

**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE**

**Unaudited Accounts and Annual Report**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2015**

**Registered Charity Number: 1142777**



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**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE**

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**Company Registration Number**

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**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year 31 December 2015.

**Objectives and Constitution**

The charity is governed by Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 12 May 2011.

The objectives are the relief of suffering and distress of retired and unwanted greyhounds.

**Trustees**

Throughout the year ended 31 December 2015 and to the date of this report (unless otherwise stated) the following acted as Trustees and Directors.

Denise Dubarbier  
Keith Robbins  
Norah McEllstrim  
Richard Jones  
Simon Jordan  
Helen Baldwin

Trustees are appointed by the existing trustees or at the Annual General Meeting. The minimum number of trustees is 3.

**Principal Goals and Activities of Wimbledon Greyhound Welfare**

Wimbledon Greyhound Welfare exists to care for and find homes for former racing greyhounds.

Our objectives are specifically restricted to the following:

- The relief of suffering and distress of retired and unwanted greyhounds, including, but not limited to, the following:-
  - a) providing medical attention and treatment for those greyhounds that require it;

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (Cont'd)**

- b) providing sanctuary for those greyhounds with medical or behavioural issues;
- c) arranging careful and responsible re-homing of greyhounds.
- The advancement of education of the general public in matters relating to greyhounds and by this means to prevent cruelty and suffering.

In the above objectives all references to greyhounds also include other sight hounds.

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

**Review of Activities**

2015 was the fourth full year for Wimbledon Greyhound Welfare. For the 12 months ending December 2015 WGW found homes for 80 greyhounds. This is a small increase on the total for 2014.

**Fundraising and promotional activities**

In these challenging times WGW has continued to recognise the importance of maximising every opportunity to promote its work with retired greyhounds in addition to promoting itself as a local charity looking for local support. 2015 was another year when everyone has had to work extremely hard to keep WGW in the public eye and to raise the funds necessary for us to continue caring for the greyhounds in our kennels until they find a home.

WGW continued to build on the local relationships already initiated and further promote itself as a local charity to be proud of. We were fortunate enough to be invited back to the events we attended in 2014 as well as being asked to attend some new ones and to become involved in several local youth organisations. We visited the local Guide and Rainbow organisations with some of our greyhounds and they came to visit us at our kennels. The Salvation Army in Ashford invited us to give a talk at their Gentleman's Fellowship in July. These more mature members of the community thoroughly enjoyed meeting the greyhounds and were very interested in our organisation. Not to be outdone, the Ladies Fellowship in the adjoining hall insisted that we go and visit them in 2016 and that visit has already been scheduled.

In June we hosted our first family fun day at the kennels. This was a chance for local people to come and visit to see what our charity does – regardless of whether they wanted to walk a greyhound or offer one a home. We organised refreshments and stalls and activities for the children. It proved to be a very successful afternoon and a lot of interest was generated in all aspects of our work.

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### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (Cont'd)**

We were invited to attend The Painshill Park Pooch Day in July which was a fantastic way to highlight our work to a different audience and resulted in two of the dog show celebrity judges, Victoria Stilwell and Marc Abraham coming to visit our kennels to see first-hand what we do and to meet some of our greyhounds.

In an effort to home some of our longer-staying greyhounds; those with a strong chase instinct, needing a home with an experienced greyhound owner, or just middle-aged, we ran several promotions via our website, our Facebook page and at our kennels to highlight the fact that given the chance these greyhounds would make lovely family pets. This proved to be very successful and resulted in several of them being offered homes after being overlooked for some or all of the above reasons. This positive result was shared by all our volunteers and supporters, many of whom had got to know these dogs well during the course of their stay with us and emphasised to them our promise never to put a healthy greyhound to sleep however long it may take to find them a home. Our supporters appreciate our honesty and it is really important that they witness what we put on paper in action.

Many of our initiatives will be carried forward into 2016 and we shall continue to explore new ideas and improve on those that we know to be effective. As a charity we very much believe in the bigger picture – that is investing in people, planting that seed of interest and thereby ensuring that WGW will continue to thrive in years to come.

#### **Finance and reserves**

The fourth full year as an independent charity has been successful with a closing balance of reserves of £231,000. The charity has a policy of maintaining 6 months costs in reserves. This totals approximately £115,000. The balance carried forward will allow discretionary spending on facilities for the kennels on due course, as well as assisting us in our long term goal of owning a kennel site outright.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have considered the guidance provided by the Charity Commission in relation to public benefit and the activities of the charity.

#### **Summary**

The fourth full year of operation as an independent charity has continued to be beneficial to the operational and financial aspects of Wimbledon Greyhound Welfare. Our supporters have continued to be incredible in their generosity in supporting our efforts and further improvements have already been made in the amenities at the kennels which will continue to provide a stable financial future.

