

Dave Squared Volunteering Trustees Annual Report 2010



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From Start Date: 31st Jan 2010 to End Date: 31st Jan 2011

Reference and Administration Details

Registered Charity Number:	1139399
Charity's Principal Address:	30 Pine Walk Surbiton Surrey KT5 8NJ
Trustees:	Mr David John Thorp Mr David Michael Coles Mr James Feldwick
Director of Operations in Ghana:	Daniel Agbogah
Governing Document:	Memorandum & Articles of Association Incorporated 4th May 2010
Charity Constitution:	Registered Company No. 07242004
Trustee Selection Methods:	Appointed by Existing Trustees

Objectives and Activities

Dave Squared Volunteering is a UK registered charity (1139399) that aims to ensure that the people of the Volta Region, in Ghana, can fulfil their potential and have every opportunity to succeed. We focus on the promotion of education and physical activity to do this through the following objectives:

- 1 .The prevention or relief of poverty in the Volta region, Ghana by providing: grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty
2. The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Volta region, Ghana by provision of facilities for playing football
3. To advance the education of the pupils in Ho, the Volta region, Ghana by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities not required to be provided by the local education authority for education at local schools and other establishments.

2010 saw Dave Squared Volunteering make many positives steps to ensure that all of these objectives were addressed.

The needs of the people in Ghana influence Dave Squared's developments greatly. Daniel Agbogah, our Director of Operations in Ghana, along with other Ghanaian volunteers, work in coordination with other members of the community to ensure that the work that Dave Squared carries out is both beneficial and relevant.

2010 Achievements and Performance

During 2010 funds were raised through donations from volunteers. This method of fundraising allowed us to finance our projects whilst also capitalising on the efforts made from our volunteers. During this period there were over 30 volunteers, both Ghanaian and from the UK, actively making a difference to the projects that we support. Without the support of our volunteers we would not be able to achieve our objectives.

Over the course of the year our volunteers contributed the following approximate hours volunteering with our projects:

- Children's Home: 692 Volunteer Hours
- Reading Project: 85 Volunteer Hours
- Football Coaching: 226 Volunteer hours
- Painting Project: 200 Volunteer Hours

During 2010 Dave Squared was able to donate over 63% of all income (£4,863) to the projects and organisations that we support. This does not include money invested in the local economy such as the purchasing of food for volunteers, maintenance on the volunteer house and wages for staff that support Dave Squared in Ghana amongst other costs.

St Cecilia School, Ho

Late August saw 10 volunteers from Exeter University partake in the renovation and repainting of two of the buildings at St Cecilia School in Ho, located in the Volta region. Over the two weeks the volunteers applied a huge amount of effort to ensure the job was completed to an appropriate standard.



Before

Repainting both the inside and the outside of the two buildings meant a vast improvement to the learning environment of the students. This was the second such

project to be undertaken in the school, with two similar buildings being repainted in the adjoining kindergarten in 2009.



After

During 2010 our volunteers also provided support to the school through assisting with lessons and also leading activities in the schools Kindergarten.

Mama Viak's Preparatory School and Children's Home

Dave Squared Volunteering continued to build on its relationship with Mama Viak's. In the school holidays volunteers provided informal education and other activities for both those living at the home and other local children. For example, the efforts from our volunteers allowed the children to partake in arts & crafts and sporting activities that they would not normally have access to. Volunteers also lead sessions on reading and mathematics building on the children's understanding from their formal education.



Some of the donations made from volunteers were put towards providing the school with food for the children. In the future it is our strong intention to ensure that this is provided on a more regular basis.

Benches and tables were also donated by Laura Durrant (volunteer during July 2010) as a result of money raised prior to her visit.



Reading Club

In late August/early September the Volunteers from Exeter University established and ran an afternoon reading club for local children. Here volunteers assisted the children with their reading and written English, providing a beneficial and enjoyable source of informal education for the children.



In 2011 we plan to expand on this project to make sure that as many children as possible have access to this kind of facility.

Football Coaching

2010 saw Dave Squared Volunteering continue to support Dynamo FC in their quest to provide adequate facilities and competitive football to the residents of Ho. This has seen us provide coaching and funding for the U12s, U14s, U15s and Men's team. Costs absorbed include travel, registration and water for the players.



Although Dave Squared's commitment lies with the provision of facilities and the promotion of physical activity it was pleasing to see some success on the pitch, with both the U12s and U14s qualifying for the national finals in Wa, Upper West Region. Dave Squared would also like to thank Mad Foundation Limited (registered charity no. 111805) for their continued support with the funding of Dynamo FC.

In August 2010 volunteers helped coach and support local Ladies team Ghatel FC and we were delighted to see them qualify for the regional finals. At Dave Squared we are strong believers in equal opportunities and look forward to a continued relationship with Ghatel as well as developing other women's football opportunities in the region.



Financial Review

Dave Squared Volunteering is a non-profit organisation. In 2010 funds were gained primarily through the donations made from volunteers which came to a total of £7,681 in this period. This money was used to cover running costs both in the UK (e.g. insurance for the charity) and in Ghana (food and accommodation for volunteers. Expenses of £350 each were distributed to David Coles and David Thorp to contribute to their flights for each of their trips to Ghana in 2010. The remaining money was used to fund the charitable causes that Dave Squared Volunteering supports.

Money was also raised through a small amount of independent donations from former volunteers and other donors, an avenue that we hope to explore significantly in 2011. For more information on Dave Squared Volunteering's finances please see the accompanying accounts for this period.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on Behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:



Full Name:

Mr David John Thorp

Position:

Chair

Date:

27th March 2011



Dave Squared Volunteering				CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	1/2/10	To	31/1/11	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Volunteer income	7,250	-	-	7,250	8,252
Donations	431	-	-	431	185
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	7,681	-	-	7,681	8,437
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,681	-	-	7,681	8,437
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	375	-	-	375	-
Donations	4,863	-	-	4,863	1,772
Company registration	20	-	-	20	-
Flights	700	-	-	700	-
Rent & maintenance	773	-	-	773	2,517
Volunteer costs	1,615	-	-	1,615	3,200
Projects	120	-	-	120	-
wages	282	-	-	282	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8,748	-	-	8,748	7,489

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	8,748	-	-	8,748	7,489
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,066	-	-	- 1,066	949
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,378	-	-	1,378	429
Cash funds this year end	312	-	-	312	1,378

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	Account Balance	312	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	312	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details			
	Bunk Beds	300	-	-
	Safe	50	-	-
	Electric fans	80	-	-
	Kitchen equipment	60	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details			
			-	
			-	
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			-	

Declaration

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

	Mr David John Thorp	27/3/11
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