



ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AUSTRALIA - TASMANIA

2014-15 ANNUAL REPORT



ABOUT

Royal Life Saving Society Australia – Tasmania (RLST) is focused on reducing drowning and promoting healthy, active and skilled communities through innovative, reliable, evidence based advocacy; strong and effective partnerships, quality programs, products and services; underpinned by a cohesive and sustainable national organisation.

RLST is a public benevolent institution dedicated to reducing drowning and turning everyday people into everyday community lifesavers. We achieve this through:

- Advocacy
- Education
- Training
- Health Promotion
- Aquatic Risk Management
- Community Development
- Research
- Media and Marketing
- Sport, Leadership and Participation
- International Networks

We are guided by the values of safety, quality, integrity and the humanitarian tradition and have been serving the Tasmanian community for more than 100 years.

Royal Life Saving Society Australia – Tasmania proudly and gratefully acknowledges the support of the following key partners and stakeholders:

- Royal Life Saving Society Australia
- AUSTSWIM
- Tasmanian Community Fund
- Tasmanian Government

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Neryl Mills

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TASMANIAN TROPHIES

D.M. LUCKIN MEMORIAL TROPHY

This trophy is awarded annually in memory of a past member, the late Denys M Luckin, to recognise an individual who has given outstanding service to the Branch over an extended period.

1994 Alan Swinton OAM, QPM, JP

1995 Nigel Carins

1996 Gary Kearney

1997 David Mourant

1998 Alison McIntyre

1999 Robyn Pryce-Jones

2000 Diana McHenry

2001 Peter Goss

2002 Mark Chandler

2003 R Mark Hayes

2004 Jennifer Mazengarb

2005 Jill Bell

2006 Sue Wragge

2007 Suzanne Peacock

2008 Judi Adams

2009 Neryl Mills

2010 Alan Swinton OAM, QPM, JP

2011 Amanda Mayes

2012 Andrew Herbert

2013 Ceri Weeks

2014 Gary Kearney

2015 Anne Burrows

DR. P. G. LUCKIN PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

This trophy is awarded annually to recognise the exceptional service given to the society during the past twelve months.

1997 Vanessa Brown

1998 Lorraine Brown

1999 Russell Goonan

2000 Alison McIntyre

2001 Jamie McIntyre

2002 Kate Mirowski

2003 Alison McIntyre

2004 Neryl Mills

2005 Amanda Mayes

2006 Rowan Morphett

2007 Kate Harland

2008 Vaughan Smith

2009 Camille O'Meara

2010 Julia Fassina

2011 Tracey Parry

2012 Tracey Parry & Neryl Mills

2013Carolynn Taylor

2014 Amanda Mayes

2015 Pene Snashall

2014-15 OFFICE BEARERS

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Mark Chandler

Teena Guest

Mark Hayes

Gary Kearney

Jamieson Smalley

APPOINTMENTS

GENERAL MANAGER

Mel Bush

AUDITOR

Michael Burnett F.T.I.A., A.C.A.

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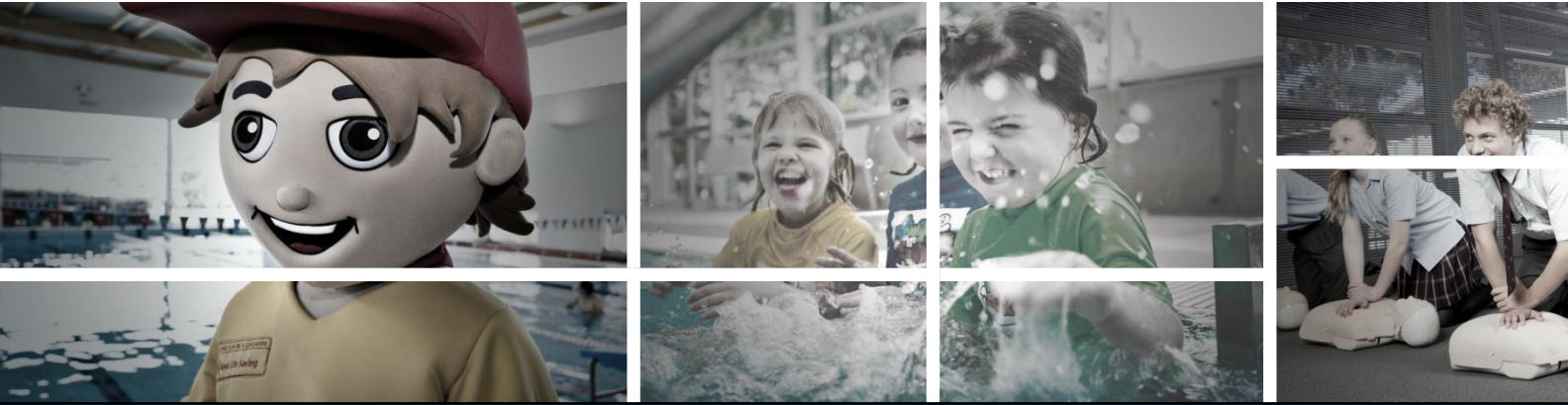
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WATER SAFETY COUNCIL

