





Big horse Kronk, Hobart



Caesar, one of the many dogs that found a new home this year in Launceston

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2015 Million Paws Walk, Launceston





Million Paws Walk, Launceston

RSPCA Tasmania Guiding Principles

We are the primary animal welfare organisation in this state

We lead by example to deliver healthy and positive outcomes for all animals

We uphold and enforce Tasmanian and National animal welfare laws

We improve the welfare of all animals through education of our community

We embrace contemporary business practices and organisational effectiveness

We are a charity and actively seek to increase community, philanthropic and volunteer support of our activities



Queensland green tree frog a long way from home, Launceston

Budgie,
Hobart



RSPCA Australia – Charter

The RSPCA believes that man must treat animals humanely. Where man makes use of animals or interferes with their habitat, he should bestow a level of care befitting man's own dignity as a rational, intelligent, compassionate being, and a level of care merited by the nature of the animal as a sentient creature capable of responding to man's care and attention. Such care should be marked by sympathy, consideration, compassion and tenderness towards animals.



Zorro and Indie



Rescue kitten, Launceston

Mission

To prevent cruelty to animals by actively promoting their care and protection.

Vision

To be the leading authority in animal care and protection.

Objectives

The objectives of the RSPCA in Australia are:

- to prevent cruelty to animals by ensuring the enforcement of existing laws at federal and state level
- to procure the passage of such amending or new legislation as is necessary for the protection of animals
- to develop and promote policies for the humane treatment of animals that reflect contemporary values and scientific knowledge
- to educate the community with regard to the humane treatment of animals
- to engage with relevant stakeholders to improve animal welfare
- to sustain an intelligent public opinion regarding animal welfare
- to operate facilities for the care and protection of animals.

These objectives are supported by a federation of member Societies known as RSPCA Australia, a National Council and administration.

About RSPCA Tasmania

We are the largest Animal Welfare Charity in Tasmania. We are an autonomous, non-government community organisation that has been operating in this state since 1872.

We are governed by an elected Board chosen by RSPCA members at our Annual General Meeting. The Board acts according to our constitution and gives us our policy and strategic focus.

Staff and volunteers ultimately report to the General Manager who is the main conduit between the day-to-day operations of the society and the Board.

The main functions of the Society in Tasmania are:

- *to investigate cases of alleged cruelty or neglect*
- *to operate three Animal Care Centres and a Veterinary Clinic*
- *to work with all levels of Government to ensure adequate legislation is in place*
- *to heighten community awareness of animal welfare issues*
- *to manage a successful and sustainable state-wide business and*
- *to raise funds to support these functions*

While much of the Society's work deals with companion animals within urban areas, we are also concerned about the treatment of animals used for production of meat, eggs and fibre; for sport and entertainment; for research and experimentation.



Cupcake Day chef Megan baking up a storm

Our clients and stakeholders

- *our member*
- *people surrendering animals to us, whether they are injured or healthy*
- *people who adopt animals from us*
- *people who purchase goods and services from us*
- *people and entities interested in animal welfare generally*
- *people and entities who support us by donating money, time, goods or services*
- *our business and sponsor partners*

Our Core Values

- *Caring for animals*
- *Continuous improvement*
- *Respect*
- *Integrity*
- *Professionalism*
- *Accountability*
- *Sustainability*
- *Collaboration*



Lamb hugs are the best, RSPCA Devonport

Board of Directors for the year ending June 30 2015

Chair

Rod Bowerman
(Appointed 31 May, 2014)

Vice-Chair

Jonathon Croome
(Appointed 31 May, 2014)
(Resigned 9 December, 2014)

Simon Froude
(Appointed 9 December, 2014)

Treasurer

Susan Clark
(Appointed 9 December, 2014)

Board

Astrid Wootton
(Appointed 31 May, 2014)

Jonathon Croome
(Appointed 9 December, 2014)

Simon Froude
(Appointed 31 May, 2014)
(Resigned 9 December 2014)

Pat Gillespie
(Appointed 31 May, 2014)
(Resigned 20 May 2015)

General Manager

Peter West
(Appointed February 3, 2014)



Pizza and Pooches, Hawley Beach

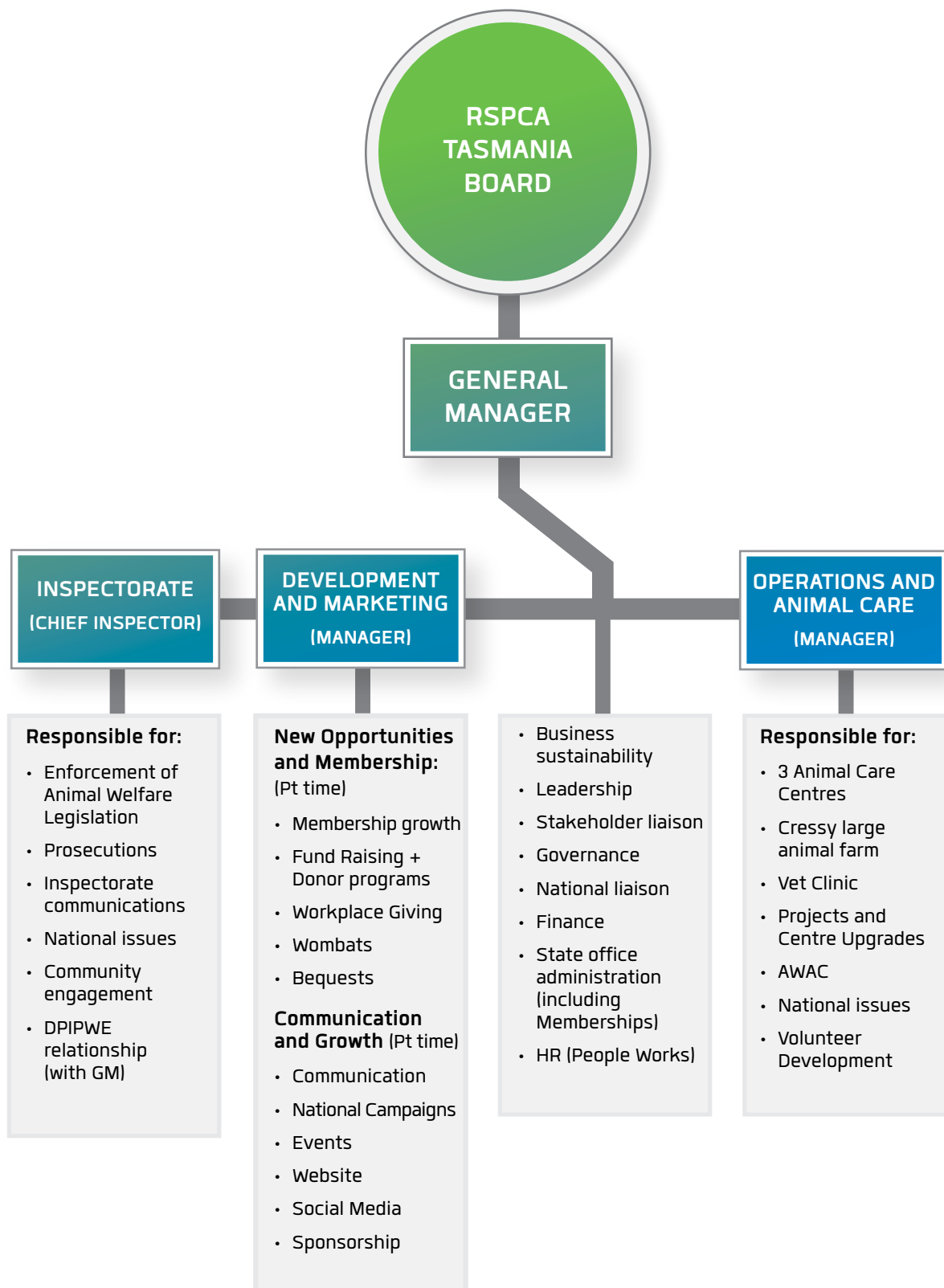


Pet Barn Valentines Day event, Launceston



Kittens on their scratching post

RSPCA Tasmania Management Structure 2015



President's Report

It has been pleasing to see the Society continue to rebuild from what has been a difficult recent period. On behalf of the Board I would like to acknowledge the continued support received by RSPCA Australia as well as the other member societies, which have been most generous in the provision of their time and expertise.

