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Blackpool Ice Drome Charities Association

Charity Number: 1143903

**Annual Report and Financial Statement for the Year Ending
31st March 2019**

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1. Administrative Information

BIDCA is the official charity name for Children Helping Children and is dedicated to the furtherance of ice sport and supporting Blackpool's and the Fylde's local sick, disabled or disadvantage children and has done since 1939.

The Committee includes the following full members:

Chair – Kerry Ashton

Secretary – Anna Williams

Treasurer – Wayne Ashton

Child Welfare Officer – Nicola Guerin

Committee Member – Adrian Lewin

Committee Member – Clare Davis

Committee Member – Anthony Swarbrick

Committee Member –Annette Shepard

Committee Member –Nici Smith

Committee Member –Sarah Innes

Committee Member – Lisa Caunce

2. Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of BIDCA members is set out in the 2015 Charity Constitution. All full members are encouraged to nominate themselves for election on to the committee.

The trustees have the power to act as directed in the Constitution.



All committee members must read and sign a code of conduct and a confidentiality agreement before they are able to sit on the committee. They must also sign in the minute records that they are willing to act in the trusts of the charity. Committee members will have the opportunity to discuss their role with the chair.

BIDCA has policies in place for Safeguarding. All full members and trustees undergo enhanced DBS checks on joining and every three years thereafter.

The contents and obligations of the Equality Act 2010, Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003 and GDPR 2018 are known and complied with to the best of the committee's ability.

It is considered that all trustees and any others who could be considered as having any management responsibilities in the running of BIDCA are deemed to be fit and proper persons under the terms of the Finance Act 2010.

3. Objectives and Activities

The Charity's objectives are:

- To advance the education of the general public in all aspect of ice skating;
- To provide facilities for ice skating in the interests of social welfare for children under 18 years of age through the provision of training, recreational and other leisure time occupation with the object of improving their conditions of life;
- To relieve, within the Fylde coast area of Lancashire, poverty, sickness and distress arising therefrom by the making of grants of money or monies worth to individuals under 18 years of age in conditions of need ('the beneficiaries') or organisations dealing with such beneficiaries so as to relieve such need

4. Achievements and Performances

Our main fundraising activity is performing an annual ice show. This year's show was Mary Poppins and saw 10 show performances which consisted of the charity night and 9 public performances. Over 1,350 young people and their families attended the Charity show and nearly 13,500 paying patrons attended the other 9 performances. We had an amazing year, and it was the first time that we have ever sold out every performance, this is unprecedented and really give a real buzz to the cast and helpers knowing they were performing to full houses. Ticket sales generated £127,740 at the box office and following a



deduction from Stage Works World Wide Productions for the venue hire, equipment hire and the technical team that included a stage manager and lighting crew, BIDCA received an income of £89,352.29. We were also very pleased to receive a donation from the Eric Wright Group for £2,000 towards our costs for staging the Charity show.

5. Review of the Year (Chair)

This year's show was Mary Poppins on Ice. Including the charity show, our cast performed to nearly 15,000 people over the show period. Once again, this success was due to our cast, the creativity of the BIDCA production team, marketing strategy and all of the help and support received from the committee, our full members, parents and helpers. Our charity performance was a real treat for all who attended. This is another way that BIDCA can give something back to the charities. In monetary terms this is equivalent to BIDCA giving the charities £14,000.

The pre-Christmas matinee proved very popular once again, and our cast performed to full houses. The one price ticket remained attractive to our customers.

Following another successful year, we are delighted to confirm that charitable donation grants this year will be made to Brian House, Woodlands School Blackpool, Blackpool Boys and Girls club and 2 Skaters competing at the British skating championships. It should be noted that although we have agreed to provide a grant to Woodlands School, due to a delay in building work, their grant will be issued in the next financial year.

