BRITISH CAVING ASSOCIATION

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

NOTES

2023 accounts for the British Caving Association show the following:

Income for the year has increased due to the agreed annual fee increase with effect from January 1st 2022

Interest is higher as the base rate has increased in 2022 and stayed high in 2023

The QMC (training) result was a small surplus.

Other points to note:

Inflationary affects are seen on the insurance premium and salaries

The insurance cover for third party liability claims was increased in the year from £10m to £20m.

More admin tasks are now being performed by salaried staff as volunteers are unwilling to devote time to BCA compared to the past

Subscriptions expenditure consists of UIS affiliation catch up over several years plus a donation of £2,500 to the Bendrigg trust

Y&D activity was excellent in the year with several more kit stores being funded.

Support for the regions was lower than last year mainly due to exceptional C&A activity in 2022 especially in the Southern regions. Plus some over accruals in 2023

The usual donations in the year were made to BCRA and GPF

These have led to BCA reporting a small deficit

The end result was a deficit of £4k compared to a surplus of £14k in 2022

Cash balances were £13k lower at year end compared to previous year at £197k. Still a liquid position for the organisation.

Accruals are similar to prior year as several regions have flagged high C&A and training activity in 2023

Prepayments are higher as some 2024 insurance premium was paid in November 2023 plus some accrued interest due in January 2025 on a 2 year

Net assets were £165k, compared to £169k prior year

Howard Jones BCA Book keeper

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BRITISH CAVING ASSOCIATION

I report on the accounts of the association for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 2 & 3.

Respective responsibilities of executive committee and examiner

As members of the association's executive committee you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; it is my responsibility to examine the accounts and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

The examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the association 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 executive committee members 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 view given by the accounts.

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 proper accounting records or to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records 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.

Name:

Address:

Dated:

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20th March 2024

BRITISH CAVING ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
CURRENT ASSETS	£	£
Debtors and Prepayments	9,583	000
Balances at Bank and cash in hand	197,017	886 209,768
	206,600	210,654
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES Creditors and Accruals payable within		
one year	41,864	41,914
NET ASSETS	164,736	168,740
REPRESENTED BY RESERVES :		
General Reserve		
Balance brought forward	88,740	75,046
Surplus/(loss) for year	-4,004	13,694
	84,736	88,740
less transfer to Insurance Reserve	0	0
	84,736	88,740
Insurance Reserve	80,000	80,000
TOTAL RESERVES	164,736	168,740
Approved on behalf of the Executive Committee		

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under historical cost accounting rules

b) Equipment

Equipment is charged in the accounts in the year of purchase.

2 Insurance Reserve

The Insurance Reserve is held at a level which allows a minimum of two years premiums

3 Result for the year

There is a deficit for the year of £4k compared with a surplus in 2022 of £14k This was forecast by Council throughout 2023

	2023	2022
INCOME	£	£
Subscriptions	115,743	109,862
Association	4,669	2,420
Training Services	20,786	20,884
Publications & Information	0	C
Meetings & Conferences	0	C
Web Services	0	C
TOTAL INCOME	141,198	133,166
EXPENDITURE		
Subscription	80,457	61,554
Association	9,298	6,277
Conservation & Access	0	-12,500
Training Services	20,557	16,51
Caver Training	0	220
Publications & Information	0	•
Equipment & Techniques	0	1,500
Youth Development	4,273	6,553
Radon Expenditure	0	(
Web Services	2,513	3,289
Regional Caving Councils	12,452	20,064
International	652	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	130,202	103,472
CHARITABLE DONATIONS		
British Cave Research Association for British Caving Library	12,000	12,000
Ghar Parau Foundation for Expedition Programme	3,000	4,000
SURPLUS/ (Loss) FOR THE YEAR	-4,004	13,69
TAX	0	
SURPLUS/ (loss) FOR THE YEAR AFTER TAX	-4,004	13,694

BRITISH CAVING ASSOCIATION

DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Subscriptions		
Income	115,743	109,862
Subscriptions	Total 115,743	109,862
Expenditure		
Insurance Premium	64,329	46,763
Employment Expenses	11,610	9,625
General Expenses	4,518	5,166
Travel	0 Total 80,457	61,554
	Total80,457	01,334
Surp	lus / (Deficit) 35,286	48,308
Association		
Income		
Interest received	4,669	2,420
Broker Commission	0	0
Donations, Sundry	0	0 420
	Total4,669	2,420
Expenditure		
Secretarial & Financial	985	985
Advertising	2,520	2,940
Travel & Meetings	598	(1)
Subscriptions	5,195	625
Insurance	0	0
Constitutional Ballot	0	1 500
Donations Webex & Sundries	0	1,500 228
vvepex & Sundiles	Total 9,298	6,277
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Surp	olus / (Deficit) (4,629)	(3,857)
Conservation & Access	T	
Income	Total0	0
Expenditure		1.0
Publications	0	0
Legal opinion	0	0
CRoW	0	(12,500)
	Total 0	(12,500)
Our	plus / (Deficit) 0	12,500
Sur	pius / (Delicit)	=======================================

Training Services			
Income Registration Fees Revalidation Cours Trainer/Assessor F		8,313 9,702 2,771 20,786	8,278 9,847 2,759 20,884
Expenditure Employment Expe General Expenses Travel LCMLA/CIC Cours	3		7,791 3,864 0 4,860 16,515
Caver Training Income	Total	0	0
Expenditure Recreational Cave Voluntary Sector 9			220 0 220 (220)
Publications & Information Income Publication Sales Advertising		0 0 0	0 0 0
Expenditure Free Leaflets Newsletter Publications	Tota		0 0 0 0
	Surplus / (Deficit,) <u>U</u>	

Equipmen	t & Techniques Income	Total	0	0
	Expenditure Secretarial Travel Anchor programme Rope-Test programm	Total	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 1,500 1,500
		Surplus / (Deficit)	0	(1,500)
Youth Dev	velopment <i>Income</i>	Total	0	0
	Expenditure Youth Development	Total Surplus / (Deficit)	4,273 4,273 (4,273)	6,553 6,553 (6,553)
Radon				
	Income	Total	0	0
	<i>Expenditure</i> Radon expenditure		0	0
		Total	0	0
		Surplus / (Deficit)	0	0
Web Serv	vices			
	Income Web Services		0	0
		Total _	0	
	Expenditure Web Services	Total Total	2,513 2,513	3,289 3,289

Regional Caving Council Experime	nditure Total _	0	0
Expenditure CCC claims CNCC claims CSCC claims DCA claims DCUC claims	Total _ Total _ Surplus / (Deficit) _	530 6,560 1,188 3,500 674 12,452 (12,452)	581 7,816 5,351 3,321 2,995 20,064
British Caving Library Income	Total _	0	0
Expenditure Donation	Total Surplus / (Deficit)	12,000 12,000 (12,000)	12,000 12,000 (12,000)
Expedition Programme Income	Total	0	0
Expenditure Donation	Total Surplus / (Deficit)	3,000 3,000 (3,000)	4,000 4,000 (4,000)
International <i>Income</i>	Total	0	0
Expenditure Travel to meetings	Total Surplus / (Deficit)	652 652 (652)	0 0
Total Income		141,198	133,166
Total Expenditure		145,202	119,472
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(4,004)	13,694
Tax prior years		0	0
Total Surplus / (Deficit) after Ta	эх	(4,004)	13,694