

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 284582

Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 March 2008
for
The Skin Cancer Research Fund (SCaRF)

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The Skin Cancer Research Fund (SCaRF)

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2008

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2008

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2008. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number 284582

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governance and Management

The Charity is regulated by Trust Deed dated 16 February 1982 as varied by schemes of the Charity Commission of 13 May 1987, 8 January 1991 and 25 May 1995.

The Trustees meet six times a year to make strategic decisions, which are implemented by the SCaRF Secretary. The day-to-day business of the charity is carried out by the SCaRF Secretary in accordance with Guidelines agreed by the Trustees (currently under review).

The Chairman and Vice Chairman are elected for three years in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Guidelines agreed by trustees. The Hon Treasurer is appointed by the Trustees for a period of three years. Elections were held in March 2007.

Recruitment, appointment and induction of new trustees

Selection and appointment of Trustees is by invitation by the existing Trustees to individuals known to have an interest in and or technical knowledge appropriate to satisfying the aims and objectives of the Charity. If the invited candidate is willing to become a Trustee their appointment is then ratified at the next regular Trustees' meeting. On appointment new Trustees are given background information and a history of the charity, Charity Commission publications about the responsibilities of Trustees and background to topics currently under consideration. Whilst no formal training exists, "on the job" involvement in the day-to-day affairs of SCaRF ensure that new Trustees are quickly assimilated into the work of the charity. The appointment and induction of new Trustees has occurred infrequently because we have been lucky enough to retain our Trustees for long periods and in the past has been a rather informal process.

A policy relating to the Recruitment, Appointment and Induction of new Trustees was reviewed and confirmed in January 2008.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The Trustees adopted a Policy of Risk Management in January 2007 which was reviewed and confirmed in January 2008.

Responsibility for the management of risk falls to the Trustees collectively. Historically the Trustees, understanding that risks cannot be eliminated altogether have operated in such a way as to expose the charity to the absolute minimum financial risk while at the same time securing a reasonable return on investment and retaining financial flexibility to enable funding for projects to be available. The policy adopted by the Trustees continues with this philosophy.

Risk assessment of the SCaRF Office working environment has been undertaken by North Bristol NHS Trust and is reviewed periodically and any remedial actions required are undertaken. In April 2007 the SCaRF Secretary attended an Administration and Clerical Health and Safety Study Day run by North Bristol NHS Trust

Organisers of events are responsible for conducting a risk assessment for individual events in accordance of the requirements of the charity's insurance company.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims of The Skin Cancer Research Fund

To assist research into the cause, prevention and treatment of skin cancer generally and melanoma in particular, and to publish the results of such research.

To assist in developing a nationwide educational programme to raise the awareness of the problem of skin cancer.

To help cut significantly the number of new cases of skin cancer arising each year in the United Kingdom.

To help reduce significantly the number of deaths in the United Kingdom caused by skin cancer.

PUBLIC BENEFIT AT THE HEART OF OUR CHARITY

It is a statutory requirement that charities should have a clear benefit to the public and report on this to their supporters.

Most of us would expect that it would go without saying that a charity would be of benefit to the public but sometimes it is a good idea to "go back to basics" to ensure that you remain on track to achieve what you set out to do.

The objectives of SCaRF are clearly stated and have not changed in nearly 30 years. The Trustees of the charity do not want people to suffer from skin cancer and do not want people to die from skin cancer. To prevent death and disease must be an objective that has public benefit - all members of the public to a greater or lesser extent are at risk of getting skin cancer.

In the time since SCaRF was started we have failed to reduce the number of incidences of skin cancer or the number of deaths from skin cancer BUT our aims and objectives will not be achieved over a short time-scale. In order to kill the disease we must build up our knowledge of the disease to know what we are up against, how it occurs, grows and travels around the body, why it responds to some treatments and not others, why it can suddenly be so aggressive. It may seem at times that decisions taken by the Trustees are a long way from providing a benefit to the public but all research funded by SCaRF, whether or not the result of that research is positive or negative, adds to the overall sum of knowledge about the disease so that forthcoming researchers have an increased base of information on which to base continuing progress.

