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FOUNDATION REPORT FOR AGM 23/24

MEETING DATE: 23rd April 2024

KEY PROJECTS:

- Claim rebates of 10% from holiday bookings with Riviera Travel
- Individual commitment to support our Foundation ongoing
- Hydrotherapy support for polio survivors continuing each Wednesday
- Bonus Ball ongoing
- Promoting End Polio Now. World Polio Day on 24th October

REPORT ON YEAR 2023 – 2024

General

This has been a bumper year for Foundation with the levels of awareness of Foundation programmes among members raised. In many ways this has been helped by the club partnership with the British Polio Fellowship and an in-year presentation by the D1070 DRFC.

Fundraising

Fundraising during the year has been very good enabled by the regular bonus ball lottery (8/9 completed rounds), members claiming a rebate from Riveira Travel, the usual Dogwatch contribution, and some personal contributions. SAA fines were added during the year. Overall, the funds raised will meet our targets for both the Annual Programme Fund and End Polio Now.

Polio Awareness

Thanks to Zoe and the Hind staff for organising a coffee morning for World Polio Day which was supported by the BPF and raised awareness of the EPN programme.

BPF Support - Hydrotherapy

My thanks to the small group of members and their partners who have provided hands-on support for the weekly hydrotherapy sessions and to the club for periodic donations to help keep this programme running.

BPF Support – Disability Games

Our BPF partners entered a small team to participate in the D1070 Disability Games near Leicester in April. Two of the team won their individual events. My thanks t Nigel and Sheila and President Tony for supporting the team on the day.

Proposal

Now is the time to release further funds from the Foundation account to complete our donation to RFUK for the year. A sum of £1000 is suggested (£800 to the APF and £200 to EPN). This sum is proposed to the meeting for approval.

Sign Off

May I thank members for their support of Foundation over the years. Now si the time for me to sign off and I hand over the Foundation portfolio to Mike Noble for the coming ear.