



**ROYAL LIFE SAVING**  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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**2019/20**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**

EVERYONE CAN BE A LIFESAVER



## THE SOCIETY'S MISSION

*"To Prevent Loss of Life In The Community With An Emphasis On The Aquatic Environment"*

## THE OBJECTIVE OF THE SOCIETY

- To **promote** technical education in life saving and resuscitation of persons apparently suffering from asphyxia.
- To **stimulate** public opinion in favour of the general adoption of swimming and life saving as a branch of instructions in schools, colleges, etc.
- To **encourage** floating, diving, plunging and such other swimming arts as would be of assistance to a person endeavouring to save life.
- To **arrange** so as to bring about widespread and thorough knowledge of the principles which underlie the art of natation.
- To **promote** technical research and initiation of research within the field of water safety and lifesaving.

The inception of The Royal Life Saving Society was due to the oft-expressed desire to **minimise** the great **loss of life from drowning** and to **teach** those possessed of ordinary human pluck the **best methods** of **Rescue** and the **Resuscitation** of the Apparently Drowned; also to develop the humane side of one of the noblest of our pastimes.

The desire to save human life, the thought to lend a hand to a person in peril, the sympathy with distress which the many feel. but know little how to express, so greatly underlie the work of The Society, that there is little wonder it has found its way into human hearts far away from London, the city of its birth.

## THE SOCIETY'S MOTTO

*'Whomever you see in distress,  
recognise as a fellow person.'*

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

On 30th June 2019 RLSSA SA was under administration and at that stage the future of the RLSS in South Australia was grim, with the very real prospect of either closure; absorption by the RLSSA National Branch (as has happened with the Australian Capital Territory and Tasmanian Branches) and becoming a part of, and operated by, the New South Wales Branch; or an “amalgamation” with Surf Life Saving South Australia in the same manner as Life Saving Victoria where the RLSS Victoria ceased to operate as an independent body. This scenario was the sole and direct consequence of the following:

- 1) As at 30th June 2018 the Society was unable to pay a significant debt that was due on 30th June 2018, in the amount of \$900,000.00. This debt was refinanced by the lender (no other financier would provide funds) with a revised date for repayment set as 31st January 2019.
- 2) The CEO (Tony Taylor) resigned in October 2018 and shortly thereafter the President (James Withers) along with all members of the previous Board of Management resigned with a new Board formed in November 2018.

**The current Board has taken strict measures to manage the RLSSA SA Branch finances appropriately and it gives me very great pleasure to report in September 2020 that as the result of an amazing amount of very, very, hard, work and skilled management RLSSA SA has been able to continue its operations and as at 30th June 2020 had:**

- 1) **\$324,127 in CASH and Cash Equivalents**
- 2) **Total assets of \$346,052**
- 3) **Net Assets of \$300,893**
- 4) **Made a PROFIT of \$192,670 for the financial year ended 30th June 2020 – a TURN AROUND of \$854,417 from the LOSS in the 2018 / 2019 financial year.**

**In addition, the following grants have been approved and will be received in the 2020/2021 financial year:**

• South Australian Office of Recreation and Sport (ORS) – Sustainability	<b>\$44,000</b>
• Respect the River – RLSSA	<b>\$100,000</b>
• Swim My Ways RLSSA	<b>\$16,500</b>
• Vacswim (ORS)	<b>\$169,402.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$329,902.00</b>

### EVIDENCE OF SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL MISMANAGEMENT

Immediately upon their appointments, in September 2018, the new Board (with the excellent assistance of RLSSA National Branch) conducted extensive investigations into the financial management and financial structure of RLSSA SA.

These investigations clearly determined that there had been

- Significant financial mismanagement over an extended period of time by persons employed by RLSSA SA
- RLSSA SA had been trading whilst insolvent – a significant breach of the corporations’ law (opinion provided by an independent legal advisor)
- A dereliction of the duties by directors as Board Members by failing to use the appropriate and diligent financial overview of RLSSA SA’s financial management
- All RLSSA SA funds had been expended and a significant outstanding debt existed which could not be paid on the due date.
- A strong probability that significant misuse of funds had occurred

### ACTIONS AGAINST PREVIOUS BOARD MEMBERS AND CEO

The current Board in conjunction with the RLSSA SA legal advisor are continuing with the extensive investigation of actions which may be taken against the previous Board members and CEO for breaches of the corporate law as well as referrals to the South Australian Police. At this stage we are waiting on the finalisation of a detailed summary of the persons involved and the timelines and events. Our solicitor is assessing the volumes of documents with a colleague so that a claim can be formalised. Our first priority is the potential for determining the extent of possible criminal conduct so that the matter can be formally referred to the South Australian Police.



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### APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATORS

After consideration of the results of a detailed review of the critical financial position created by the previous CEO and Board, the new Board formed in November 2018 determined that a Voluntary Administrator was required and BRI Ferrier was appointed on 20th November 2018.

**On 27th September 2019 the Administrator informed that “the Association is no longer subject to a Deed of Company Arrangement (DOCA) and all pre-appointment creditor claims are extinguished.” The Board is pleased to inform that as a consequence of the extensive administration, all pre-appointment creditors were paid in full and RLSSA SA was able to continue to operate even though its previous very strong financial position had been abolished by the actions of the previous Board and CEO.**

### APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS

The role of members of the South Australian Board is black and white – they follow the Constitution and the Regulations and Standards to the best of their abilities and if they fail in this they are held to account.

Board members do not have agendas, except to help the membership and the Society to grow, and if Society members have any questions or concerns, we encourage them to please follow it up with us rather than speculating. When requests are denied please remember that ‘no’ is not a bad word, it can often help development by forcing a step back to examine other options.

### BOARD MEMBERSHIP IN 2019/2020

The situation with the determination of a valid Constitution presented many challenges to the RLSSA SA Board, particularly with respect to the holding of an Annual General Meeting and the election and / or appointment of Officers. Under the terms of the 2010 Constitution, nominations for Officers must be lodged by 31st July each year, but whilst the Administrators handed back management of RLSSA SA to the Board on 30th April 2019, not all of the agreed payments to creditors were made until after 30th June 2019 with the finalisation of documentation and the Deed of Company Arrangement not being finalised until 27th September 2019.

**So RLSSA SA was effectively still under Administration until 27th September 2019. Until 27th September 2019 RLSSA SA did not have access to any funds (financial resources) and was, in effect, unable to trade on a financial basis as all financial matters vested with the Administrators (BRI Ferrier).**

The Board at that time unanimously determined that as Board members are jointly and severally liable for all debts of the Society, and the financial future of RLSSA SA was in an extremely parlous state as RLSSA SA had no funds of any notable amount, and at that stage no reasonable prospect of receipt of funds was anticipated (minimal surplus monies were anticipated from the Administrators) it would not be appropriate for an election of officers to occur at that stage, and certainly not before the 2020 year Annual General Meeting. As such, it was determined (following advice from RLSSA SA’s legal advisor) that the current Board would continue in this interim period until such time as a due and proper Constitution was adopted by RLSSA SA and/or proper and correct proceedings could be implemented.

