



WATSONIA RSL

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President's Report

It has been a difficult 2017 for the Board in terms of resignation and illness. Our Treasurer Barry Jones resigned due to health issues. Members will remember that Barry returned to us as a second time Treasurer in 2010 when we found ourselves in financial difficulty. Again through his expertise we are in a sound financial position going forward. He brought Corporate Governance to the now Board in a way that everybody finally got their head around what is required to run such a large organisation. I sincerely thank Barry for his contribution on behalf of the Board and Members and wish him well in his recovery.

Both I and the Secretary Eddie Fressard have had our own health issues in 2017. We both believe however that there will be a positive result for both of us and look forward to being on deck again in 2018. Eddie's advice is he will still need a few months off before returning to work. I am considering my position and will make up my mind before the AGM and will announce on the day what I have decided.

The Board has made a number of strong decisions in the past year that will drive the business over the next few years. The removal of the EGM's from Bundoora Bowling Centre to Watsonia RSL has proven thus far to be an advantageous strategy for the club with the business case holding up well at the moment. The changes made at the Bowling Centre after the removal of the EGM's in building a new sports bar area has had a positive effect. The next twelve months will tell us whether the changes drive enough income to cover the costs of running this section of the business. Hopefully the new renovations and painting and the new plastering paid by the Coterie Group at the BBC will enhance the possibility of people booking more functions at the complex.

In February the Board will meet to reconsider the Watsonia RSL 5-10 year plan. High on the agenda will be when and how we will refurbish the Members Lounge which has become tired. I thank Members for their patience in respect of this and I am sure Members understand that the focus to date has been to reduce the large debt from 2010.

By March 2018 our debt will have been reduced to approximately \$600K which is quite healthy. Obviously the next renovations to the Members Lounge will be considerable and whatever the cost our forecast for the future is such that that increase in debt can be managed easily.

It was disappointing to find that the Labor Government have moved the goal posts again in relation to having EGM's. Despite the fact that we do temporarily own the machines until 2022 the Government has requested an upfront deposit of 2.5% in February 2018 and 2.5% in February 2019. Government has also informed us what we must pay per machine which was around \$10K more than last time. This of course reflects on our bottom line for 2018 which was something totally unexpected. As we are required to be an apolitical organisation I can say no more on this issue.

These current changes by Government caused Watsonia, Greensborough and Montmorency/Eltham RSL's to combine with a request to Banyule Council for some relief from the Banyule Council Trust arrangements. Together we have asked for a 50% reduction in 2018 and we all await a reply to our request. If successful this will assist us with approximately 50% of the monies required by Government in the first 2.5% deposit required in February 2018.

Members will note in the Welfare Officers report that we were the major sponsor for sending care packages to contemporary veterans currently serving in Afghanistan at Christmas. This joint venture with Simpson Barracks Army Camp has resulted in a female ex-defence member being interested in what the RSL really does for Veterans. I will be interviewing this person early New Year with a view to seconding her onto the Board. Hopefully she will apply for a position on the Board going forward.



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President's Report cont...

One of the great difficulties as I have said in the past, is finding suitable candidates to serve on the Board and having the time to do so. Younger Contemporary Veterans despite my urgings are not ready to join the RSL for two reasons. Firstly they are still full time and can be posted every two years. Secondly no matter what I say to them they still believe that the RSL is a place for old diggers.

The catering is back where we want it to be with many compliments on the quality of the meals. This is due to the hard work of Head Chef Glenn Geraghty who understands customer service and does not just hide in the kitchen but walks the floor to ensure customers receive the attention they deserve. We value Glen's contribution to the business.

Finally I wish to thank the Members of the Board, Management and Staff for their assistance during 2017.

Jeff Mawkes
President



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Treasurer's Report; year to December 2017

I am pleased to advise that the club is again in a sound financial position. Our special thanks go to Barry Jones our Treasurer (who stepped down during the year after many years of hard work) in conjunction with Jeff Mawkes our President, the other long standing Board Members and Matt Guest our club General Manager and Staff.

The commercial operations of our club saw gains in revenue of \$308K. This excludes significant one off insurance claims. A continual vigilant watch over costs will always be part of our strategy; some items are just out of our control. The total net profit from our two commercial entities (Sub Branch and Patriotic Building Fund) for 2017 was \$861K compared to \$357K in the prior year. This increase was due largely to, retaining the lower rent payment to the building fund, our final payments for EGMs (in August) under the current operational period to 2022 and the transfer of machines from the Bundoora Bowling Club (BBC). Additionally, the balance sheets saw abnormal gains due to the insurance claims with asset write downs and increased asset residuals for those items renewed.

The following is a brief summary for each entity under Watsonia RSL management.

Watsonia RSL Sub-branch Inc: The continued reduced rent paid to the building fund, along with the transfer of EGMs from BBC and reduced annual payments to the State Government for EGM entitlements to 2022 meant that the Sub-branch gained in profit from the previous year. The Bundoora campus continues to be a highly unprofitable operation. A continued focus on this venue, in terms of operational hours and function promotion etc. will continue for the 2018 year. A considerable amount of work has been completed and a sports (TAB) bar has been established. Member support in terms of marketing and use of the venue will determine the clubs success into the future.

The balance sheet is in a very healthy state, with all creditors (including ATO, VCGLR, TGS and all other suppliers) paid within trading terms. The one item of note is the interclub loan/debt owed to the club by the building fund which will remain as it flagged for an accumulation use beyond 2022.

In Summary:

Gross revenue increased by 4% versus 2016

Gross margins improved by 0.5%

Rent remained flat

Other overheads/expenses again decreased

A net profit of \$400K was recorded for 2017

While all EGM licence fee payments to 2022 were completed in August, amortisation will continue to 2022 and be shown on the balance sheet. Additionally, fees for beyond 2022 will now need to be saved for with plans underway to accumulate funds for that purpose.

Members' Equity in the Sub-branch Inc. has increased by \$399K to \$2446K

Patriotic Building Fund (PBF): The PBF is the owner of Watsonia RSL's land, building and other fixed assets, so is therefore also responsible for all external debt relating to those assets. The Sub-branch, the user of the fixed assets, pays a commercial rent to the PBF. This remained at the same rate as the previous year. Interest expenses were reduced from \$71K in 2016 to \$49K in 2017. This was due to reduced debt and protracted banking negotiations. The PBF recorded a net profit of \$360K. After addition of our insurance recovery the net result increases to \$460K; just over a 10% decrease from 2016.

The PBF balance sheet was again improved with bank debt reduced by a further \$500K. This reduces our loan to \$606K.



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Treasurer's Report cont...

Members' Equity was increased from \$8472K to \$8932K a 5% gain.

NB. I advise that the BPF account now includes the accumulated welfare funds of \$222k; this is shown as a liability on the balance sheet. Thus, funds available for any works within the club are only \$182k.

Patriotic Welfare Funds: The Patriotic Welfare fund was merged into the same Bank account as the PBF in December but we continue to have the fund reported separately. The merging was in line with the RSL and each Sub-branch being a recognised as a charitable entity. The appeals report shows the funds raised by our fantastic and dedicated volunteers of which 50% is returned to Watsonia for our welfare activities. Welfare expenditure is detailed within the financial statements.

The Patriotic Welfare fund recorded a net deficit of \$14,480 for 2017. The General Appeals Patriotic Fund held a balance of \$5,265 at the end of the financial year.

In Summary: Our audited financial reports are comprehensive to meet statutory regulations. The volume of data can be confusing; as such I will try and answer any questions you may have at the AGM after I provide a brief summary of the past year and our financial budget for 2018.

John Inglis
Honorary Treasurer



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Secretary's Report

Membership fees are now \$10 per year, a move we had to make as most other local RSL's had done so from late 2017. It is to be hoped that this will encourage a lot more people to become Members of Watsonia RSL. Certainly as of early January 2018 there has been a steady flow of new applications. Obviously this considerable drop in fees will result in a substantial cost to our bottom line. As such I ask Members to consider approaching all family who aren't Members and also friends to join this wonderful club. Given that we all get \$10 on our cards for our birthday's it is pretty much a win win for any new Member who joins our club. I encourage those already social members and any new social members to upgrade to Affiliate membership if you have a family member who served this country in war. This type of membership allows Members to vote at the Annual General Meetings for those Members applying for a position on the Board. And as such have some say in relation to the running of the club.

We continue to sponsor the 'Student of Merit' at each course graduation from the School of Signals at Simpson Barracks. After each graduation the President lectures these latest Contemporary Veterans about what the RSL does to support them. This is done as an initiative to make them feel inclusive and also think about joining the RSL. After all, these younger Contemporary Veterans are the future of the RSL to remain an organisation that looks after the welfare of Veterans and their dependents.

