



ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AUSTRALIA - TASMANIA

2016-17 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
- AUSTRALIAN SWIMMING (AUSTSWIM)
- 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	2006	Sue Wragge
1995	Nigel Carins	2007	Suzanne Peacock
1996	Gary Kearney	2008	Judi Adams
1997	David Mourant	2009	Neryl Mills
1998	Alison McIntyre	2010	Alan Swinton OAM, QPM, JP
1999	Robyn Pryce-Jones	2011	Amanda Mayes
2000	Diana McHenry	2012	Andrew Herbert
2001	Peter Goss	2013	Ceri Weeks
2002	Mark Chandler	2014	Gary Kearney
2003	R Mark Hayes	2015	Anne Burrows
2004	Jennifer Mazengarb	2016	Mark Chandler
2005	Jill Bell	2017	Amanda Mayes

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
2016 Mel Bush
2017 Anne Burrows

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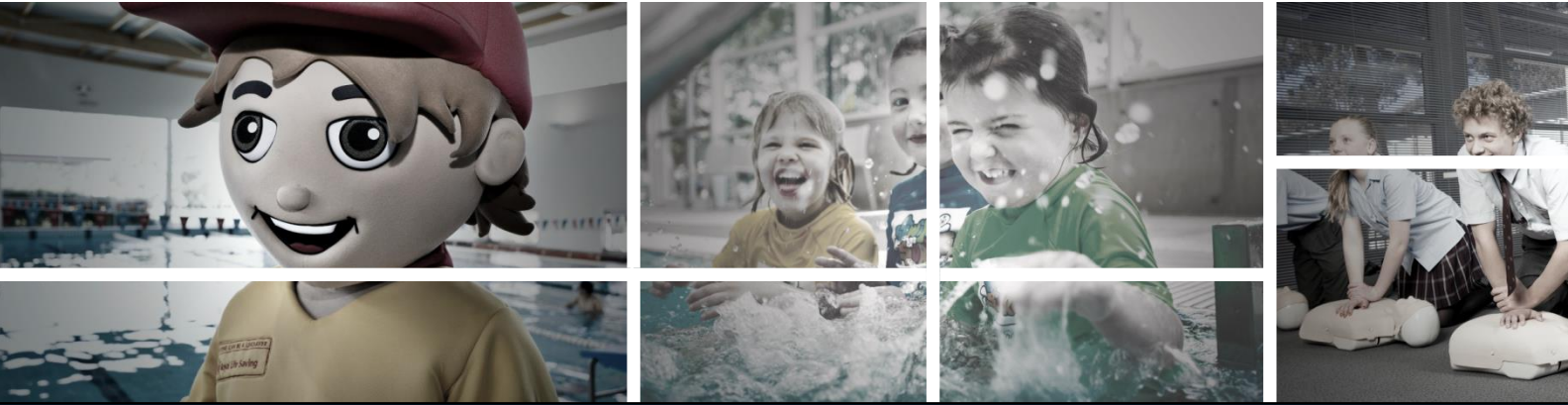
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Gary Kearney



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In presenting the second Annual Report and Financial Statement of Royal Life Saving Tasmania's second Centenary (yes, our 102nd report), we reflect on another year of advocacy, education and collaboration.

ADVOCACY

RLST attended the ACHPER State conference in September 2016, raising awareness of our Respect the River campaign and CPR and First Aid courses for school communities. Our ongoing relationship with the Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation is vitally important in reaching our stakeholders in the education and training sector.

Other advocacy events held in the second half of 2016 included a presence at the Lady Gowrie Tasmania *Safe for Summer* campaign, with a particular emphasis on portable pool safety and our inaugural Aquavate conference. Over 100 delegates participated in the inaugural conference celebrating Innovation, Education and Collaboration in the aquatics industry. Delegates gained an insight into a range of issues facing the industry including risk management, increasing participation and workshops on social media, workforce management and aquatic safety guidelines.

We continued the tradition of participating at Tasmania's premier agricultural event, AGFEST in May 2017. The three day event attracted 60,000 visitors providing RLST with an ideal opportunity to promote Respect the River and Keep Watch messages, with particular emphasis on the impact on rural and remote communities. RLST participated in the "Learning Trail", an educational quiz type program. Questions focussed on staying safe around inland waterways, with RLSSA branded products given away as prizes. Junior lifeguards also patrolled the event in RLSSA and Keep Watch uniforms. The RLST booth was very interactive and hands on with CPR demonstrations and a general "have a go" message (both in terms of lifesaving skills and aquatic skills) for all ages.

EDUCATE

From the West Coast to communities along the Upper Derwent River and from Launceston to Cygnet, our team spent many hours spreading water safety messages tailored to individual community needs.