Financial Review (Treasurer)

Our principle fundraising event the Christmas Show at Blackpool Ice Arena experienced an increase in ticket sales of 2,000 compared with the previous year. As a result of this increase in ticket sales our settlement from Stage Works World Wide Productions was up by £20,000 on last year. Ticket prices remained at £10 a ticket, which helped us in attracting lots of families who felt it was really good value. This helped contribute to the increase in ticket sales and the front of house collections and donations. Income from collections, donations, including programmes, raffle tickets and glow sticks were up by £2,000. Due to a technical issue we were delayed in collecting the 2017 and 2018 gift aid from HMRC. This will now be collected the 2019.

Income from cast members increased this year by £3,000 this is because cast fees for the next year's show started to be paid in March 2019.

Our overall costs were down by £10,000 compared to last year, this was in part due to a delay in paying a grant of £15,000 to Woodlands School as their building work was delayed.



Taking this into account and doing a like for like comparison our overall costs increased by £5,000 on the previous year. This is partly due to a significant investment in our wardrobe which saw an increase in costs by £6,500 compared to last year. Included in these costs are a range of new costumes and the setup costs for our new wardrobe facility that we will completed in April 2019. This new facility will enable the wardrobe team to properly catalogue and access our extensive range of costumes accessories and Props.

Show production costs were broadly in line with last years and we were able to save a £1,000 on props.

The biggest saving was on the marketing budget, thanks to the great work of Nici Smith, who has really built up a large following across our social media platforms. This has seen the interaction with our followers and supporters increase significantly, so much so that we no longer need to pay for radio advertising to promote the show. This has saved us around £4,000 this year and contributed significantly to our ability to sell every ticket for every show. Well done Nici.

BIDCA once again organised Show Hoodies, photographs, DVD's, with all profits used to offset the cost of the cast DVD screening/ after-show celebration.

The BIDCA administration costs increased by £2,000 on last year. As we become more successful our costs and associated liabilities have increased. This year we have taken out a contents insurance policy for our wardrobe and will be taking out an income protection policy to mitigate the charities liabilities associated with the income generated from ticket sales linked to the shows. We have also incurred some legal and technical costs associated with the new wardrobe set up and for the first time we have had to pay a 15% commission to the Ice Arena for glow sticks that are distributed during the show for £1 donations. This commission is set to be a cost that will continue for all future shows.

Due to the timing of our financial year-end and the AGM date, we account for the charitable donations in the following financial year. In the 2018/19 accounts we were able to donate £11,100 in Grants which were generated from The Wizard of Oz Show. Due to the success of this year's Show, Mary Poppins, we will be in a position to make Grants somewhere in the region of £38,000 in 2019/20. This will be confirmed with the new committee once the independent auditor has verified the accounts. It should be noted that in addition this we have already committed to grant Woodlands School £15,000 from funds raised in 2018/19 and so the total grants this year are likely to be in the region of £53,000 (excludes the Beauty and the Beast 2019 Charity show charity benefit of approximately £14,000).



The overall position at the year-end of March 2019 leaves BIDCA in a strong position to prepare for this year's show Beauty and the Beast a timeless tale on Ice. This year's performance has been our most successful to date, and it demonstrates clearly that BIDCA is trading positively with a profit of £61,995. We are in a good position to proceed and have £143,344 in the bank to make the grants and underwrite the costs of putting on the 2019 show; and meeting our commitments to wardrobe costume and prop storage.

It has been another busy year, but all the hard work has paid off and BIDCA is in a healthy financial position. Thank you to the Trustee's, members and parents for their continued help and support, without you none of this would be possible.

6. Risk Assessment

BIDCA recognises that in relation to 'Risk Assessment', risk is defined as a 'threat of any action or event which will adversely affect an organisation's ability to achieve its objectives and execute its strategies'. It also accepts that the term 'risk' can include any circumstances that may, or do, have an adverse effect, and is wider than financial matters.

Risks relate not only to the negative consequences of a threat, but also to the impact of not taking advantage of opportunities.

BIDCA carries out Risk assessments for all of its purposes and activities.

BIDCA did not experience any significant risks last year.