Mel Bush

AUSTRALIAN RESUSCITATION COUNCIL

Gary Kearney



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In presenting the Royal Life Saving Tasmania's 100th Annual Report and Financial Statement, I reflect on another year of change, challenge, commitment, congratulations and contribution from many!

The year was busy, with achievements celebrated and challenges mastered, both at operational and a governance level. Our new General Manager, Mel Bush, commenced the year with enthusiasm and many ideas, along with new State Council member, Jamieson Smalley, who continues to provide outstanding advice and energy in respect of delivery of programs aimed at secondary and senior secondary students.

Mel provided positive leadership to the operational team – of Neryl, John, Ondine and Karina – and collectively, our commercial revenue base was improved through meaningful and respectful relationship building with both the government and community sectors.


Over the last two years, significant effort has been placed on developing a stronger financial base necessary to support the growth of RLST. This has been achieved, largely through the efforts of Mel and the staff including our unflappable book-keeper, Suzie as well as Alan Swinton and other members of our Finance sub-committee.

The latter part of the financial year included hosting the Australian Pool Life Saving Championships in January, with 151 competitors from interstate teams and clubs. Our major event was our Centenary celebration in May 2015, and supported by the Governor of Tasmania, the Premier of Tasmania and many other Tasmanian politicians, as well as RLST Life Members and Members, many of whom had not seen each other for years. It was a wonderful event with much reminiscing but also a renewed sense of purpose; to work collaboratively to reduce drowning and improve lifesaving skills across our State.

Challenges were aplenty and in respect of future funding from governments, both State and Federal, positive relationships continue. The national branch was successful in gaining significant funding from the incoming Federal Abbott government and Tasmania is using our share to expand our water safety messages in rural and remote areas, with a particular focus on safe recreation and work around dams and inland waterways.

Like many NGOs, meeting the national Registered Training Organisation compliance standards has been difficult. RLST has, and will always support these rigorous requirements because training quality is paramount in our business and being benchmarked with all aquatic training providers around the country is one way to maintain this quality. As a result, and in order to maintain the currency of our training programs while minimising the administrative burden on the organisation, RLST auspiced our training with Royal Life Saving Queensland. My huge appreciation to Queensland CEO, Michael Darben for his willingness to travel south at a moment's notice, deliver training and generally support RLST to expand our training base.

Our supporters, from staff to State Council members, to our dedicated band of trainers, all continued to show their commitment to the organisation and our mission. Big or small, jobs were done (including maintenance from our in-house handy-man, Mark Chandler through to expert industrial relations advice from Camille O'Meara). With expanded delivery to more rural and regional areas, our training workforce continued to remain available to deliver training across the State, often with a moment's notice (sometimes less than a moment's notice!).



I, again, extend my appreciation and thanks to State Council members, Gary Kearney and Jamieson Smalley for their input, oversight and wise counsel they both provide to ensuring our trainer's skills remain relevant and current and our programs are delivering what our clients need. Jamieson has been instrumental in the success of our Open Water course, putting in many hours into the development of this pivotal course for secondary school students. Launched at the ACHPER conference in Launceston, the response from Department of Education teachers has been tremendous and clearly demonstrates

At the time of writing, my appointment as national president of Royal Life Saving Australia had just been announced. Tasmania's participation at this national decision making forum will provide increased coverage and awareness of the positive efforts RLST is making towards reducing drowning deaths in this State. I am honoured to be elected and follow in the footsteps of outgoing President, Dianne Montalto. Hers are huge shoes to fill as she has been an outstanding, passionate supporter of the values of Royal Life Saving over decades.

In closing, I extend my warm thanks to the State Council in particular to our Vice-President, Alan Swinton who never fails to provide the right counsel and wisdom, only when asked, and has been an invaluable mentor to me during my second year as President.