In the latter part of 2016, more than 600 students from Derwent Valley schools participated in Swim and Survive programs – huge congratulations to students, teachers and parents from St Brigid's Catholic School, and New Norfolk and Fairview Primary Schools for their ongoing enthusiasm and

thirst for knowledge.

RLST joined with the Central Midlands Council to deliver a holiday program for 60 students who learnt about safe boating and our Respect the River program. This half-day program provided students with practical information to keep safe around their local dams, rivers and waterways.

Our focus on Respect the River extended to the West Coast with students from Rosebery Catholic School participating in our well-known Keep Watch program. This was followed by a highly successful weekend of “Bronze” – with twenty West Coast residents progressing through Bronze Medallion courses, Pool Lifeguard and First Aid courses.

We extended our commitment to newly arrived migrants and refugees in partnership with Brent Wrangmore Swim School. Fifty students from various secondary schools and colleges in the Launceston area took part in culturally appropriate swimming and water safety courses.

Our engagement with the indigenous community also continued with many families from the Huon Valley participating in a Learn to Swim and Water Safety Orientation Program at the Cygnet Pool. While the littlies took to the pool, parents were educated on the Respect the River program and general water safety activities.

In early 2017, we delivered the AUSTSWIM MATE Program (Making Aquatics a Terrific Experience); an interactive community seminar aimed at optimising health and wellness opportunities for those with a disability or chronic medical condition. The program provides paid and unpaid carers of individuals living with chronic medical conditions or disabilities with the information, skills and confidence to with the skills and knowledge to take their loved one or client (ie their MATE) to the pool for recreation activities. This program was focused on providing a guide and confidence to encourage and facilitate physical activity for people who may not have previously participated in aquatic activities.

COLLABORATE

The success of our organisation is reflected in the many and strong relationships with community stakeholders. This collaboration is evidenced from the success of the Respect the River, Swansea! event held together with the Department of Education, Marine and Safety Tasmania and Surf Lifesaving Tasmania. More than 100 students from the local primary school participated in a general water safety and survival day, learning about keeping safe at local beaches and riverways. Parents and carers were also supported through an education forum – RLST is committed to supporting families to keep their loved ones safe.

The strength of our positive connection with AUSTSWIM was on show in February 2017 when both organisations provided an accredited water safety course to the members of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre and South East Tasmania Aboriginal Centre.

Over a six month period, 130 students from Windemere Primary School were taken on an adventure tracing the Derwent River from one of Tasmania’s highest mountain ranges in the Lake St Clair National Park to the Southern Ocean. This initiative was a partnership between RLST, the University of Tasmania and the Bookend Trust.

OUR TEAM

There isn’t enough positive adjectives to express the appreciation from State Council, and indeed myself, towards the small but outstanding operational team of Karina, Deb and Denise. Our challenges have been many this year but each time, individually they have rose to the challenge and collectively have created a positive, warm, “can-do” environment.

They have “been everywhere” across Tasmania, on weekends, and out of business hours, ensuring the message of drowning prevention education and advocacy reaches communities particularly in rural and regional Tasmania where it’s most needed.

I would also like to recognise the efforts of Alison McIntyre who has recently retired as our representative on the National Honours Committee. Ali has undertaken this job for many years and done so with diligence and hard work and is extremely well respected by her peers.

In closing, I extend my warm thanks and appreciation to our small but feisty governance team for their passion, enthusiasm, diligence and professionalism. Small not-for-profits like us are increasingly finding it hard to recruit and retain governance members so the contribution they make, in their own personal time, is hugely valued and appreciated.

Pene Snashall, State President

November 2017

COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	2015-16	2016-17
Income		
Administration	14022	14307
Course/Program	239933	225110
Grants	195740	175887
AUSTSWIM	61030	59595
Merchandise	36640	24476
Aquatic Sales	3045	7805
Other Income	0	662
Total Income	550410	507842
Expenses		
Administration	80568	102958
Salaries	233972	255993
Course/Program	111912	102161
AUSTSWIM	27709	26640
Other	36450	40600
Depreciation	18506	12107
Total Expenses	509117	540459
Operating Profit	41293	-32617
Other Expenses	1937	1630
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	39356	-34247

FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets		
Current	230675	172144
Non-Current	159048	148595
Total Assets	389723	320739
Liabilities		
Current	87695	66300
Provisions	22504	9752
Grants	40161	40161
Total Liabilities	150360	116213
Net Assets	239362	204726
Accumulated Funds		
Retained Earnings	200006	239362
Current Year Surplus	39356	-34247
TOTAL Accumulated Funds	239362	205115