The members of this Board were:

- **Kevin Burrowes, President and Chair.** B.A. (Accng); Grad.Dip. (Accng) FPC; Dip.RLSS; JP; MRAJ; OAM RLSS Life Member and Life Governor; RLSSA SA Member since 1960.
- **Kathy Roberts, Deputy President and Chair.** Dip.M; B Gov.and Public Management (UG) RLSS Life Member and RLSSA SA Member since 1990. Resigned 28th June 2020
- **David Dewar** B.A. (Adel.); Dip.Ed. (Pri.) (Adel.); Dip.T. (Pri.); T.C.; M.A.C.E.L. RLSS Life Member and Life Governor; RLSSA SA Member since 1962
- **Julienne Dewar, Honorary Solicitor.**
- **Jayne Minear, SA Executive Director** (non-voting and ex-officio member) RLSS Life Member; RLSS Meritorious Award and Service Medal, Over 40 years active involvement in Aquatics Industry.

It is important to note that every member of this Board as well as the Executive Director have had a very long involvement (all have exceeded 20 years) in aquatics and lifesaving and are deeply committed to the lifesaving movement and the community.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## Board Meetings

Since their appointments Board members have met in the 2019/2020 year as scheduled:

- Kevin Burrowes            11 meetings attended out of 11
- Kathy Roberts            10 meetings attended out of 11  
(Resigned 28th June 2020)
- David Dewar                11 meetings attended out of 11
- Julianne Dewar            4 meetings attended  
Not required to attend meetings
- Jayne Minear              11 meetings attended out of 11

## Board Appointments post 30th June 2020

In order to meet the requirements of the South Australian Office of Recreation and Sport (ORS) regarding Board membership (40% male; 40% Female; 20% Flexible) necessary to be considered for provision of grant monies, as well as the significant improvement in the RLSSA SA financial position, the Board determined that it would be appropriate to take the necessary steps to institute a Board that met the requirements of the 2010 Constitution as well as those of ORS.

Clause 5 in the 2010 Constitution sets out the composition of the "Officers of the Branch - Executive of the Branch" and nominations were sought from financial members of RLSSA SA as required by the 2010 Constitution.

The following members nominated:

Kevin Burrowes OAM JP	Accountant
Aaron Caudle	Paramedic
Jake Culkin	Accountant / Business Manager
David Dewar	Primary School Deputy Principal
Gary Lewis	Businessman
Matt Lewis	Paramedic
Kia Logan	Human Resources Manager
Julienne Dewar	Solicitor
Ann Price	Aquatic Centre Supervisor
Brione Rundle	Administration Manager
Brendan Watts	High School Teacher

It is pleasing to see the diversity in backgrounds of the nominees and their commitment to lifesaving, and the key areas of:

- 1) Everyone can be a Life Saver
- 2) Keep Watch (The simplest way of minimising drownings and near drownings)
- 3) Swim and Survive
- 4) Vacswim

There were no other nominations and as the number of nominations did not exceed that number set out in Clause 5 of the 2010 Constitution, all nominees were eligible for election and appointment at the 2019 / 2020 Annual General Meeting.

Clause 7 of the 2010 Constitution provides "that the Executive may fill any casual vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting" and the Board unanimously agreed that all nominees not currently on the Board would be appointed immediately as casual vacancies until the 2019 / 2020 Annual General Meeting wherein they would then be appointed until the next Annual General Meeting.

## RLSSA SA Members on RLSSA National Boards and/or Committees

RLSSA SA is fortunate to be able to contribute to Royal Life Saving on a National basis as a result of the appointment of the following members to National Boards and / or Committees:

RLSSA National Board of Directors	David Dewar
RLSSA National Honours Committee	Brione Rundle
RLSSA National Sports Committee	Brione Rundle Kelly Maidment Brendan Watts

These members, who are all volunteers, are making a valuable contribution not only to the RLSSA National operation, but also to the raising and maintenance of the national profile of the South Australian Branch.

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### FINANCIAL POSITION POST ADMINISTRATION

Financial details are presented in the Audited Financial Statements and the Treasurer's report.

***On 6th February 2020, the Society's Administrator wrote to me as President and the following is an extract of this letter:***

"Dear Kevin,

In my 40 years of insolvency, I have seen many complex administrations, but probably none in so much of a mess as the Society. Every time I thought we had it covered, something else would turn up.

Stuart, Lachlan and I are delighted with the financial position in which the Society now finds itself. It is truly a remarkable turnaround now that you are back to your core business. SA is obviously back in control of Vacswim and the grants position is a tribute to the hard work you and your team have put in. You clearly have the respect and support of whomever is handing out those grants.

Best wishes and regards to you and your team for the long-term future of the Society.

Yours sincerely

SV Partners

SA Pty Ltd

Alan Scott

Director"

Alan also mentioned in a discussion with me, that in all of his career as an Administrator / Liquidator he had rarely seen an organisation / business that was in such a terrible financial state as RLSSA SA, with these organisations, rarely, if ever, being able to continue to exist.

### CORONAVIRUS IMPACT

The Coronavirus has (and will continue) to have a significant impact on both the physical and financial activities of RLSSA SA for a considerable time.

The results to the 30th June 2020 reflect the impact to date on the finances of RLSSA SA with the financial deterioration to possibly continue for the foreseeable future as government strategies to contain the virus continue.

### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT STIMULUS PACKAGE

On 23rd March 2020, the Australian Federal Parliament approved a stimulus package (consequence of the impact of the Coronavirus) which has the following impact on RLSSA SA:

- 1) The RLSSA SA was entitled to receive a minimum of \$20,000 from the Federal Government.
- 2) It is a cash payment beginning in late April 2020 and will be tax-free and not subject to GST and will be paid in 3 instalments. Initially \$28,253 in the 2019/2020 financial year, and then 2 further instalments of a minimum of \$5,000 each in 2020/2021.
- 3) Importantly, the Government hopes that businesses will be encouraged to hold on to more of their workers.
- 4) The Federal Government has instituted a JobKeeper grant scheme whereby the Federal Government will pay organisations the amount of \$750.00 per week for each eligible employee which will then be paid by the employer to the employees thus reducing the salary and wages cost to business. RLSSA SA has registered for this scheme and is receiving these funds.  
In the 2019/2020 financial year RLSSA SA has received \$25,109 under this grant programme.
- 5) In addition the South Australian Government has provided a cash payment of \$10,000.

### ADMINISTRATION:

#### *Impact of Coronavirus*

As a consequence of the government policy of closure of community Facilities and the application of social distancing rules, all RLSSA SA programmes were suspended from the end of February 2020 until 3rd August 2020 when the first course was once again able to be held in mid-August 2020, albeit on a low level basis. No income was able to be obtained in this period (apart from Government Grants) and this will continue until such time as the applicable restrictions have been lifted. Even then it may take some considerable period until income reaches its pre-coronavirus level. The financial impact is reflected in the Financial Statements.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## PROGRAMMES

Despite all the challenges facing RLSSA SA in the 2019/2020 financial year the Branch was able to significantly progress towards regaining its status and involvement in the South Australian Water Safety Community.

- 2662 people participated in our accredited courses
- 1659 participants attended our Community programmes
- 350 people attended and participated in our Autism friendly courses
- 3213 people at 12 schools participated in our schools swimming programmes
- 1562 people participated in our Endorsed Swim and Survive Swim Schools
- 830 people participated in our Cultural and Linguistic Diversity programmes
- 6,243 students participated at over 65 pools in Vacswim

Federal and State Government grants have been received to partially offset loss of revenues from programmes affected by the impacts of COVID-19.

In addition, grants totalling \$350,000 have been approved with funds to be received and utilised in the next twelve months. The Board unanimously applauds the ED, Jayne Minear, for her outstanding achievements in rebuilding RLSSA SA in a very short time.

## CONSTITUTION REVIEW

Upon assuming their roles as Directors the new Board of Management strove to determine which of the plethora of RLSSA SA Constitutions which appeared to be in existence was the latest and correct one so that a proper base could be determined from and within which to operate.