A proposed new constitution and change of structure for the Society, to a company limited by guarantee, will be voted upon by our members at the September 2015 Annual General Meeting. This is an important opportunity for the Society to further strengthen its governance structures, which were the subject of some criticism in the Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts' Inquiry into the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals ("RSPCA"), whose report was handed down in November 2013.

The 2015 financial year has seen much needed reinvestment in the Society, however this has come at a considerable financial cost. As the Society continues to rebuild this investment should significantly contribute to the growth of the Society as we seek to improve animal welfare outcomes in the state and make the Society sustainable in the longer term.

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank our dedicated and hardworking team of staff and volunteers for their continued efforts.

There have been a number of significant animal welfare challenges to be addressed this year including the inquiry into Greyhound Racing in Tasmania, the Animal Welfare Amendment Act, and the issues around cat management.

Strategic planning continues to be a focus for the Board. The Board intends to have a new strategic plan in place for the Society prior to the end of this calendar year.

I would like to welcome new Board Member Susan Clark, who was elected to the Board at the previous AGM in November 2014. I would like to acknowledge the contribution of the Board and those Board Members who retired in 2015; Patricia Gillespie and Astrid Wootton.

I would also like to thank our sponsors and supporters as well as our members for their ongoing support as we continue to rebuild RSPCA Tasmania.

Yours faithfully,

Rod Bowerman

President



Last year's Annual General Meeting,
November 2014



Rod Bowerman

General Manager's Report

It is with great pleasure we submit this Annual Report into the operations of RSPCA Tasmania.

Key to this year's outcomes are the wonderful results being achieved in the Animal Care Centres and the excellent work being done to bring about constitutional and governance change. While our fiscal results continue to be of concern, we have these firmly in our sights and have instigated major changes to ensure the results are not repeated this next financial year. The Board and senior management continue to investigate ways to increase and diversify income and minimise costs, however we also understand the community's real and sometimes desperate need for our organisation's services. It is a delicate balancing act and one we continue to address.

This is the third Annual Report produced in the last 16 months, which brings the Society's governance accountabilities back up to date, and continues the rebuilding phase of the organisation. We will be voting at the 2015 AGM to change the constitution and governance structure of the organisation - a very exciting time for everyone associated in the Society as it will ensure a greater level of transparency and corporate accountability, and make the organisation stronger and better able to deal with the complexities of managing a multi-million dollar Not-for-Profit organisation in today's world. This in turn will lead to much better outcomes for animals and provide members with the confidence that we are making the better welfare of animals our priority.

Early in this year we were able to complete the restructure of the organisation with the employment of an Operations and Animal Welfare Manager, whose role is to ensure we are maximising animal welfare results and create a safe and stable working environment for staff and volunteers in our Animal Care Centres. This role has overseen major change and it is pleasing to see the results also beginning to reflect the positive impact this role is having on the organisation. As can be seen in the Operations and Animal Care report, we have achieved a significant

increase in the live release rate of animals over the previous year and I congratulate all involved in achieving this.

We are committed to continuing the investment into the organisation to achieve better outcomes for animals this includes; the right equipment to fulfil the needs of staff/volunteers, better use of technology, a greater level of staff training, and in building a strong and committed volunteer base.

Our Inspectorate Team also continue to make significant improvements. During the last financial year we moved our Cruelty Complaints Hotline to a 24/7 call-centre so that we can better address the calls that come in. While the numbers of calls remains at around 3,000, we have been able to make efficiencies in the field that has enabled us bring the number of inspector down from 8 two years ago to 4.4 at the end of this financial year. We continue to monitor this to ensure we continue to investigate 100% of cruelty complaints.

We have worked hard this year on building better relations with key stakeholders including State Government, local governments, our generous sponsors, the Tasmanian Animal Welfare Alliance, Tasmania Police, Department of Primary Industry, Parks, Water and Environment and the Office of Racing Integrity.

It has been an extremely busy time for our small Marketing and Fundraising team. Our part-time staff remains committed to



General Manager Peter West with former TFGA CEO Jan Davis

increasing and diversifying income streams in a range of areas and we have enjoyed solid results in our three main nationally aligned events: Cupcake Day, Happy Tails month and Million Paws Walk.

This year has also seen us join other RSPCAs in a significant national raffle, our team has grown the number and frequency of our direct mail requests, grown and audited our database of supporters and commenced a major overhaul of our donation boxes in the community.

Our communications area has supported a number of national RSPCA communications campaigns this year including: Dogs Die in Hot cars, Set a Sister Free, Greyhounds, Live Export and the Coles/Woolworths approved farming scheme take-ups. We acknowledge the support of Heather Neil and the team in the National Office for their ongoing assistance and support.

This year has also seen RSPCA Tasmania lead the public discussion around a number of significant animal welfare issues including; Animal Welfare Act Amendment Bill, the live bating and welfare of Greyhounds, and the development of a new Cat Management Plan.

I would like to thank the many individuals and companies that have supported the Society over the last year, especially Hills Pet Nutrition; Bendigo Bank RSPCA Rescue VISA Card; RSPCA Pet Insurance; Peter Alexander shops; Max's Cat Litter; local councils across the state, the many wonderful event organisers and their volunteers and our Work for the Dole coordinators -

Max Employment and Workskills Employment Solutions.

I would also like to acknowledge the role that the media has played in keeping our charity in the hearts and minds of Tasmanians, our successes are due in no small part to their understanding and support.

As we reported last year, creating change in an organisation as large and established as the RSPCA in Tasmania takes time. I am very grateful to all our patient, dedicated and passionate staff, volunteers, members and other stakeholders who have assisted in this process. We are committed to ensuring the future of this organisation is as strong as it possibly can be and that we will continue to engage with members to ensure they are happy with the levels of transparency and the future direction of the Society.

Peter West

General Manager



Staff member Amy raising funds in Burnie



Popular Million Paws Walk stall, Hobart



Holy Rosary students present Cupcake Day cheque to General Manager Peter West

Inspectorate Summary

This year the Inspectorate team travelled nearly 160,000kms investigating 3,017 complaints of animal cruelty. These investigations resulted in 31 Court files being submitted, involving 38 people and 113 charges, plus 11 on the spot fines and hundreds of instructions and pieces of advice being handed out. Plus we safely and securely lodged 284 animals at our Care Centres and wonderful foster carers, comprising 80 dogs, 70 cats, and 34 horses, plus birds, poultry, goats, sheep, guinea pigs and rabbits!

Placing people before the Courts is definitely not our main focus, but it's pleasing to see that if people do over-step the mark and an animal suffers as a result, we are there to prosecute them, often resulting in not only a fine or worse, but also in some kind of ban or restriction placed upon the offender. This means better outcomes for the animals involved, but also for those animals that don't end up in their care in the future.

Mostly this has been a year of major change in the way we manage the RSPCA Tasmania Inspectorate. We have seen a reduction in staffing levels, changed the way we handle animal cruelty complaints, have continued to focus on training, developed clearer and more professional relationships with key stakeholders and have purchased some very worthwhile equipment; which has resulted in a reduction in response times, an increase in accountability to the company and to all stakeholders, and improved safety for our team.

We now have a staff of three full time Inspectors, one 4-day per week Inspector, and one 3-day per week Inspector, so we aren't as big as we used to be. Even with these changes in staffing levels, statistics show that we are still holding our own nationally.

In December all animal Cruelty complaints to our 1300 139 947 number and via email/ website moved to a greater RSPCA call-centre in Brisbane. This has enabled a full 24/7 capability with an increase in reporting and much better response times.

Training this year included a Deception Detection Masterclass; all about interviewing people who may not be truthful and increasing our ability to determine that truth, and also on-line courses on Dog Behaviour and Cognition.

We have completed our first year of the Services Agreement with the Department of Primary Industry, Parks, Water and Environment and feel that we have made significant headway in ensuring a better understanding between our two organisations. This year has also seen a move to tighten up our relationship with Tasmania Police and the Office of Racing Integrity.

Inspectors are now provided with iPads and specially designed incident notepads, meaning less time at computers or filling out forms, and more time at the coal face investigating cruelty complaints and improving the lives of animals.

