

## MINUTES

# Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 27 September 2022 at 10.30am Level 4, 25 Leigh Street, Adelaide

IN ATTENDANCE: (24 Members)

#### 1. OPEN MEETING AND WELCOME TO MEMBERS

Outgoing President Anthea Magarey opened the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting. There were 24 Members present. (As attached sheet)

#### APOLOGIES:

David Eitzen, Elizabeth Alvey, Gary Sauer-Thompson, Esther Caprez, Tin French, Andrew & Elaine Davies.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY
 22 SEPTEMBER 2021. Copies of the full report were made available to all attendees.

MOVED: Merilyn Yemm SECONDED: Ron Capel

CARRIED

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 2021. Copies of the full report were made available to all attendees.

MOVED: Barry Apsey SECONDED: Merilyn Yemm

CARRIED

 REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2022. Copies of the full report were made available to all attendees.
 Anthea spoke to her Report.

Council Report for the 39th Annual General Meeting of The Australian Retired Persons Association (SA) Inc.

#### 2021-2022 Council Members

- President, Anthea Magarey
- Vice-president, Barry Apsey
- Treasurer, David Eitzen
- Secretary, Tin French (to April)
- Group Liaison, Elizabeth Alvey
- Minute secretary, Liz Watson (from October)
- Lesley Schoff
- Allan Jameson
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Anthea Magarey President

MOVED: Allan Jameson SECONDED: Peter Williams

**CARRIED** 

TREASURER'S REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR
 ENDING 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2022. Copies of the full report were made available to all attendees.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT TO 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Barry Apsey read David Eitzen's report in his absence.

#### Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2022

Following the appointment of Peter Hall as auditor at last year's Annual General Meeting, the Council has requested that he prepare an independent audit report to members of the Association, and associated Statement of Financial Performance and Statement of Financial Position.

These reports and statements, which incorporate the Report of the Committee (Council) and Statement by Officers of the Association, are provided to the Annual General Meeting for consideration in accordance with the Constitution.

#### Treasurer's Report

The 2021/22 financial year was one of turbulence in a number of ways, providing some significant challenges to the Association and its finances.

Despite entering the year with a budget designed to produce a near break-even result, some significant and largely unforeseen circumstances impacted the outcome to produce a disappointing operating deficit of \$8,300.

The impacts of Covid lingered longer than had initially been anticipated and contributed to a reduction in membership receipts of \$3,800 over the previous year. Council is hopeful however that its initiatives to revitalise and rebrand the organisation will assist in reversing this trend in future years.

On the expenditure side we were hit with a significant increase in insurance costs resulting in a 30% increase in premiums, producing a cost increase of \$2,200 over the previous year. Additional unbudgeted expenditure on staff costs associated with our Office Administrator taking maternity leave, and the handover to her replacement largely contributed to the increase in staff expenditure of \$3,000 over the previous year.

Collectively it is these three areas of membership receipts, insurance cost and staffing expenditure that are the major contributors to the deficit. Going forward, and with Covid largely behind us, we would hope that over time the initiatives undertaken by Council during the past two years to reposition and rebrand the organisation will assist in the ongoing drive to increase membership. Insurance costs however are showing no signs of abating and will be felt into the future. On the staff expenditure side, we would anticipate that the maternity leave impact on the 2021/22 year will not be an issue in the next financial year.

The Statement of Financial Position shows a decline of \$30,300 in net assets over the previous year. This is attributed to the operating deficit of \$8,300 and the application of reserves to the rebranding initiative. These reserves were accumulated from grant revenue and had been specifically set aside by Council for this purpose.

I will not be continuing as a member of Council following the Annual General Meeting so this will be my last report as Treasurer.

Having come into the role from outside of the Association, a large part of my focus has been to challenge Council to critically evaluate how the organisation operates and every area of expenditure it incurs. Over the past 3 years a significant amount of cost has been reduced to the point where I can see very little room for any further substantial savings to be made. The organisation is running very lean.

The revenue side of the equation is going to be the major challenge for the incoming Council. The strategic rebranding and repositioning has provided the platform for this to occur, but it is going to take an active Council to build on this foundation. The Association runs on volunteers and a big challenge is going to be finding volunteers with the required skills who are prepared to put in the time and commitment.

The Council has done a lot of work to streamline the organisation, reduce cost and revitalise it. However financial results such as the 2021/22 year has produced must be exceptions rather than the general trend. No organisation can draw down on its asset base ad infinitum. Sooner or later the reserves run out and the inevitable occurs.