The Board determined that there was a Constitution dated 2010; a variation dated 2012 and a further Constitution dated 2017. This latest Constitution dated 2017 was the Constitution which was being used by the previous Board and CEO. However, our research and investigations revealed the following:

- As an incorporated not for profit charity, RLSSA SA is required to report changes to their Constitution to the Office for Consumer and Business Affairs (OCBA).

- An officer of OCBA has informed that the last registration of changes to the RLSSA SA Constitution was received by their office on 28 /10/10 with the change being registered on 2/12/2010.
- In April 2012 a new variation of the Constitution was made (apparently within RLSSA SA) with considerable changes and numerous mistakes. Importantly this variation was never registered with OCBA.
- In 2017, a further variation to the Constitution was made, however obtaining the necessary approval for the changes appears not to have been done in accordance with the existing Constitution, which states (in part) that a Special General Meeting shall be held at which "All financial members shall be entitled to attend a Special General Meeting and shall have due notice of such a meeting at least twenty-eight days before the date of the Special General Meeting."
- Our investigations revealed that several life members stated that they were never contacted as required, thereby rendering any meeting (if, in fact any such meeting took place) as invalid.
- The 2017 variation to the Constitution was never registered with OCBA.
- Advice from RLSSA SA's legal advisor was that the Society may be liable for fines for failure to lodge the above variations should RLSSA SA use them without registration.

Consequently, the Board has determined that it should operate under the provisions of the latest registered Constitution which is dated as being processed by OCBA on 2/12/2010 until such time as a new Constitution (if required) can be approved and registered. The Board has appointed a Constitutional Review Committee comprising all members of the current Board including our legal advisor (Julienne Murray) with the aim of a new and appropriate Constitution being adopted and implemented as soon as is practicable.

This will provide the framework for the appropriate governance of RLSSA SA in the modern era.

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### POSITIVE RESULTS AND ACTIONS IN 2019 / 2020

As seen in the Financial Statements the outlook for RLSSA SA at the end of the financial year on 30th June 2019 was extremely grim. However, I am pleased to report that since that date RLSSA SA has

- Restored the financial structure of RLSSA SA to a position where the Board is confident that the Society will be able to effectively operate in the future.
- Mainly concentrated on returning the RLSSA SA finances to a position which can form a sound base for the future.
- Rebuilt its relationships with the SA aquatic industry.
- Significantly rebuilt its relationships with the SA Government, particularly the Office of Recreation and Sport.
- Successfully partnered in conducting the 2020 Vacswim programme as a first step in restoring strong RLSS involvement in this critically important Swim and Survive Learn to Swim programme to the SA community.
- Increased the number of participants in the 2020 Vacswim programme above the 2019 level.
- Introduced and provided significant lifesaving swim and survive and learn to swim programmes to many schools and multi-cultural groups.
- Agreed with RLSSA Qld Branch that SA can promote and provide multi-cultural programmes under the wonderful "Luv 2 Swim" banner. "Luv 2 Swim" is culturally acceptable and a valuable programme for many multi-cultural groups for whom the term "Swim and Survive" has negative connotations and does not encourage participation.
- Re-established and implemented the critical Pool Lifeguard training and will create and host the inaugural Pool Lifeguard competition for South Australian lifeguards (put on hold because of Covid-19 restrictions).
- Successfully negotiated office accommodation at the Adelaide Aquatic Centre and held positive discussions with Andrew Fagan, CEO of the Adelaide Football Club, regarding the inclusion of RLSSA SA in any future development of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre site.

### THE AQUATIC INDUSTRY AND ITS IMPACT ON RLSSA SA

The aquatic industry has seen more change in the preceding twelve months, than has probably occurred in the previous ten years, and many industry participants have been challenged with keeping up to pace with the changes, and then the world was impacted by the global COVID-19 pandemic. In June 2019, most trainers were required to upgrade their training qualification following the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) updating the minimum standard for training to a Certificate IV TAE40116.

In August 2019 RLSSA Qld facilitated the Aquafutures conference at the Gold Coast Performance Centre. Also, during August, ASQA released updated marketing guidelines and a General Direction for Third Party providers which required RLSSA to review its operation and make significant changes to how trainers conduct courses. There were significant changes facing the aquatics industry beginning September 2019. These included: changes to the RLSSA Guidelines for Safe Pool Operations (GSPO), eliminating the Low Patronage Mode for water safety, the implementation of a reviewed State Health Regulation (Qld), and changes to the Australian Standard for water safety signage. Some facility managers have struggled to interpret the 130page GSPO guideline into a "court compliant" Supervision Plan. Water safety signs, correctly placed, can stand up as a defence in court following accident and injury. However, many facilities have not introduced the latest nomograms illustrated in the new Australian Standard AS2416. RLSSA SA will be diligently providing strong words of advice to quickly address any non-conformances that may exist. In September 2019, Royal Life Saving Australia hosted the final review of the National Swimming & Water Safety Framework working group which was tasked with finalising this framework. The updated Supervision chapter of the Guidelines for Safe Pool Operations (GSPO) became active and all aquatic centres in Australia are now required to have a specific Supervision Plan. This change to the GSPO has a major impact to the entire aquatic industry with removal of the Low Patronage Lifeguard policy, within which most aquatic centres in regional Australia have operated.



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### AUSTRALIAN WATER SAFETY STRATEGY

The first National Water Safety Plan was developed and launched in 1998. This evolved into the Australian Water Safety Strategy in 2008. This Strategy 2008 – 2020 established an aspirational target of reducing drowning by 50% by 2020, launched a structure that reinforced a focus on a life stages approach, identified key drowning locations and challenges. This approach has resulted in many areas where drowning has reduced substantially. It brought new focus in areas including non-fatal drowning, reducing drowning in multicultural communities, at unpatrolled beach locations, while boating and in inland waterways.

Drowning prevention everywhere but especially in Australia, requires collaboration and partnership. The new Strategy is key to that focus and ongoing multisectoral collaboration. It aims to establish a framework that achieves three objectives all focused on reducing drowning and promoting safe use of waterways:

- To identify the key drowning prevention priorities, areas of focus and approaches.
- To inspire stakeholders; Governments, NGOs and the private sector to coordinated action.
- To establish a roadmap for those actions that may be monitored, supported, and celebrated.

In October 2019, a subgroup of the Australian Water Safety Council met to create the National Water Safety Plan for the next ten years. This group consisted of stakeholders in the industry including Royal Life Saving; Local Government, State Government, Surf Life Saving, Volunteer Marine Rescue, Boating Industry Association, etc.

### AUSTRALIAN DROWNING REPORT – 2019/2020

The Australian Drowning Report for the 2019/2020 year reported that 80% of people who drowned in South Australian waters in the 2019/2020 year were male (11 out of 14), with risk-taking behaviour largely to blame. **Of most concern with this, is that there were only 4 coastal drownings (29%), with the other drownings (71%) being in pools, as well as dams and lakes, with dams and lakes accounting for 60% of the total deaths.**

This result in South Australia is significantly different to the Australia wide results which saw 248 drownings, with 125 (50%) on the coast; 82 (33%) in inland waterways; 28 (11%) in swimming pools, and 13 (6%) in other locations.