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (Cont'd)**

Small Companies exemptions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The report was approved by the trustees on .....and signed on their behalf by:

**D Dubarbier**  
Trustee

**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE**

**Independent examiner's report**  
**to the trustees of Wimbledon Greyhound Welfare**

I report on the accounts of the company for the period ended 31 December 2015, which are set out on pages 9 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement on the next page.

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**Independent examiner's report**  
**to the trustees of Wimbledon Greyhound Welfare (Cont'd)**

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**N Robinson FCCA**

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**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE****STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

(Including the Income and Expenditure account)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2015**

	<b><u>Notes</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b> £ Total <u>Unrestricted</u>	<b><u>2014</u></b> £ Total <u>Unrestricted</u>
<b><u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u></b>			
<b>Voluntary Income</b>			
Donations		128,366	57,746
Gift aid		26,439	15,967
Fundraising		42,000	79,055
Dog sponsorship and adoptions		18,989	17,534
		<u>215,794</u>	<u>170,302</u>
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>			
Boarding		55,367	63,635
Shop Sales & Lottery		19,023	17,189
		<u>74,390</u>	<u>80,824</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		901	1,471
		<u><b>291,085</b></u>	<u><b>252,597</b></u>
<b><u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u></b>			
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>			
Shop purchases & lottery		7,708	8,223
Fundraising		1,837	19,129
Advertising		69	1,485
		<u>9,614</u>	<u>28,837</u>
<b>Charitable Expenditure</b>			
Welfare of animals		74,893	60,399
Premises costs		27,924	20,343
Staff costs	<b>6</b>	120,568	121,742
Other admin costs		3,009	3,384
		<u>226,394</u>	<u>205,868</u>
<b>Governance Costs</b>			
Independent Examiners' Fee	<b>5</b>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>2,400</u>
		<u><b>238,408</b></u>	<u><b>237,105</b></u>
<b><u>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES</u></b>			
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year</b>		52,677	15,492
Balance brought forward at 1st January 2015		178,280	162,788
		<u><b>230,957</b></u>	<u><b>178,280</b></u>
<b><u>Balances carried forward at 31st December 2015</u></b>			

**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE****BALANCE SHEET**  
**at 31st December 2015**

	<b><u>Notes</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
		<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>
<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>			
Cash and bank balances		219,462	165,086
Debtors	<b>3</b>	16,623	6,983
Stock		3,302	3,208
		<b>239,387</b>	<b>175,277</b>
<b><u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u></b>			
Creditors and accruals	<b>4</b>	<b>8,430</b>	<b>12,489</b>
<b><u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>		<b>230,957</b>	<b>162,788</b>
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>		<b>230,957</b>	<b>162,788</b>
<b><u>Represented by:</u></b>			
<b><u>FUNDS</u></b>			
<b>Unrestricted funds:</b>			
General Fund		<b>230,957</b>	<b>162,788</b>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the period ended 31st December 2015.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31st December 2015 in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

- (i) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with sections 386 and 387 Companies Act 2006; and
- (ii) Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its financial year and of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with section 394 and section 395, which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Accounts approved by the Board on 23rd June 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

**K Robbins** - Trustee

**WIMBLEDON GREYHOUND WELFARE****Notes to the Accounts****For the year ended 31 December 2015****1. Accounting Policies****General**

These accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (revised 2005), the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (Effective April 2008), and the Companies Act 2006.

**a) Incoming Resources**

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

**b) Resources Expended**

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

**c) VAT**

VAT is charged on goods and services received by the charity. This cannot be recovered and is included with the related cost in the financial statements.

**2. Transactions with trustees and connected persons**

Denise Dubarbier – trustee received remuneration totalling £12,411 (2014-£12,359). No other director/trustee received any remuneration from the company for services rendered during the year. No trustees received any expenses in the year. The trustees have received permission from the Charity Commission to employ Denise Dubarbier.

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<b>3</b>	<b><u>Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
		<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>
	Debtors	13,821	3,551
	Prepayments	2,802	2,345
		<b><u>16,623</u></b>	<b><u>5,896</u></b>

<b>4</b>	<b><u>Creditors</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
		<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>
	Social Security and other taxes	1,551	1,762
	Trade creditors and accruals	6,879	4,366
		<b><u>8,430</u></b>	<b><u>6,128</u></b>

**5 Independent Examination**

The fee payable to the independent examiner totalled £2,400

<b>6</b>	<b><u>Staff costs</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
		<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>
	Salaries	118,580	119,235
	National Insurance	1,988	2,507
		<b><u>120,568</u></b>	<b><u>121,742</u></b>

The average number of employees totalled 12 12

No employee received remuneration exceeding £60,000