During this year the team purchased a ramp/ panel/trailer unit which has proven to be a very valuable asset when trying to safely round up and transport cattle, sheep, goats and horses. Other safety items include fluorescent logoed vests and body-worn video cameras. The cameras, as research all over the country has shown, have reduced false/ vexatious complaints involving Inspectors, increased safety due to less aggression shown by the people we visit, and have provided real-time and spontaneous evidence for use in Court if required.

All in all, we are still achieving great outcomes despite a tough fiscal environment, and we are motivated for another year of making people accountable to their animals, through the Courts if necessary, and moving animals from a poor environment to a brand new forever home wherever we can.

Total Complaints Investigated: 3,017
(compared with 3,139 complaints in 2013/14)

These related to:

Issue	14/15	13/14
Body Condition	23.4%	33.3%
Insufficient Food and Water	17.0%	17.8%
Unsuitable Living Conditions	14.7%	16.8%
Abandonment	9.6%	4.7%
Inadequate Shelter	8.6%	4.8%
Abuse / Assault / Cruelty	5.2%	4.1%
Tethered	5.8%	4.6%
Other	15.6%	13.9%

The breakdown of species was:

Type	14/15	13/14
Dogs	47.4%	43.7%
Horses	12.0%	11.7%
Cats	9.2%	12.6%
Sheep	8.1%	8.8%
Cattle	4.8%	5.8%
Fowl	3.4%	3.2%
Puppies	3.3%	2.6%
Goats	2.6%	3.1%
Rabbits	1.8%	2.0%
Other	7.4%	6.5%

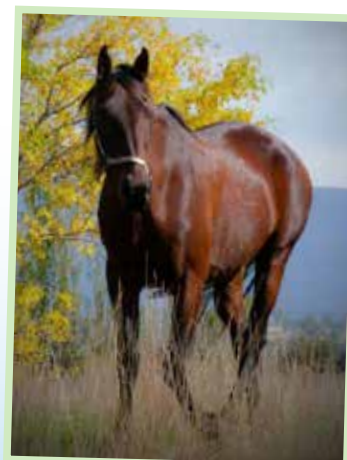
Of the complaints dealt with in the year the outcomes were:

Type	14/15	13/14
No need for enforcement	93.3%	92.1%
Instructions Given and complied with	4.9%	5.4%
Infringement Notice Issued	0.5%	0.7%
Prosecution Commenced	1.3%	1.8%

The number of Prosecutions commenced in the year was: 31
(compared with 42 Prosecutions in 2013/14)

The number of people charged: 38
(compared with 47 people charged in 2013/14)

The number of individual charges laid: 113
(compared with 153 individual charges laid in 2013/14)



One of the lucky horses that came to RSPCA this year



The charges laid related to the following animals:

Type	14/15 No.	14/15 %	13/14 No.	13/14 %
Poultry / Birds	90	52.9%	4	2.5%
Horses	34	20.0%	27	16.8%
Dogs	13	7.6%	20	12.4%
Sheep	12	7.1%	15	9.3%
Cattle	11	6.5%	34	21.1%
Guinea Pigs	7	4.1%	11	6.8%
Cats	1	0.6%	17	10.6%
Goats	1	0.6%	14	8.7%
Rabbits	1	0.6%	0	0.0%
Ponies	0	0.0%	8	5.0%
Pigs	0	0.0%	5	3.1%
Alpacas	0	0.0%	4	2.5%
Possoms	0	0.0%	2	1.2%



Inspectorate mobile ramp

The Inspectorate service secured 284 individual animals:

	Seized	Surrendered	Other	Total
Dogs	26	47	7	80
Cats	10	19	41	70
Poultry	31	13	8	52
Horses	22	9	3	34
Sheep	18	4	1	23
Birds	1	10	0	11
Goats	1	2	0	3
Rabbits	2	0	1	3
Other	8	0	0	8
Total	119	104	61	284



One of the many VIPs visiting the State over the year was Ken White from the Peninsula Humane Society + SPCA USA

Operations and Animal Care

Shelter Operations

In 2014/15, our key focus areas were to increase the Live Release Rate of animals from our Care Centres, to increase adoptions and to integrate the use of new technologies and contemporary business practices into our daily work. The team at RSPCA Tasmania were committed to achieving these goals, which was highlighted by the fact that our Live Release Rate rose from 58% in 2013/14 to an all-time high of 72% this year - an extraordinary 24% relative increase in Live Release Rate in just one year!



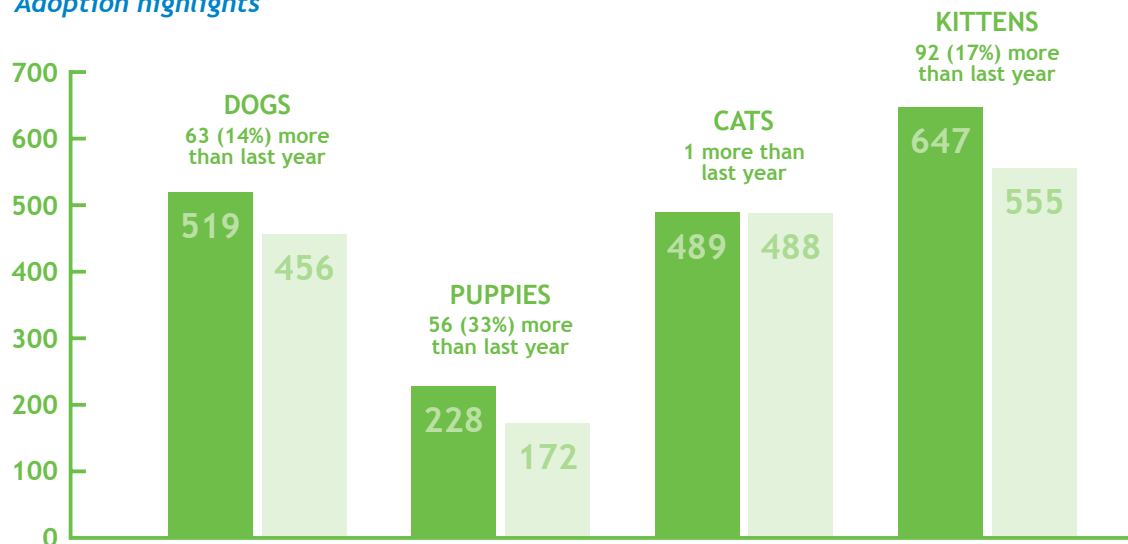
Animal care in all weather (RSPCA Hobart)

Live Release Rate - RSPCA Tasmania

2014/15	72%
2013/14	58%
Relative Change	24% increase in Live Release Rate

In 2015/16 we plan to raise this Live Release Rate even further through expansion of our foster care network, an increase number of adoption partners, driving more adoptions through innovative adoption events and the increased use of social media platforms and increased training of our staff and volunteers to begin to be able to engage in behavioural training with the animals in our care.

Adoption highlights



We have worked hard in 2014/15 to build relationships with other welfare organisations and rescue groups in order to maximise every animal's chances of finding a loving forever home.



Animal Care Centre Highlights

Hobart

In January 2015, the Hobart Centre welcomed a new shelter manager, Ms Abby Laskey, whose key areas of focus have been increasing adoption rates, decreasing length of stay, improving staff and volunteer training and implementing technological solutions at the centre. The Hobart Centre has enjoyed rejuvenated community support as evidenced by increases in both donations and volunteer support this year. The Hobart Centre has also developed a partnership with Risdon Prison Services to implement a community integration program at the centre, as well as managing an effective Work for the Dole Program, which has resulted in improvements and upgrades to facilities at the Hobart Centre. RSPCA Tasmania would also like to take the opportunity to farewell and thank the previous Centre Manager, Ms Alison Ball for all her hard work and dedication to the Society during her tenure.

Launceston

The Staff at the Launceston Centre has been exceptionally focussed on their goal to improve live release rates, through the use of contemporary sheltering methods. With increased use of social media outlets and the recruitment and training of more foster carers, they have achieved exceptional success, adopting just shy of 1,000 animals (992) this year and returning 642 animals to their owners.