In my opinion the sustained future of the organisation is contingent upon building the membership base and pricing membership at the level required to fund operations. I perceive a tacit underlying tenet that while reserves are available we should be prepared to apply them to soften the level of membership subscription charged until more prosperous times return. As a short term measure to address short term situations this mantra may have merit, but in the longer term it is unsustainable. Any organisation that can't meet its operating costs from operating revenue over the longer term will ultimately find itself unviable.

I have been involved the in management of not-for-profit organisations for most of my career and have very much enjoyed reconnecting with the recreation sector during my time with Retire Active SA. I hope that I have in some way contributed to its ongoing development.

My thanks to the members of Council with whom I have served during my term. Your support and friendship have been much appreciated and your generosity to and support of Retire Active SA is too often under recognised. Thanks also to our recently resigned Office Administrator, Jessica Puente who has been so valued in supporting me and keeping the office running efficiently, and to her replacement Cintia Rocha who is continuing to do the same.

I wish the Council well for the future.

David Eitzen FIPA, FFA Treasurer

MOVED: Peter Williams SECONDED: Ron Capel

**CARRIED** 

#### 7. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

It was AGREED

 Peter Hall, Chartered Accountant, ABN 22 309 824 562 was reappointed Auditor for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

MOVED: Alan Lucas SECONDED: Phil Hanson

**CARRIED** 

# 8. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS WITH AUTHORITY TO LIAISE WITH THE AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION.

It was AGREED

• The President and Treasurer would have the authority to liaise with the Australian Taxation Office.

MOVED: Merilyn Yemm SECONDED: Phil Hanson

CARRIED

#### 9. **ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- Peter Burgess
- Kevin Dennis
- Gary McCalden (Treasurer)
- Vittala Shittagara
- Kim Teuber

#### 10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

• A big thankyou was expressed to Anthea for her dedication to Retire Active SA.

#### PRESENTATION OF THE RETIRE ACTIVE SA SERVICE AWARDS

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented by Anthea to the following members for their exceptional service to Retire Active SA.

- David French, Council
- Colin Brown, Peninsula Group
- Connie Knox, Peninsula Group
- Bill Eime, Orchestra

Meeting Closed: 11.15am



## ATTENDANCE RECORD

## Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 10.30am Level 4, 25 Leigh Street, Adelaide

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The 39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Australian Retired Persons Association (SA) Inc. (trading as Retire Active SA)

Tuesday 27th September 2022 at 10:30 am

Level 4, 25 Leigh Street, Adelaide

## Agenda

- 1. Open meeting and welcome to members
- 2. Apologies
- Confirmation of the Minutes of Special General meeting held on Wednesday, 22 September 2021
- 4. Confirmation of the Minutes of AGM held on Wednesday, 22 September 2021
- 5. Report of the Council for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- Treasurer's Report and presentation of Audited Accounts for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- 7. Appointment of Auditor
- 8. Appointment of officers with authority to liaise with the Australian Taxation Office on behalf of the Association.
- 9. Election of Council Members
- 10. Any other business

The AGM will be followed by presentation of Retire Active Service Awards.

#### AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATION (SA) INC.

Minutes of the Special General Meeting held on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. at 10:30am, 25 Leigh Street – 4th Floor, Adelaide.

- 1 ATTEMDEES: A quorum of 25 members in attendance as per the attachment (Annexure A).
- 2 MEETING:

The president, Anthea Magarey, welcome members.

The President stated that, notice having been given in accordance with Constitution, this Special General Meeting has been called to consider amendments to the Constitution. The specific amendments to be considered were provided to members attending the meeting and had previously been provided to the general membership via the Association's newsletter. The proposed amendments are attached to these minutes (Annexure B).

The President explained the reasons for the proposed amendments were primarily to facilitate the Council's strategies to address falling membership that has been occurring for many years. These strategies include re-launching the organisation under a new business name. It is also proposed the objectives of the Association be amended at the same time to be clearer and more succinct and the membership age limit of 50 be removed. The other proposed changes are to tidy up the Constitution.

The President explained each of the proposed amended clauses and the rationale for the proposals.

At the conclusion of the explanation, and after inviting questions, Anthea Magarey MOVED that the proposed amendments be adopted. David Eitzen seconded the motion. By show of hands the vote was in the affirmative, 24 members in favour, 1 against. The motion was CARRIED.

The meeting closed at 10.40 am.