The Banyule Council / Watsonia RSL Trust continues to disperse funds to the community each year. Council has similar programs with both Greensborough and Montmorency/Eltham RSL's. However in August 2017 all three RSL's approached the Banyule Council for a reduction of 50% to current contributions for 2018. This was substantially because the State Labor Government has directed that we pay 2.5% deposit up front in 2018 and 2019 towards the re-purchase of our EGM's in 2022. The Government has also indicated that each EGM will cost us approximately \$10,000 more than last time. We await a reply from Council regarding this request.

Congratulations to Margaret Jorgensen who in June 2017 was awarded by the RSL National body a Certificate of Merit and Gold Badge for her work as a volunteer. This is the highest award that can be given to non-service personnel. Margaret with other volunteers runs the Wildflower Day Club which had its' 16th birthday in October 2017.

Thanks to all Sub-branch staff and volunteers for their assistance and co-operation during the year.

Jim Stephen
Acting Secretary

Totals For 2015

LIFE MEMBER	2
SERVICE	590
AFFILIATE	1250
ASSOCIATE	5
SOCIAL	2223
COMMUNITY	298
FINANCIAL	4368

Totals for 2016

LIFE MEMBER	3
SERVICE	547
AFFILIATE	1241
ASSOCIATE	3
SOCIAL	2222
COMMUNITY	296
FINANCIAL	4312

Totals for 2017

LIFE MEMBER	3
SERVICE	511
AFFILIATE	1236
ASSOCIATE	
SOCIAL	2386
COMMUNITY	263
FINANCIAL	4399



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2017 VALE LIST

Ronald Hyde	Service Member	John Bray	Affiliate Member
Raymond Skals	Service Member	Alan Dick	Affiliate Member
Algerdas Jansons	Service Member	Elva Gallacher	Affiliate Member
Leonard Shipton	Service Member		
Jack Bassiere	Service Member	Michael Heron	Social Member
Clarence Hargreaves	Service Member	John Adams	Social Member
Ronald Mullinger	Service Member	Desmond Lord	Social Member
Thomas Lewis	Service Member	Pat Ritchie	Social Member
Leonard Andrew	Service Member	William Varrenti	Social Member
Alexander Smith	Service Member	Ernest Winch	Social Member
Adrian Sullivan	Service Member	Eileen Maher	Social Member
William Merkel	Service Member	Lindsay Allport	Social Member
Frank Holliday	Service Member	Joe Mifsud	Social Member
		Shirley O'Connell	Social Member
Valda Pascoe	Affiliate Member	Glen Wilson	Social Member
Maureen Peters	Affiliate Member	Winifred Fowkes	Social Member
Peter Mitchell	Affiliate Member	Wladimir Ostrowsky	Social Member
Norma Hansen	Affiliate Member	Joseph Cini	Social Member
Frank Clarke	Affiliate Member	Leigh Gurney	Social Member
Roy Tucker	Affiliate Member		

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Appeals Report

Anzac and Remembrance Day are the two major appeals supported by the Watsonia RSL each year. In 2017 a total of \$116,244.25 was raised from these appeals. A core group of volunteers give freely of their time operating as sellers at various venues. Their efforts contribute greatly to the final total. We thank them for their continued support.

The support from local schools, shops and businesses is greatly appreciated. And also to the local sporting bodies for their efforts in supporting both appeals. Watsonia RSL extend their thanks to all those involved.

To the Members, Staff, the different groups within the RSL, and the money counters who continue to offer their services towards both appeals, we thank them sincerely for their time, effort and continued support.

Again the contribution from the 4th/19th Light Horse Brigade Simpson Barracks, and Plenty and Greensborough Girl Guides is appreciated by Watsonia RSL, thank you for supporting the appeals.

Over the years the dedication of two of our members is unequalled. Gary Higgs and Lindsay Greaves control the preparation of tins and trays for volunteer sellers, and the distribution and collection of trays and tins to local schools, shops and factories. Watsonia RSL sincerely thank you both for your efforts and dedication to these appeals over many years of service.

Watsonia RSL looks forward to the future support from the above mentioned to guarantee similar financial returns that we have achieved over the years for the benefit of those in need, who served in the name of our country and the families of those who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Thank you all on behalf of Watsonia RSL.

Mick Dimech
Appeals Officer

Totals for 2013

ANZAC	\$117,183.65
POPPY	\$60,858.30
TOTAL	\$178,041.95

Totals for 2014

ANZAC	\$102,723.75
POPPY	\$55,606.80
TOTAL	\$158,330.55

Totals for 2015

ANZAC	\$128,603.90
POPPY	\$58,065.50
TOTAL	\$186,669.40

Totals for 2016

ANZAC	\$81,489.60
POPPY	\$59,693.95
TOTAL	\$141,183.55

Totals for 2017

ANZAC	\$78,116.90
POPPY	\$38,127.35
TOTAL	\$116,244.25



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General Manager's Report

Members, generally in my opening paragraphs I always mention how busy both the Board, Management and Staff have been in the past year. 2017 has not been anything different but I am understanding why this is happening more and more.

Watsonia RSL and the local hospitality environment are always evolving. The understanding of traditional competitors of just other Clubs and Pubs in times past is now not current for modern day living and socialisation. Not to mention the ever-changing economic climate and struggling local industry. Watsonia RSL is now competing with coffee shops, takeaway stores (both food and liquor) restaurants and online ordering. So, the big question is where do we go from here?

The Watsonia RSL Board and Management are fully committed at looking strategically on future planning for all areas of the commercial operations. This coming February the Board will meet to discuss the five-year Strategic Plan, primarily focussing on the purchase of the 2022 gaming entitlements and a major development of the RSL within the next 18 months and as the Watsonia RSL site is land locked we need to make sure that we use every square meter to maximise our return on investment. I believe the key to our future success will be with a modern facility which caters for our diverse local community, operates great quality food and pricing that our competitors will struggle to match. We also need to streamline costs including replacing aging equipment and investment in our staff. Training is an important area that will make us a point of difference in our current hospitality environment.

Gaming

In March we transferred the 20 EGM's (Electronic Gaming Machines) from Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre to the main campus of Watsonia RSL taking it to a compliment of 103. Watsonia RSL has performed strongly in a flat market with the extra EGM's including a favourable income tax break; but while we are under a leased gaming model with Tabcorp Gaming Solutions (TGS) we are never going to maximise our result.

The State Government announced in August the extension of the EGM's License for another 20-year term (10x10 years) starting in August 2022. Therefore, it is very important that Watsonia RSL weighs up all options carefully as to place itself in the best possible position to future proof the RSL for years to come.

Food

Cloud Hospitality Group have excelled in their delivery of our catering service for the past year. Under the guidance of Bob O'Kane and Nick Murray with Glenn Geraghty (Head Chef) and Rachel Le Page (Functions/Front of House Manager) we have gone ahead leaps and bounds on the food quality that is being delivered. Congratulations on the quality food experience that you have delivered in 2017.

Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre

The Bowling Centre led by John Roberts (President) and his Committee have been instrumental in all the positives to the club in the past year. With new Committee Members there has been a lot of new initiatives to involve more Members in club activities. Barefoot bowls has again been well patronised and the new sports bar has come up a treat; please come down for a look, you will certainly be impressed. The challenges of increasing the patronisation in the club and will be again a major focus for 2018.

With the loss of a number of bowling Members the club has performed admirably on the green. Well done John to you and your team and special thanks to all the volunteers that keep the club looking in great condition.

The bowling greens are in the best condition I have seen in my six years as General Manager. The reports also from opposition teams and also Bowls Vic are that they are in the highest standard in the State. Thank you to Dyson and his 'Friday crew' for producing greens at such a high standard.



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General Manager's Report cont...

Entertainment

There is more and more going on in the club on a weekly basis. The fortnightly Morning Melodies Shows, Saturday Night live bands and 'Upstairs' Cabaret Shows are still a major focus to bring more patronage to the club. We are going to take entertainment up a notch next year so please stay tuned for what's to come. Just a reminder, please book through Reception so you don't miss out!

Our Family Fun Day was another successful day with over one hundred children attending. Kristy Eddington passed the organisational baton onto Maree McAuliffe this year. The weather again made the day with all the complimentary rides, fairy floss, BBQ, drinks and a present from Santa. Thanks Maree for a job well done.

Whether you are walking in the front door or getting picked up on the bus our Member's Service team are the best in the business. The staff at Reception are always courteous and knowledgeable and our drivers know the best ways to get you home. Thanks for all your hard work. Don't forget our Courtesy Bus is running seven days if you need a lift.

Congratulations to all our staff on an excellent job over the past year. We have wonderful people in our organisation that have excelled. Louise Walton and Fiona Mara were presented the 'Staff Member of the Year' for 2017. Well done on such an achievement. Behind the scenes our Administration team are working tirelessly on streamlining our current business model, the front of house team is perfecting our customer service levels and the management team are operating at their very best.