This year 483 cat desexing vouchers were issued to holders of Pension or Health Care Cards, with around 40% of those also taking up the option of a microchip as well. The vouchers are supplied by RSPCA Launceston, and also by the group of wonderful volunteers who fundraise specifically to provide this assistance to cat owners. Our thanks also to the local Veterinary Clinics that accept these vouchers and perform the surgery at a reduced cost.

2014/15 has seen the Launceston Centre begin to get a long overdue facelift due to a successful Work for the Dole national pilot program, which was rolled out in northern Tasmania. Improvements include upgrades to dog exercise areas, including improved screening between areas to decrease stress and over-stimulation in our canine guests. The project participants have also upgraded animal housing facilities, fencing, pathways, walking tracks for volunteer dog walkers and erected shade sails and shelters for our animals during extreme weather. Thank you to all the participants involved in this project.

Devonport

Our Devonport Animal Care Centre has continued to lead the way in saving lives at RSPCA Tasmania, with an annual Live Release Rate of 76%, which is an exceptional result. The Devonport team have also embraced contemporary sheltering ideas such as the implementation of a desexing scheme to aid low income earners get their pets desexed, growth in their kitten foster carer team and also the provision of Delta Society accredited dog training classes run from our Devonport Care Centre.

2015/16 looks to be exciting for the Devonport Centre, as work gets underway to upgrade the Dog Exercise Areas and create a proposed Memorial Wall and Gardens at the centre in conjunction with the Work for the Dole Program.



Devonport RSPCA Quiz Night

Adoption Initiatives

2014/15 saw the launch of a number of new adoption initiatives, all aimed at our core goal of improving animal outcomes for each and every animal.

We partnered with PetBarn for both their Pet Fun Day and their Pet Dating day on Valentine's Day, which resulted in many adoptions both on the days and as a result of them. The partnership also graduated into a formal Adoption Centre Partnership late this year, with Pet Barn's flagship store in Launceston, now permanently having RSPCA cats and kittens available for adoption through their premises. Pet Barn staff have been trained in adoption counselling by RSPCA Tasmania and the cats and kittens are all vaccinated, microchipped, desexed, wormed and health and temperament checked before becoming available for adoption. It is hoped that this initiative can grow during the 2015/16 year to incorporate more of the 5 Pet Barn stores around Tasmania.

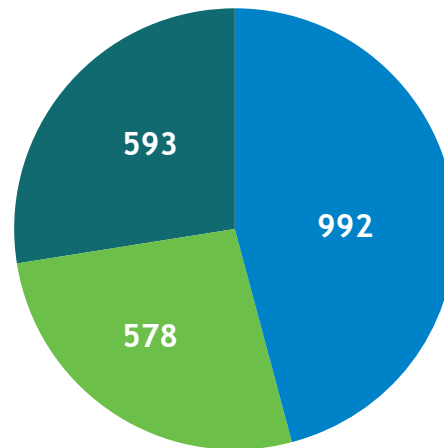
This year also saw the integration with Finding Rover - a facial recognition app for dogs, helping to match lost and found dogs. All stray dogs that come into our care are automatically uploaded to the app and all dogs available for adoption can also be viewed on the app. It is envisaged a similar app for cats will be launched late in 2015, which RSPCA Tasmania will integrate with upon its launch.

This year we ran a number of cat adoption initiatives across our centres. These included the Adopt the Baby, Get the Babysitter Free program, which is aimed at ensuring that our mother cats are not left behind during kitten season (both the kittens and the mother are, of course, desexed before adoption).

We also ran a number of lower priced cat adoption days, which are based on the ideology that the more desexed and vaccinated cats we can integrate into the community, the easier it will become to combat the problems of disease transmission, cats over-breeding and of stray cats leaking into the feral cat community. There is much

evidence surrounding the positive long-term impacts that lower priced adoption days can have on the feline overpopulation problem and RSPCA Tasmania were thrilled at the positive community response to these new initiatives.

Adoptions by Region



- Launceston Adoptions
- Hobart Adoptions
- Devonport Adoptions



Volunteering

The extraordinary increase in our live release rates from 58% to 72% this year would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of our dedicated volunteers.

2014/15 saw the creation of a new Volunteer and Foster Care Coordinator position within the Society. This role allowed a renewed focus on recruitment and training of more volunteers and foster carers at each of our centres.

Foster Caring

In 2014/15 a total of 732 animals went into foster care whilst at RSPCA Tasmania. This was a 23% increase from the previous year, when 597 of our animals entered foster care - a fantastic result, as a safe home environment is the ideal place for all animals.

When the catteries are at capacity during kitten season, the amazing individuals who foster care for us allow us to continue to accept and care for cats and kittens as they inevitably keep coming in. Our foster carers socialize and care for litters of young kittens, ensuring all their veterinary, nutritional and environmental enrichment needs are met, until they are old enough to be desexed and adopted.



Volunteers collecting donations for Happy Tails

This year we have also started utilising foster carers for dogs who are not coping in the shelter environment. These dogs can then be rehomed from foster care directly, or brought back into the shelter to meet potential adopters. Increasing the capacity of our adopt-from-foster program is certainly a goal for the coming year.

Centre Volunteers

RSPCA Tasmania's Animal Care Centre volunteers undertake a myriad of tasks from dog-walking to laundry to gardening to fundraising and beyond. In the coming year we are focussing on further improvements and expansion of our volunteer program, with key resources such as increased IT integration with the program, the implementation of a volunteer recognition scheme and improved and ongoing volunteer training.

Without the incredible, selfless individuals who choose to help our Society through volunteering or foster caring, we could not save as many lives as we do. Our volunteers play an invaluable role in the day-to-day operations of our shelters and make significant contributions to animal welfare in Tasmania. We sincerely thank all of our volunteers for their support of RSPCA Tasmania and the important work that we do.



Volunteers at Pizza and Pooches

Fundraising and Marketing

Fundraising

One of the fundraising priorities for 2014/15 has been to increase the frequency and integrity of our contacts with our financial supporters.

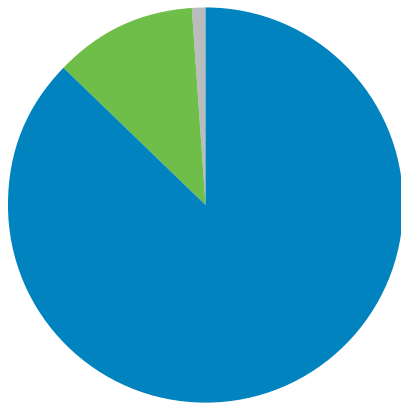
General Donations and Bequests continued to be a significant contributor to our income in 2014/15, realising \$127,817 and \$946,349 respectively.

A major project commenced during the year was the renewal of our community based donation boxes. Older style 'wombat' donation boxes have been recalled and new RSPCA 'paw' donation boxes are being distributed to replace the wombats. This work will continue into 2015/16, and there are plans to refurbish the wombat boxes and redistribute these into the community. In 2014/15, community-based donation boxes yielded \$9,721.



Twins Gaby and Bree Franklin at the Happy Tails Bunnings stall

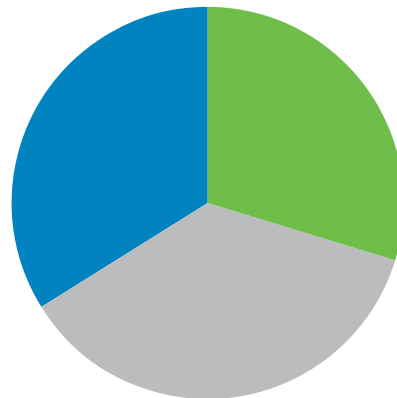
Additional Income Streams



- Bequests \$946,349
- General Donations \$127,817
- Wombat \$9,720

Significant funds were also raised in this fiscal period through the implementation and management of a direct mail campaign.

2014/15 DM income



- Spring time 2014 \$33,400
- Guardian Angel \$29,345
- Tax time 2014 \$35,900

The establishment of a database enabled the direct mails to target people in the community who have been seen to support the RSPCA in Tasmania. The mail outs took place during Tax time, Christmas time, as part of a nationwide campaign and Spring time.

The campaigns have resulted in an increase of Regular Givers and provided insight in to those supporters who have mentioned the RSPCA Tasmania in their Will.

