

THE BOLD BALLADIERS TRUST
Trustees' Annual Report
Year ending March 31st 2023



The Malt Theatre, Lymington, Hants

THE BOLD BALLADIERS

TRUSTEES' REPORT

2022-23

After two years without activities due to the pandemic The Bold Balladiers returned to performing in 2022. Because of life changing Spinal Injuries The Artistic Director had to bow out of performing but was able to continue with administration.



Alice Pratley, Jozef Janik and Sian Jones Sway Place

The main aim was to recover some of the dates that had been cancelled due to lockdown: Speirs House, Viera Grey House, Bourne House, Southborough Nursing home, Alexander house, Anya Court, Home of Compassion, Sherwood Grange, Royal Star and Garter, Bishop's Manor and the whole summer tour.

As the main area for activities was in care homes arranging dates in them was precarious for two reasons: firstly if homes had more than two cases of Covid they had immediately to be locked down and secondly if any of our artists tested positive they were not allowed to enter the homes. It was always a risk but in the event it only happened once when Sian Jones tested positive just before a performance in Sherwood Grange, one of our most loyal venues. The show went ahead with only two artists as a result.

A full list of all venues visited is on the Outreach page of the [website](#). For the reasons given above activities were restricted in number but nonetheless greatly appreciated as their [twitter](#) and [our](#) Facebook pages

testify. Twenty-five venues included some new ones as well as those previously visited many times. The Balladiers travelled south to Winchester and Lymington, to Greater London, in Sutton, Surbiton, Kingston-upon-Thames, and Twickenham and for the Christmas tour to Peterborough, Lincoln, York, Harrogate, Scarborough and Driffield. This tour suffered the last-minute illness (not Covid) of the soprano but was saved by the artistry of Buffy Rowe, violin and Justin Bissell, piano.

A delayed celebration of The Bold Balladiers' Silver Jubilee took the form of a public concert on the afternoon of September 11th in the Malt Theatre, Lymington. The show involved four artists: Alice Pratley, violin, Rupert Widdows, flute and piccolo, Silva McQueen, soprano, and Jozef Janik, piano. There was a good-sized audience which was not afraid to join in singing and the show received a glowing report in the local paper. It was an enjoyable afternoon that helped raise the group's profile on line.

The last two dates of the 2022/3 season were in March at the Countess of Brecknock Hospice and Viera Grey House. The 2023 summer tour was confirmed at ten venues in May and June and there were already some dates in the next Christmas tour.



Siva McQueen, Justin Bissell, Alice Pratley, Southborough, Surbiton

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	6,579	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,579	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

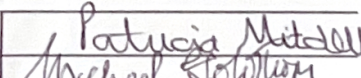

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Short-term Debtors		-	-
	Prepayments		-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Payments in advance for concerts	Unrestricted funds	100	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Patricia Mitchell	11/07/2023
	Micheal Goldthorpe	11/07/2023