All decisions made by the Trustees are and always have been taken in order to progress the aims and objectives of the charity which will one day provide the great public benefit when skin cancer is no longer the problem it is today. In the meantime we will continue in small incremental steps.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
Objectives and aims of The Skin Cancer Research Fund

Objectives for the year 2007/2008

The objectives for the year as stated in our report last year were to consolidate progress made in 2006/2007 in the following areas:-

Structure - Governance and Management

The Trustees will look to fill the vacancy for a new Trustee in the next year after conducting a review of the skills and expertise of the present Trustees.

Fund-raising.

The Trustees intend to continue to diversify the core fund-raising activities and support innovative ideas from our volunteers and expand our donor profile to include a younger age group. The Trustees recognise the need to generate as much publicity as possible from its activities to raise the profile of the charity.

Research

The Trustees intend to continue to encourage high quality research grant applications from promising young researchers. The Trustees are prepared to offer funding on a "pump priming" basis for very large projects to encourage larger grant making bodies to contribute and for young researchers to build up a good research profile to be able to attract other sources of funding.

Education and Awareness

The Trustees wish to build on the experience gained in staging the sun awareness event at Clarks Village in May 2006. The Trustees intend to build a small resource base to be used at such events to give the charity a better visual impact. The charity recognises the help given to this event by trading companies and would like to develop more collaborative links.

The Trustees will evaluate the results of the new Art Competition for Secondary School pupils and hope to expand and develop this to target the sun awareness message to the 11- 16 year age group

The Trustees wish to continue their open minded and flexible approach to all ideas of fund-raising and research opportunities where nothing is ruled in and nothing is ruled out and to be able to grasp every opportunity that presents itself.

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2008**

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

Structure Governance and Management

After reviewing the skills and areas of expertise represented by the existing Trustees the Trustees were delighted to invite Mr Michael Blowers to the Board and were even more delighted when he accepted their invitation. Mr Blowers is a local solicitor and after a very short introductory period are grateful for his insight and input on decision making processes.

Fund-raising

In July amid much publicity our Sailing Surgeons Alex Varey and Victoria Bills set off from the Floating Harbour in Bristol aiming to reach Tower Bridge in London a week later. Their vessel was a pair of canoes cunningly disguised as a floating operating theatre, complete with crew member and unwilling patient the SCaRF mascot, Monty Mole. The weather was reasonable and the intrepid pair were waved off by a small band of supporters from SCaRF and Cancer Research UK with many a muttering of "they must be mad!!" The Sailing Surgeons made reasonable progress through Bath and onwards with overnight camping stops to reach the formidable Caan Hill flight of locks early on day three. They navigated the locks with the assistance of the SCaRF Secretary and her son James and while they continued on their way while Caroline and James retired to the nearest pub for (a late) lunch. Alex and Vic generated much interest on their expedition with much media coverage and had hoped to reach Henley in time for the Regatta but unfortunately their fragile vessel hit a submerged obstacle and sank!! (Many thanks to the local Fire Brigade who came to the rescue).

The Trustees are very grateful to Alex and Vic for raising money for SCaRF and awareness of the problem of skin cancer in a way that was bound to get noticed but we are even more grateful to them for introducing SCaRF to the world of internet fund-raising. Alex and Vic wanted people to be able to sponsor them via a web-site and in order to facilitate this SCaRF registered with justgiving.com.

As a result of SCaRF being registered with justgiving.com several other fund-raisers have raised money for SCaRF by participating in sponsored events.

Of course our loyal supporters have continued with some of the more traditional fund-raising events of coffee mornings and car boot sales and our second Christmas Hamper Raffle.

Sales of furry moles and pin badges together with Christmas cards have continued

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

Research

We were not "flooded" with applications for research grant funding during the year but were able to fulfil the commitment to existing project and agree to new ventures during the year.

SCaRF Fellow

Funding in 2007/2008 - £20,000

This was the third year of a five year commitment to fund a SCaRF Fellow at the Microvascular Research Laboratories at the University of Bristol. This long term commitment of funds allows this research team to continue its research seamlessly without having to wait for new funding streams to come on-line. Professor Dave Bates informs us that he is convinced that SCaRF's base line funding and the significant findings this research has funded has enabled him to attract further substantial funding from other larger grant giving bodies that he would otherwise not have been able to access.