A new fundraising event in 2015, the inaugural Roars4Paws, highlighted the RSPCA to a wider audience of supporters. Roars4Paws involved 53 motorcycle riders riding from across the state to the Launceston Animal Care Centre, raising funds for the RSPCA. The event was championed by Craig Lowndes and enthusiastic volunteers from all over the state and it is hoped the ride will be held again, and grow its support in 2016.

Fundraising has benefited greatly by the help of volunteers, if it wasn't for their help in a range of areas, including data entry, administration, tin rattles, BBQ support etc, we would not be able to do what we do.

One area volunteers make a big difference is the ongoing work on the database, which is crucial to the success of our campaigns, it is vital that all data is current and correct to ensure our campaigns are successful.

Tasmania were one of three states to initiate a national Raffle, this means that the prize pool is greater for all participants. Early indications are that the concept has been well embraced by the community and we will continue to monitor its success.



Craig Lowndes - supporter of Roars4Paws

Event Marketing

While simultaneously seeking new funds gathering opportunities, the organisation continued its mission to grow and leverage the longstanding and popular annual fundraising campaigns including Million Paws Walk, Cupcake Day and Happy Tails.

The Cupcake Day campaign in August was the first for the new marketing team, and attracted considerably more online registrants than previous years. It more than doubled the 2013 online fundraising total (from \$18,000 to \$37,000) and raised a total of \$42,000 from a combination of online registrations and community donations.

A more sophisticated digital communications program throughout the campaign created better engagement with Cupcake Day official participants and undoubtedly assisted in the significant growth of registrations and income.

The Million Paws Walk (MPW) campaign in May again featured six Walks around the state. The King Island event withdrew but the campaign gained a valuable and enthusiastic new event partner in the Huon Valley Council, which organised a new Walk at Huonville - the first time in many years that a second major MPW event was available in the south.

The pleasant weather around the state assisted by renewed and more targeted promotional activity helped to increase both participant numbers to over 3000 in total and overall income of \$71,000.

There is no doubt that the vastly improved internal client databases that continued to be developed, enhanced and integrated over the past 12 months were a significant factor in the efficacy and success of the communications and marketing strategies of the major events, including Million Paws Walk and Cupcake Day.

The former annual Happy Tails Day is now known as Happy Tails (campaign) with activities around the campaign running primarily in October and featuring the sale of RSPCA branded toys and apparel in public places and online.

We again received good support from the community and from a number of enterprises that allowed us to sell merchandise in their premises or sold goods on our behalf. The amount raised by year-end was \$11,000.

Public Relations

The successful communication strategies commenced in the previous financial year to restore and maintain credibility of the RSPCA brand continued in this fiscal period.

This again included regular, proactive media contact promoting positive aspects of RSPCA operations in addition to measured, proactive and reactive responses to animal welfare issues of state and national public interest.

The society continued to actively use popular social media platforms to engage with the community and mainstream media.

Our Facebook page continued to experience sustained growth, expanding from 30,000 to 52,000 supporters over the course of the year. This medium was employed to impart messages and advice on a range of issues and events and was used effectively for competition promotions and to promote our adoption services. Supporters were also encouraged to post photos and stories of their adoptions post-event and RSPCA Tasmania has the highest number of followers per capita of any Australian RSPCA.

Increased, strategic use of these digital media channels has continued to foster a greater understanding of the RSPCA's activities including: the work of the Inspectorate, animal advocacy at all levels, our Animal Care Centre's activities, our many events and inviting greater participation in fundraising initiatives.

The society's website continues to be a valuable information repository. Midyear it was necessary to completely migrate the site to a new platform after several serious hacking episodes rendered the site inaccessible and potentially compromised. Since the transfer, which incorporated new security protocols, the site has been trouble-free.



Million Paws Walk, Launceston



Ellen from Horseland with their Christmas Giving Tree promotion in Launceston

Hawthorn FC players getting to know some furry friends, Devonport



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2014/2015



Statement by Members of the Board *30 June 2015*

Statement by members of the board June 30, 2015

In the opinion of the board, the financial report set out on page 22 to 40

- a) Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of RSPCA Tasmania Inc. as at 30 June 2015 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard (including Australia Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
- b) At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that RSPCA Tasmania Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:



Rod Bowerman
Chair



Susan Clark
Treasurer

DATE *24 September 2015*

Independent Auditor's Report

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RSPCA TASMANIA INCORPORATED

Report on the Financial Report

I have audited the accompanying financial report of RSPCA Tasmania Incorporated (the association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2015, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by the members of the board on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

Board's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The board of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) 1964* and for such internal control as the board determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Auditor's Opinion

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for RSPCA Tasmania Incorporated to maintain an effective system of internal control over certain items of income until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, my audit in relation to donations and other fundraising activities was limited to amounts recorded.

Qualified Auditor's Opinion


In my opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been required had the limitations discussed in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report of RSPCA Tasmania Incorporated is in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) 1964*, including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.

Ruddicks
R J Ruddick
102 Tamar Street
Launceston Tas 7250

Signed:

Date:


25 SEPT 2015



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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Financial Summary 2014/15

Revenue			
Animal Centre Revenue (Adoptions, Boarding, Etc.)		\$ 673,686	22.4%
Inspectorate Government		\$ 400,000	13.3%
Donations		\$ 1,091,669	36.3%
	Bequests	\$ 946,349	
	Other Donations	\$ 145,320	
Fundraising Income		\$ 431,053	14.3%
	Raffles	\$ 144,763	
	MPW, Happy Tails Day & CCD	\$ 125,265	
	Other (Quiz Night, Entertainment books etc.)	\$ 161,025	
Sponsorship		\$ 5,800	0.2%
Grants		\$ 55,812	1.9%
Government Subsidies		\$ 54,521	1.8%
Merchandising (Shop revenue)		\$ 108,487	3.6%
Other Revenue (Memberships, Investments etc.)		\$ 189,584	6.3%
Total		\$ 3,010,613	100.0%
Expenditure			
Animal Care		\$ 1,508,221	44.4%
	Food, Board, Cleaning etc.	\$ 59,284	
	Vets (Internal and External)	\$ 368,695	
	Staff	\$ 1,080,242	
	Other (Training)	\$ -	
Inspectorate (Staff and Other)		\$ 638,617	18.8%
Fundraising		\$ 197,172	5.8%
	Raffles	\$ 113,185	
	MPW, Happy Tails Day & CCD	\$ 25,846	
	Other (Entertainment books etc.)	\$ 58,141	
Office and Administrative		\$ 363,707	10.7%
	Staff	\$ 341,183	
	Accountancy	\$ 18,181	
	Legal	\$ 4,344	
Administrative (Phone, Insurances, Computers, Licences)		\$ 221,761	6.5%
Merchandising (Shop stock)		\$ 51,776	1.5%
Other (Power, Motor Vehicle Exps, Deprecation etc.)		\$ 418,407	12.3%
Total		\$ 3,399,661	100.0%
Profit/(Loss)		(\$ 389,048)	-12.9%

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income *for the year ended 30 June 2015*

Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
OPERATING REVENUE		
Animal Centre		
Adoption	407,677	349,279
Boarding	51,557	40,249
Other animal centre	36,154	41,566
Inspectorate animal	6,462	3,699
	<u>501,850</u>	<u>434,793</u>
Vet Clinic		
Vet clinic income	23,523	32,815
Desexing Scheme	-	9,146
	<u>23,523</u>	<u>41,961</u>
Pound		
LCC service contract	55,000	55,000
Dog release	14,382	13,745
	<u>69,382</u>	<u>68,745</u>
Inspectorate service		
DPIPWE service contract	400,000	600,000
	<u>400,000</u>	<u>600,000</u>
Marketing & development		
Telemarketing commission	24,556	27,838
Donations	142,122	125,428
Fundraising	406,497	302,061
Sponsorships	5,800	12,510
Membership	5,443	4,984
	<u>584,418</u>	<u>472,821</u>
Grants & subsidies		
Government work for the dole project	54,521	-
Council grants	6,130	9,713
Council subsidies	21,500	21,500
Grants	34,091	67,501
Royalties	81,142	64,365
	<u>197,384</u>	<u>163,079</u>
Merchandising		
Sale of goods & services	105,347	106,696
Chocolate & drink income	3,140	3,443
Microchip sales	3,858	10,239
	<u>112,345</u>	<u>120,378</u>
Sundry income		
Gain on disposal of assets	20,964	(3,274)
Other income	6,097	20,614
	<u>27,061</u>	<u>17,340</u>
Total Operating Revenue	1,915,963	1,919,117
Total Operating Expenses	3,284,951	3,074,271
Operating (Expense)/ Revenue for the Year	(1,368,988)	(1,155,154)
NON-OPERATING REVENUE		
Dividend income	23,027	20,285
Interest	10,564	18,516
Legacies & bequests	946,349	993,335
	<u>979,940</u>	<u>1,032,136</u>
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	(389,048)	(123,018)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
Other comprehensive income that may be transferred to the profit or loss		
Increase/(decrease) in market value of investments	(15,956)	23,290
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	(405,004)	(99,728)