Shaun Pennant and Steve Reid have led the way as Assistant Managers and their work both front of house and back of house is a testament to their work effort. Thanks guys for being a great help and making my life a little easier.

It would be remiss to not mention our Welfare, Pensions Appeals and Aged Cared personal. The tireless services offered by these teams are endless. Mostly made up of volunteers they strive every day to do their best for the Watsonia RSL Community. Thank you for your devotion to our great cause.

As always, thanks to the Watsonia RSL membership for loving our club. The RSL wouldn't be the club it is today without our members being involved week in week out. It's an exciting time in the RSL and with well researched planning I know we can deliver a product that will excel above our competitors.

To our Executive and Committee Members thanks for being great support in what was a difficult year.

Matt Guest
General Manager



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Angling Club Report

The year began very well with all positions on the Committee filled. However it wasn't long that our Treasurer was unable to commit and withdrew from the Committee. Therefore, I assumed the position as interim Treasurer.

Rye was our first outing for the year. This trip was reasonably successful where a few flathead were caught.

Lake Eildon where the fishing can be quite iffy. With bad weather and a full moon we were doomed from the start, and spent long hours on the water with very little result.

Marlo; This trip proved to be very enjoyable with some good bream and trevally caught. We had very good accommodation where we would like to return to next year.

Portarlinton was to be our next trip. But was far too expensive and, as most of us are on a pension, it was decided to cancel this event.

Apollo Bay proved much better even though the weather again intervened. Catches of flathead and cotta were the order of the day. This was our last trip before our general meeting.

General Meeting was broken up by sinker making activities. We had beautiful meals cooked for us and there were plenty of refreshments available. A big thanks to Barb Bond and Brian Moran for making it all happen.

Bullen Merri (Near Camperdown) We braved the August winter weather to try our luck on the Chinook-Salmon. Lindsay, Laurie and John Campara each had a great day out with these hard fighting fish. By day's end, we still were unable to determine a winner. What a trip though!

Eildon Our September trip turned out a nightmare. Not only the Eildon hoodoo haunts us again, but one of our group (Kevin Hamilton) did a swan dive down the concrete steps of the hotel while carrying pizzas. Some people were standing around some joking while Kevin lays there bleeding and moaning due to being in pain and unable to stand. Meanwhile a dog was lapping up our pizzas. The ambulance arrived and carted Kevin off to hospital with a broken hip. This is the first substantial injury in the angler's club history.

Cowes; Putting all our Eildon drama's behind us, this trip flathead and cotta were once again to fare, but sadly no snapper.

Mallacoota was our last and best trip of the year. Both large bream and big flathead were on. Two exceptional fish caught such as 43cm black bream a 42cm yellow tail bream and some big flathead were bagged.

Finally, I must thank Watsonia RSL Sub-branch for providing us the means and opportunity of raising sufficient funds through our Friday night raffles. This helps assist and subsidise our Members with accommodation on our fishing trips, especially as most of our Members are pensioners. All of our angling club members are very grateful for this support.

Very special thanks to Jeff Mawkes also for providing alternate methods of raising funds. With new Members ready to go, next year looks good.

Gary Plummer
President / Secretary



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Bundoora RSL Bowling Division's Report

This is my fourth year as President of the Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre and we continue to grow as a club and further build our bowling community. Green 1 (synthetic green) had to be replaced after severe flooding in December 2016, and is now settling down into a good surface. Greens 2 and 3 have never been so good and are running well. Our Greenkeeper (Dyson Appleyard) and his support team are to be congratulated. The surrounds continue to look magnificent. A special acknowledgement to the Friday morning crew for their tireless efforts.

This season we appointed a new coach Tony Schiavello. Tony and his support team have organised practice sessions for all club Members on a regular basis. We also created a leadership team consisting of Adam Galloway, Luke Aiello, Joshua Corless and Tony Schiavello who provide the vision and direction our club needs to take to continue its success.

A free sausage sizzle back at the club each Saturday has helped significantly in retaining ours and other club Members to our facilities. Thank you to our non-playing Members who often volunteer to run the Saturday BBQ so food is available as soon as the games end. Opposition clubs often comment on our generosity.

At our last AGM, Michael Dimech was made a Life Member of our club, and we thank him for all of his efforts, especially as the club Treasurer over many, many years.

Pennant Sides; Season 2017/2018

There are four sides playing mid-week pennant (Tuesdays) and six sides fielded for Saturday Pennant. Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre continues to remain the strongest club in the local area.

Fundraising

A very important part of club management is fundraising, and this year we continue to be successful in this area. The coterie group Hornet Lotto (42 members) created last year has continued and Allen Crossley kindly manages this for the Members.

The club continues to support the breast cancer appeal. The visual trivia night raised a significant amount of funds for the Olivia Newton John Centre in Heidelberg and pancreatic cancer research. Special thanks to Jody Nevill who organised this night, which again proved to be a great success.

Barefoot bowling continues to grow this season. We had over 1000 barefoot bowlers utilise our facilities between November and January. A special thanks to the bar staff, Peter Thomas, and his team for their organisation and support.

Member Acknowledgements

Congratulations must go to players who have done well in individual events. The Club's singles champions this season are Adrian Marchioli and Makayla Gibson. Congratulations also to Josh Corless, Mikayla Gibson, and Mario Cipolla for representing the State in various teams.

A special thanks to the team of club Members who attended the working bee. They cleaned and disposed of a significant amount of rubbish and materials that had been around the club house for decades.

The Club Rooms

From the point at which the poker machines were all relocated to Watsonia RSL, our club house has been renovated and rebranded into a sports bar. We thank the Watsonia RSL for the significant amount of money and organisation it took to refurbish that part of our venue.

The bistro now operates every Friday evening serving meals. With money raised through the coterie group, the bowling Members had all the inside clubhouse walls plastered, refurbished and painted. The ceiling has been repainted throughout the entire venue and modern lighting installed. The club memorabilia has been reorganised into the meeting room; now our new 'Hall of Fame'. The clubhouse has never looked so good.



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Bundoora RSL Bowling Division's Report cont...

Concluding Remarks

In conclusion, I would like to thank Matt Guest and his Staff for their assistance and support that they provide throughout the bowls season. Again, a special mention to Kristy Eddington for her ongoing support and loyalty. Thanks to our Welfare Officers Bev Blake and Keith Lugg for their contributions.

I acknowledge the advice and support that Jeff Mawkes, President of the Watsonia RSL provides to me in my role as President of the Bowling Division.

Special thanks also to all the volunteers from the Bowling Centre that provide their time and support, we could not function without you. From the 2017/2018 Bowling Committee (Peter Thomas, Michael Barca, Don McKenzie, Helen Findlay, Mick Tebbutt, Allen Crossley and Terri Murphy) we thank you most sincerely for your valued time and efforts. Thanks also to the constant supporters of our club who regularly attend games and other events where Bundoora bowlers are playing. It's appreciated by the players and the Committee.

We continue and hope to obtain lights at our club. Lighting would have a significant impact on patronage, club membership and our future as a strong and vibrant bowling centre.

I sincerely thank Peter Thomas, my Vice President and Michael Barca as club Secretary who do an enormous amount of work around the club, and give countless hours of their time every week to our Bowling Centre.

I thank my Committee for their loyalty and tireless efforts in working towards developing and managing the best bowls club in the Diamond Valley area.

It's great to be a part of this wonderful bowling community we call the Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre. Thank you all.

John Roberts
President

Darts Report

Summer Season

Watsonia RSL had four sides competing in the 2017 summer season. Lions 'A' Grade finished 3rd with ten wins and 108.4%. They played in the first semi final but went down to Epping Blue. Reds 'A' Grade finished 5th with six wins and 75.0%. Purples 'D' Grade finished top of the ladder with twelve wins and 164.0% and went on to win the grand final against Glenroy 6-2 and were elevated to 'B' Grade. Whites 'C' Grade finished 3rd on the ladder with ten wins and 112.9%. They played and won the first final but lost against Purples in the preliminary final. This was a vast improvement from the last couple of years. Watsonia Lions disbanded at the end of the season due to several players retiring, this left us with three teams.

Winter Season

Watsonia RSL only had three teams playing out of Watsonia during the 2017 winter season. Reds 'A' Grade failed to make the finals, finishing 5th on the ladder with seven wins and 103.1% from fourteen games. This was an improvement on last season. Purples 'B' Grade finished 3rd with seven wins and 108.0%. They won the first semi final but went down to Monty/Eltham Pythons in the preliminary final. Watsonia are showing signs of being a force in the future. Congratulations to Lenore and her mob on a good year all round. Whites 'C' Grade finished fourth in the winter season. They beat RSL on Bell in the semi final, but went down to Epping Youngun's in the preliminary final.