Serliea Magarey

Confirmed as a correct record of the meeting by resolution of the Council on 13th October 2021.

A Magarey PRESIDENT

## ANNEXURE B - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

#### NAME of the ASSOCIATION

Current wording

The name of the Association shall be the Australian Retired Persons Association (SA) incorporated. It may also trade under the name ARPA active over50s.

To be replaced with

The name of the Association shall be the Australian Retired Persons Association (SA) Incorporated. It may also trade under the name Retire Active SA or such other name as the Council may determine.

#### **OBJECTS**

#### **Current wording**

The objects of the Association are:

- 3.1 To provide facilities of a recreational, sporting, educational and social nature for members. To optimise the opportunities for physical, social and mental well-being in order to extend healthy life expectancy and the quality of life in older age.
- 3.2 To offer assistance and advice to members.
- 3.3 To initiate and promote educational and leisure-time activities, facilities and opportunities for members.
- 3.4 To be a non-profit organisation from which no members derive any personal financial benefit.
- 3.5 To promote research and the initiation of research within disciplines affecting the well-being and interests of older persons.
- 3.6 To work with external groups and agencies to promote and develop relevant services and programmes.

## To be replaced with

The objects of the Association are:

- 3.1 To widely promote the benefits of a physically and mentally active, and socially connected lifestyle for people aged 50+
- 3.2 To promote, support and provide opportunities of a recreational, sporting, educational and social nature for members
- 3.3 To support research within disciplines affecting the wellbeing of people aged

50+

3.4 To work with other organisations and agencies to achieve these objectives

#### PROPERTY

#### Insert clause at 5.1 to read:

The Association shall be a non-profit organisation from which no members derive any personal financial benefit.

Renumber existing clauses 5.1 to 5.3 to follow.

#### MEMBERSHIP

#### Current wording:

- 6.1 Ordinary Membership shall be open to any person over the age of fifty (50) years or under fifty (50) years as approved by the Council:
  - 6.1.1 who agrees to the Objects of the Association,
  - 6.1.2 who agrees to be bound by this Constitution and,
  - 6.1.3 who has paid the first subscription.

#### To be replaced with:

- 6.2 Ordinary Membership shall be open to any person
  - 6.2.1 who agrees to the Objects of the Association,
  - 6.2.2 who agrees to be bound by this Constitution and,
  - 6.2.3 who has paid the first subscription.

#### THE COUNCIL

## 9.4 Membership of Council

## Current wording:

9.4.2 At the end of their term as President of Council shall automatically become

a full member of Council as Immediate Past President for a term of one (1) year.

## To be replaced with:

9.4.2 At the end of his/her term, the President shall automatically become a full member of Council in the capacity of immediate Past president for a term of one (1) year.

## Clause 9.4.1 is unchanged

#### THE COUNCIL

#### **Current wording:**

- 9.14 Subject to Clause 7, the Council may by special resolution, expel any Council member from Council who:
  - 9.14.3 has been absent, without apology, for more than three (3) consecutive Council meetings or more than three (3) Council meetings in one financial year.

#### New wording:

- 9.14 Subject to Clause 7, the Council may by special resolution, expel a Council member who:
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Clauses 9.14.1 and 9.14.2 are unchanged

#### CONSTITUTION

#### Current wording:

13.2 The registered Constitution shall bind the Association and all Members to the same extent as if they had respectively signed and sealed them and agreed to be bound by all the provisions thereof.

The word 'them' to be replaced with the word 'it'.

## APPLICATION OF SURPLUS ASSETS

Insert the words 'or a Regional or Activity Group' after 'Association' in the first line.

Insert 'a Group' after Association in the sixth line.

21.1 If after the winding up of the Association, there remain 'surplus Assets' as defined in the Act, such surplus assets shall be distributed to any organisation in South Australia which has similar objects and has rules which prohibit the distribution of its assets and income to its members. The Association or Group may determine to distribute surplus assets to nominated charities.

Clause 21.2 is unchanged



#### AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATION (SA) INC

Minutes of 38th ARPA Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday, September 22 2021 at 10:40am

#### 25 Leigh Street - 4th Floor

- OPEN MEETING AND WELCOME TO MEMBERS
  Upon the conclusion of the Special General Meeting, the President, Anthea Magarey, opened the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, 25 members were present.
- 2 APOLOGIES: Alison Jameson, Bill Kutcher
- 3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF AGM HELD ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2020 Phil Hanson moved, seconded by Elizabeth Alvey, that the Minutes of the 2020 AGM be confirmed. **CARRIED**.
- 4 REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021 Copies of the full report were made available to all attendees.