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Animal care			
Cleaning		6,581	7,799
Food		24,693	29,055
Other animal centre expenses		26,096	34,837
Inspectorate animal expenses		24,787	12,094
		82,157	83,785
Veterinary costs			
Veterinary expenses		176,197	201,488
Lab Fees		-	171
Drugs - Vet Centre		3,402	6,260
Microchip expenses		21,410	19,741
Consumables & minor equipment		62,372	33,963
Desexing scheme		-	55,306
		263,381	316,929
Pound			
Cleaning		1,851	1,762
Sundry		76	88
		1,927	1,850
Marketing & development			
Advertising		3,422	11,307
Campaign expenses		-	267
Education expenses		-	703
Fundraising	15	197,562	145,854
		200,984	158,131
Employment expenses			
Employment expenses		1,963,918	1,762,963
Move in annual & long service leave		30,116	43,439
Other employment expenses		10,328	17,630
Training and development		5,610	136
Meeting expenses		2,186	4,185
OHS measures		2,004	1,586
		2,014,162	1,829,939
Merchandising			
Cost of goods and services	20	95,388	62,065
Corporate services			
Accountancy and audit	3	13,564	14,762
Subscriptions		46,154	46,569
Bank fees		3,916	4,340
Communications & Call Centre		88,258	72,412
Consultancy		4,344	62,916
Insurance		73,598	45,753
Printing, stationery and computer expenses		70,629	55,916
Professional Fees		35,213	5,691
Sundry		150	627
		335,826	308,986
Travel & motor vehicle			
Travel and meeting expenses		23,589	6,441
Motor vehicle expenses		60,782	71,625
		84,371	78,066
Property & utilities			
Rent, rates & charges	18	25,776	28,308
Repairs & maintenance		52,623	25,214
Security		1,566	691
Minor equipment		6,177	5,918
Power charges		30,038	31,856
		116,180	91,987
Depreciation			
Depreciation	3	90,575	142,533
		90,575	142,533
Total Operating Expenses		3,284,951	3,074,271

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

Statement of Financial Position *as at 30 June 2015*

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	4	438,141	737,676
Investments	5	350,069	329,298
Inventories	6	15,581	36,162
Receivables	7	14,562	4,461
Other	8	44,699	39,245
Total Current Assets		863,052	1,146,842
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	9	852,848	930,287
Total Non-Current Assets		852,848	930,287
TOTAL ASSETS		1,715,900	2,077,129
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	10	136,600	122,940
Provisions	11	162,740	158,627
Total Current Liabilities		299,340	281,567
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	11	37,900	11,898
Total Non-Current Liabilities		37,900	11,898
TOTAL LIABILITIES		337,240	293,465
NET ASSETS		1,378,660	1,783,664
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Other reserves		23,478	39,434
Accumulated funds	12	1,355,182	1,744,230
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		1,378,660	1,783,664

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

Statement of Changes in Equity *for the year ended 30 June 2015*

	Retained Earnings	Revaluation Reserve	Rescue Equip Reserve	Total
Balance at 30 June 2013	1,867,248	11,738	4,406	1,883,392
Profit attributable to members	(123,018)	23,290	-	(99,728)
Balance at 30 June 2014	1,744,230	35,028	4,406	1,783,664
Profit attributable to members	(389,048)	(15,956)	-	(405,004)
Balance at 30 June 2015	1,355,182	19,072	4,406	1,378,660

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

Statement of Cash Flows *as at 30 June 2015*

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from customers & donors		1,849,215	1,917,157
Payments to suppliers and employees		(3,203,963)	(3,005,928)
		(1,354,748)	(1,088,771)
Interest received		10,564	18,516
Bequest income		909,620	993,335
Trust income		23,027	20,285
Grant Income		104,174	84,935
Net cash flows from operating activities	13	(307,363)	28,300
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of property plant & Equipment		20,964	19,091
Payments for property plant & equipment		(13,136)	(130,263)
Proceeds from sale of investments		-	-
Net cash flows from investing activities		7,828	111,172
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayments of lease and asset purchase liabilities		-	-
Net cash flows from financing activities		-	-
Net decrease in cash held		(299,535)	(82,872)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		737,676	820,548
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	4	438,141	737,676

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

Notes to the Financial Statements *for the year ended 30 June 2015*

NOTE 2: SEGMENT NOTE

	Launceston Shelter		Devonport Shelter		Hobart Shelter		Inspectorate Services		Support Services		Total	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
REVENUE												
Animal Care (A)	266,310	304,915	151,998	165,459	155,917	205,631	-	3,699	-	-	574,225	679,704
Veterinary Income	19,856	20,105	-	9,839	1,669	12,017	-	-	-	-	21,525	41,961
Work For Dole	718	-	818	-	4,545	-	-	-	48,440	-	54,521	0
Pound Income	67,341	67,182	1,083	691	958	872	-	-	-	-	69,382	68,745
Inspectorate Funding	-	-	-	-	-	-	406,462	600,000	-	-	406,462	600,000
Marketing & Development	74,807	61,805	46,723	38,068	40,159	30,902	-	-	503,872	342,046	665,561	472,821
Grant & Subsidies	21,500	47,790	(1,818)	16,694	6,130	14,463	-	-	35,909	84,132	61,721	163,079
Merchandising	54,774	53,458	40,599	47,504	16,973	19,416	-	-	-	-	112,346	120,378
Sundry Income	-	-	5,779	-	-	-	21,282	16,864	-	476	27,061	17,340
Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,564	18,516	10,564	18,516
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,027	20,285	23,027	20,285
Legacies & bequests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	946,349	993,335	946,349	993,335
TOTAL REVENUE	505,306	555,255	245,182	278,255	226,351	283,301	427,744	620,563	1,568,161	1,458,790	2,972,744	3,196,164
EXPENSE												
Animal Care (A)	93,049	24,636	6,283	7,809	34,805	30,431	93,740	265,724	5,111	96	232,988	328,696
Veterinary Costs	52,544	168,543	65,314	89,895	41,795	42,719	8,277	15,772	-	-	167,930	316,929
Pound Expenses	1,928	1,850	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,928	1,850
Marketing & Development	3,317	6,190	1,337	2,049	1,351	3,411	-	662	191,555	145,819	197,560	158,131
Employee Expenses	513,159	454,826	270,601	259,397	365,495	339,666	487,000	514,429	374,550	261,621	2,010,805	1,829,939
Merchandising	58,219	22,919	34,319	24,759	24,259	14,387	-	-	-	-	116,797	62,065
Corporate Services	17,148	12,874	9,986	5,695	15,023	8,032	49,132	45,024	252,413	237,361	343,702	308,986
Travel & Motor Vehicles	5,232	6,205	5,577	7,277	5,429	2,594	42,245	48,477	25,888	13,513	84,371	78,066
Property & Utilities	40,131	39,080	7,982	13,989	21,201	29,910	3,108	3,523	43,868	5,485	116,290	91,987
Depreciation	11,936	18,082	9,691	14,731	20,452	36,412	34,089	58,458	14,407	14,850	90,575	142,533
TOTAL EXPENSE	796,663	755,205	411,090	425,601	529,810	507,562	717,591	952,069	907,792	678,745	3,362,946	3,319,182
SEGMENT RESULTS	(291,357)	(199,950)	(165,908)	(147,346)	(303,459)	(224,261)	(289,847)	(331,506)	660,369	780,045	(390,202)	(123,018)

The segment note will not reconcile directly to the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income as it contains internal changes between the segments that have been removed on consolidation:

A) The segment note includes internal charges amounting to \$76,839 (244,909 in 2014) charged by the three shelters in relation to Inspectorate boarding expenses.