Generally

Watsonia RSL Sub-branch has again hosted the finals both in the summer and winter seasons upstairs in the function room which has proven to be very successful. We also hosted the doubles competition. Thanks goes to John Kelders and Lenore Mills for taking it on and setting it all up with the new dart board frames.



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Darts Report cont...

The Diamond Valley Services Clubs Darts Association again held the annual presentation night at the Watsonia RSL Sub-branch where approximately 120 dart members and their partners / friends attended. The caterers have been able to maintain a reasonable and affordable price per head. Therefore the D.V.S.C.D.A. was also able to keep costs to an affordable price per head. A few minor hiccups that were sorted without issue, a very good time was had by all.

Darts is again becoming a popular activity at the Watsonia RSL Sub-branch. There are two new teams starting in 2018 giving us five teams playing out of Watsonia. One of the teams moving from another Sub-branch will be known as Watsonia Mustang's headed by Tom Rosenthal and a new team will go under the name of Watsonia Green's, lead by Adam Power formally of Watsonia White's. Due to having five teams we may need to move most of our dart games into the function room where portables will be required.

Finally on behalf of the Watsonia RSL Darts club, I thank Matt and his staff for their help throughout the year. And a very special thank you to Lenore Mills for all her hard work. We also wish everyone a safe Merry Christmas and a happy 2018.

Peter E Storate
President

Golf Report; Golden Oldie's

The year was another excellent success with an average playing field of 16.4 over 45 weeks of play (three weeks were washed out) The club picked up seven new players over the year.

Our club champion for the year was Ron Crombie, the knock out champion and aggregate winner was Koene Littler, our medallist of medallists was Russell Allport and our putting champion was Ross Rennie. We congratulate all winners on their achievements.

We thank the RSL Committee, Club Management and Staff, especially for the Friday night raffles which make running the club much easier. We also thank our outgoing Committee of Norm Ross, who we elected to Life Membership for his outstanding work, Koene Littler and John Inglis. We congratulate our new committee of Ernie Wills as Capitan, Greg McCall as Secretary/Treasurer and Bernie McPherson as handicapper and look forward to another terrific year in 2018.

If any member of the RSL wishes to join us for golf on a Thursday morning at Bundoora park 7am hit off, then please contact Ernie Wills through the club.

John Inglis



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Golf Report; Sunday Social

I cannot believe that another year has passed so quickly albeit an enjoyable and successful twelve months. Congratulations to all Members for their conduct and behaviour on the numerous courses we played throughout this season, it reflects well on the golf club and Watsonia RSL.

The number of players and Members has remained consistent which is really good to see, it was only the golfing stalwarts who chose to play Melton during the cooler months when numbers dropped, for the non-attendees of this game they will be extremely happy to know that Melton is no longer part of our golfing calendar.

I would like to thank the Committee for all their hard work with special mention to the usual culprits, Wayne for his organisation skills, Kenny Fraser for once again keeping a sharp eye on spending but still allowing several days free drinking and we move into 2018 in a healthy position. To Eric our handicapper and Captain Russell, another tiresome job performed and completed extremely well keep up the excellent work chaps.

Our annual golf trip to Numurkah in November was brilliant with great weather and excellent course conditions which resulted in some excellent scores being recorded. As in previous trips most people drove themselves with a small team of members taking the RSL bus and traveling together. A very big thank you goes to Wayne for organising it, and Kenny (in his favourite role) collecting money. It is a great venue and location and we look forward to going back next year. There was an extra bonus on the 19th hole this year, a special appearance of 'Hall & Oates; AKA Gibbs and Rendina.' The locals were overwhelmed with their talents and finger work on the guitars, top job boys all we need for next year is a pianist.

For the players who represented the club in the Inter RSL Competition this year did an outstanding job winning by a country mile and once again the trophy sits proudly on the cabinet in the members bar.

Congratulations to all team members who participated and lets do the job again in 2018, for the Members who have never played in this event dig deep boys and get selected, it's a most enjoyable and proud day when you come home with the trophy.

I would also like to acknowledge the Members who allowed Dennis Langham to market and sell their properties during 2017 from which Dennis donated a portion of his profits to the Golf Club, thank you Dennis. I cannot let the names of our BBQ chefs (the McGregor boys) go unmentioned, once another top job.

Congratulations to all Members and players for the professionalism shown during season 2017 lets continue that tradition for season 2018.

I have many people to thank on behalf of the members

1. The RSL and Matt Guest for all their help and support over 2017
2. The Chef and his staff for their excellent service with an extra special mention for the breakup day event and the bar staff for their excellent service
3. The Friday night raffle ticket sellers who will once again go unmentioned as they all know who they are, these funds are vital to our finances without them membership and golf fees would rise significantly; keep up the good work boys.

Many congratulations to all trophy winners, once again it was a season of excellent and competitive golf with some new names added to the list.

In closing, on behalf of myself and your Committee I would like to take this opportunity to wish Members and their families a very merry and safe Christmas and a very happy and prosperous 2018, and I look forward to playing golf with you in 2018.

Bill McClean
President



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Pipes and Drums Report

It's been a big year for the band. We officially got back into playing competition. We played at Daylesford, Bendigo, Ballarat, Geelong and Ringwood. We narrowly missed out on a top 3 finish at Ballarat and Ringwood, coming in 4th overall but coming 2nd in the medley element at both events. We were all very pleased with our performances. To be able to have such a good season with a new drum corps and also a few pipers that have never competed before, just goes to show how greatly we are improving as a band.

A major setback for the band at the end of 2016 was the passing of piper and Life Member John Nolan. John was a huge supporter of the band and during his time here, John had been President, Vice President, Committee Member, Quartermaster and everything in between. His lack of presence throughout 2017 was felt among all. He spent a lot of his own time doing anything he could for the band. He had a never say no attitude and his hard work and cheeky grin will remain a lasting memory for all of us. Early this year the band named the 'Most Improved Piper' award in his honour.

Apart from the competition season, the band was busy early in the year being invited to play at two new events. The Burns Supper night in Parkville and at the Watsonia Family Fun Day a little closer to home. We came out in great numbers to support our local Watsonia/Banyule community.

The band celebrated St Patrick's Day with our Irish cousins and the Eaglemont locals and was again invited back to perform at the Craigieburn Torchlight festival. Our Pipe Sergeant Tristan King filled in as Pipe Major and our youngest side drummer Conner Hawley stepped up and successfully took control of the drum corp. We were also thrilled when Tristan took out first place in the 2/4 March and the Strathspey/Reel in his grade at the Haileybury Solo Competition.

The lead up to ANZAC Day is always a busy time for us. The band was well received at the Epping and Werribee marches prior to ANZAC Day.

We also had a round of solo performance at various places leading up to ANZAC Day and also many playing at Dawn services around the local area.

We had a full band perform at the Greensborough, Watsonia and City marches but due to the changes in the structure of the parade in the City we were at the end of the parade and not able to play for any particular regiment and missed marching with the SAS Association, which was a long standing tradition for us. Instead, we played alongside the City of Melbourne Highland Pipe Band which was a good experience. After the March the band split into two groups to keep our commitments to both the 106 Tank Regiment in Moonee Ponds and the SAS in the City. The band arrived back at Watsonia just before 'stand-to' after which, it played to a packed Member's Lounge.

The middle of the year saw the band play in the Brunswick Scottish Ball, where our performance is always well received. Our Drum Corp had been working on its own drum salute and successfully displayed it to a very impressed audience. We then played back to back performances at Diamond Creek CFA Torchlight Parade and the Kyneton Daffodil Parade. At the end of the march in Kyneton we ventured to the RSL for some refreshments and to play a few tunes. We also volunteered our time to play at the Kilmore Celtic Festival. While we played tremendously, the festival was disappointingly not well supported by the public. The band was invited to play in the Old Goal Tattoo in Beechworth during their Celtic Festival which was a hit with the public and given the disappointing crowd numbers of previous years, was very encouraging.

Membership and numbers are going strong at the band. We have younger learners coming up to playing standards and we have also increased our drum corps once again. Attendance at band has stayed high especially after Anzac Day when it normally quiets down. We had a lot of requests from people wanting to join the band after seeing us perform on ANZAC Day.



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Pipes and Drums Report cont...

The band has also been more active with social media this year trying to increase our public presence. We are now posting upcoming events, pictures and video on the bands Facebook page.

This year saw some changes to the administration of the band. David Boyle became President as well as continuing as Pipe Major. James Ruffle has joined the Committee for the first time as Vice President and Quartermaster. James Brisolin and John Gillespie have taken another term as Secretary and Treasurer respectively and Members Ian Grey, Mason Hill and Paul Doherty have continued on as Committee Members. Tristan King stays as Pipe Sergeant, as with Adam Hamilton as Drum Sergeant and Len Northmore as Drum Major. We are fortunate to have the continued service of Daniel Staley from Moorabbin City Pipe Band as our drum tutor. This year with the support of the Watsonia RSL and the paid play outs during the year, the band was able to purchase new drums.