We know ongoing commitment is required from many and we also know that change is a constant. Our task is to ensure RLST is well-positioned to meet the future challenges and remain the preferred provider of aquatic life saving training across Tasmania.

Pene Snashall



STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Vision

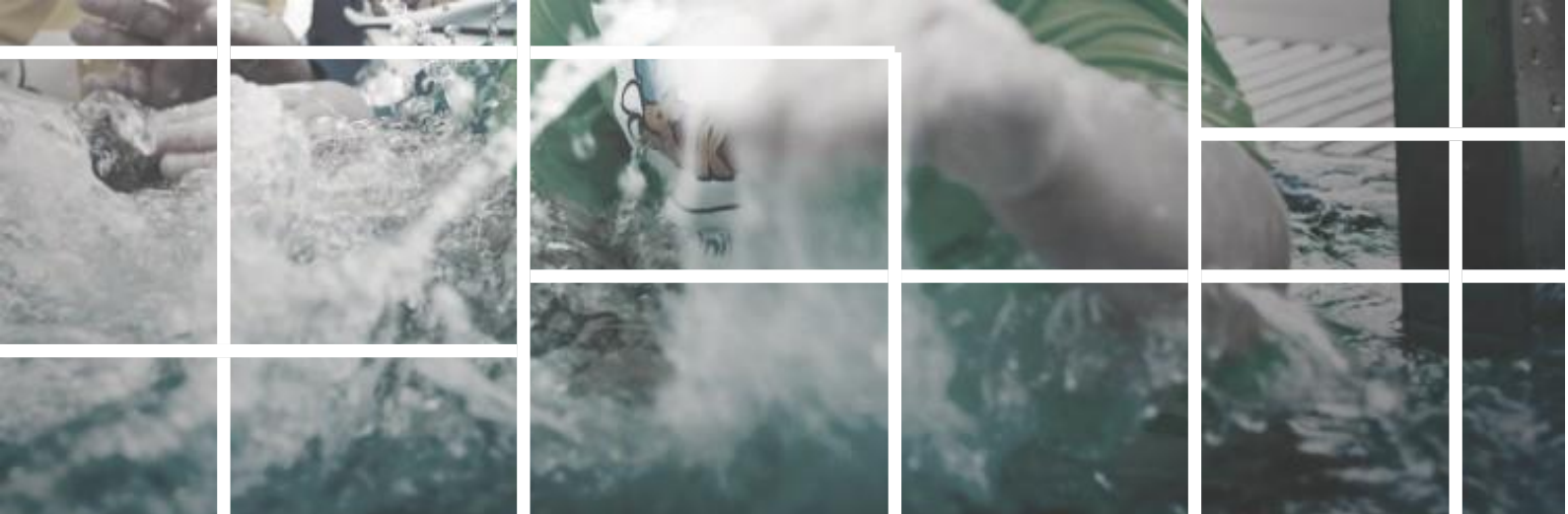
To save lives and reduce injury by enabling all Tasmanians to have access to both water safety and first aid education so that they can participate safely in aquatic and recreational environments.

Mission

To ensure *Everyone can be a Lifesaver*

Organisational Goals





STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME for the year ended 30 June 2015

	2013-14	2014-15
Income		
Administration	\$195,368	\$226,131
Course Fees	\$184,338	\$208,438
Other Income	\$23,884	\$2,406
Safety Services	\$10,327	\$7,409
Total Income	\$413,917	\$444,384
Total Cost of Sales	\$942	\$1,145
Expense		
Administration	\$263,292	\$260,620
Aquatic Training	\$144,480	\$155,963
First Aid/Resus	\$8,835	\$7,782
Other	\$9,230	\$878
Depreciation	\$10,459	\$10,207
Total Expenses	\$436,296	\$435,450
Operating Profit	-\$23,321	\$7,789
Other Expenses		
Disposal of Assets	\$0	\$0
Net Surplus/Deficit	-\$23,321	\$7,789

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 30 June 2015

Assets	2012-13	2013-14
Total Current	\$146,765	\$200,712
Total Non-Current	\$163,345	\$153,139
Total Assets	\$310,110	\$353,851
Liabilities		
Total Current Liabilities	\$51,890	\$52,480
Provisions	\$24,442	\$21,712
Grants	\$93,321	\$131,411
Total Liabilities	\$169,653	\$205,603
Net Assets	\$140,458	\$148,248
Accumulated Funds		
Retained Earnings	\$163,778	\$140,458
Current Year Surplus	-\$23,321	\$7,789
Total Accumulated Funds	\$140,458	\$148,247

DROWNING SUMMARY

TASMANIA DROWNING SUMMARY 2015

There were nine people who drowned in Tasmanian waterways between 1 July 2014 and 30 June 2015. This is a reduction of two drowning deaths (or 18%) on the 10 year (2004/05 to 2013/14) average of 11 drowning deaths. Of the people who drowned in Tasmania in 2014/15, all were male (Figure TAS1).

