

West of England Bandsmen's Festival

Unaudited Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 August 2023

Registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation No. 1192477

West of England Bandsmen's Festival

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General Information

For the Year Ended 31 August 2023

Officers and Trustees: Chairman – G P Richards
Secretary – I Powell
Treasurer – Miss E Husband
Promoter – A Teague

Principal Address: 6 Ropehaven Close
St Austell
Cornwall
PL25 4DZ

Independent Examiner: D A Stevens

Solicitors: Stephens Scown
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Cornwall
PL25 4AB

Bankers: Barclays Bank PLC

West of England Bandsmen's Festival

Report of the Trustees For the Year Ended 31 August 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Review of the Activities of the Charity

On 17 June 2023 the West of England Bandsmen's Festival held their annual brass band contest which saw an increase in band entries on the previous year. The event was a success and it was encouraging to see that players were returning to banding now that covid-19 restrictions have been lifted. It was also very pleasing to have more entries in the lower sections of the contest giving players the platform to perform, improve their skills and build relationships with other players and bands. To mark the historical occasion of the Coronation of King Charles III, commemorative plaques were given out to the conductors of each band, as was done in 1953 following the Coronation of the late Queen Elizabeth II. These were beautifully made by a local firm in Bugle and very well received by their recipients.

2023 also saw the inaugural award of the Jane Family Cup and the Lang Bennetts Cup to members of the banding community who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes of their local bands in supporting and administrative roles. These were awarded in remembrance of our former Treasurer Mr David Jane, who unexpectedly passed away in September 2022, to acknowledge his lifelong dedication to the banding community and the contribution he made to both this committee and his own beloved Bugle Silver Band.

Income Accumulation Account

The deficit for the year to 31 August 2023 of £1,219 was deducted from the Income Accumulation Account.

Trustees:

G Richards

G Richards
PP

I Powell

I Powell

Miss E Husband

E Husband

A Teague

A Teague

Dated: 04/10/2023

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Independent Examiner's Report to the

Trustees' of West of England Bandsmen's Festival

I report on the financial statements of the trust for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 4 and 5.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the trustees and comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the prepared accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



D A Stevens
Independent Examiner

Dated: 02.10.2023

West of England Bandsmen's Festival
Balance Sheet
As at 31 August 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Plant, Equipment and Trophies				
As at 1 September 2022	44,516		45,960	
Earlier year adjustment	(1,440)			
Additions in the year	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
	43,076		45,960	
Less Depreciation	<u>1,228</u>		<u>1,444</u>	
		41,848		44,516
Current Assets				
Stock	218		218	
Debtors and prepayments	1,060		-	
Investment account	33,825		32,790	
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>10,167</u>		<u>11,271</u>	
		45,270		44,279
		87,118		88,795
Current Liabilities				
Creditors		<u>(1,082)</u>		<u>(100)</u>
Total Net Assets		<u>£86,036</u>		<u>£88,695</u>
Represented by :-				
Accumulated Fund				
Balance as at 1 September 2022		88,695		94,805
Earlier year adjustment re sale of mower		(1,440)		-
(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure		<u>(1,219)</u>		<u>(6,110)</u>
		<u>£86,036</u>		<u>£88,695</u>

**West of England Bandsmen's Festival
Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Friends' of the Festival	2,275		2,167	
Band entry fees	1,755		1,175	
Sponsors	4,300		3,670	
Festival takings	10,444		8,965	
Donations	721		1,020	
Investment Income	<u>1,035</u>		<u>92</u>	
		<u>20,530</u>		<u>17,089</u>
Expenditure				
Prize money	3,465		3,330	
Refreshment marquee provisions	3,281		2,999	
Programmes	785		974	
Electricity	238		30	
Business rate	69		65	
Advertising	-		110	
Marquee hire	4,224		4,080	
Insurances	1,787		1,575	
Security guards	788		672	
St John Ambulance	517		475	
Adjudicators fee and accommodation	608		615	
Percussion hire	1,080		900	
Trophies	826		175	
Skip hire	348		348	
Hire of disabled toilet	181		126	
Hire of hot cupboard	168		132	
Amplification	575		300	
Electrical repairs	-		110	
Grandstand roof testing	-		294	
Trophy storage	-		1,019	
Brass Bands England Membership	98		98	
Website	250		311	
Water heaters	-		186	
Mower running costs	-		-	
Cleaning materials	315		235	
Sum-up card reader fees	26		58	
Field groundworks	440		1,458	
Miscellaneous expenses	452		450	
Centenary books stock written off	-		630	
Depreciation	<u>1,228</u>		<u>1,444</u>	
		<u>21,749</u>		<u>23,199</u>
(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure		<u><u>£(1,219)</u></u>		<u><u>£(6,110)</u></u>