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

Notes to the Financial Statements *for the year ended 30 June 2015*

1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

RSPCA Tasmania Inc. is incorporated in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) 1964.

Basis of Preparation

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) 1964, Australian Accounting standards and interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. The Association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below. They have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report, except for the cash flow information, has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, and financial assets. The amounts presented in the financial report have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

(a) Income Tax

The association has not adopted the principles of tax-effect accounting as it is exempt from income tax under section 50-45 of the Australian Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are measured using the cost basis. Property (excluding Land), Plant and equipment are depreciated over the expected useful life of each asset using the straight line basis. Launceston Branch's tenure at its Remount Road location is controlled by a lease agreement with the Launceston City Council for a five year term. Leasehold improvements are amortised on the basis of a ten year term in line with business expectations. The current lease expired 31st July 2011, negotiations to renew the lease are ongoing.

The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Board to ensure that it is not in excess of the recoverable amount of these assets. The recoverable amount of an asset is the net amount expected to be recovered through the net cash inflows from its continued use and subsequent disposal. In determining the recoverable amount of non-current assets the net cash flows have not been discounted to their present value.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Buildings and Structural improvements	2.5%
Leasehold improvements	10%
Motor vehicles	22.5% - 30%
Other equipment	5% - 40%

(c) Investments

Financial instruments are initially measured at cost on trade date, which includes transactions costs, when the related contractual rights or obligations exist. Subsequent to initial recognition these instruments are measured as set out below.

(i) Loans and Receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial asset is derecognised.

Notes to the Financial Statements *for the year ended 30 June 2015*

1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(ii) Available-For-Sale Financial Assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are those non-derivative financial assets that are designated as available for sale or that are not classified as loans and receivables, held to maturity investments or financial assets at fair value through profit and loss. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

Available-for-sale financial assets are carried at fair value and any unrealised gains or losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income. When the financial asset is sold the cumulative gain or loss is reclassified into profit or loss.

(iii) Financial Liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities are recognised at amortised cost, comprising original debt less principal repayments and amortisation.

(d) Revenue

Revenue from the adoption and boarding of animals is recognised upon provision of the service.

Grants are recognised as revenue in the period in which the Association obtains control of the grant and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the association and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably. Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis, taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets. Other revenue items, including donations, merchandising, Inspectorate contract, bequests and fundraising are recognised on receipt.

(e) Employee Entitlements

Provision is made for RSPCA Tasmania's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs.

Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made for those benefits. RSPCA has estimated the present value of the future cash flows using a short-hand measurement technique as this provides an estimate that is not materially different from that determined using present value calculations.

(f) Impairment

The carrying amounts of the Associations assets, other than inventories (see accounting policy 1(j)) are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement, unless the asset has previously been revalued, in which case the impairment loss is recognised as a reversal to the extent of that previous revaluation with any excess recognised through profit or loss.

Impairment of receivables is not recognised until objective evidence is available that a loss event has occurred. The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

Impairment losses are reversed when there is an indication that the impairment loss may no longer exist and there has been a change in the estimate used to determine the recoverable amount.

Notes to the Financial Statements *for the year ended 30 June 2015*

1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(g) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is included as part of the receivables or payables.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

(h) Cash Flows

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and cash held at call with financial institutions.

(i) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation in the current year.

(j) Inventories

Stock on hand is valued at the lower of cost or net replacement cost.

(k) Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturity of three months or less.

(l) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the Association, are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a diminishing value basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that RSPCA will obtain ownership of the asset or over the term of the lease.

Lease payments under operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

(m) New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

The AASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods and which the association has decided not to early adopt. A discussion of those future requirements and their impact on the association is as follows:

AASB 9 Financial Instruments and the relevant amending standards

AASB 9 is one of a series of amendments that are expected to replace AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. The main impact of the standard is to change the requirements for the classification, measurement and disclosures associated with financial assets. Under the new requirements the four categories of financial assets in AASB 139 will be replaced with two measurement categories: fair value and amortised cost.

AASB 2015-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Extending Related Party Disclosures to Not-for-Profit Public Sector Entities

The amendments extend the scope to AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures to include not-for-profit public sector entities.

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1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, and AASB 2014-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 15

Under the new standard, a single model that applies to contracts with customers and two approaches to recognising revenue, at a point in time or over time is proposed. The model features a contract-based five-step analysis of transactions to determine whether, how much and when revenue is recognised.

The new standard will apply to contracts of not-for-profit entities that are exchange contracts. AASB 1004 Contributions will continue to apply to non-exchange transactions until the Income from Transactions of Not-for-Profit Entities project is completed.

These Standards are applicable retrospectively and amend the classification and measurement of financial assets. The association has not yet determined any potential impact on the financial statements.

(n) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The Directors evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Association.

Key Estimates – Impairment

The Association assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Association that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

3 Operating Result

EXPENSES

Depreciation of buildings

Buildings	7,226	7,225
Building Improvements	12,028	11,882
Leasehold Improvements	6,757	6,834
	<u>26,011</u>	<u>25,941</u>

Depreciation of plant and equipment

Furniture, plant and equipment	32,368	46,028
Motor vehicles	32,196	70,564
	<u>64,564</u>	<u>116,592</u>

Total Depreciation

	<u>90,575</u>	<u>142,533</u>
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Auditor's Remuneration

Audit of the financial report	12,500	11,700
Audit of Raffles	500	500
Other	475	1,900
	<u>13,475</u>	<u>14,100</u>

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		2015	2014
		\$	\$
4	Cash		
	Cash on hand	1,100	1,100
	ANZ	156,661	63,728
	ANZ	267,133	671,647
	Commonwealth Bank	-	1,200
	Bendigo Bank	293	-
	Westpac	12,954	-
	Total Cash	438,141	737,675
	The above figures agree to cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows.	438,141	737,675
5	Investments		
	Investment Accounts		
	Listed Shares	324,129	304,135
		324,129	304,135
	Investments Held in Trust		
	Evelyn Estelle Bantick - Hobart	25,940	25,163
		25,940	25,163
		350,069	329,298
6	Inventory		
	Veterinary Suppliers	4,336	5,588
	Goods for resale	11,245	30,574
		15,581	36,162
7	Receivables		
	Other receivables	14,562	4,461
		14,562	4,461
8	Other Assets		
	Bond (insurance)	-	2,336
	Prepayments	41,561	35,480
	Other	3,138	1,429
		44,699	39,245
9	Property, Plant and Equipment		
	LAND AND BUILDINGS		
	Land	146,000	146,000
	At cost	146,000	146,000
	Buildings		
	At cost	289,000	289,000
	Less: accumulated depreciation	(108,161)	(100,936)
		180,839	188,064
	Building Improvements		
	At cost	251,568	251,568
	Less: accumulated depreciation	(97,218)	(90,928)
		154,350	160,640
	Veterinary Clinic		
	At cost	229,493	229,493
	Less: accumulated depreciation	(44,946)	(39,208)
		184,547	190,285
	Leasehold Improvements		
	At cost	439,896	439,896
	Less: accumulated depreciation	(403,798)	(397,041)
		36,098	42,855
	Total Land and Buildings	701,834	727,844

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	2015 \$	2014 \$
13 Reconciliation of Net Deficit to Cash Flows from Operations		
Operating profit	(389,048)	(123,018)
Non-cash items included in net surplus		
Depreciation	90,575	142,533
(profit) / loss on sale	(20,964)	3,274
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in Receivables	(10,100)	(533)
(Increase)/decrease in Inventories	20,581	(12,493)
(increase)/decrease in investments	(36,729)	572
Increase/(decrease) in Other assets	(5,452)	(6,201)
Increase/(decrease) in Payables	13,659	(19,273)
Increase/(decrease) in Employee provisions	30,115	43,439
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	(307,363)	28,300

14 Financial Instruments

a) RSPCA Tasmania's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, short-term investments, accounts receivable and payable. The Association does not have any derivative instruments at 30 June 2015.