7. Reserves Policy

BIDCA has a requirement to maintain a cash reserve to cover its committed liabilities. These include the costs associated with its storage unit and the risk of any short fall as a result of a lower than expected ticket sales that mean BIDCA is unable to cover the show production costs. We have allocated a reserve fund of £75,000 to cover these liabilities, this will be reviewed on an annual basis by the Trustee's.

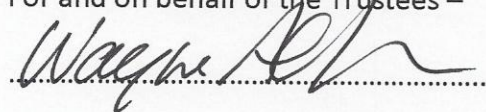
8. Future Plans

Next year's show will be Beauty and the Beast: A Timeless Tale on Ice, preparations are underway, and we are looking forward to attracting larger audiences and helping more local children through our charity show performance and grant donations. We are also investing in our wardrobe facilities because we have outgrown our current storage unit. We have found a new larger unit that will help secure the long-term future of our costumes and



props. The new unit will require some investment and the Trustee's have approved a budget of £15k to cover the costs to set up and fit out the new unit. This is seen as a really positive step and one that should help us utilise our costumes and props for BIDCA shows and for other skating groups and local schools to use them throughout the rest of the year.

For and on behalf of the Trustees –

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wayne', is written over a dotted line.

Dated 6 May 2019

Position Treasurer



**Blackpool Ice Dome Association, Charity Commission Registration No. 1143903.
Financial Statements for the year ended 31st. March 2019.**

Receipts and Payments Account.	2019	2019	2018	2018
General Fund - Unrestricted.	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Show Income	86,352		69,770	:
Cash Reg & Costume Contribution	16,746		13,862	:
Good Luck Messages	640		520	
Donations	3,475		3,084	
Raffle, Programme, Glow Sticks	10,188		8,204	
Gift Aid	0		4,848	
Hoodies	2,302		1,323	
DVD Sales	1,355		1,330	
Aftershow Party	1,081		1,231	
Costume Rental/other income	801		644	
Bank Interest	36		10	
Total Receipts		122,975		104,826
Payments				
Wardrobe/Costumes	20275		16829	
Show Production	10168		10451	
Aftershow Party	1879		1867	
Raffle Costs	153		330	
Props	5638		6600	
I/T Website	388		388	
Administration	5074		3018	
Hoodies	1809		1245	
DVD	1350		1330	
Charity Donations	11100		21250	
DBS/CRB	250		462	
Insurance/Membership	285		290	
Advertising, Flyers, Marketing	2632		6770	
Total Payments		61,001		70,830
Excess of Receipts over Payments		61975		33996
Bank Accounts as at 1st. April 2018		81369		47373
Bank Accounts as at 31st. March 2019inc.		143344	61975	81369

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Blackpool Ice Dome Association.
Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st. March 2019

Monetary Assets		2019	General Fund Unrestricted £	2018	General Fund Unrestricted £
	Current Account		4,291		4,352
	Notice Account		139,053		77,017
	Fund Raising Account		0		0
	Total at Bank		143,344		81,369
	Cash in hand		0		0
	Total Funds		143,344		81,369
	Debtors Lease Deposit		1,075		850
	Creditors		300		300
Other assets.					
	Props.		10,000		7,000
	Wardrobe/costumes		25,000		20,000
	Equipment		2,000		2,000

- Notes.**
1. The accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis.
 2. No Trustee has received any remuneration for being a trustee of the charity.
 3. The valuation in respect of Props, Wardrobe/costumes and Equipment is based on the assumption that such items have a continuing worth for future productions.

Approved by the Trustees of the Blackpool Ice Dome Charities Association
on 6/5/19 and signed on their behalf by -

Wayne Ash

Independent Examiner's Report.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Blackpool Ice Dome Charities Association.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st. March 2019, which are set out on pages 7 to 8 of this Report.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner.

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's 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.

It is my responsibility to :

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

Basis of the 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 below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepared accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have 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.


Rev'd. A. A. Clements.

Date 7th. May 2019.

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