Culture of Human Melanoma Cell Lines

Funding 2007/2008 - £5,000

This was the second year of funding for this project of a three year commitment. This funding has been secured from a third party trust fund and is administered by SCaRF. This funding covers the costs of consumable items (glassware etc) in the SCaRF Laboratory at the Microvascular Research laboratories at the University of Bristol. The culture of human melanoma cells is a "tool" used in various skin cancer research project within the faculty

Purchase of Bioluminescence Imaging Equipment

Funding 2007/2008 £50,000

In September 2007 the Trustees agreed to part-fund the purchase of bioluminescence imaging equipment after an application from Dr Jeanette Woolard of the Microvascular Research Laboratories Bristol. This equipment allows the researchers to view and measure the spread of melanoma cells through a live animal in real time something that was not possible previously

Agreed funding for research "The molecular basis of chemosensitivity of malignant melanoma to tricyclic antidepressants"

Funding agreed £54,337 over 18 months (first payment deferred to October 2008 at applicants request)

In October 2007 the Trustees received an application form Dr Katharine Parker based at the Queen Alexandra Hospital Portsmouth for a project to look at the effect that tricyclic antidepressant drugs seemed to have on the effectiveness of chemotherapy treatment for malignant melanoma. The Trustees found it difficult to reach a decision on this application which came from a young researcher who was obviously very enthusiastic about her project but who was still at the very early stages of her research career with no proven track record. The Trustees made many references to medical and scientific advisors and indications were

that this project raised questions that needed answering if only to eliminate this possible treatment and in the true tradition of SCaRF this could have the potential to be a significant finding. Although the funding was agreed in the financial year 2007/2008 payment will not commence until the following financial year.

Environmental Risk Factors for Relapse of Melanoma

The recruitment of patients to this project which was carried out from 2000 was funded by SCaRF and headed by Dr Julia Newton Bishop at St James's Hospital Leeds. This was a long term epidemiological study into possible environmental risk factors involved with the late relapse of malignant melanoma patients. The findings of this project were published in 2008. In the previous financial year 2006/2007 SCaRF funded a supplementary project to look at the possible link between levels of Vitamin A and relapse of melanoma these findings have been unavoidably delayed but will be reported upon when available. The researcher remains in contact with SCaRF

Skin Cancer Awareness and Education

SCaRF was given the opportunity to return to Clarks Village in Street Somerset at the end of May to hold a Skin Cancer/ Sun Awareness event. The effectiveness of this type of event is very much dependent on the weather and unfortunately a few days were rather wet and chilly, however, this was compensated for with the support we received from Sam Grey, the actress who plays Alice in the BBC drama "Casualty" and who generated much interest and publicity with her visit to our display stand on the Friday. The purchase of display boards and banners made our information stand look much more eye catching this year and created a much more professional image for the charity. A colouring competition held during the week was again supported by a retailer from the retail village.

The now well established Play and Shade competition was held for all Primary Schools in the former County of Avon area.

In an effort to spread the Sun Safety message to a new age group 11 to 14 year olds were the target for an Art competition for pupils of all Secondary Schools in the former County of Avon area. Students were asked to create a piece of Art work that would also carry a sun safety-message.

During the year Trustees were offered a "concept" by a PR Company and considered Producing a DVD. Both these ideas were carefully considered, evaluated and discussed but neither were considered right for SCaRF at the present time or best use of resources.

The Trustees continued to use advertisements in Charity Choice and the Law Society's Gazette Charity and Appeals Directory.

SCaRF has been recognised as a stakeholder by NICE (National Institute of Health and Clinical Excellence) and consulted on matters relating to skin cancer.

Use of volunteers

SCaRF relies solely on its volunteers for its fundraising activities, they are our greatest asset and we are deeply indebted to them. During the year the long standing but diminishing group of Bristol supporters most of whom had been raising funds for SCaRF since its conception, disbanded from their fund-raising role. The Trustees recognize that they owe this group a huge debt of gratitude for their past achievements. As a charity we need to be able to continue to raise money to fund our research grant giving capability and we are making the transition to more modern and diverse ways of doing this and our funding is now coming from a wider geographical area. Many of our fund-raisers come to us because their lives have been touched either directly or indirectly by a tragedy caused by skin cancer; this gives them the motivation determination and enthusiasm that make them such an asset to the charity and the strategy of the Trustees is to provide the support they need to represent SCaRF as a worthy cause

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Research

Although research grant applications did not "flood in" there does seem to have been a change in emphasis. The new Bristol project will allow more accurate identification of how melanoma cells spread through the new bioluminescence imaging equipment. The project looking into tricyclic antidepressant drugs and chemotherapy will now look at the possible improvement of current treatment. The tricyclic drugs appear to have the potential to enhance chemotherapy agents which may allow lower doses with less toxic side effects in treatment routines, this has not been looked at before in melanoma studies.