### Key drowning facts for 2019/2020 are:

- **One-year-old toddlers recorded the highest drowning rate of any age**
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people represent 3% of the Australian population but account for 5% of the drowning deaths
- 19% of drowning deaths among people aged 15 years and over recorded a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) of greater than 0.05%
- 61% of drowning deaths occur outside of major cities
- A pre-existing medical condition was present in 36% of drowning deaths
- Males drown at a rate 4 times that of females
- Males are taking risks and overestimating their abilities
- 23% of drowning deaths occurred whilst swimming and recreating
- **Beaches only accounted for 19% of deaths**
- Rivers accounted for 27% of deaths
- **Of significant concern is the overlooked fact that for every fatal drowning there are 2 non-fatal drowning incidents resulting in hospitalisation. 42% of all non-fatal drowning incidents occur in children aged 0 – 4 years**
- **There were 752 total drowning incidents, 248 fatalities plus 504 non-fatal immersions**
- The top 3 locations for drownings and near drownings for children in the 0 – 4 years age group are:
  - 53% Swimming Pool
  - 19% Bathtub / Spa bath
  - 10% Lake / Dam
- The major risk factors for children 0 – 4 years were:
  - Lapses in parental or carer supervision caused by everyday distractions
  - Lack of appropriate barriers to prevent access to water
  - Faulty barriers which are not compliant with applicable safety standards
  - Water containers left unattended and unemptied

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**Whilst the 2019/2020 results show an 8% DECREASE on 2018/2019 and a DECREASE of 12% on the 10-year average, there are still (on average) close to 15 drowning incidents PER WEEK. EVERY WEEK OF THE YEAR in Australia.**

This is unacceptable in a modern society such as Australia. Of particular concern must be the high level of non-fatal incidents requiring hospitalisation, as these are rarely reported and consequently the community is not aware of the terrible impact that non-fatal immersions have on the victim/s and their families, not only in the immediate aftermath of the incident, but for many, the remainder of the victim's lives.

The late John Kew (RLSSA and RLSSA SA Life Member) continuously pointed out that whilst the Surf Life Saving Association does a wonderful job on patrolled beaches, the amount of coastline patrolled is miniscule when compared to the extent of the total Australian coastline plus the banks of rivers, ponds, lakes and swimming pools - not to mention other locations where there is water open to the potential of drowning and near drowning incidents.

Yet, whilst these areas receive no media coverage at all (with the emphasis being on rescue not prevention), the Australian Drowning Statistics clearly show that these areas are the most dangerous.

It is on these areas that RLSS and the Water Safety Community must focus and the best way to do this is through the RLSS programmes of:

- Keep Watch
- Swim and Survive
- Everyone can be a life saver

**It really is very, very simple to do.**

### RECORD OF THANKS

The Board sincerely thanks all those who either as employees or volunteers have worked so hard since November 2018 to restore RLSSA SA in the community and the aquatics industry.

The Board places on record its thanks for the advice and assistance provided to it by Justin Scarr (RLSSA National CEO), Jim Whiteside (RLSSA Board member); RLSSA Qld branch and Les Mole (Qld President).

Special thanks are recorded to Rhonda Groneman (RLSSA National Finance Manager) for her outstanding and extensive work in analysing and extracting financial information from the appalling mess left by the previous Board and CEO, and for her welcome advice on many, many occasions. Without her work it is very unlikely that RLSSA SA would have been able to continue.

**Special acknowledgement of Jayne Minear (Executive Director)** The Board places on record its special acknowledgement of the phenomenal work done by, and results achieved, by the SA Branch Executive Director Jayne Minear.

There is not enough space in a report to record all that Jayne has done for RLSSA SA since she was appointed Executive Director on 15th October 2018.

There is no doubt at all that the reason that RLSSA SA has been able to recover so well from the disaster created by the previous Board and CEO is the wonderful contribution by Jayne who is an extremely well regarded member of the Aquatics Industry. On behalf of all members of the RLSSA SA and the SA community, we applaud her.

### Thanks to the SA Board

I sincerely thank every one of my fellow directors who have helped me and the Society along the way, and in particular, Kathy Roberts for her time and commitment, and David Dewar who has been, and who remains, a significant part of the re-construction of RLSSA SA. The position of a Director, let alone President and Chairman, is often an under-appreciated role, and the people that we help sometimes forget that the role is volunteer-based and that we are all members walking the same path. I record my deep and sincere thanks to every one of the members who have served on the RLSSA SA Board since November 2018. It is important to note that not one of the RLSSA SA Board members has received any benefit (either in cash or in kind) at all, with their extensive time commitment and contributions being on a purely voluntary basis. Their dedication and commitment has, and continues to be, exceptional.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## THE FUTURE

The appalling mismanagement by the previous Board and CEO in their period of governance to October 2018, had a devastating effect on the RLSSA SA Branch, not only financially but also to relationships with government and within the Aquatics Industry.

The South Australian Branch lost almost all its members; instructors; examiners and volunteers, and most of its programmes were significantly decimated.

The following data gives examples of this level of decimation:

- 2020 - 6243 candidates in the Vacswim programme
- 2019 - 6012 candidates in the Vacswim programme
- 2007 - 70,000 plus candidates received instruction in water safety, survival swimming, rescue, and resuscitation.
- 1995 - Headquarters at Cowandilla purchased, Collins Warner property adjacent donated. Both premises sold in June 2014 to meet debts
- 1986 - 42,000 children in the "Learn to Swim" program

### Membership is a critical issue:

as at 30th June 2020 RLSSA SA had a membership comprising:

- 16 Financial members
- 21 Honorary Life members
- 35 Life Subscriber members

This is an appallingly low number and reflects the complete lack of interest in membership by the (pre-October 2018) previous Board, CEO, and Administration.

The current Board is addressing this critical issue, as a healthy and vibrant, active membership is essential to the future of RLSSA SA.

I encourage you to engage with the Society and each other, look out for the updates from the SA Office team; utilise the on-line materials that will be published, and keep in touch with your local contacts.

As at the time of the RLSSA SA 2020 Annual General Meeting, Australia is in a managed transition from the COVID-19 lockdown and the cautious road ahead will certainly present us with an entirely new set of challenges. We will need to reset our activities, and live together in an environment that has some compass of certainty, and whilst our activities have been thrown into disarray the Board has continued to remain connected with a strong focus on the future, and I am confident that RLSSA SA can progressively achieve its previous status in the Aquatics Industry.

The task ahead to restore RLSSA SA to its previous level within the South Australian Community is an enormous one with many challenges.

However, it is critical to note that, given the profligate spending of the previous Board and CEO, the strict financial management controls implemented by the current Board must continue.

Former Australian Prime Minister Paul Keating once said: "It's a leader's job to paint the new horizon."

That is exactly what the current Board and Executive Director have done and are continuing to do.

Kevin Burrowes BA (Accng); Grad.Dip (Accng); FPC; Dip. RLSS; JP; MRAJ; OAM

### President RLSSA SA Branch

September 2020



## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

To start this report, I would like to thank the members and stakeholders for the support that has been shown to our society during these uncertain times. I appreciate the support shown to me, especially from our President Kevin Burrowes OAM. His leadership has provided us with confidence to move forward.

Last year saw many milestones and achievements for the society. We are incredibly proud of the progress made towards rebuilding the society in South Australia and the relationships that have been developed within the aquatic industry.

Between June to October 2019, we put a large amount of work in to our training and compliance. By ensuring that Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) standards were met, we also revised our Third Party Trainer Agreements to ensure their minimum qualifications also met ASQA standards.

From November 2019 to January 2020, our business focus turned to VACSWIM, which is the largest school holiday swimming program in the country. The 2019/2020 VACSWIM program was delivered to over 6,000 students at over 65 pools across the state. We would like to thank all our Regional Liaison Officers, Examiners, Instructors in Charge, Instructors and Assistant Instructors whom the program wouldn't be possible without.