The band has indeed been fortunate to receive the financial support of the Watsonia RSL, the use of the facilities for the bands Committee meetings, the RSL's bus and the opportunity for fundraising through the Friday night raffles. We also thank the Repatriation Hospital that continues to make a practice hall available to us. The band looks forward to working with both the Repat and the Watsonia RSL in the coming year.

The 2017/2018 competition season is now upon us. We are very excited to be playing given how exceptional we sound at practice. However we have to wait till next year to play due to the cancellation of Daylesford this year because of the extreme weather that hit Victoria in December.

The band broke up for the Christmas Holidays in December. We enjoyed a meal at the Watsonia RSL to finish off the year.

On behalf of the band, we offer our best wishes for a happy and healthy 2018.

James Brisolin

Snooker Report

The snooker club has maintained its four teams.

A Grade

The Warriors finished on top of the ladder and Bulls finished 2nd; 72 and 63 frames. They played each other in the first final and the Bulls won and went straight into the grand final. The Warriors played an elimination final against Darebin the next week and won their way into the grand final also. For both Watsonia teams to reach the grand final is a great effort and shows the depth and strength of our club. The Warriors had a big win in front of the best turn up of spectators in some time. The score was 5/1. The player of the final series was Colin Mills winning 5 of his 6 frames in the series.

B Grade

The Bullets missed a finals berth by percentage only after being second only three weeks earlier.

New players were welcomed to the club and great improvements were seen through the season. Congratulations to Darebin Diggers who defeated Reservoir Falcons in the grand final.

A frustrating season for both teams, the Destroyers fell three frames short of making finals.

Our club thanks Management for their continued support over the season, including bar and catering staff. Our thanks also for the sponsorship of Josh Gorski in his endeavours at the World Championships.

David Richards



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Aged Care Report

Our RSL Veteran Aged Care Program assists and provides care for our ageing Veterans, and their families. The ongoing work of the Veteran Aged Care Coordinator is to ensure there is an understanding of the relevant needs of our Veterans, that these needs can, and will be provided for, and always to fully recognize their invaluable war time service contribution.

My Aged Care Service covers an area from Watsonia to Epping and Ivanhoe to Whittlesea, includes all the Sub-branches and aged care facilities in the Northern region. My referrals come from medical centres, local councils, social workers, hospitals, friends and families.

Aged care issues are many, ranging from requests to remain in the home with services such as personal care and domestic assistance, financial advice regarding entitlements, transport to appointments and involvement in social activities. The requests for assistance continue to increase. All are related to ensuring the care needs of those in the community, and aged care facilities are provided for and maintained.

The requests for aged care placement is increasing, with the number of affordable aged care beds available, decreasing. My work averages at least one call a day requesting permanent aged care placement or respite. One of the most frequent requests is for my assistance in choosing an appropriate aged care facility, assisting with financial advice, and maintaining support during the transition from home to aged care. Aged care placement can be a difficult transition with many aspects requiring assistance. We have continued to provide ongoing support since the beginning of this Veterans care program.

Our RSL Veteran Aged Care program, with an Aged Care Coordinator, will endeavour to maintain support for all our Veterans and their families.

Sharon Armstrong
Veteran Aged Care Coordinator

Ceremonial Report

Cherry Street ANZAC Service (23rd April 2017)

The weather was the best day of a wet week, with warm sunshine and hardly a breath of wind. The attendance was the largest we have seen, possibly because John Vincent made attending the service a condition of entry to the sausage sizzle afterwards. Anthony Carbines MP shared some personal reflections in his Guest Address; readings were delivered by Springthorpe residents John Vincent, Keith Mulgrave, Pauline Atkins and Joan Griffiths. We suffered a small musical glitch, but all in all a good morning.

ANZAC Day Dawn Service (25th April 2017)

Our inaugural Dawn Service was incredibly attended by an estimated 2,000 people, despite drizzle and showers the service pressed ahead. The eternal flame donated to the Sub Branch by Eric Cartwright shone brilliantly and the slide show was well received. We did pick up some minor areas in which we can improve, as we always can. Overall I cannot express any great disappointment with the delivery of the Service, a great start which can, and will only get better. Breakfast in the Bistro was well attended as was the Members Bar.

ANZAC Day Commemoration Service (25th April 2017)

Fortunately the weather cleared up after the Dawn Service, and we held the March and Service outside, I estimate there would have been close to 3,000 in attendance.

Guest Speaker WO 1 Rick Cartwright from the School of Signals Simpson Barracks gave an excellent address with a lot of good comments received after the Service. Other readings were delivered by Dempsey Mills and Antonia Gazzana Loyola College, Stephanie Farakos and Besa Ysniu Bundoora Secondary College, Gemma Temouskos and Zayn Gervalla Greensborough College. The Catafalque Party, a RAAF contingent from the School of Signals, Simpson Barracks presented well and performed a great job as they always do. Streeton Primary School Choir, as every year, was perfect in singing the National Anthem.



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Ceremonial Report cont...

Cherry Street (5th November 2017)

A dry and pleasant morning. Attendance was far lower than previous years, probably due to the departure of John Vincent to WA and new people picking up the job at the last minute. The minutes silence was very short. An elderly resident picked his own time to lay his wreath.

Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre (11th November 2017)

The Bundoora RSL Bowling centre had their first Remembrance Day Service. Attending to the Service from Watsonia RSL Ceremonial Subcommittee were Mick McSweeney, Mathew Stamp, Gavin Burge along with the assistance of Peter Healy.

John Roberts the President of the bowling centre opened proceedings. The Service went well. The bowlers gathered around and paid their respect. After the Service there was a fair bit of conversation that was heard by Members of the subcommittee. All was positive; there were comments of all sorts. Most comments were particular to flag procedure.

Watsonia RSL (11th November 2017)

A fine warm morning, no police presence, Morwell Ave was closed by us. Loyola College misread the request to provide guest speakers, who came unprepared. Colin Brooks was asked to step in and did a magnificent job. There was confusion between the Bugler and Catafalque at the end of a protracted minute's silence. All of the Primary School students read extremely well. Sarah Cantana from Loyola performed the National Anthem splendidly, although a more thorough test on the keyboard may have prevented the amplifier distorting. From the comments following the service, it was well received.

39 ACU, Simpson Barracks (2nd December 2017)

I had the pleasure of attending the final parade of the year, and was very impressed at the amount of work the Cadets had put into their parade. Although the weather did not permit the parade to take place on the day, they had filmed their rehearsals and showed the very high standard they had achieved.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the mostly unseen members of the Ceremonial subcommittee for their time, effort and ideas in planning and presenting our commemorative services, their feedback towards continuous improvement and for the early Saturday mornings at Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre, replacing flags, halyards and pulleys on flagpoles.

Tony Turtle
Ceremonial Officer



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Legacy Report

We had an interesting year at Legacy this year. Our Treasurer of many years Sheila Walker retired. We thank you Sheila for the marvellous Treasurer you have been. Our new Treasurer is Yvonne Freeman of whom we welcome.

Our guest speakers this year were;

- 'The Myer Lady' who was a lift driver at Myer in the City. There were many funny points that Maria was able to show us on the screen. As most people had visited Myer in the early years, there were many questions after.
- What to do with your stuff was another very interesting meeting as many ladies had 'stuff' they did not know what to do with or how to arrest it.
- Quilts of Valour is all about returned service personnel coming back from overseas who had been in hospital overseas and they were given a quilt to bring back to Australia.
- Melbourne Fire Brigade was interesting and we were given a wooden spoon to remind us about fires in the kitchen.

Again we were invited to go to Legacy House for a luncheon. The guest speaker talked about the Kokoda in New Guinea and how he had been on it. And now he trains young people wanting to go on it.

Legacy Sunday was a bit wet. We nearly got through the Service at The Shrine when it decided it was going to rain. Legacy had provided us all with a plastic rain coat to wear. This was followed by a wonderful luncheon in Albert Park.

Our luncheons at Watsonia RSL included our birthday luncheon in August and Christmas luncheon in December. Both were a success. Thanks to Glen and the catering staff.

Our annual general meeting was held in November, where Lillian Smith, Pam McDonald, Yvonne Freeman, Joan Colbeck and Pat Mulder were elected. Pat Mudler, our helper was also elected.

We thank Jeff Mawkes and Matt Guest for their help and guidance that was given to us this year.

Lillian Smith

Pensions Report

Finalised File: SCRA Payout (1) Veteran Deceased (1) Miscellaneous (5)

Miscellaneous files are those where there has been some assistance given without the need for pension officer involvement long term.

CURRENT FILES

Active (10) Jeff Mawkes (6) Chris Brown (2) Jim O'Neil (2)

Active files are those currently under investigation by DVA.

