# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RACING STAFF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018



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**Chief Executive** 

G McGrath

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#### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

The Executive Council presents the Annual Report on the affairs of the Association, together with the Financial Statements and Auditors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2018.

#### Principal Activity and Business Review

The Association was founded to improve the economic and social well-being of its members, and Racing Staff in general, and to enhance their status, pay and conditions of employment; to watch over, promote and protect the common and individual interests of its members and to regulate relations between members and employers to ensure that the opportunity for training and improvement is available to all Racing Staff, and NARS members in particular, in order that they can achieve their full potential within their work careers and lives.

The results for the year are set out in the Income and Expenditure Account on page 8, which the Executive Council consider to be acceptable. As at 31 December 2018 the Association had a net asset position of £600,706 (2017 - £496,511) which is shown on the Balance Sheet on page 9.

#### **Executive Council**

The Executive Council is elected by individual postal ballot of the full members and serves for a period of two years.

The President of the Association is elected for a term of office of three years by individual ballot of the full members.

The Vice-President of the Association is elected for a term of office of one year by a ballot of the Executive Council members.

The Chief Executive of the Association is elected for a term of office of five years by individual ballot of the full members.

Co-opted members have no voting rights.

# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

#### Statement of the Executive Council's Responsibilities

Trade Union rules require the Executive Council to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association and of the surplus or deficit of the Association for that period.

In preparing those Financial Statements the Executive Council are required to:

- · Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Association will continue to operate.

The Executive Council is also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Association and to enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **Auditors**

A resolution proposing that Wilkins Kennedy Audit Services be re-appointed as auditors of the Association will be put at the next meeting of the Executive Council.

By order of the Executive Council:

G McGrath Chief Executive

Date: 23 may 2019

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of The National Association of Racing Staff (NARS) for the year ended 31 December 2018 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the union's affairs as at 31 December 2018 and of its result for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the union in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Executive Council's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation
  of the financial statements is not appropriate, or
- the Executive Council has not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the union's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### Other information

The Executive Council is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Report of the Executive Council, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Responsibilities of the Executive Council

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Executive Council's Responsibilities, the Executive Council is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Executive Council determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Executive Council is responsible for assessing the union's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the union or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs(UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the union's members, as a body, in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the union's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the union and the union's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Wilkins Kennedy Audit Services

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Date: 31 May 2019

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Note	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
Income					
Prize money and cloth sponsorship		415,580	-	415,580	367,903
Other income (schedule 1)		6,483	-	6,483	-
Bank interest received		434	-	434	307
Project income	8	_	112,122	112,122	58,646
Event and sports team sponsorship	_	7,325	, <u>-</u>	7,325	3,200
		429,822	112,122	541,944	430,056
Expenditure			•		
Member services		71,466	<b></b>	71,466	68,959
Event and sports team costs		15,964	_	15,964	12,212
Project expenses (schedule 2) Administrative expenses			112,122	112,122	58,646
(schedule 2)		238,114	-	238,114	213,686
		325,544	112,122	437,666	353,503
Surplus/(deficit) for the year before taxation		104,278	<del>-</del>	104,278	76,553
Taxation	2	83	-	83	(39)
Surplus/(deficit) for the year after taxation		104,195		104,195	76,592
Gross transfers between funds		-	<u></u>	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year	7	104,195	-	104,195	76,592
Fund balances brought forward		496,511	-	496,511	419,919
Fund balances carried forward	<u></u>	600,706		600,706	496,511

The notes and schedules on pages 9 to 16 form part of these accounts.

# BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

			2018		2017
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	3		8,104		9,134
Intangible assets	4		20,564		15,696
			28,668		24,830
Current assets			20,000		24,000
Debtors	5	36,828		33,066	
Cash at bank and in hand	•	551,026		454,513	
Casif at Dailk and in Hand		331,020		404,010	
		587,854		487,579	
Creditors: amounts falling due		,		,	
within one year	6	(15,816)		(15,898)	
Net current assets			572,038		471,681
Net assets			600,706		496,511
Capital and reserves					
General fund	7		600,706		496,511
Restricted funds	8		-		,.,.
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			600,706		496,511
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Signed on behalf of the Executive Council:

G McGrath
Chief Executive

K Reynolds President

Date: 23 may 2019

The notes and schedules on pages 10 to 17 form part of these accounts.

# SCHEDULE 1 ANALYSIS OF OTHER INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	2018 £	2017 £
Membership fees Insurance commission	- 6,483	- -
	6,483	***

# SCHEDULE 2 ANALYSIS OF PROJECT & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

Project expenses (note 8) Staff costs Pension costs Union learn project costs	General Funds £ - -	Restricted Funds £ 38,258 1,913 71,951	Total 2018 £ 38,258 1,913 71,951	Total 2017 £ 27,815 1,007 29,824
		112,122	112,122	00,040
Administrative expenses	40.400		40.470	40.504
Consultancy fees and expenses	16,176	-	16,176	13,591
Legal and professional fees	3,113	-	3,113	3,586
Staff costs	103,665	<u></u>	103,665	100,340
Pension costs	9,917		9,917	9,320
Office rent and rates	10,003		10,003	8,400 8,624
Office and computer supplies	11,734 11,270	•	11,734 11,270	5,363
Training	607	<u></u>	607	427
Printing, postage and stationery Advertising and publicity	19,413	_	19,413	23,026
Telephone and alarm	885	_	885	989
Travel and subsistence	22,051	-	22,051	19,106
Newspapers and journals	2,832	_	2,832	2,446
Audit and accountancy	7,789	_	7,789	6,965
Insurance	316	-	316	659
Bank charges and interest	223	**	223	158
Depreciation	5,654	••	5,654	2,155
Miscellaneous	2,690	•	2,690	2,628
Donations	· <u>-</u>	•••	-	100
Executive Council costs	9,776	<b></b> -	9,776	5,803
	238,114	*	238,114	213,686

# NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

## 1. Accounting Policies

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards and the following accounting policies:

#### 1.1. Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 – The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis.