Education and Awareness

The purchase of display banners and information boards gave the SCaRF Sun Awareness Stand at Clarks Village Street Somerset a more professional image and the use of the dangerous mole logo "larger than life " had great visual impact. Unfortunately the week was marred by indifferent and at times very wet weather so the number of visitors SCaRF volunteers were able to speak with was down on the previous year although the numbers entering the colouring competition were not significantly reduced. This was compensated for by the support of the actress Sam Grey which generated much publicity for SCaRF as well as Clarks Village.

The publicity also generated by the Sailing Surgeons and a fund-raising marathon runner from Yeovil meant that for a period of about three months from May to July the name of SCaRF was in one or more local newspaper every week. The fact that the Sailing Surgeons were qualified surgeons added great weight to the serious message they were trying to get across.

The Art Competition for Secondary Schools was not taken up by as many schools as hoped for it is thought mainly because of constraints of the National Curriculum and teachers time although some good art work was produced. The Trustees felt that this was probably not the best way to use resources and will look at other ways of diversification in the following year.

During the year SCaRF was offered a "concept" by a PR company pro bono which was carefully considered but the message conveyed was considered too vague to have a useful application. The Trustees also considered the production of a DVD about SCaRF and its work but felt that the expense involved would not be justified by the relatively short shelf life such a DVD would have.

The Trustees continue to advertise in the Law Society Gazette's "Charity and Appeals Directory" and "Charity Choice" both publications raise the profile of the charity amongst the legal profession and Funeral Directors, Citizens Advice Bureau etc . For some time now the charity's address in these publications has been coded so that the Trustees can evaluate the effectiveness of these advertisements.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Fundraising activities

Our fund-raising efforts this year took an unexpected, unpredicted but perhaps inevitable path. One of the commendable features of the SCaRF Trustees is that they are open to all suggestions and warmly embraced the ideas put forward by the Sailing Surgeons one of which was internet based fund-raising which has proved to be very worthwhile. Since SCaRF registered with the justgiving.com web-site we have been supported by several fund-raisers previously unknown to us but who have had either personal or family experience of a skin cancer tragedy and have decided to raise funds for research and found our details on the justgiving.com site. SCaRF is also now registered with another web based fund-raising site mycharitypage.com.

It is possible that the Trustees should have planned and foreseen the need to venture into internet fund-raising but up until this year we have had no evidence that this would be justified or that it would have been appropriate at an earlier stage.

The 9 months of registration with justgiving.com have been very fruitful and more than justifies the monthly fee of £17.62 and the small transaction fees taken from the Gift Aid tax refund element of the donations.

Previous contact made with Bristol Breakfast Rotary Club has been useful even though we failed to secure a place in the Dragon Boat Race. SCaRF Chairman was invited to talk at one of their meetings which was useful in bringing to the notice of some of Bristol's business leaders the existence of this charity also resulted in a donation to SCaRF as well as a speakers fee.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

Preamble

The nature of Skin Cancer research is long-term and highly complex, and requires financial support which is sometimes difficult to accurately assess at the outset. Flexibility is required on the part of the grant-giving body to ensure full support is given to the researcher to enable him to reach satisfactory conclusions. In view of this it is very difficult to prejudge financial reserves to any degree of fine detail. It will be our intention to re-assess the reserve policy annually, to ensure that we reflect the most recent experience both of levels of income and demand for investment in research. For the purposes of this policy the definition of "reserves" shall be "all funds not held in current account or business reserve account".

Minimum Reserve

The minimum reserve will be the sum of all grants already promised and committed plus the sum of two years administration costs. At the present time, this amounts to £95,000. This figure is reviewed by the Board of Trustees at the January meeting each year.

Maximum Reserve

The core funding for ScaRF comes from local groups of supporters who contributed £30,000 during the year ended 31st March 2006. Other major sources of funds are Legacies, which although very valuable, are by their very nature infrequent and unreliable. The Trustees believe that it is prudent to set our maximum reserve at a high level to ensure that we are not forced to lower the quality threshold for supported projects, should we benefit from a substantial legacy at any time during the financial year. The level of reserve should also allow time for reorganisation of the charity should there be a downturn in income and to enable the continuation of on-going research programmes to enable it to meet its objectives. We are, therefore, setting our maximum reserve level at £500,000. This figure is to be reviewed by the Board of Trustees at the January meeting each year or earlier if the maximum reserve level is reached during the year.