Dormant (50) Dormant files are those that have been investigated but may at some time be re-activated for further claim or increase for accepted disabilities.

Member Jim O'Neil has shown an interest in becoming a qualified pension advocate. I am currently mentoring Jim prior to him completing a course under the new Advocacy Training and Development Program (ATDP) This will assist in lessening my workload and I welcome Jim aboard for this very important RSL assistance function.

The majority of active files are now Contemporary Veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts starting to come forward with requests for assistance.

Members who are considering applying for a Disability Allowance commonly called Service Pension as opposed to the Age Service Pension should contact the pension office before submitting a claim. This is to ensure that not only are the claim forms correctly filled out, and thus reduce any delay in them being processed, but also to ensure that no errors have been included that may at some future date, negate further claims.

I would like to thank Matt Guest and the Administration staff for their support throughout the year.

Jeff Mawkes
Pension/Welfare Officer



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Social Club Report

This year in March our first trip was to the MCG. About thirty people attended and had lunch afterwards at the Darebin RSL. It was a resounding success.

In October we organised a bus trip to Seymour to visit the Vietnam Veterans Commemorative Walk. This is a beautiful memorial and well worth a visit if you are in the area. This trip was also well attended by about forty-eight people. We also enjoyed our lunch at the Seymour Club.

We have also attended a couple of shows at the Regent theatre as a group of ten. They were My Fair Lady and The Body Guard.

Keep your eyes out on the notice board in the Member's lounge for future outings during the year.

Tricia Mawkes
President

Welfare and Charitable Report

I must say that this year has been very different to other years. We have been involved with helping people in many different circumstances.

Over the winter period we delivered over eighty containers of soup to people in need. These were cooked and donated by one of our very kind members who wishes to remain anonymous. Thank you very much.

In October we ordered and delivered items to Banksia Palliative care. These items go into a package to be given to Veterans who are terminally ill. The packs contained a mug, ANZAC biscuits, a pen, a voucher from Harvey Norman for a photo enlargement and wrist bands, all in a bag specifically for Veterans.

We also worked with the Mactier Club at Simpson Barracks to buy and put together 300 Christmas parcels to be sent to our men and women serving in the forces overseas. The Watsonia RSL Sub-branch was the major contributor to this initiative. We have received letters and emails of thanks from many of the recipients of these parcels. I would like to thank the people from our RSL who put aside a day to put these packages together; John and Bernadette Inglis, Mick and Janet McSweeney, Bill Wyndham, Peter Stoate, Tony Turtle, Jim O'Neill, and Jeff Mawkes.

We have also been a major contributor in funding a specialised wheel chair for one of our Members, as well as helping several Veterans who have fallen on hard times and have needed financial help.

During the year we have done over seventy home visits with nearly eighty people seen, over thirty hospital visits with ninety people seen and four aged care facilities with seven people seen.

I would like to thank the volunteers who help me with the visits; Gary Spark, Jan Randell, Mick and Margaret Dimech, Janet McSweeney and Noel Leverett.

Tricia Mawkes
Welfare Officer



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Wildflower Day Club Report

We celebrated our 16th Birthday in October and we are proud to say that our numbers are still averaging fifty five each week. We have lost so many beautiful members, but they are being replaced by more lovely people.

The object of our Day Club is to help isolated RSL people and community members to meet together each week for a chat, exercise and fun. We actually started with the average age being 85, it is still 85, and our wonderful over 90s are still going strong being replaced with the older 80s!

The Watsonia RSL Women's Auxiliary are in recess as there is not a lot to do. We are in recess just in case newer members would like to continue in the future. In the meantime, our Wildflower Day Club entertained those widows who would normally have had Christmas lunch with the Auxiliary, it made for a happy busy day for all.

There were two wonderful highlights for us this year. In June I received the Highest Award from Canberra for a non-service person (volunteer), it was a Certificate of Merit and Gold Badge, this could not be possible without my volunteers, they are the most loyal people on earth, the award is due to their friendship and help.

Later in the year I was one of fifteen nominees for the 'Unsung Hero' award, this is chosen from all over Australia, once again it was due to my volunteers. I thank them for the opportunity to represent Watsonia RSL and the Day Clubbers, and thanks also to DVA for getting us started in 2001.

We had four lovely trips in 2017 seeing parts of country Victoria that we otherwise would not know about. Discovering the beauty of South East Gippsland was exceptional; what a beautiful world we live in.

Our Birthday party and Christmas lunches were really well catered for by Glenn and his workers. Our presents gratefully accepted; made by Bernadette Inglis. It was great to see Wanda Puka back on stage; well at last.

We appreciate Glen Fishlock for his continual support; he works too hard.

Our trade table was a great success during the year, helping subsidise our trips. Thanks to Glad, Gay and Maureen. And to the Members who contribute to the trade tables and raffles, we thank you. Lilian Casey, lunch lady and card player, are looking for partners in 2018. And to all of the other helpers who stand in so readily, we thank you.

Best wishes to all for 2018 may all your dreams come true.

Margaret Jorgensen
Co-ordinator

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.
For the year ended 31 December 2017

Prepared by KSR Partners

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Committee's Report

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC. For the year ended 31 December 2017

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Watsonia Rsl Sub Branch Inc. for the financial year ended 31 December 2017.

Committee Members

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

Committee Member	Position	Appointed/Resigned	Date
J. Mawkes	President		
B. Jones	Treasurer	Resigned	27 June 2017
J. Inglis	Acting Treasurer	Appointed	31 July 2017
J. Stephen	Vice President		
E. Fressard	Secretary		
M. Dimech	Committee Member		
T. Mawkes	Committee Member		
B. Wyndham	Committee Member		
T. Turtle	Committee Member		
P. Stoate	Committee Member		
J. Roberts	BBC Committee Representative	Appointed	31 July 2017
P. Thomas	BBC Committee Representative	Resigned	26 June 2017

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were to operate a bar, bistro and gaming operation and to provide for the sick, helpless, wounded, aged, disabled and needy among those who are serving or who have served in the Australian Defence Forces, members of allied defence forces or their dependants.

Significant Changes

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

Operating Result

The surplus for the financial year amounted to \$400,504



Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cashflows from operations to meet its liabilities. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:

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Jeff Mawkes (President)

Date 7 / 3 / 18

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John Inglis (Treasurer)

Date 7 / 3 / 18

Income and Expenditure Statement

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	2017	2016
Income		
Revenue	9,099,863	8,791,624
Other Income	409,267	339,328
Total Income	9,509,129	9,130,953
Expenditure		
Change in inventories	(3,607)	3,920
Direct Costs	4,090,682	3,973,366
Employee Benefit Expenses	2,213,966	2,170,335
Depreciation & Amortisation	205,476	206,040
Finance Costs	11,372	46,665
Other Expenses	2,676,650	2,698,982
Total Expenditure	9,194,540	9,099,307
Current Year Surplus	314,590	31,645
Adjustments		
Retrospective Adjustments		
Adjustment to accrued expenses	(85,915)	(9,028)
Difference in 2015 Trade Creditor balance	-	(2,261)
Total Retrospective Adjustments	(85,915)	(11,289)
Total Adjustments	(85,915)	(11,289)
Current Year Surplus After Adjustments	400,504	42,934

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.

As at 31 December 2017

	NOTES	2017	2016
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2	1,006,244	937,630
Trade and Other Receivables	3	(61)	4,184
Inventories		78,418	74,811
Total Current Assets		1,084,602	1,016,625
Non-Current Assets			
Related Party Receivables	4	1,603,826	1,588,203
Intangibles	5	955,259	1,160,736
Total Non-Current Assets		2,559,085	2,748,939
Total Assets		3,643,687	3,765,564
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	6	720,237	748,722
Deferred Income	7	53,360	73,159
Provisions and Accruals	8	424,436	541,016
Loans	9	-	121,558
Total Current Liabilities		1,198,033	1,484,455
Non-Current Liabilities			
Loans	9	-	235,959
Total Non-Current Liabilities		-	235,959
Total Liabilities		1,198,033	1,720,414
Net Assets		2,445,654	2,045,150
Member's Funds			
Current Year Surplus		400,504	42,934
Retained Surplus at the beginning of the financial year		2,045,150	2,002,216
Total Member's Funds		2,445,654	2,045,150

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Movements in Equity

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	2017	2016
Equity		
Opening Balance	2,045,150	2,002,216
Increases		
Surplus for the Period	400,504	42,934
Total Increases	400,504	42,934
Total Equity	2,445,654	2,045,150

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WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2017

	2017	2016 (restated)
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from commercial and other activities	10,269,691	9,931,956
Receipts from members	130,670	92,182
Payments to suppliers and employees	(9,868,451)	(9,960,490)
Finance costs	(695)	(38,278)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	531,215	25,370
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	0	0
Net cash provided by investing activities	0	0
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Net loan movement - Watsonia RSL Building Fund	(24,706)	485,105
Net loan movement - Watsonia RSL Welfare Fund	9,086	8,393
Net loan movement - Electronic Gaming Machines	(357,517)	(449,478)
Net loan movement - Banyule City Council	(89,464)	(99,822)
Net cash used in financing activities	(462,601)	(55,802)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held	68,614	(30,432)
Cash at Beginning of Year	937,630	968,062
Cash at End of Year	1,006,244	937,630
Reconciliation of result for the year to cashflows from operating activities		
	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Result for the year (as restated)	400,504	42,934
Non-cash flows:		
Depreciation and amortisation	205,475	206,040
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in trade and other receivables	(17,864)	14,472
Decrease in inventories	(3,607)	3,921
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables	(47,597)	(282,214)
Increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	(5,696)	40,218
Cashflow from operations	531,215	25,370

Notes to the Financial Statements

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.