In February 2020 we ran an Autism Friendly event at the Waterworld Aquatic Centre. With over 200 participants attending, it was a great opportunity for families to spend time together in a safe and sensory friendly environment. From this event, we continued to run Autism Friendly programs at multiple locations across the metropolitan area.

Our Education team have continued to deliver programs all around the state, with over 12 school swimming programs provided to over 3,000 participants. Well done to our skilled instructors, who always strive to help the community be safe in, on and around water. We have also taken our teaching to the classroom, with 6 community hubs participating in water safety education sessions for our Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities.

Along with many other industries, the aquatic industry has been devastated by the COVID-19 global pandemic. With challenges faced returning to regular activities, we worked with both National and State government recommendations to provide advocacy to both facilities and staff who required qualifications to continue regular employment.

Royal Life Saving SA was an active participant in government discussions to help support the industry to return to regular activity through a 3-stage process.

In closing I express my gratitude to the South Australian Government, Royal Life Saving Society - South Australia board members, Royal Life Saving Australia, our members, our staff and our stakeholders.

Jayne Minear  
**Executive Director**





## REVIEW OF 2019/20 PROGRAMS

Here is a snapshot of the participants in our training and programs that were provided throughout the 2019/20 financial year.



### Accredited Training

Cardiopulmonary  
Resuscitation (CPR) – 185  
Provide First Aid – 219  
Basic Emergency Lifesaving  
– 1865  
Pool Lifeguard – 318  
Bronze Medallion – 75

### Community

Community Swim Teacher's  
Rescue Award – 220  
CPR - 790  
Rescue Awards - 15  
Bronze Star – 119  
Bronze Medallion – 390  
Bronze Cross – 68  
Award of Merit – 55  
Distinction – 2



### Education

School Swimming/Swim and  
Survive - 3213  
Endorsed Swim and Survive Swim  
Schools - 1562  
Vacswim - 6243  
Autism Swimming - 350  
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse  
Programs - 830



# NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The National Annual General Meeting was held in November 2019 in Sydney attended by 3 members from South Australia, Brione Rundle, Brendan Watts and myself. A brief board meeting was held immediately afterwards at which my nomination to serve on the board for 2 years representing the SA Branch was accepted. I took the opportunity to thank the Board and National Office staff for their ongoing support for our Branch. Later that afternoon a Vice Regal reception was held by the Governor General at Admiralty House to recognise the 125 Years of the Royal Lifesaving Society.

## COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 Pandemic has had a significant impact on members, industry, and the community. The Board has been overseeing efforts to minimise these impacts including:

- The Finance and Audit Committee is meeting fortnightly
- The national office is open with skeleton staff in place, most staff are working from home. The CEO is monitoring the situation before making any decision regarding staff return to the office
- RLSSA is participating in a range of Government support programs including Job Keeper, and Cash Boost
- There has been a moderate fall in trading income, sponsorship income is not yet impacted but some related program expenditure has been frozen pending the re-opening of aquatic centres and swim schools
- Government income has been secured, with some adjustments to program expenditure due to COVID-19
- The CEOs have been meeting weekly to monitor the situation, and provide support to each other

## Industry Advocacy

Industry has also been hard hit by closures. RLSSA been supporting industry and Government in the following ways:

- The CEO is participating in a weekly meeting of industry groups to monitor the impacts of COVID-19
- RLSSA has issued several CEO notes covering issues such as COVID-19 and aquatic industry, impacts of Job Keeper, Case for Re-opening Aquatic Centres and Swim Schools
- RLSSA has released a new set of guidelines for COVID-19 within the GPSO in conjunction with the National Aquatic Industry Safety Committee

## Review of Membership

The review of membership is progressing, although timeframes have been impacted by a focus on COVID-19 management. The following is an update:

- RLSSA has engaged Mills Oakley to undertake a review of best practice membership models in NFPs. They will also provide advice on the implication of changes in our network
- Members have been requested to complete a membership survey
- The Board will continue to review this information.

## Board Meetings

Apart from a meeting in Sydney in January, the board has continued to meet every 3 months via Zoom, which has proven to be effective for conducting the business of the National Branch. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 24th October 2020 via Zoom.

David Dewar

**National Director**



## VINCENT JAMES FORDE AM

**Vale: 27th August 1923 – 1st March 2019**

Vin Forde AM was the Honorary Secretary of the Royal Life Saving Society Australia – South Australian Branch for the years from June 1955 until November 2010.

Vin was the face of and the real strength of The Society through those 55 amazing years.

In the Early years of his stewardship, when there was no headquarters, meetings were held in private homes; at the SA Police Training College at Thebarton; at swimming centres; the Amateur Sports Club, and at Technical And Further Education (TAFE) colleges.

Vin was the driving force to obtain the premises at South Terrace; at Deacon Avenue in Richmond; and to the purchase of the premises on Sir Donald Bradman Drive at Cowandilla.

Vin's superb skills in detailed planning; being able to encourage others to be involved; in gaining government grants for Society projects and working the finances to enable the purchase of the property at Cowandilla and the adjacent Collins Warner Water Safety Centre, were of a superb and excellent standard.

Vin maintained a very positive relationship with the governments of the day; with the RLSS A National Branch and other State Branches, and more particularly with the many volunteers in the metropolitan and country centres.

He represented the SA Branch at National level and locally and was well known for his calm and measured approach to all situations that had faced him and The Society in general.

He was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 1980 for his services to the community and to lifesaving; was awarded all of the Meritorious Awards of the Society at State, National and Commonwealth level, and was one of only four recipients in Australia to receive in 2004, the HRH Prince Michael Award for conspicuous and dedicated service to The Society as a celebration of Prince Michael's 25 years as The Society's President.

Vin made a tremendous contribution, not only to The Society itself, but also to the whole community. His quiet dedication made it possible for so many to do so much for many thousands of young boys and girls, men, and women in the community – it was youth work at its finest.

Ordinary and life members, instructors, examiners, branch and national councillors all know, and will never forget what Vin and his wife Vilma (who shared the responsibility and much of the actual work as well as providing excellent support) have done for Life Saving and the Australian community.

Vin's organisation; preparation; wise and firm decisions, were, and will remain, of immense value, and Australians have been very, very fortunate indeed to have had him among us.





## NATIONAL HONOURS COMMITTEE REPORT

The National Honours Committee held our Annual meeting via Teleconference on the 8th July and 2nd July. Due to the high numbers of honours award nominations, we had to defer the Commonwealth Nominations for a second meeting which was held on the 2nd July.

Due to many of the nominations not having correct or sufficient information in the citations, the handbook is being reviewed and changes may be made to clear up any confusion as to what is required in the citations and the eligibility criteria.

All honours award nominees that have been approved by the National Committee have now been posted to the states accordingly.

Brione Rundle

**S.A. National Honours Committee Representative**



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

A proposal has been presented to the Board of Directors to discuss creating a new class of membership. As our membership numbers are low at the moment, we will be looking at ways to increase it.

There are many different categories of membership that we are looking at and maybe condensing those categories into just a few

e.g. **Affiliated Club Membership**

**Life Membership**

**Corporate Membership**

**Associated Membership** – This membership could include a Sport Member, Award Member and a Supporter Member. This membership category would be free of an annual subscription but would be unable to vote. This would be available under another category of membership.

The Membership Committee is currently working through this and will present to the board at a later date to be finalised and the constitution then updated accordingly.