The report drew attention to the following:

- The impact of COVID19 on ARPA activities especially the performance groups. Regional groups also suffered with the result of closure of three Regional groups.
- Council's primary goal to implement three key initiatives determined at the Strategic Planning meeting in June 2020.
- Using Federal and State Government grants, Kate McPhee was engaged to undertake a review of the organisation. Her report, received in June 2021, contained over 40 recommendations. Many of which are being implemented.
- The Operating Manual for Groups have been revised, with a single manual for all Groups. Training sessions were provided to Co-ordinators and committee members.
- Anthea thanked all Coordinators and committee members, Tracey Tarca, who volunteered to
  work many hours in the office. She acknowledged David Eitzen helped by Roy Milne and
  Jessica Puente for managing the finances, and thanked Council members.
- Anthea mentioned that ARPA SA is 40 this year. A celebration will be held in November at the same time relaunching and rebranding as RETIRE ACTIVE SA.

Val Dobie moved, seconded by Michelle Walker that the report be accepted. **CARRIED**.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING  $30^{\mathrm{TH}}$  JUNE 2021

Copies of the full report were made available to all attendees.

The Treasurer David Eitzen presented and spoke to the audited financial statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, noting the following:

- Declining membership numbers over recent years have put stress on the Association's finances. By severely reigning in expenditure, the budget showed a small operating profit last year and again for 2020/2021, in spite of COVID.
- David thanked Jessica Puente, our Office Administrator and the office volunteers. In addition, he thanked regional and activity group co-ordinators for keeping the groups engaged even with COVID restrictions, thus reducing the decline in membership numbers.
- Funds reserved from special COVID related government grants during the last two financial years have been set aside from operating revenue and reserved for funding the implementation of Council's new strategic directions
- The Balance Sheet reflects an increase in net assets of \$4,800, the result of the operating surplus of \$2,800 for the year and the net increase in reserves from government grants set aside and reserved for strategic purposes.

David Eitzen moved for the Treasurer's report to be adopted, seconded by Merilyn Yemm. CARRIED.

Phil Hanson moved a Motion of Appreciation to Council for turning around the Association's finances from deficits in the past to now showing operating surplus. Seconded by Chris Magarey. **CARRIED**.

#### 6 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Anthea Magarey moved that Peter Hall be retained as auditor in for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Seconded by David Eitzen. **CARRIED**.

The Treasurer requested that the President and Treasurer be given the authority to liaise with the Australian Taxation Office on behalf of the Association.

This was moved by Phil Hanson, seconded by Peter Williams. CARRIED.

#### 7 ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS (Chaired by Ron Capel)

With the exception of Esther Caprez, all Council members renominated. Nominations were received from Merilyn Yemm and Allan Jameson. Election was not required as there are still Council vacancies. Ron Capel declared all candidates elected.

#### 8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting closed at 11.00.		
Signed:	Date:	

# Council Report for the 39th Annual General Meeting of The Australian Retired Persons Association (SA) Inc.

#### 2021-2022 Council members

President

Anthea Magarey

Members

Lesley Schoff

Vice-president

Barry Apsey

Allan Jameson

Secretary

Tin French (to April)

Gary Sauer-Thompson

Minute secretary

Liz Watson (from October)

(from April)

Treasurer

David Eitzen

**Group Liaison** 

Elizabeth Alvey

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Anthea Magarey President

RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC

**FINANCIAL REPORT** 

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

## RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC

#### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

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#### RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee of the Association reports that:

- (a) During the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022, no officer of the Association, firm of which the officer is a member, or body corporate in which the officer has a substantial financial interest, has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and the Association; and
- (b) During the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022, no officer of the Association has received directly or indirectly from the Association any payment or other benefit of a pecuniary value, except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the Association.

#### STATEMENT BY OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Officers of the Association have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity as defined in Statement of Accounting Concepts 1 'Definition of the Reporting Entity', and therefore is no requirement to apply accounting standards in the preparation of these financial statements. The Officers have determined that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the accounts.

In the opinion of the Officers of the Association:

- (a) The accompanying financial report comprising the Statement of Financial Performance, the Statement of Financial Position and notes to the accounts have been drawn up so as to present fairly the entity's financial position as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and its performance for the year then ended.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Committee of Association for and on its behalf by:-

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Treasurer

7 SEPTEMPER 2022

Dated



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# INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC

#### Scope

I have audited the attached special purpose financial report comprising the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Financial Performance and Notes to the financial statements, of RETIRE ACTIVE SA - AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.