Policy approved by Trustees 8 January 2007

Policy Review (date) January 2008

Grant making Policies

The Trustees seek applications from appropriately qualified researchers involved in skin cancer research. Every application is reviewed by Trustees and submitted to our Medical Advisors for comment and endorsement. The nature of Cancer research is essentially long-term and SCaRF is prepared to guarantee funding over more than the current year as the need arises. The Trustees receive regular up-dates for the researchers, both by written report and in person. SCaRF advertises the availability of grants through the main Skin Cancer organisation for professionals (Melanoma Study Group) and specialist press.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

Core funding is provided by voluntary supporters who make regular gifts or are involved in fund-raising. In addition SCaRF benefits from supporters undertaking sponsored events such as marathons and charity walks. We have support groups in a number of areas local to our headquarters and also receive legacies and gifts "in memoriam" from supporters and others - normally from families who have experienced the loss of a loved one from Malignant Melanoma or other skin cancer.

Investment policy and objectives

All monies held are deposited with Barclay's Bank on an "open access" basis. We, therefore, have no investments in any stocks or bonds and there is no intention of changing these arrangements.

Overview for 2007/08

There was a deficit on the year's activities of £36,863, which decreased the accumulated fund to £264,490. The deficit for the previous year was £45,371. Total income for the year (at £56,278) was £ 3,089 up on 2007. This increase was

due to an increase in Donations and Fund Raising, off-set by a lower level of Legacies. We continue to benefit from Gifts 'In Memorium' and substantial income from sponsored 'physical' events.

A new development this year has been gifts via the internet from an organisation called Justgiving.com. We were introduced to Justgiving.com by the Sailing Surgeons initiative which has been discussed in previous sections of this report.

Team SCaRF have decided to close its accounts and continue to support SCaRF on an individual basis. The charity has received many thousands of pounds over the last 26 years from a range of events organised by Team SCaRF, which have provided not only money, but excellent fun and fellowship for those attending. We are greatly in their debt for a good job, well done!

Total expenditure in the year was £93,141, a decrease of £5,419 compared with 2007. This year we paid the third instalment of 5, in support of the research being undertaken by the Microvascular Laboratory at Bristol University under the leadership of Prof. David Bates. amounting to £20,000. We also contributed to Dr J Woolard Project at Bristol University in the sum of £50,000. Since SCaRF was established, we have invested 80% of all monies spent, in Research and Health Education.

Administration expenses of £7,554 were 13% of total income. The annual average for Administration costs since Scarf was established is now 8.8% of total income.

Total income and expenditure of SCaRF since it was established has been as follows:

Income £1,135,407
Expenditure £870,917
Accumulated Fund £264,490

Expenditure Analysis

Administration £99,452
Fund-raising £75,230
Research £647,671
Health Education £48,564
Total £870,917

**Report of the Trustees
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FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Objectives for the next year.

In the following year the Trustees aim to consolidate the progress made in 2007/2008 in the following areas.

Structure - Governance and Management

To complete the review and up-date of the SCaRF Guidelines for the day to day operation of the charity so that they form the Governing Document of the charity in conjunction with the original Trust Deed so that the Governance and Management of the charity is brought completely up to date with modern practice as required by the 2006 Charities Act and recommended by the Charity Commission.

Fund-raising.

To continue to build on internet fundraising and increase the on-line profile of the charity through the existing web based schemes to maximise the potential of this source of fund-raising.

Research

As the end of the five year term of support for a SCaRF Fellow at the University of Bristol come to an end the Trustees will evaluate the achievements and success of this project and consider whether future support will continue on similar lines.

Education and Awareness

To continue to hold events to spread the Sun Safety message but to look at ways of doing so that are less labour intensive as in previous years.

To make use of the display materials purchased.

To make a contribution to national consultations on Sun Safety /Skin Cancer Awareness as offered by the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence.