Brione Rundle

**Chairperson of Membership Committee 2020**





## SPORTS COMMITTEE REPORT

On 10th-12th January 2020 the Australian Pool Lifesaving Championships (APLSC) were held in Perth. South Australia was well represented with 2 of the 4 Key Officials, Brione Rundle (SERC Coordinator) and Brendan Watts (Equipment Coordinator), flying the flag for our branch. Congratulations also go to the members of the 2020 RLSS-SA State Team and their Supporting Management Team, for the exemplary manner in which they represented the Branch during the Championships.

### 2020 APLSC – SA Team Results

Coach and Team Manager: Christine Kalogeras

Christine Kalogeras – 2nd

Overall in Women’s 45-59 Age Group.

Silver- 100m Obstacles (Women’s 45-59 Age Group)

Bronze – 12.5m Line Throw (Women’s 45-59 Age Group)

Gold – 100m Manikin Tow (Women’s 45-59 Age Group)

Gold – 100m Manikin Carry (Women’s 45-59 Age Group)

Silver – 50m Manikin Carry (Women’s 45-59 Age Group)

Reya Williams – 12th Overall in the Women’s U19 Age Group

Bronze – Women’s U19 CPR

Lily Seckler – 13th Overall in the Women’s U16 Age Group

Mackenzie Hoger – 23rd Overall in the Women’s U16 Age Group

Riley Brennan – 14th Overall in the Men’s U16 Age Group

Tom Reid – 16th Overall in the Men’s U16 Age Group

Niamh Graney – 18th Overall in the Women’s Open Age Group

Albert Stolcz – 16th Overall in the Men’s Open Age Group

4th – Open Mens CPR

Andrew Truong – 17th Overall in the Men’s Open Age Group

### As a Team

4th Overall in all age groups and 4th Overall in Combined State Competition

6th Overall in the CPR competition

4th in Under 16 SERC and 4th in Open SERC competitions

Unfortunately the State Championships were not held this year, as Covid and other restricting factors combined to make it not a viable option. We hope that improved conditions will make it possible to run the event in 2021.

### Special Mentions

A heartfelt special mention is made of the exceptional contributions made by both Kelly Maidment and Christine Kalogeras over the last 12-36 months to organise and orchestrate the progression of the RLSS-SA State Team. Without their tireless efforts and behind the scenes work, the outcomes achieved by the team would have been significantly impacted.

Brendan Watts

**Honorary Assistant Education and Training Officer**



# TREASURER'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2020

I am pleased to present the Audited Financial Reports for the financial year ended 30th June 2020 and my report on the financial activities and results as shown in the reports.

## **Income and Expenditure:**

(As reported in the Profit and Loss Statement)

This statement records the day to day income and expenditure of the RLSSA SA Branch and provides information on the Income from the diverse range of activities and programmes provided and the costs of providing them to the community.

**For the financial year ended 30th June 2020 there was a very pleasing and welcome significant SURPLUS of \$192,670 which is \$857,417 ABOVE the position at the same time the previous year that saw a DEFICIT of \$664,747.**

**This result reflects the Branch returning to its core activities and shows what can be achieved when Board and Management are not distracted from the objects of the Branch.**

The Executive Director, Jayne Minear, and the staff, are congratulated on this outstanding result which could not have been achieved without their dedication and unflagging commitment.

Please note that this result is AFTER the receipt of the following grants:

- 1) \$10,000 grant from SA Government to reduce the financial impact of COVID-19.
- 2) \$28,253 grant from Australian Federal Government as a Cash Flow Boost to reduce the financial impact of COVID-19.
  - a. A further minimum grant of \$10,000 comprising 2 payments of at least \$5,000 each is still to be received
- 3) \$25,109 JobKeeper grant (to date with more to be received) from the Australian Federal Government to reduce the financial the impact of COVID-19.

In addition, the following grants have been approved and will be received in the 2020/2021 financial year:

South Australian Office of Recreation and Sport (ORS) – Sustainability	\$44,000
Respect the River RLSSA	\$100,000
Swim My Way RLSSA	\$16,500
Vacswim (ORS)	\$169,402
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$329,902</b>

## **CORONAVIRUS IMPACT**

The Coronavirus has (and will continue) to have a significant impact on both the physical and financial activities of RLSSA SA for a considerable time.

The results to the 30th June 2020 reflect the impact to date on the finances of RLSSA SA with the financial deterioration to possibly continue for the foreseeable future as government strategies to contain the virus continue.

# TREASURER'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2020

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT STIMULUS PACKAGE

On 23rd March 2020, the Australian Federal Parliament approved a stimulus package (consequence of the impact of the Coronavirus) which has the following impact on RLSSA SA:

- 1) This stimulus includes Not-for-Profit Organisations and Charities.
- 2) It applies to organisations with a turnover of up to \$50 million – RLSSA SA certainly qualified.
- 3) The payment is worth 100 percent of the tax that these businesses withhold from their employees' salary and wages BUT – with a MINIMUM payment of \$20,000 (The RLSSA SA has received \$28,253 from the Federal Government in the 2019 / 2020 financial year.)
- 4) It is a cash payment beginning in late April 2020 and will be tax-free and not subject to GST and will be paid in 3 instalments. 2 further instalments of a minimum of \$5,000 each are due to be received in the 2020 / 2021 year.
- 5) RLSSA SA did not have to apply as the data was taken from the Business Activity Statements lodged by RLSSA SA, and is an automatic process.
- 6) Importantly, the Government hopes that businesses will be encouraged to hold on to more of their workers.
- 7) The Federal Government has instituted a JobKeeper grant scheme whereby the Federal Government will pay organisations the amount of \$750.00 per week for each eligible employee which will then be paid by the employer to the employees thus reducing the salary and wages cost to business. RLSSA SA has registered for this scheme and is receiving these funds. So far RLSSA SA has received \$25,109 in the 2019 / 2020 financial year under this grant programme.
- 8) In addition, the South Australian Government has provided a cash payment of \$10,000.

## ADMINISTRATION

### *Impact of Coronavirus*

As a consequence of the government policy of closure of community Facilities and the application of social distancing rules, operations were suspended with no income to be obtained until such time as the applicable restriction has been lifted. Even then it may take some considerable period until income reaches its pre-coronavirus level.

## PROGRAMMES

Federal and State Government grants have been received to partially offset loss of revenues from programmes affected by the impacts of COVID-19.

RLSSA SA is receiving JobKeeper payments of \$750.00 per week for each employee (irrespective of the income that that employee was receiving prior to the Coronavirus policies), and whilst the full amount of this JobKeeper payment must be paid to the employee, this funding removes any salary cost to RLSSA SA where the employee was receiving \$750.00 per week or less with this funding also able to be applied to payments to employees who were receiving more than \$750.00 per week prior, thereby easing the financial pressure on RLSSA SA from the payment of salaries/wages.

As at 30th June 2020 most programmes had been suspended until further notice.

# TREASURER'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2020

## **FINANCIAL POSITION**

The financial position remains strong, and as at 30th June 2020 the RLSSA SA had a net worth (what the RLSSA SA owns less what it owes) of \$300,893 which is SIGNIFICANTLY ABOVE that of the previous year which was \$108,223 - mainly as a result of the PROFIT of \$192,760 for the 2019 / 2020 financial year as shown in the profit and Loss Statement. This net position does not take into account any coronavirus subsidies from governments yet to be received. This \$300,893 is the net result of Total Assets (what the RLSSA SA owns) \$346,052 less Liabilities (what RLSSA SA owes) \$45,159. The liabilities of \$45,159 are all potentially payable within 12 months from 30th June 2020 but are more than covered by the cash and deposits held by the RLSSA SA.

