



## UK YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

### **YDL Annual Report for 2020**

2020 has been a very strange year indeed, not one we hope to repeat, although the future is very hard to predict at the moment.

It's been uplifting to note that some athletics competitions did take place towards the latter half of the season, with some of our clubs hosting a number of these. I imagine we'll be using their experience quite a lot when it comes around to organising fixtures in 2021.

Although we made the decision to cancel our league fixtures early on in the year, nevertheless a lot of work had already been undertaken sorting out divisional structures and finding venues, and we thank the Area Co-ordinators for their hard work with this; we are now looking ahead to next year's competition.

With no results to scrutinise the Administrator used some of the time to build up a database of leagues and open meetings which took place during 2019, this has helped to identify what competition took place for the differing age groups, as well as identify which events were covered in each region, and which were not. This may help us going forward to help to ensure that all age groups and all events are sufficiently catered for, and accessible, across the mainland of GB. The Chair meanwhile started to make inroads into checking the YDL team managers' portals, making sure that all new additions were checked and any queries sorted. She consequently identified a flaw in the system whereby U20 athletes had not been moved up to seniors and this was passed on to the software developer to be resolved.

We're still unsure exactly what format the league will be using next year but it is our solid belief that league competitions are the life-blood of the sport and we will do the utmost to ensure that there will be competition for all those athletes who want to represent their clubs in competition. We will be consulting our member clubs to try to find the best way through the uncertainties we are facing and welcome their input into planning a programme of fixtures that best suits the athletes and clubs.

With regard to fixture planning for 2021, we have been involved in the Domestic Competition Open Forum, and also the newly formed Focus group; we hope that by working together with the National and Area leagues we can try to avoid some of the clashes that could have caused problems this year. Inevitably there will be some but by ensuring that there is an accepted hierarchy within the structure we would aim to make this as minimal as possible. In previous years, the UKA fixture conference did try to address this.

We left our AGM last year with one of two changes for the 2020 season and, as the vast majority of clubs were happy to defer this year's AGM due to Coronavirus, and maintain the status quo, any such changes will now be implemented in 2021 wherever possible and assessed at the end of the season.

As some of you will be aware, there are changes afoot in our governing body structures following various reviews, and we ask that you try to make yourselves aware of these. Some of the proposed changes may change the sport we all love into something you may not want. Look beyond the headlines and ask yourselves did anyone consult directly with your club during the summer of 2020. Possibly not, but.....

We would like to thank all our member clubs for their support and look forward to working with you again in 2021.

Grace Hall  
YDL Chair

Marian Williams  
YDL Administrator

## **YDL Finance Officers Report to the AGM 2020**

It has been an unusual year. The league functioned normally in preparation for the 2020 competitive season until April when the League Committee made the decision to defer the competitive season to 2021 due to the coronavirus pandemic.

### ***Summary Explanation of 2019-20 Accounts***

#### **Income**

All team affiliations and grant income received has been deferred to the 2020-21 season (£140,090 – Income deferred on the Balance sheet).

#### **Expenditure**

Effectively for six months the league had the usual running costs in preparing for the competitive season. After consultation with officers on the committee, where possible the preparation work and expenses (that can be transferred) have been transferred to the 2020-21 season (included in Debtors on the Balance sheet – Note 2).

### ***Forecast Budget.***

This has been prepared with the assumption that the league will function next year as previously planned. This is by no means certain, but it is the preferred option if the situation allows. No changes have been made to the team and host support that was offered and agreed at the last AGM.

#### ***Grants***

The league received the expected £50,000 from UKA in 2020 as part of the previous agreed funding round. Any funding from UKA from April 2021 onwards has yet to be established.

#### ***Contingency***

Fortunately the league had built up reserves from increased affiliation fees over the previous two years as a contingency for unforeseen circumstances.

The costs of running the league during 2019-20 (that could not be transferred) have been funded from the league's contingency.

There is further contingency available to support the league function if required but caution is recommended as much of the contingency has been accumulated to reduce reliance on external grants of which there is no guarantee.

**Karl Ponty**

**Finance Officer, YDL Athletics**

**10<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE**  
**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

		2020	2019
		£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Note 1</b>	0	0
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash at Bank	- Current Account	194,090	84,211
	- Deposit Account	<u>60,701</u>	<u>60,580</u>
		254,791	144,791
Debtors	<b>Note 2</b>	6,855	1,479
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Amounts Due Within One Year:			
Creditors	<b>Note 3</b>	6,193	10,031
Income deferred		<u>140,090</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>146,283</u>	<u>10,031</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>115,363</u>	<u>136,238</u>
		<u><u>£115,363</u></u>	<u><u>£136,238</u></u>
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT AND RESERVES</b>			
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>			
Balance as at 1 October 2019		136,238	109,751
Adjustment	<b>Note 4</b>	169	
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		<u>-21,044</u>	<u>26,487</u>
	<b>Note 5</b>	<u><u>£115,363</u></u>	<u><u>£136,238</u></u>

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K Ponty                      November 2020  
Treasurer

**Independent Examiner's Report**

I have examined the books and records of the Youth Development League for the year ended 30 September 2020, and from these and explanations given to me I have prepared the Statement of Account set out on Pages 1 to 3 and can confirm they are in accordance therewith.