The Associations members of council are responsible for the financial report and have determined the accounting policies used to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards Act, the constitution and the needs of the members. I have conducted an independent audit if the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members. I disclaim any assumption or responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it related to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respect, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements. (These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia).

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the Association to maintain a system of internal control over cash receipts until the entry into the accounting records. My audit over cash receipts has been limited to the amounts recorded in the accounting records of the Association.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been on the above basis.

#### **Audit opinion**

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of RETIRE ACTIVE SA - AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC as at 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 and its financial performance for the year then ended.

Dated:

September 2022

PETER HALL
Registered Company Auditor

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## RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATION (SA) INC

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2022

*	2021	2022
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Distributions Received	813.00	639.76
Donations Received	5,356.17	
Entertainment Books	252.73	1,818.92 156.36
Gains on Disposal of Assets	202.13	431.57
Grants Received		2,401.46
Interest	44.97	26.42
Lottery Income	77.01	762.00
Membership Fees	62,815.73	59,008.43
Name Badges	29.62	26.37
Newsletter Income	3,760.90	1,869.10
Photocopy Charges	1,807.05	1,920.46
Rent - Office Sublet	4,070.00	4,698.42
Room Hire	2,798.09	2,420.81
Sponsorships	1,818.18	249.99
Sundry Income	989.37	708.32
	84,555.81	77,138.39
LESS EXPENSES		
APRA Licence Fee	445.41	499.84
Audit Fees	550.00	550.00
Bad Debts	62.00	550.00
Bank Charges & Merchant Fees	1,525.75	1,457.56
Computer Requisites	1,898.08	2,773.37
Doubtful Debts	7,000.00	197.95
Insurance	7,866.29	10,049.87
Legal Fees	.,000.20	750.00
Light & Power	1,795.97	1,863.42
Name Badges	92.75	1,000.42
Newsletter Costs	2,373.31	_
Office Cleaning	960.00	852.73
Postage	988.86	782.82
Publicity & Promotion	222.42	247.68
Refunds	20.00	-
Rent	23,848.35	23,516.64
Repairs & Maintenance	25.73	1,342.75
Salary, Superannuation & Workcover	28,567.49	31,553.96
Staff Amenities	940.74	485.12
Stationery & Photocopy	7,106.41	7,451.70
Sundry Expenses	635.60	6.25
Telephone & Communications	1,829.75	841.97
Website Costs	-	247.20
	81,754.91	85,470.83
SURPLUS (DEFICIENCY) FOR THE YEAR	2,800.90	(8,332.44)
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## RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATION (SA) INC

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30TH JUNE 2022

	2021 \$	2022
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Balance 1st July, 2021	137,992.63	140,793.53
Surplus (Deficit) for the Year	2,800.90	(8,332.44)
Reserves - Future Grant Applications	22,000.00	(0,002.44)
Funds as at 30th June, 2022	162,793.53	132,461.09
OUDDENT ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash on Hand Cash at Bank	250.00	250.00
	12,089.11	23,371.20
Prepayments Business Saver Account	440.400.07	1,512.07
Debtors	140,166.87	125,193.29
Debiois	641.95	523.00
	153,147.93	150,849.56
INVESTMENTS		
Shares in Listed Companies (at cost)	29,273.99	405.65
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 182,421.92	\$ 151,255.21
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES Provision for Staff Entitlements	4.045.50	270.00
Sundry Creditors	1,915.56	379.38
Payments received in advance	7,597.14 10,115.69	4,754.43
TOTAL LIABILITIES	19,628.39	13,660.31 18,794.12
TO THE WINDING	19,020.33	10,794.12
NET ASSETS	162,793.53	132,461.09
	102,100.00	102,-101.09

#### RETIRE ACTIVE SA AUSTRALIAN RETIRED PERSONS ASSOCIATON (SA) INC

## Notes to and Forming Part of the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30 June 2022

#### 1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFCANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirement of the Associations Incorporation Act. The Committee has determined that the organisation is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the following Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements:

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Events Occurring after Reporting Date

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

The financial report is prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following specific accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report:

#### Income Tax

The organisation is exempt from income tax as a non-profit organisation and funds are not available for distribution to members.

#### GST

All income and expenditure are stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

#### Comparatives

Where necessary comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with the presentation of current year figures.