For the year ended 31 December 2017

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 Associations Incorporation Act 2012. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic 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.

Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the committee reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the association's liability 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.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand and deposits held at call with banks.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time 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.

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.

Financial Assets

Investments in financial assets are initially recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value, which is equivalent to their market bid price at the end of the reporting period. Movements in fair value are recognised through an equity reserve.

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.

Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

	2017	2016
2. Cash on Hand		
Bank accounts/(overdraft)		
Cash at Bank - BBC Prize Pool Account	-	10,036
Cash at Bank - Community Trust	-	201,024

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Cash at Bank - Tabcorp Keno Account	-	2,297
Cash at bank Deposit Account	-	67,269
Cash at Bank - Prize Pool Account	-	13,587
Cash at Bank VCGLR Account	-	157,657
Cash at Bank - TGS Account	-	18,007
Cash at Bank - Club Account	-	57,702
ANZ - Club - 71078	65,944	-
ANZ - TGS - 71414	166,014	-
ANZ - VCGLR - 71596	135,569	-
ANZ - Deposit - 71211	14,894	-
ANZ - Prize Pool Wats - 71334	38,623	-
ANZ - Community - 71166	121,653	-
ANZ - Social Fund - 71828	2,310	-
ANZ - Accumulation - 71879	100,026	-
Total Bank accounts/(overdraft)	645,033	527,580
Cash and cash equivalents		
Club Clearing Accounts	84,738	110,569
Tabcorp Security Deposit	2,212	2,212
Bond - Gaming auction	1,249	1,249
Jackpot Pool	61,697	32,423
Large payouts	3,205	6,495
Total Cash and cash equivalents	153,101	152,948
Cash floats		
Cash on hand	208,111	257,101
Total Cash floats	208,111	257,101
Total Cash on Hand	1,006,244	937,630
	2017	2016

3. Trade and Other Receivables

Trade Receivables		
Trade Debtors	-	3,520
Total Trade Receivables	-	3,520
Other Receivables		
Other Debtors	(61)	664
Total Other Receivables	(61)	664
Total Trade and Other Receivables	(61)	4,184

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

	2017	2016
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4. Related Party Loans

Non Current Assets

Loans to Watsonia RSL Patriotic Building Fund	1,603,759	1,579,052
Loans to Watsonia RSL Patriotic Welfare Fund	68	9,151
Total Non Current Assets	1,603,826	1,588,203
Total Related Party Loans	1,603,826	1,588,203

	2017	2016
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5. Intangibles

Other Intangibles

Keno licence fees	5,000	5,000
Gaming auction entitlements	2,055,329	2,055,329
Less: Accumulated Amortisation	(1,105,070)	(899,593)
Total Other Intangibles	955,259	1,160,736
Total Intangibles	955,259	1,160,736

	2017	2016
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6. Trade & Other Payables

Trade Payables	432,902	535,222
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Other Payables

ANZ Business One Visa	1,713	150
Club welfare funds	18,663	12,013
GST payable	143,026	136,804
RSL NAB Qantas Co	-	1,947
PAYG withholding tax payable	64,193	36,420
Payroll Tax payable	7,089	5,128
Superannuation payable	17,597	14,657
Tabcorp Trust monies	6,382	6,382
Wages Payable	28,672	-
Total Other Payables	287,334	213,501

Total Trade & Other Payables	720,237	748,722
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	2017	2016
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7. Deferred Income

Other Deferred Income

Social Club money held	2,310	-
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These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Revenue in Advance	51,050	73,159
Total Other Deferred Income	53,360	73,159
Total Deferred Income	53,360	73,159
	2017	2016

8. Provisions and Accruals

Provisions		
Accrued charges	15,690	37,109
Accrual Banyule City Council	110,714	200,178
Provision for Annual Leave	174,411	174,460
Provision for Long Service Leave	104,099	113,296
Provision - VCGLR Charges	19,522	15,972
Total Provisions	424,436	541,016
Total Provisions and Accruals	424,436	541,016
	2017	2016

9. Loans

Current Liability		
Loan - EGM's (Current)	-	121,558
Total Current Liability	-	121,558
Non Current Liability		
Loan - EGM's (Non Current)	-	235,959
Total Non Current Liability	-	235,959
Total Loans	-	357,517

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Statement By Members of the Committee

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.

For the year ended 31 December 2017

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 5-13:

- Presents fairly the financial position of the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Inc. as at December 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Inc. will be able to pay its debt as and when they become due and payable.

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

President 
Jeff Mawkes

Treasurer 
John Inglis

Dated: 7 / 3 / 18

Income and Expenditure Statement

WATSONIA RSL SUB BRANCH INC.

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	2017	2016
Income		
Bar/Bottle Shop		
Bar sales	2,343,169	2,355,741
Bottleshop sales	69,558	80,261
Opening stock	(74,811)	(78,732)
Bar Purchases	(834,266)	(841,173)
Closing stock	78,418	74,811
Total Bar/Bottle Shop	1,582,067	1,590,909
Function & Events		
Functions & Events	29,061	32,212
Function Purchases	(24,842)	(26,429)
Total Function & Events	4,219	5,783
Gaming		
Gaming Revenue	6,658,075	6,323,410
Cost of Sales - Variances	(17,259)	(3,395)
State gaming tax	(1,915,727)	(1,826,288)
Monitoring costs	(71,284)	(68,199)
GSP contract cost (Sweep)	(1,227,303)	(1,207,881)
Total Gaming	3,426,502	3,217,647
Total Income	5,012,788	4,814,338
Other Income		
ATM Cashpoint Rebates	37,485	28,615
Bank Interest Received	255	2,054
Bingo Income	2,441	2,816
Bundoora Bowling Club	5,173	(1,273)
Government Grants	-	360
Keno Income	11,453	10,660
Members Subscriptions	130,670	92,182
Miscellaneous Revenue	24,486	19,389
Proceeds from insurance policies	13,281	41,919
Rent - Kitchen	86,986	67,617
Room Hire	16,655	13,373
Supplier Rebates	46,205	46,181
TAB Revenue	13,328	5,478
Workcover Recoveries	20,849	9,957
Total Other Income	409,267	339,328
Expenditure		
Employment Expenses		
Annual Leave Provision	2,343	5,759

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

	2017	2016
Contractors	64,346	38,500
Long Service Leave Provision	(3,747)	18,487
Other employee expenses	4,728	4,333
Payroll tax	68,374	69,454
Superannuation contributions	171,047	173,225
Uniforms	6,728	8,611
Wages	1,820,085	1,790,340
Workcover	34,682	32,875
Total Employment Expenses	2,168,586	2,141,583
Depreciation & Amortisation		
EGM Licences	205,476	206,040
Total Depreciation & Amortisation	205,476	206,040
Finance Costs		
Bank charges	10,679	8,386
Bank Interest Paid	693	1,523
Finance Charges - EGMs	-	36,756
Total Finance Costs	11,372	46,665
Other Expenses		
Advertising	17,538	24,507
Annual report	1,182	1,182
Audit fees	10,542	10,650
Bands and Cabaret Bands	54,037	56,773
Banyule Community Trust	83,777	100,000
Bar Expenses	56,402	44,215
Card Points Redeemed	9,624	9,278
Cleaning	107,106	82,896
Committee/Member Expenses	84,354	37,816
Computer expenses	31,424	25,537
Consultancy fees	25,163	29,487
Donations	3,250	4,936
Electricity and gas	204,912	183,631
Entertainment expenses	11,019	10,799
Freight and cartage	837	3,248
General Expenses - BBC	54,810	37,725
Hire of plant and equipment	16,107	19,202
Insurance	40,877	41,573
Legal costs	1,008	87,820
Loyalty Awards Claim	34,836	35,255
Member Discount	231,780	251,120
Motor vehicle expenses	19,927	24,149
Other Non-Operating expenses	93,410	81,344

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



	2017	2016
Other Service Costs	-	559
Pest control	5,281	3,880
Postage	5,218	7,655
Printing and stationery	31,612	29,206
Professional fees	10,000	11,778
Promotional Expenses	370,329	365,758
Rates and taxes	18,271	27,753
Rent	727,310	727,153
Repairs and maintenance	154,622	162,840
Security costs	70,373	67,697
Staff training and welfare	45,380	28,751
State Revenue Office	-	3,153
Subscriptions	19,582	20,084
Telephone	21,144	18,846
Travelling expenses	1,527	1,718
VCGLR Supervision Charges	21,116	23,964
Waste disposal	26,346	23,796
Total Other Expenses	2,722,030	2,727,733
Total Expenditure	5,107,465	5,122,021
Current Year Surplus Before Adjustments	314,590	31,645
Retrospective Adjustments		
Adjustment to accrued expenses	(85,915)	(9,028)
Difference in 2015 Trade Creditor balance	-	(2,261)
Total Retrospective Adjustments	(85,915)	(11,289)
Current Year Surplus After Adjustments	400,504	42,934

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

WATSONIA RSL BUILDING FUND

WATSONIA RSL BUILDING FUND
For the year ended 31 December 2017

Prepared by KSR Partners

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Income and Expenditure Statement

WATSONIA RSL BUILDING FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

Fund is Building.