H Ashley (ACMA)  
November 2020

**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

	2020		2019	
<b>INCOME</b>	£	£	£	£
UAG Division Affiliation Fees (Deferred to 2020-21)			11,160	
			11,250	
			<u>13,680</u>	
		0		36,090
LAG Division Affiliation Fees (Deferred to 2020-21)			14,400	
			17,730	
			6,480	
			<u>19,080</u>	
		0		57,690
Grants from UKA (Deferred to 2020-21)		0		60,000
Donations		68		870
Interest Received		212		121
Other		<u>72</u>		
		<u>352</u>		<u>154,771</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
<b>Administration Costs</b>				
Committee Meetings	1,196		2,296	
Sub Group Meetings	282		1,046	
Website and Support	1,117		1,715	
Officer Expenses	284		299	
AGM	2,619		2,661	
Professional Fees	473		502	
Results Software Development	2,250		4,866	
Administration Fees	<u>6,750</u>		<u>7,500</u>	
		14,971		20,885
<b>League Match Costs</b>				
Hosting Support			59,230	
Competitor Numbers			4,629	
Results Match Support	150		750	
Administration Fees	3,650		7,500	
Area Administration Fees	2,625		2,625	
Area Administration Expenses			696	
Area Trophies			<u>500</u>	
		6,425		75,930
<b>Precision Measurement for Talent</b>				
Photofinish Support			5,100	
Track Wind Gauge			1,950	
EDM Support			3,050	
Field Wind Gauge			<u>575</u>	
		0		10,675
<b>Developing Talent from Across the UK</b>				
Travel Support			4,337	
Team Accommodation			3,544	
Travel over Sea			3,495	
Area Consideration				
Administration Fees			<u>500</u>	
		0		11,876
<b>Rewarding Team Performance</b>				
Cost of Staging National Finals			5,608	
Cost of Staging Area Finals			3,544	
Competitor Numbers			982	
Results Software Developer Support			500	
Administration Fees			<u>850</u>	
		0		11,484
Miscellaneous Sundries				
Prior Year adjustment				<u>-2566</u>
		<u>21,396</u>		<u>128,284</u>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) to Accumulated Funds</b>		<u>-£21,044</u>		<u>£26,487</u>

**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE  
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020  
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**1 Accounting Policies**

**Basis of Preparation of Accounts**

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Fixed Assets Depreciation Policy**

Depreciation is provided, on a straight line basis, at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its expected useful life:

Computer and PA Equipment 33%

	2020	2019
	£	£
<b>2 Debtors</b>		
Website Costs	923	109
NIR Team fees underpaid from 2017	880	880
Competitor Numbers	3041	90
AGM Deposit	411	400
Administration Fees	1000	
Results Support	600	
	<u>6855</u>	<u>1479</u>
<b>3 Creditors</b>		
Independent Examiner's Fee	350	350
Results Software Development	1500	
Area promotion/Relegation matches		
Rewarding Team Performance - Cost of staging National Finals		4,279
<b>Unpaid Team Support 2018-19</b>		
Developing Talent from Across the UK - Travel Support	322	528
Developing Talent from Across the UK - Team Accommodation	2,584	2,584
Developing Talent from Across the UK - Travel Oversea	1,437	1,748
Administration Costs - Professional Fees (Bank charges)		43
League Match Costs - Area Trophies		500
	<u>6,193</u>	<u>10,031</u>
<b>4 Adjustments</b>		
League Match Costs - Area Trophies	194	
Bank Loyalty Bonus 2018-19	-7	
National Finals 2018-19	-18	
	<u>169</u>	
<b>5 Contingencies</b>		
<b>League Function Contingency</b>		
%40 League and Admin Costs		£40,000
(2019 planned contingency less 2020 used contingency)	£19,000	
<b>Development and Support Grant Contingency</b>	£85,000	£85,000
175% of current support		
2021 Contingency Grant 100%		
2022 Contingency Grant 50%		
2023 Contingency Grant 25%	<u>£104,000</u>	<u>£125,000</u>
Total Contingency		

	<b>Forecast</b>		
	2020-21		
<b>INCOME</b>	£	£	£
Division Affiliation Fees		90,000	
Grants from UKA		50,000	
Donations			
Interest			
Others			
<b>INCOME</b>		<u>140,000</u>	
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
<b>Administration Costs</b>			
Committee Meetings	1,500		
Sub Group Meetings	1,000		
Website and Support	1,750		
Officer Expenses	500		
AGM	0		
Professional Fees	500		
Results Software Development	5,000		
Administration Fees	<u>7,500</u>		
		17,750	
<b>League Match Costs</b>			
Hosting Support	60,000		
Competitor Numbers	5,000		
Results Match Support	750		
Administration Fees	7,500		
Area Administration Fees	3,000		
Area Administration Expenses	1,000		
Area Trophies	<u>500</u>		
		77,750	
<b>Precision Measurement for Talent</b>			
Photofinish Support	9,000		
Track Wind Gauge	<u>2,500</u>		
		11,500	
EDM Support	4,200		
Field Wind Gauge	<u>2,500</u>		
		6,700	
<b>Developing Talent from Across the UK</b>			
Travel Support	6,000		
Team Accommodation	5,000		
Travel Over Sea	4,000		
Area Consideration	1,000		
Administration Fees	<u>500</u>		
		16,500	
<b>Rewarding Team Performance</b>			
Cost of Staging National Finals	9,000		
Cost of Staging Area Finals	4,000		
Competitor Numbers	1,000		
Results Software Developer Support	500		
Administration Fees	<u>850</u>		
		15,350	
Miscellaneous Sundries			
Adjustment to Bank Balance 2017			
Prior Year adjustment			
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>145,550</u>	
Surplus/(Deficit) to Accumulated Funds		-5,550	