

Financial Statements of

**HAMILTON TIGER-CAT
ATHLETIC TRUST FUND**

Year ended December 31, 2023

Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report

To the Members of
Hamilton Tiger-Cat Athletic Trust Fund

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Hamilton Tiger-Cat Athletic Trust Fund, that comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, and the statements of operations and changes in funds and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Practitioner's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report (continued)

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hamilton Tiger-Cat Athletic Trust Fund as at December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

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Hamilton, Canada
May 13, 2024

Chartered Professional Accountants
Licensed Public Accountants

HAMILTON TIGER-CAT ATHLETIC TRUST FUND

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 25,390	\$ 60,830
Investments:		
Cash and treasury bills	56,158	70,395
Fixed income	306,507	-
Canadian equities	1,281,792	1,525,316
International equity funds	1,112,481	920,386
	2,756,938	2,516,097
	\$ 2,782,328	\$ 2,576,927
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 38,691	\$ 38,690
Net assets:		
Original capital received from Hamilton Tiger-Cats Football Club Inc. (note 2)	222,429	222,429
Realized gains on sale of investments and foreign exchange gains	1,209,789	1,116,852
Unrealized net gains on investments held	1,200,142	1,057,204
Other income retained for objects beneficial to the community of Hamilton	111,277	141,752
	2,743,637	2,538,237
	\$ 2,782,328	\$ 2,576,927

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees:

_____ Trustee

_____ Trustee

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Statement of Operations and Changes in Funds

Year ended December 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

	2023	2022
Revenues:		
Investment income (excluding gains/loss on investments)		
Equities and fixed income	\$ 59,965	\$ 66,766
Expenses (other than investment fees):		
Publication of statements and website	600	600
Office expenses and administration	6,298	4,387
Professional fees	6,046	6,083
	12,944	11,070
Amounts available for grants to sports organizations	47,021	55,696
Grants to sports organizations (note 3)	(52,496)	(29,750)
Grant for legacy program (note 4)	(25,000)	(25,000)
(Decrease) increase in other income available for objects beneficial to the Hamilton community	(30,475)	946
Realized gains on sale of investments, net of investment counsel fees of \$30,053 (2022 - \$31,597)	92,937	194,162
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	142,938	(548,836)
Excess of revenues over expenses (expenses over revenues)	\$ 205,400	\$ (353,728)
Fund balances, beginning of year	2,538,237	2,891,965
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 2,743,637	\$ 2,538,237
Comprised of:		
Original capital	\$ 222,429	\$ 222,429
Investment Fund:		
Realized gains, beginning of year	1,116,852	922,690
Change during the year	92,937	194,162
Realized gains, end of year	\$ 1,209,789	\$ 1,116,852
Unrealized gains, beginning of year	1,057,204	1,606,040
Change during the year	142,938	(548,836)
Unrealized gains, end of year	\$ 1,200,142	\$ 1,057,204
Operating Fund:		
Fund balances, beginning of year	141,752	140,806
Change during the year	(30,475)	946
Operating Fund, end of year	\$ 111,277	\$ 141,752

See accompanying notes to financial statements

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
Cash (used in) provided by:		
Excess of revenues over expenses (expenses over revenues) \$	205,400	\$ (353,728)
Items not affecting cash:		
Gain on disposal of investments	(92,937)	(194,162)
Change in unrealized (gain) loss on investments	(142,938)	548,836
	(30,475)	946
Change in non-working capital items:		
Accounts payable	1	4,924
	(30,474)	5,870
Investing activities:		
Proceeds from disposal of investments	543,476	597,049
Purchase of investments	(548,442)	(596,074)
	(4,966)	975
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(35,440)	6,845
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	60,830	53,985
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 25,390	\$ 60,830

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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Hamilton Tiger-Cat Athletic Trust Fund (operating as “Hamilton Athletic Trust”) is one of two trusts established in perpetuity when the Football Club passed into private hands in 1961. Hamilton Athletic Trust (“Trust”) is administered independently and is completely separate from the football club. Grants are available in the community of Hamilton to foster, develop, encourage and assist athletes in all forms of sport and athletics of all kinds other than Canadian football.