## **GRANTS RECEIVED IN ADVANCE**

Grant and sponsorship incomes are recognised as revenue in the year of receipt. If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before RLSSA SA is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied. As at 21st September Grants totalling \$329,902 have been approved with these monies to be received in the 2020/2021 financial year.

## **FUTURE**

The RLSSA SA now has a strong base for the future. However, whilst the financial position, on the face of it, appears to show that RLSSA SA has cash available for its programs and future operations, most of these funds are required to ensure that the Branch has sufficient funds to ensure that the RLSSA SA can continue through the Coronavirus challenges.

## **FUTURE FINANCIAL BALANCE**

Whilst the RLSSA SA receives excellent support from its volunteers, this support is not directly reflected in the financial statements.

It is essential that the revenue that the RLSSA SA receives from its operating activities and other sources provides for funds to meet all outgoings required to conduct activities at that level expected by the community, and to provide the funds necessary to acquire and replace capital assets in the longer term.

This presents the dilemma of either increasing the level of fees charged; increasing the levels of funds raised from other funding sources, or restricting activities to a level that is financially viable. This may mean that some programs / activities that are not financially viable may have to be discontinued or significantly changed to ensure that there is not a financial drain on the RLSSA SA's funds.

Achieving the balance between the community's desires and the RLSSA SA's financial resources will be one of the challenges of the future.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

I record my special acknowledgement and thanks for assistance with the financial record keeping, management and auditing for 2019/2020 to: Samantha Creten, Dean Newbery & Partners Chartered Accountants.

Kevin Neil Burrowes

OAM; BA(Accng); Grad.Dip(Accng); Dip.RLSS; FPC; JP; MRA

Treasurer

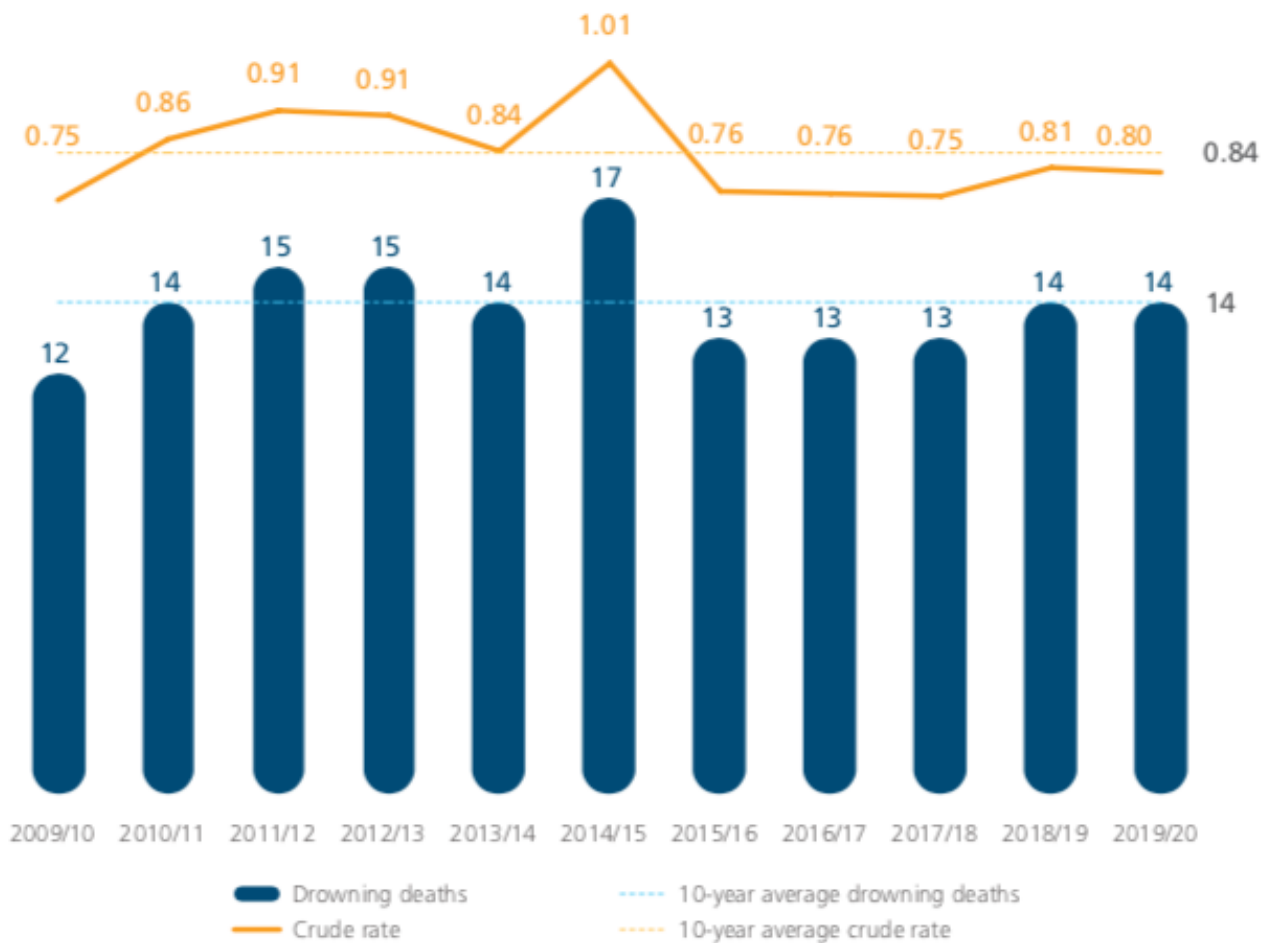
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## SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Drowning deaths and death rates in South Australia from 2009/10 to 2019/20 and the 10-year average





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**Financial Report**

**For the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2020**

# Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc.

ABN: 26 318 933 273

For the financial year ended 30 June 2020

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# Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc.

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## BOARD'S REPORT

Your board members submit the financial report of Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

### Board Members

The names of board members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

**Kevin Burrowes**

B.A.(Accng); Grad.Dip.(Accng); FPC; Dip.RLSS; JP; MRAJ; OAM

**President**

**David Dewar**

B.A.(Adel.); Dip.Ed. (Pri.) (Adel.); Dip.T. (Pri); T.C.;M.A.C.E.L

**Honorary Secretary**

**Julienne Dewar**

**Legal Advisor**

**Kathy Roberts**

Dip.M; B Gov. and Public Management (UG)

**Deputy President**

(Resigned 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020)

### Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc. during the financial year were to promote technical education in life saving and resuscitation of persons apparently suffering from asphyxia and encouragement of floating, diving, plunging and other such swimming arts as would be of assistance to a person endeavouring to save life.

Activities were predominantly teaching Water Safety; Rescue; First Aid; Survival Swimming; Resuscitation and Lifeguarding.

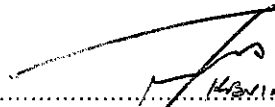
### Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

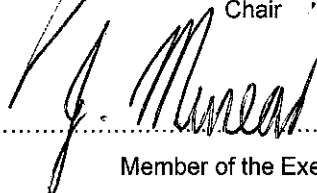
### Operating Result

The profit/(loss) amounted to **\$192,729 (2019:(\$664,747))**

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the members of the board.

  
.....  
KEVIN NABIL BURROWES OAM

Chair

  
.....

Member of the Executive

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020

Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc.

