

Macclesfield Harriers and Athletics Club Accounts

Treasurer's Report For the year ended 31 December 2022

Summary

2022 showed a return to normal club activities following the significant reduction experienced in 2020 and 2021 due to the Covid pandemic. The club made an operating profit, recovering from a small loss in 2021. The club's financial position is strong; the club has net assets of [REDACTED]. The accounts of income and expenditure during 2022 and a summary of the club assets at the end of 2022 are attached.

The accounts for the year show a profit of £[REDACTED] on a turnover of £[REDACTED]. This indicates a return to more normal turnover levels, typically £[REDACTED] in the years up to 2019. The most notable features of the accounts were:-

- Turnover increased over 2021 and was close to pre-pandemic levels
- Activity associated with club events still below normal levels as most club races did not take place
- Expenditure on entering and hosting T&F events returned to normal levels
- £[REDACTED] spent on athletics equipment, supported by grants totalling £[REDACTED] secured by [REDACTED] from Macclesfield Borough Council and the Lloyd Cowan bursary

Membership

As at 31 December 2022 the club membership was (2021 figures in brackets):

Senior members affiliated to EA:	304 (319)
Senior/social members not affiliated to EA:	174 (145)
Senior Life members:	40 (40)
Junior members (all affiliated to EA):	192 (183)
Total membership:	710 (687)

Overall numbers have increased slightly, with a decrease in senior competing members offset by increases in the numbers of senior social and junior members.

Detail

In more detail, the principal features of the accounts for the year are as follows:-

1. Total Club gross assets increased by £[REDACTED] to a total of £[REDACTED], including £[REDACTED] cash in the bank and £[REDACTED] physical assets (equipment, club kit and catering stocks). The club has no significant outstanding liabilities.

2. The England Athletics levy was £16 per competing member, but will increase by £1 for 2023/2024. The Northern Athletics affiliation fee of £2 per competing member is additional to the EA levy. Juniors under 11 do not pay either levy. The basic club membership fee was £[REDACTED] for all members to cover club operating costs. This will remain the same in 2023/2024. Thus, in the 2023/2024 season the fee for members over 11 who compete for the club in EA events is £[REDACTED]. All EA/NA levy funds are passed directly to EA/NA.

3. Juniors' subs and EA fees are collected through the EA system. Their affiliation fees are deducted by EA before their subs are passed to us, and do not show as separate entries in the accounts. This arrangement will continue for 2023/2024.

4. Track fees were £59 for all junior members and for those seniors who choose this option. Seniors were also offered the option of 3-monthly passes for £25, but the take up was low – only nine such passes were sold.

Track and indoor sports hall hire for the year was £[REDACTED]. It is not possible to determine the precise track fee income because all the payments from juniors (the great majority of users) are included in 'subscriptions'. However, all juniors and 52 seniors paid the track fee this year, and it is estimated that there was a small profit on track fees, of about £[REDACTED]. This allows the annual track fee for 2023/2024 to be reduced to £50 for all members, with the 3-month option for seniors remaining at £25.

5. Coaching costs (£[REDACTED]) were well below normal annual levels. The road, fell and trail groups are suffering from a lack of trained leaders, and the committee have plans to encourage more members to take on this role, with all training costs paid by the club.

6. Four track and field events took place during the summer and numbers of entries recovered to pre-pandemic levels. The club made a profit of about £[REDACTED] on hosting athletics events. Members' event entry fees also increased to normal levels, at £[REDACTED]

7. The club normally organises four races: Macc Runfest, 'Not Langley Not 7', Forest 5 and 'Terry's High 5'. Only 'Terry's High Five' took place in 2022, due to a lack of volunteers to run the other three events.

8 The club spent £[REDACTED] on athletics equipment, funded in part by grants obtained from Macclesfield Borough Council (£[REDACTED]) and the Lloyd Cowan Bursary (£[REDACTED]). These grants were secured by [REDACTED].

9. Club assets:

Club equipment is currently valued at £[REDACTED].

Kit stocks have a 'retail' value of £[REDACTED].

I am prepared to continue as Club Treasurer for 2023.

I am grateful to Harts for conducting the annual review of the club finances.

Mark Godden
Club Treasurer
12 January 2023