfeasible to host the event, given the impact of the virus across the UK. Club meetings moved online and members became adept at logging onto Zoom every fortnight, to take a peek at everyone's living room and discuss club business. It was a quiet period though, for with the country effectively shut down, not a single donation was made between March and May.

In order to keep the spirit of bed race alive, a virtual event was hosted online. Digital is not everyone's cup of tea, but a smaller number of club members including Lions Kevin Lloyd, Martin Brock, Amanda George and Tony Pedel were able to put on an event on the day, with several hours of music, a scavenger hunt, a club-music fitness event and a video of the route onto which videos submitted by teams and individuals were super-imposed by SIRA Studios to simulate the race online, culminating in a dramatic crossing of a goldfish pond by a toy bed. A virtual balloon race was held, and t-shirts were sold to raise money and commemorate the lockdown event. The physical bed race was sorely missed but positive feedback came from many quarters from those who viewed videos and took part.

Overall income for the club was understandably down across the year due to the cancellation of bed race. Full accounts and a record of donations are provided separately to this report. It is important to note that figures include over £18,000 of ring-fenced bed race money to cover sponsorship and a few team entries which were unable to be refunded.

Prepared by Martin Brock, Chair of Trustees, June 2021

Knaresborough Lions Club  
Receipts and Payments Account  
Year ended 30 June 2020

Income	2019/20			2018/19			2017/18		
	Admin	Charity	Total	Admin	Charity	Total	Admin	Charity	Total
Christmas Markets & Bright Friday	0.00	20844.77	20844.77	0.00	7835.31	7835.31	0.00	8094.93	8094.93
Bed Race	0.00	21169.93	21169.93	0.00	47290.36	47290.36	0.00	57076.03	57076.03
Beer Festival	0.00	7895.58	7895.58	0.00	9085.45	9085.45	0.00	7008.90	7008.90
HYIF	0.00		0	0.00	1500.00	1500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sleigh Runs	0.00	4366.90	4366.90	0.00	5088.69	5088.69	0.00	4609.22	4609.22
District Refund	560.00	226.48	786.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2416.74	2416.74
Bank Interest	0.00	66.31	66.31	0.00	65.80	65.80	0.00	17.83	17.83
Random Donations	38.00	2074.00	2112.00	0.00	1492.08	1492.08	0.00	887.5	887.50
Member Subs* / Activities inc. EasyFundraising [£50* previously Cash in Hand now banked]	2431.76	0.00	2431.76	2097.33	0.00	2097.33	3423.59	0.00	3423.59
	3029.76	56643.97	59673.73	2097.33	72357.69	74455.02	3423.59	80111.15	83534.74
<b>Expenditure</b>									
Christmas Markets/Bright Friday		11664.31	11664.31	0.00	4821.29	4821.29	0.00	4618.34	4618.34
Bed Race		14416.39	14416.39	0.00	33726.50	33726.50	0.00	27444.72	27444.72
Beer Festival		4063.67	4063.67	0.00	6244.03	6244.03	0.00	4347.85	4347.85
Sleigh Runs		610.70	610.70	0.00	449.91	449.91	0.00	881.10	881.10
Equipment		3009.52	3009.52	0.00	3528.59	3528.59	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment Engraving			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.00	0.00	11.00
Insurance	18.40	55.61	74.01	0.00	123.85	123.85	120.65	0.00	120.65
MD Youth Dues			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	165.00	165.00
Donations		27406.99	27406.99	0.00	41874.84	41874.84	0.00	25762.73	25762.73
International Dues	1050.06		1050.06	1169.82	0.00	1169.82	1141.49	0.00	1141.49
MD Dues	867.99		867.99	983.25	0.00	983.25	1011.75	0.00	1011.75
District Dues	267.75		267.75	245.00	0.00	245.00	245.00	0.00	245.00
Store / relocation		759.92	759.92	44.25	0.00	44.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cost of Socials			0.00	40.00	0.00	40.00	630.00	0.00	630.00
Club Supplies			0.00	246.07	0.00	246.07	311.50	0.00	311.50
Admin Expenses / website	113.49	197.65	311.14	309.91	0.00	309.91	56.37	0.00	56.37
			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Presidents Allowance	131.85		131.85	245.00	0.00	245.00	248.10	0.00	248.10
	2449.54	62184.76	64634.30	3283.30	90769.01	94052.31	3775.86	63219.74	66995.60
Excess of Income over Expenditure	580.22	-5540.79	-4960.57	-1185.97	-18411.32	-19597.29	-352.27	16891.41	16539.14
Balancing Allowance [Stocks written off]		-769	-769						
Total of Income less Expenditure	580.22	-6309.79	-5729.57						
<b>Stocks</b>									
Regalia ((WDV)		0.00	0.00	0.00	110	110		110.00	110.00
Equipment (WDV)		0.00	0.00	0.00	599	599		599.00	599.00
Trail Booklets (Est)		0.00	0.00	0.00	60	60		60.00	60.00
Depreciation									
Total		0.00	0.00	0.00	769	769		769.00	769.00
Cash at Bank Admin	1448.96	0.00	1448.96	818.74	0.00	818.74	2043.93	0.00	2043.93
Cash in hand Admin	0.00	0.00	0	50.00	0.00	50.00	10.78	0.00	10.78
Charities Current Account 30th June 2020		17363.27	17363.27	0.00	21279.77	21279.77		6131.49	6131.49
Less uncleared / ringfenced monies		-18650.00	-18650.00	0.00	-3309.40	-3309.40		-1684.00	-1684.00
Charities Current Account Closing Balance		-1286.73	-1286.73	0.00	17970.37	17970.37		4447.49	4447.49
Charities Reserve Account		35175.33	35175.33	0.00	40109.02	40109.02	2054.71	72043.22	74097.93
		0	0					0	0
	1448.96	33888.60	35337.56	868.74	58079.39	58948.13	2054.71	76490.71	78545.42
Total Assets	1448.96	52538.60	53987.56	868.74	58848.39	59717.13	2054.71	77259.71	79314.42
<b>Financed by</b>									
Funds B/FWD	868.74	58848.39	59717.13	2054.71	77259.71	79314.42	2406.98	60368.30	62775.28
Surplus for the year	580.22	-6309.79	-5729.57	-1185.97	-18411.32	-19597.29	-352.27	16891.41	16539.14
Total Funds [in bank]	1448.96	52538.60	53987.56	868.74	58848.39	59717.13	2054.71	77259.71	79314.42

I have examined the above Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2020 and believe the same to be in accordance with the books, information and explanations received.

John Tonkinson

Date

Note 1. EasyFundraising [Admin] stands at £18.85 - not in bank  
 Note 2. PayPal [Charity] stands at £373.80 not in bank  
 Note 3. Stocks & Regalia written off at £769  
 Note 4. £18650 ringfenced for Bed Race 2021  
 Note 5. Admin 'random donation' since transferred to Charity  
 Note 6. Event profit N/A for Bed Race as mix of 2019 and 2020 data