#### Fixed Assets

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated over the useful life of the asset commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Assets purchased by grant funding are expensed in the year of purchase.

#### Employee Entitlements

Provision is made for the organisation's liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date.

Contributions are made by the organisation to superannuation funds and are charged as expenses when incurred.





# FINANCIAL REPORT TO 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEEETING

#### Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2022

Following the appointment of Peter Hall as auditor at last year's Annual General Meeting, the Council has requested that he prepare an independent audit report to members of the Association, and associated Statement of Financial Performance and Statement of Financial Position.

These reports and statements, which incorporate the Report of the Committee (Council) and Statement by Officers of the Association, are provided to the Annual General Meeting for consideration in accordance with the Constitution.

#### Treasurer's Report

The 2021/22 financial year was one of turbulence in a number of ways, providing some significant challenges to the Association and its finances.

Despite entering the year with a budget designed to produce a near break-even result, some significant and largely unforeseen circumstances impacted the outcome to produce a disappointing operating deficit of \$8,300.

The impacts of Covid lingered longer than had initially been anticipated and contributed to a reduction in membership receipts of \$3,800 over the previous year. Council is hopeful however that its initiatives to revitalise and rebrand the organisation will assist in reversing this trend in future years.

On the expenditure side we were hit with a significant increase in insurance costs resulting in a 30% increase in premiums, producing a cost increase of \$2,200 over the previous year. Additional unbudgeted expenditure on staff costs associated with our Office Administrator taking maternity leave, and the handover to her replacement largely contributed to the increase in staff expenditure of \$3,000 over the previous year.

Collectively it is these three areas of membership receipts, insurance cost and staffing expenditure that are the major contributors to the deficit. Going forward, and with Covid largely behind us, we would hope that over time the initiatives undertaken by Council during the past two years to reposition and rebrand the organisation will assist in the ongoing drive to increase membership. Insurance costs however are showing no signs of abating and will be felt into the future. On the staff expenditure side, we would anticipate that the maternity leave impact on the 2021/22 year will not be an issue in the next financial year.

The Statement of Financial Position shows a decline of \$30,300 in net assets over the previous year. This is attributed to the operating deficit of \$8,300 and the application of reserves to the rebranding initiative. These reserves were accumulated from grant revenue and had been specifically set aside by Council for this purpose.

I will not be continuing as a member of Council following the Annual General Meeting so this will be my last report as Treasurer.

Having come into the role from outside of the Association, a large part of my focus has been to challenge Council to critically evaluate how the organisation operates and every area of expenditure it incurs. Over the past 3 years a significant amount of cost has been reduced to the point where I can see very little room for any further substantial savings to be made. The organisation is running very lean.

The revenue side of the equation is going to be the major challenge for the incoming Council. The strategic rebranding and repositioning has provided the platform for this to occur, but it is going to take an active Council to build on this foundation. The Association runs on volunteers and a big challenge is going to be finding volunteers with the required skills who are prepared to put in the time and commitment.

The Council has done a lot of work to streamline the organisation, reduce cost and revitalise it. However financial results such as the 2021/22 year has produced must be exceptions rather than the general trend. No organisation can draw down on its asset base ad infinitum. Sooner or later the reserves run out and the inevitable occurs.

In my opinion the sustained future of the organisation is contingent upon building the membership base and pricing membership at the level required to fund operations. I perceive a tacit underlying tenet that while reserves are available we should be prepared to apply them to soften the level of membership subscription charged until more prosperous times return. As a short term measure to address short term situations this mantra may have merit, but in the longer term it is unsustainable. Any organisation that can't meet its operating costs from operating revenue over the longer term will ultimately find itself unviable.

I have been involved the in management of not-for-profit organisations for most of my career and have very much enjoyed reconnecting with the recreation sector during my time with Retire Active SA. I hope that I have in some way contributed to its ongoing development.

My thanks to the members of Council with whom I have served during my term. Your support and friendship have been much appreciated and your generosity to and support of Retire Active SA is too often under recognised. Thanks also to our recently resigned Office Administrator, Jessica Puente who has been so valued in supporting me and keeping the office running efficiently, and to her replacement Cintia Rocha who is continuing to do the same.

I wish the Council well for the future.

DAVID EITZEN FIPA, FFA

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Treasurer

September 2022



## 2022 Retire Active SA Outstanding Service Awards

Council

**David French** 

Orchestra

Bill Eime

Peninsula

Connie Knox

Colin Brown