1. Significant accounting policies:

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for not-for-profit organizations in Part III of the CICA Handbook.

(a) Revenue recognition:

Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned. Invested capital remains intact and trustees award grants annually from accumulated investment income.

(b) Cash:

Cash includes cash on hand and short-term deposits which are highly liquid with original maturities of less than three months.

(c) Contributed services:

A substantial number of volunteers contribute a significant amount of their time each year. Because of the difficulty of determining the fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

(d) Use of estimates:

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the carrying amount accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(e) Financial instruments:

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value on initial recognition. Freestanding derivative instruments that are not in a qualifying hedging relationship and equity instruments that are quoted in an active market are subsequently measured at fair value. All other financial instruments are subsequently recorded at cost or amortized cost, unless management has elected to carry the instruments at fair value. The Trust has not elected to carry any such financial instruments at fair value.

Transaction costs incurred on the acquisition of financial instruments measured subsequently at fair value are expensed as incurred. All other financial instruments are adjusted by transaction costs incurred on acquisition and financing costs, which are amortized using the straight-line method.

Financial assets are assessed for impairment on an annual basis at the end of the fiscal year if there are indicators of impairment. If there is an indicator of impairment, the Trust determines if there is a significant adverse change in the expected amount or timing of future cash flows from the financial asset. If there is a significant adverse change in the expected cash flows, the carrying value of the financial asset is reduced to the highest of the present value of the expected cash flows, the amount that could be realized from selling the financial asset or the amount the Trust expects to realize by exercising its right to any collateral. If events and circumstances reverse in a future period, an impairment loss will be reversed to the extent of the improvement, not exceeding the initial carrying value.

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2. Restrictions on net assets:

The original capital received from the Hamilton Tiger-Cats Football Club Inc. is restricted by the Board of Trustees. The restriction requires the principal to be maintained intact to support the Trust.

Realized and unrealized investment gains (losses) are separately accounted for under the Trust's net assets and available for distribution on a yearly basis based on direction of the Trustees.

Investment income earned from dividends and interest on the remaining assets is restricted for objects beneficial to the community of Hamilton. This investment income is net of grants and expenses incurred in the year in relation to the Trust's daily operations.

3. Grants:

The Board of Trustees authorized the payment of a number of individual and team grants during the year. On a yearly basis, the Trustees review applications from self-sustaining amateur sport clubs, teams, organizations and associations that have applied for financial aid in support of their competitive/developmental goals and operating needs. A committee of the Board of Trustees assess each application received, and dispense grants. The committee's expectation is to provide grants in a prudent manner, which are dedicated to the cause of "fostering, developing, encouraging, and assisting" amateur sport in the Hamilton area.

4. Legacy grants:

In 2021, the Trust agreed to provide financial support to the Hamilton Challenger Baseball Association to assist with the transformation of Inch Park into a fully accessible area for use of its community members. The Trust is committing \$25,000 for three years. In 2023, the Trust completed the third of the three scheduled payments.

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5. Financial risks and concentration of credit risk:

(a) Currency risk:

The Trust is exposed to financial risks as a result of exchange rate fluctuations and the volatility of these rates. In the normal course of operations, the Trust holds investments denominated in U.S. dollars. There has been no change to the risk exposure from 2022.

(b) Liquidity risk:

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Trust will be unable to fulfill its obligations on a timely basis or at a reasonable cost. The Trust manages its liquidity risk by monitoring its operating requirements. The Trust prepares budget and cash forecasts to ensure it has sufficient funds to fulfill its obligations. There has been no change to the risk exposures from 2022.

(c) Interest rate risk:

The Trust is exposed to interest rate risk on its fixed interest rate financial instruments and cash savings.