Almost half (44%) of all drowning deaths in Tasmania in 2014/15 occurred in people aged 55 years and over. There were no drowning deaths recorded in people aged under 18 years (Figure TAS2).

Rivers, creeks and streams was the leading location for drowning in Tasmania, accounting for 45% of all drowning deaths in the State in 2014/15 (Figure TAS3). Almost half (45%) of all drowning deaths in Tasmania in 2014/15 occurred as a result of accidents involving watercraft. A further 22% occurred as a result of falls into water. In 22% of cases, activity prior to drowning was unknown (Figure TAS4).

Drowning deaths occur throughout the year in Tasmania, with the largest proportion occurring in Summer (34%), followed by Winter (33%) and Autumn (22%) (Figure TAS5).

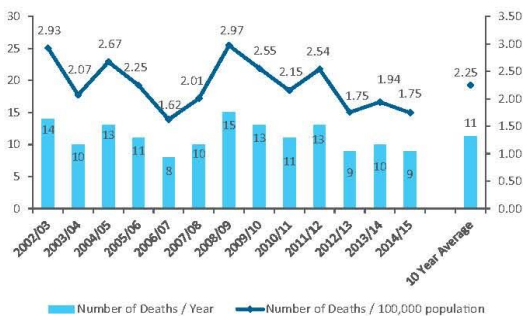


Figure TAS1: Unintentional Drowning Deaths and Crude Death Rates, Tasmania, 2002/03 to 2014/15, 10 Year Average

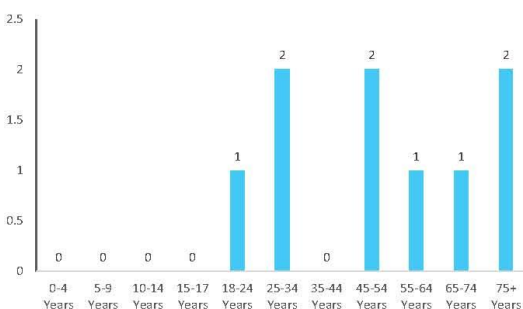


Figure TAS2: Drowning Deaths by Age Group, Tasmania, 2014/15

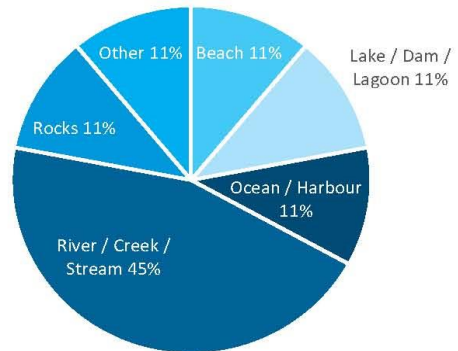


Figure TAS3: Location of Drowning Deaths, Tasmania, 2014/15

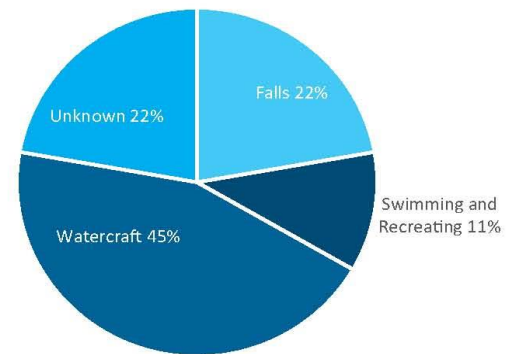


Figure TAS4: Activity Prior to Drowning, Tasmania, 2014/15

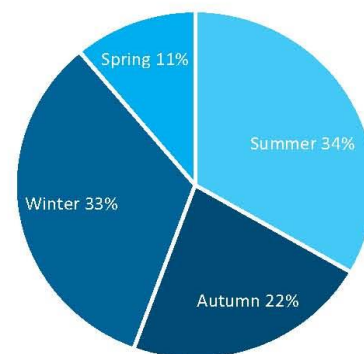


Figure TAS5: Drowning Deaths by Season, Tasmania, 2014/15

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