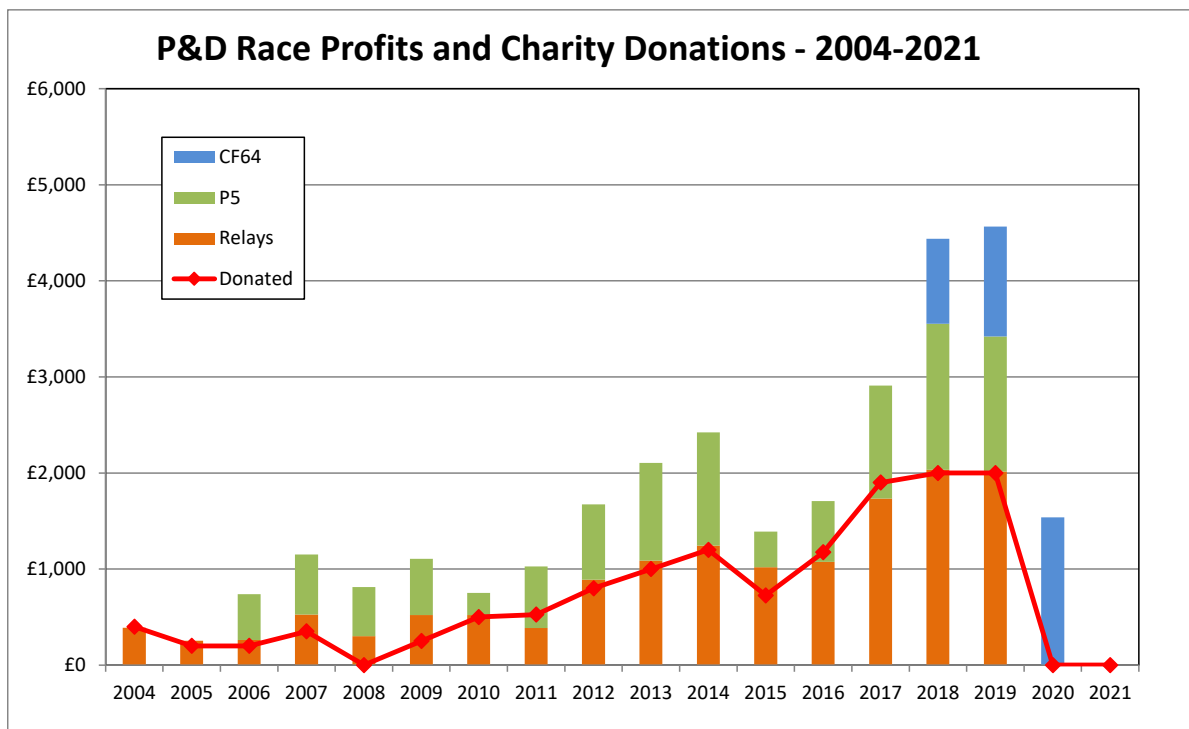




## Race Director's Report for 2021-22

### 1. 2021 Race Summary

- The 2021 CF64 Winter Race (January) was cancelled due to CoViD-19.
- The 2021 Porthkerry 5MT (May) was cancelled due to CoViD-19.
- The 2021 Cosmeston Relay Race (July) was cancelled due to CoViD-19.
- Race profits and the associated charity donations were both zero (normally about £4,000 and £2,000 respectively in recent years).



- To support the 2021 club championship, two successful member-only, CoViD-19-compliant races were organised:
  - A 10k, Sunday road race in June.
  - An evening 5k trail race at Cosmeston.
  - A total of 70 members took part.

## **2. 2022 Race Outlook**

### **CF64 Winter Race**

- The 2022 CF64 Winter Race was postponed from January 23<sup>rd</sup> to April 3<sup>rd</sup>, following a temporary increase in CoViD-19 Alert Level in December and January.
  - The race is going ahead with a race-specific CoViD-19 mitigation plan in place for the current CoViD-19 Alert Level (0) - to ensure safety of volunteers, runners and members of public.
  - Refunds have been processed for 26 entrants (approx. £230) with 4 deferrals to 2023. Entries currently stand at 281 vs a capacity of 350.

### **Porthkerry 5MT**

- If the current CoViD-19 Alert Level 0 remains in place, then it seems likely that the Porthkerry 5MT race will be able to go ahead as planned on May 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - The race will need a race-specific CoViD-19 mitigation plan.
  - A new course, entirely within the park, is being planned, ahead of anticipated future costs (possibly significant) for using sections of the current course on public roads.

### **Cosmeston Relay Race**

- If the current CoViD-19 alert level 0 remains in place, then it seems likely that the Cosmeston Relay Race will be able to go ahead as planned on July 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - The race will need a specific CoViD-19 mitigation plan in place for the current CoViD-19 alert level (0).
    - This might include, e.g., changes to start arrangements, waiting pens and use of batons (e.g. runners to hand-sanitise before receiving baton).

### **Dealing with CoViD-19**

- The CoViD-19 alert level and associated restrictions will continue to be closely monitored for their impact on our 3 races.
- As mentioned above, thorough, race-specific CoViD-19 risk assessments and mitigation plans are currently required by UKA/WA and the VoG Event Safety Advisory Group before licencing/approving races.
  - The purpose is to minimise transmission of CoViD-19 at races to ensure the safety of race volunteers, runners and the public.

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