#### 1.2. Reduced Disclosure Exemptions

As a qualifying entity reporting under FRS 102, the Association has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions:

• The requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows and Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation.

#### 1.3. Fixed Assets

Items of office equipment are capitalised in the balance sheet at cost and depreciated at a rate of 20% per annum reducing balance to write off the cost over their useful life.

Website costs are amortised over 5 years.

#### 1.4. Taxation

Corporation tax is liable on investment income only and full provision is made to the extent that a liability arises.

#### 1.5. Prize Money and Cloth Sponsorship

The Association is funded from 'Prize Money' distributed under the Orders of the British Horseracing Association (BHA) Rule 194 (Schedule F9) whereby the Association receives 0.25% of total prize money. These orders and rules also include written instructions setting out the terms and conditions of service in Racings, established by the National Joint Council for Racing Staff (set-up by agreement between the Association and National Trainers' Federation). The Racing Lads and Lasses are able to benefit from the Association's representation and support without needing to subscribe on an individual basis.

The Association also receives funding by way of 'Cloth Sponsorship' distributed under BHA Rule F(129) whereby for each horse that has started in a race the Association shall receive 5% of the sponsorship income of that horse's cloth where sponsored.

# NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

# 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

# 1.5. Prize Money and Cloth Sponsorship (continued)

The payments from prize money won and cloth sponsorship due are paid directly to NARS.

Prize money and cloth sponsorship is recognised as income in the accounts on an accruals basis.

#### 1.6. Other Income

Bank interest is accounted for on a receivable basis.

Sponsorship and other donations are accounted for on a receivable basis.

# 1.7. Expenditure

The accounts are prepared on an accruals basis and include expenditure as it is incurred.

#### 1.8. Restricted Funds

Project funding income and expenditure is disclosed in the Income and Expenditure account as restricted as set out in note 8.

#### 2. Taxation

	2018 £	2017 £
Domestic current year tax UK corporation tax	83	(39)
	83	(39)

# NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

	Office Equipment £
Cost	
At 1 January 2018	16,382
Additions	996
Disposals	-
At 31 December 2018	17,378
Depreciation/Amortisation	
At 1 January 2018	7,248
Charge for year	2,026
Eliminated on disposals	**

#### 9,274 At 31 December 2018

Net book value At 31 December 2017	9,134
At 31 December 2018	8,104

# 4. Intangible Fixed Assets

3. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Website £
Cost At 1 January 2018 Additions Disposals	15,696 8,496 -
At 31 December 2018	24,192
<b>Depreciation</b> At 1 January 2018 Charge for year Eliminated on disposals	3,628 -
At 31 December 2018	3,628
Net book value At 31 December 2017	15,696
At 31 December 2018	20,564

# NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

5. Debtors		
	2018	2017
	£	£
Prize money and cloth sponsorship	26,704	22,506
Prepayments and accrued income	6,941	6,287
Other loans	910	2,000
Loan to Horsemen Limited	2,273	2,273
	36,828	33,066
6. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year		
	2018	2017
	£	£
Accruals	14,310	15,046
Corporation tax	83	61
Other creditors	1,423	791
	15,816	15,898
7. General Fund		
		£
As at 1 January 2018		496,511
Surplus for the year		104,195
As at 31 December 2018	 	600,706

## NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

#### 8. Restricted Funds

	Union Learning Fund £	Total £
As at 1 January 2018 Income Expenditure Transfer (to)/from general funds	- 112,122 (112,122) -	112,122 (112,122)
As at 31 December 2018		-

The Union Learning Fund (ULF) has the object of aiding the development of a Union Learning Representative (ULR) network by training and appointing ULR's and creating a distinct strategy to support the learning needs of NARS members over a long-term period.

The Association undertakes these projects through external funding. Various funders retain the right to claw back grants, should either the use of funds not be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the grant, or the terms and conditions of the grant stipulates a claw back. In the opinion of the Executive Council no such liability exists as at 31 December 2018.

#### 9. Related Parties

The Association received no repayments of a loan due from Horsemen Limited, the company vehicle of the Horsemen's Group, of which it is a member. At the year-end, a balance of £2,273 (2017 - £2,273) was outstanding on the loan and is included within debtors (see note 5).

# NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 (CONTINUED)

# 10. Financial Commitments

At 31 December 2018 the Association had total commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Land and Buildings		Other	
	2018 £	Ž017 £	2018 £	2017 £
Expiry date: Less than 1 year In 2 to 5 years	10,080	10,080	979 1,787	979 2,766