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RESPONSIBLE PERSONS DECLARATION

**per section 60.15 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013**

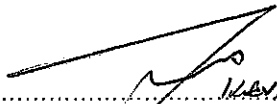
The Responsible Persons declare that in the Responsible Persons' opinion:

- (a) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and
- (b) the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

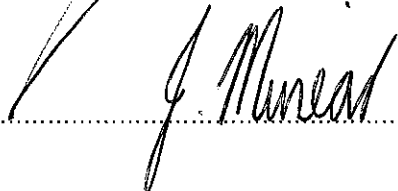
Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013*.

Responsible Person  
Responsible persons' declaration

Chair

 .....  
KEVIN NEIL BURROWS OAM

Member of the Executive

 .....

Dated this 25<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 2020

# Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc.

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## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2019 - 30 JUNE 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
Aquatic Programs		387,802	149,738
Training Courses		40,911	44,131
Grant Income incl Vacs Swim		232,319	214,400
Patrol Services and Labour Hire		133,809	153,363
Recycling Income		636	981,352
Sundry Income		18,756	793
Other Income	2	70,178	11,499
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>884,411</b>	<b>1,555,276</b>
Cost of Service		89,842	584,448
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>		<b>794,569</b>	<b>970,828</b>
Accounting & Audit		16,237	35,000
Administration – VA and DOCA		517	451,392
Administration		48,737	121,932
Legal & board expense		10,037	47,139
Business development		1,127	-
Depreciation		426	17,500
Employee expenses (not incl. recycling employees)		513,920	299,493
Motor vehicle expenses		2,082	38,089
Fines and penalties		-	4,135
Property expenses		-	3,207
Finance expenses		-	43,500
Aquatic expenses		12,997	20,942
Recycling expenses (incl wages)		-	396,012
Sundry		(8,078)	(7,370)
Loss of Disposal of Assets		4,264	164,604
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>601,840</b>	<b>1,635,575</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>192,729</b>	<b>(664,747)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>		-	-
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE CURRENT YEAR</b>		<b>192,729</b>	<b>(664,747)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

# Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc.

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3	324,127	448,305
Trade and Other Receivables		13,285	28,858
Accrued Revenue		7,078	-
Prepayments		62	5,880
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>344,552</b>	<b>483,043</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, Plant & Equipment	4	1,500	4,265
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>4,265</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>346,052</b>	<b>487,308</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	5	22,199	228,481
Employee Provisions		11,406	6,333
GST / PAYG / FBT Payable		11,495	144,271
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>45,100</b>	<b>379,085</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>45,100</b>	<b>379,085</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>300,952</b>	<b>108,223</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Earnings		300,952	108,223
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>300,952</b>	<b>108,223</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
<b>2020</b>		
<b>BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2019</b>	108,223	108,223
Profit / (Loss) for the year	192,729	192,729
<b>BALANCE AT 30 JUNE 2020</b>	<b>300,952</b>	<b>300,952</b>
<b>2019</b>		
<b>BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2018</b>	772,970	772,970
Profit / (Loss) for the year	(664,747)	(664,747)
<b>BALANCE AT 30 JUNE 2019</b>	<b>108,223</b>	<b>108,223</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Royal Life Saving Society South Australian Branch Inc.

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## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

	2020	2019
Note	\$	\$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Receipts from customers & grants	898,625	1,565,959
Payment to suppliers and employees	(1,021,303)	(1,100,808)
Interest Received	-	-
Borrowing Costs	-	(43,500)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>(122,678)</u>	<u>421,651</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Payment for property, plant and equipment	(1,500)	-
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>(1,500)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	(124,178)	421,651
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	448,305	26,654
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	<u>324,127</u>	<u>448,305</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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ABN: 26 318 933 273

For the financial year ended 30 June 2020

## NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

The Board has determined that the Association is a not for profit and not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

- AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows
- AASB 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- AASB 110: Events after the Balance Sheet Date
- AASB 1048: Interpretation of Standards
- AASB 1053: Application of tiers of Australian Accounting Standards
- AASB 1054: Australian Additional Disclosures

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

### a. **Employee Benefits**

A liability is recognised for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

The Association contributes to complying superannuation funds at the required rate of the employee's remuneration. Superannuation contributions are recognised as an expense when incurred.

### b. **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

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

### c. **Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors**

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

### d. **Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Grant and sponsorship income is recognised as revenue in the year of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the Association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

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## NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### e. **Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Cash flows are included in the Cash Flow Statement on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is classified as operating cash flows.

### f. **Inventories on Hand**

Inventories held for sale are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on the basis of weighted average costs.

Inventories held for distribution are measured at cost adjusted, when applicable, for any loss of service potential.

Inventories acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration are measured at the current replacement cost as at the date of acquisition.

### g. **Accounts Payable and Other Payables**

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

### h. **Income Tax**

The Association is registered as a charitable institution and is therefore exempt from Income Tax. This exemption has been confirmed by the Australian Taxation Office.

### i. **Plant & Equipment**

Plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the item. In the event that settlement of all or part of purchase consideration is deferred.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis of each asset over its expected useful life to its estimated residual value. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the period of the lease or estimated useful life, whichever is the shorter applying the straight line depreciation method.

Assets estimated useful lives, and residual values are reviewed at the end of each reporting period.

### j. **Events After the Reporting Period**

The members are not aware of any events occurring after the reporting period that require any consideration for the adjustment to, or additional disclosures in the financial report.

### k. **Economic Dependence**

The Association relies on Federal, State and Local Government grant funding to enable the Association to fund its normal activities.

Should the Association not secure funding or a reduced level of funding, it may impact on the ability of the Association to continue operating as a going concern. At the date of this report management has no reason to believe that this financial support will not continue.



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

### NOTE 2: OTHER INCOME

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Donations & fundraising	131	-
Interest income	524	1,416
ATO Interest Income	5,790	-
Other income	371	10,083
Cash flow boost	28,253	-
SA Government Small Business Grant	10,000	-
JobKeeper Income	25,109	-
	<b>70,178</b>	<b>11,499</b>

### NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash at bank	323,852	83,902
Cash on hand	275	275
Funds held by BRI Ferrier	-	364,128
	<b>324,127</b>	<b>448,305</b>

### NOTE 4: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Boat	-	6,500
Less: accumulated depreciation	-	2,235
Plant & Equipment	1,500	-
	<b>1,500</b>	<b>4,265</b>

### NOTE 5: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Trade payables	3,520	201,534
Accrued expenses	15,000	6,185
Income received in advance	2,334	14,184
Payroll liabilities	1,345	6,578
	<b>22,199</b>	<b>228,481</b>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

### NOTE 6: RELATED PARTIES

In accordance with Division 2 Section 35(5) of the South Australia Associations Incorporation Act 1985, no officers received, or were entitled to receive, a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer; a firm of which the officer is a member; or a body corporate in which the officer has a substantial financial interest, or received directly or indirectly from the Royal Life Saving Society Australia South Australia Branch Incorporated any payment or other benefit of a pecuniary value in the period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020:

No officer was in receipt of any benefits, entitlements, or payments or other benefits of a pecuniary value in the period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Maurice Phillips - Swimming instructor	-	2,042
Christopher Hamilton - Professional services	-	425

### NOTE 7: COMMITMENTS

The Association has a lease with the City of Adelaide for its Adelaide Aquatic Centre offices which is due to expire in November 2020. The Association will be required to either enter into an extension on the lease or find alternate premises at this time.

The Association has an undrawn credit card facility available of \$50,000 held with the ANZ Bank as at 30 June 2020.

### NOTE 8: ASSOCIATION DETAILS

The principal place of business of the Association is:

The Royal life Saving Society Australia

South Australian Branch

Adelaide Aquatic Centre

Jeffcott Road

NORTH ADELAIDE SA 5006

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