The Trustees wish to continue to be open minded and flexible to all ideas of fund-raising and research opportunities where nothing is ruled in and nothing is ruled out and to be able to grasp every opportunity that presents itself.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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Trustee

Date:

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2008 set out on pages thirteen to seventeen.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under Section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 trustees 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 our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date:

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2008

	Notes	31.3.08 Unrestricted funds £	31.3.07 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income		27,010	30,617
Activities for generating funds	2	16,548	10,022
Investment income	3	<u>12,720</u>	<u>12,548</u>
Total incoming resources		56,278	53,187
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds			
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other costs	4	<u>4,295</u>	<u>3,138</u>
		4,295	3,138
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources available for charitable application		51,983	50,049
Charitable activities			
Research expenditure	5	75,000	82,462
Health education		6,292	4,663
Governance costs		<u>7,554</u>	<u>8,297</u>
Total resources expended		93,141	98,560
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR		(36,863)	(45,373)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		301,353	346,726
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>264,490</u></u>	<u><u>301,353</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2008

	Notes	31.3.08 Unrestricted funds £	31.3.07 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	535	1,016
Cash at bank		<u>268,835</u>	<u>307,637</u>
		269,370	308,653
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(4,880)	(7,300)
		<u>264,490</u>	<u>301,353</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		264,490	301,353
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>264,490</u>	<u>301,353</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u>264,490</u>	<u>301,353</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	10	<u>264,490</u>	<u>301,353</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			
		<u>264,490</u>	<u>301,353</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2008

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007), the Charities Act 1993 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
Fundraising events	13,305	7,909
Sales of advertising & promotional materials	<u>3,243</u>	<u>2,113</u>
	<u>16,548</u>	<u>10,022</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>12,720</u>	<u>12,548</u>

4. FUNDRAISING TRADING: COST OF GOODS SOLD AND OTHER COSTS

	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
Support costs	<u>4,295</u>	<u>3,138</u>

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5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct costs	Grant funding of activities (See note)	Totals
	£	£	£
Health education	6,292	-	6,292
Research expenditure	<u>-</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
	<u>6,292</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>81,292</u>

Research expenditure	2008	2007
	£	£
Shield Index Project (Bristol University)		32,791
Newton Bishop (Leeds University)	-	8,991
Giblin Project (Royal Marsden Hospital)	-	2,000
Bristol University -Microvascular Research Lab	20,000	33,500
Grace Fry Trust (Bristol University)	5,000	5,000
Dr J Woolard (Bristol University)	50,000	-
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	75,000	82,462
	=====	=====
 Health Education	 2008	 2007
	£	£
Schools projects	5,277	4,063
Leaflets, banners etc	1,015	600
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	6,292	4,663
	=====	=====

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2008 nor for the year ended 31 March 2007.

Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2008 nor for the year ended 31 March 2007.

7. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>6,112</u>	<u>6,689</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
Trade debtors	<u>535</u>	<u>1,016</u>

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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>4,880</u>	<u>7,300</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.07	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.08
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	301,353	(36,863)	264,490
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>301,353</u>	<u>(36,863)</u>	<u>264,490</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	56,278	(93,141)	(36,863)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>56,278</u>	<u>(93,141)</u>	<u>(36,863)</u>

11. PURCHASES FOR RESALE

	2008	2007
	£	£
Christmas cards	647	747
SCaRF umbrellas	-	371
Mole pins and sashes	1,421	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>2,068</u>	<u>1,118</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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	31.3.08 £	31.3.07 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Gifts	18,375	15,101
Gift aid	1,969	516
Legacies	<u>6,666</u>	<u>15,000</u>
	27,010	30,617
Activities for generating funds		
Fundraising events	13,305	7,909
Sales of advertising & promotional materials	<u>3,243</u>	<u>2,113</u>
	16,548	10,022
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	<u>12,720</u>	<u>12,548</u>
Total incoming resources	56,278	53,187
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Schools Shade Project	6,292	4,663
Research Expenditure	<u>75,000</u>	<u>82,462</u>
	81,292	87,125
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	6,112	6,689
Sundries	422	370
Independent examiners fee	1,020	1,196
Website registration	<u>-</u>	<u>42</u>
	7,554	8,297
Other		
Advertising	1,280	1,305
Insurance	662	662
Lottery registration	20	18
Purchase of goods for resale	2,068	1,118
Miscellaneous	107	35
Justgiving.com	<u>158</u>	<u>-</u>
	4,295	3,138
Total resources expended	93,141	98,560

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The Skin Cancer Research Fund (SCaRF)

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	31.3.08	31.3.07
	£	£
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Net income/(expenditure)	<u>(36,863)</u>	<u>(45,373)</u>

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