The totals for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 139 as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements are as follows:

	Notes	2015 \$	2014 \$
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	438,141	737,676
Assets held in trust	5	25,940	25,163
Receivables	7	14,562	4,461
Investments	5	324,129	304,135
		802,772	107,435
Financial liabilities			
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	10		
- trade and other payables		136,600	122,940
		136,600	122,940

Financial risk management policies

The Board of RSPCA is responsible, among other issues, for monitoring and managing financial risk exposures of the Association. Discussions on monitoring and managing financial risk exposures are held monthly and minuted by the Board. The Board's overall risk management strategy seeks to ensure that the Association meets its financial targets, whilst minimising potential adverse effects of cash flow shortfalls.

Specific financial risk exposures and management

The main risks the Association is exposed to through its financial instruments are market risk, liquidity risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

- (i) Credit risk - the risk to RSPCA if a customer or counter party fails to meet its contractual obligations as they fall due. The carrying amount of financial assets represents RSPCA maximum exposure to credit risk in relation to these assets and liabilities.
- (ii) Liquidity risk - the risk RSPCA will not be able to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due. RSPCA has sufficient cash balances to meet its present financial obligations relating to payables, which are all payable during the 2015 financial year.
- (iii) Market risk - the risk that the fair value of future cash flows will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The primary risk relates to RSPCA exposure to interest rate risk and equity price risk.

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14 Financial Instruments (continued)

b) Financial Instrument Composition and Maturity Analysis

The table below reflects the undiscounted contractual settlement terms for financial instruments of a fixed period of maturity. Cash flows realised from financial assets reflect management's expectation as to the timing of realisation. Actual timing may therefore differ from that disclosed. The timing of cash flows presented in the table to settle finance leases reflect the earliest contractual settlement dates.

	Floating interest rate	Fixed interest 0 - 1 years	Fixed interest 1 - 5 years	Non- interest bearing	Total
2015					
Financial Assets					
Cash	280,087	-	-	158,054	438,141
Investments	25,940	-	-	324,129	350,069
Receivables	-	-	-	14,562	14,562
Total Financial Assets	306,027	-	-	496,745	802,772
Weighted average interest rate	1.45%				
Financial Liabilities					
Payables	-	-	-	136,600	136,600
Total Financial Liabilities	-	-	-	136,600	136,600
Weighted average interest rate	-				
Net Financial Assets (Liabilities)	306,027	-	-	360,145	666,172

	Floating interest rate	Fixed interest 0 - 1 years	Fixed interest 1 - 5 years	Non- interest bearing	Total
2014					
Financial Assets					
Cash	671,647	-	-	66,028	737,675
Investments	25,163	-	-	304,135	329,298
Receivables	-	-	-	4,461	4,461
Total Financial Assets	696,810	-	-	374,624	1,071,434
Weighted average interest rate	2.59%	-	-	-	-
Financial Liabilities					
Payables	-	-	-	122,940	122,940
Total Financial Liabilities	-	-	-	122,940	122,940
Weighted average interest rate	-	-	-	-	-
Net Financial Assets (Liabilities)	696,810	-	-	251,684	948,494

	2015		2014	
	Carrying Amount \$	Net Fair Value \$	Carrying Amount \$	Net Fair Value \$
Financial Assets				
Cash	438,141	438,141	737,675	737,675
Investments	350,069	350,069	329,298	329,298
Receivables	14,562	14,562	4,461	4,461
	802,772	802,772	1,071,434	1,071,434
Financial Liabilities				
Payables	136,600	136,600	122,940	122,940
	136,600	136,600	122,940	122,940
Net Financial Assets (Liabilities)	666,172	666,172	948,494	948,494

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15 Fundraising

	Income	Expenses	Surplus/ (Deficit)
2015			
Happy Tails Day	12,123	(8,288)	3,835
Roars 4 Paws	3,724	(181)	3,543
Million Paws Walk	71,058	(16,617)	54,441
Quiz Nights	9,439	(180)	9,259
CupCake Day	42,083	(762)	41,321
Mailout	98,645	(44,626)	54,019
Raffles	144,763	(113,185)	31,578
Other Fundraising Income	24,662	(13,723)	10,939
Total Fundraising Income	406,497	(197,562)	208,935
2014			
Happy Tails Day	9,182	(9,068)	114
Million Paws Walk	56,461	(9,510)	46,951
Quiz Nights	12,217	(513)	11,704
CupCake Day	40,347	(211)	40,136
Mailout	-	-	-
Raffles	172,208	(120,117)	52,091
Other Fundraising Income	11,646	(6,435)	5,211
Total Fundraising Income	302,061	(145,854)	156,207

	2015 \$	2014 \$
16 Sponsorships		
Hills Sponsorship	-	10,000
Animal Pen Sponsorship	5,800	2,510
Total Sponsorships	5,800	12,510
17 Council Grants		
Launceston City Council - Desexing	-	3,750
Clarence Council	6,130	5,963
	6,130	9,713
18 Council Subsidies		
Launceston Council Rental assistance	21,500	21,500
	21,500	21,500

The Branch's tenure at its Remount Road location is controlled by a lease agreement with the Launceston City Council, which was renegotiated from 1 August 2007 for a five year term. As part of this agreement rent of \$21,500 p.a. is remitted by LCC and the amount recorded as financial assistance to RSPCA. Accordingly \$21,500 has been recorded as a corresponding rental expense. The current lease expired 31st July 2011, this is currently under renegotiation.

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	2015 \$	2014 \$
19 Grants		
Bruce Wall	2,273	-
Employment Subsidies	3,636	-
Cat Management	-	56,592
Safe Beds	-	9,091
Other Grants	28,182	1,818
	34,091	67,501
20 Sale of goods and services		
Sales	105,347	106,696
Cost of Sales	(95,388)	(62,065)
Gross profit	9,959	44,631
Gross profit margin	9.45%	41.83%

21 Contingencies

The directors are of the opinion that there are no contingent assets or liabilities that require disclosure in the financial report.

22 Subsequent Events

No subsequent events have occurred that are required to be disclosed

23 Related Party Transactions

Directors receive no remuneration.

24 Fair Value Measurements

The Association measures and recognises the following assets at fair value on a recurring basis:

- Available-for-Sale Financial Assets

a) Fair value hierarchy

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement requires all assets and liabilities measured at fair value to be assigned to a level in the fair value hierarchy as follows:

Level 1	Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.
Level 2	Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
Level 3	Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The fair value of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data. If all significant inputs required to measure fair value are observable, the asset or liability is included in Level 2. If one or more significant inputs are not based on observable market data, the asset or liability is included in Level 3.

Valuation Techniques

The association selects valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient and relevant data is available to measure fair value. The availability of sufficient and relevant data primarily depends on the specific characteristics of the assets or liability being measured. The valuation techniques selected by the association are consistent with one or more of the following valuation approaches.

- Market approach: uses process and other relevant information generated by Market transactions involving identical or similar assets or liabilities.
- Income approach: converts estimated future cash flows or income and expenses into a single current value.
- Cost approach: reflects the current replacement cost of an asset or its current service capacity

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24 Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Each valuation technique requires inputs that reflect the assumptions that buyers and sellers would use when pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions and risks. When selecting a valuation technique, the association gives priority to those techniques that maximise the use of observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. Inputs that are developed using market data and reflect the assumptions that buyers and sellers would generally use when pricing the asset and liability are considered observable, whereas inputs for which market data are not available and therefore are developed using the best information available about such assumptions are considered unobservable.

The following tables provide the fair value of the association assets measured and recognised on a recurring basis after initial recognition, categorised within the fair value hierarchy.

2015	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Recurring Fair Value Measurement		\$	\$	\$	\$
Available -for-sale financial assets					
- Shares in listed companies	5	324,129	-	-	324,129
- Trust investment	5	25,940	-	-	25,940
		<u>350,069</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350,069</u>

2014	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Recurring Fair Value Measurement		\$	\$	\$	\$
Available -for-sale financial assets					
- Shares in listed companies	5	304,135	-	-	304,135
- Trust investment	5	25,163	-	-	25,163
		<u>329,298</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>329,298</u>

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 during the year, nor between levels 2 and 3.

Assets and liabilities not measured at fair value but for which fair value is disclosed

The Association has assets and liabilities which are not measured at fair value, but for which fair values are disclosed in other notes. (refer note 14)

The carrying amounts of receivables and trade and other payables are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature (Level 2).



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