	NOTES	2017	2016
Income			
Rent Received		720,000	720,000
Interest Income		3,177	4,104
Recoveries Income		132,170	-
Grant Income		-	150,000
Donation		-	10,000
Loss on Sale of Non-Current Assets		(39,414)	(261)
Total Income		815,933	883,843
Expenditure			
Amortisation		-	378
Bank Charges		227	1,870
Depreciation		296,582	293,136
Interest Expense	1	49,486	72,507
Professional Fees Expense		9,175	10,270
Freight		15	-
Total Expenditure		355,485	378,161
Current Year Surplus		460,448	505,682

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

WATSONIA RSL BUILDING FUND

As at 31 December 2017

Fund is Building.

	NOTES	2017	2016
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents		405,252	184,940
Trade and Other Receivables	3	8,611	-
GST Receivable		-	19,316
Total Current Assets		413,862	204,256
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment, Vehicles	4	832,140	778,247
Land & Buildings	5	10,142,596	10,172,676
Total Non-Current Assets		10,974,737	10,950,923
Total Assets		11,388,599	11,155,179
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables		11,186	-
GST Payable		12,661	-
Commercial Bills - No 2	6	606,000	300,000
Total Current Liabilities		629,847	300,000
Other Current Liabilities			
Current Liabilities		-	4,259
Total Other Current Liabilities		-	4,259
Non-Current Liabilities			
Commercial Bills - No 2	6	-	800,000
Related Party Loans	7	1,826,436	1,579,052
Total Non-Current Liabilities		1,826,436	2,379,052
Total Liabilities		2,456,283	2,683,310
Net Assets		8,932,316	8,471,869
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve			
Current Year Earnings		460,448	505,682
Retained Earnings		5,715,861	5,210,179
Total Capital Reserve		6,176,308	5,715,861

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



	NOTES	2017	2016
Reserves			
Asset revaluation reserve		2,756,008	2,756,008
Total Reserves		2,756,008	2,756,008
Total Member's Funds		8,932,316	8,471,869

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

WATSONIA RSL BUILDING FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

Fund is Building.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not for profits Commission Act 2012 and the Veterans Act 2005 (Victoria). The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic 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.

Income Tax

The fund is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand and deposits held at call with banks.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time 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.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Leases

Leases of PPE, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset (but not the legal ownership) are transferred to the association, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for that period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term.

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.

	2017	2016
1. Interest Expense		
Welfare Fund	-	1,203
NAB Commercial Bills	49,486	71,303
Total Interest Expense	49,486	72,507
	2017	2016
2. Cash on Hand		
Bank accounts/(overdraft)	405,252	184,940
Total Cash on Hand	405,252	184,940
	2017	2016
3. Trade and Other Receivables		
Prepayments		
Prepayments	8,611	-
Total Prepayments	8,611	-
Total Trade and Other Receivables	8,611	-
	2017	2016
4. Plant & Equipment, Vehicles		
Plant & Equipment		
Plant & Equipment - RSL	1,165,964	1,014,057
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(655,708)	(566,682)

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Plant & Equipment - Bundoora BC	1,208,426	1,227,000
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(1,114,670)	(1,131,813)
Total Plant & Equipment	604,012	542,562
Vehicles		
Motor Vehicles	68,929	68,154
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(31,480)	(23,148)
Total Vehicles	37,449	45,006
Car Park - Morwell Avenue, Watsonia	190,679	190,679
Total Plant & Equipment, Vehicles	832,140	778,247
	2017	2016

5. Land & Buildings

Buildings		
Initial Cost	3,170,816	3,170,816
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(1,109,648)	(1,021,745)
Improvements	3,984,140	3,931,308
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(1,325,764)	(1,231,395)
Valuations	5,157,357	5,157,357
Total Buildings	9,876,901	10,006,341
Leasehold Improvements - Bundoora		
Leasehold Improvements - Bundoora BC	291,659	193,612
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(25,964)	(27,277)
Total Leasehold Improvements - Bundoora	265,695	166,335
Total Land & Buildings	10,142,596	10,172,676
	2017	2016

6. Commercial Bills

Current Liability		
Commercial Bills - No 2 - Current	606,000	300,000
Total Current Liability	606,000	300,000
Non Current Liability		
Commercial Bills - No 2 - Non Current	-	800,000
Total Non Current Liability	-	800,000
Total Commercial Bills	606,000	1,100,000

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



	2017	2016
7. Related Party Loan Accounts		
Non Current Liability		
Loan - Patriotic Welfare Fund	222,677	-
Loan - Watsonia RSL Sub Branch	1,603,759	1,579,052
Total Non Current Liability	1,826,436	1,579,052
Total Related Party Loan Accounts	1,826,436	1,579,052

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Certificate By Members of the Committee

WATSONIA RSL BUILDING FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

The committee of the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Inc. has determined that the Fund is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined on page 6 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3 - 9:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Building Fund as at 31 December 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement there are reasonable ground to believe that the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Building Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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

President 
Jeff Mawkes

Treasurer 
John Inglis

Dated: 7 / 3 / 18

WATSONIA RSL SUB-BRANCH AS AGENCY FOR GENERAL APPEALS PATRIOTIC FUND B86

**WATSONIA RSL SUB-BRANCH AS AGENCY FOR GENERAL
APPEALS PATRIOTIC FUND B86
For the year ended 31 December 2017**

Prepared by KSR Partners

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Income and Expenditure Statement

WATSONIA RSL SUB-BRANCH AS AGENCY FOR GENERAL APPEALS PATRIOTIC FUND B86

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	NOTES	2017	2016
Income			
Appeals Income		58,122	70,592
Total Income		58,122	70,592
Gross Surplus			
		58,122	70,592
Other Income			
Capital Gain on Sale of Non-Current Assets		9,674	-
Total Other Income		9,674	-
Expenditure			
ANZAC Day Expenses	2	8,121	2,207
Computer Support		2,000	-
Death Notices		1,781	2,923
Depreciation		6,446	988
Donations	3	25,584	19,620
Functions	4	2,261	10,931
General Expenses	5	1,524	1,650
Medical Expenses		533	906
Motor Vehicles		1,625	965
Printing & Stationary	6	5,581	2,876
Professional Fees Expense		6,752	4,435
Welfare Officers Training		324	-
Total Expenditure		62,531	47,501
Current Year Surplus		5,265	23,090

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

WATSONIA RSL SUB-BRANCH AS AGENCY FOR GENERAL APPEALS PATRIOTIC FUND B86

As at 31 December 2017

	NOTES	2017	2016
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	7	11,626	-
Trade Debtors		19,064	29,847
Total Current Assets		30,690	29,847
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment, Vehicles	8	19,338	25,784
Total Non-Current Assets		19,338	25,784
Total Assets		50,028	55,631
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables		7,958	-
Related Party Loans	9	-	18,825
Total Current Liabilities		7,958	18,825
Total Liabilities		7,958	18,825
Net Assets		42,070	36,805
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve			
Current Year Earnings		5,265	23,090
Retained Earnings		36,805	13,715
Total Capital Reserve		42,070	36,805
Total Member's Funds		42,070	36,805

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

WATSONIA RSL SUB-BRANCH AS AGENCY FOR GENERAL APPEALS PATRIOTIC FUND B86

For the year ended 31 December 2017

1. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Non for profits Commission Act 2012 and the Veterans Act 2005 (Victoria). The committee has determined that Watsonia RSL Patriotic Welfare Fund is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic 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.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Income Tax

The association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Goods & Services Tax

The Patriotic Welfare Fund is not registered for GST

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

	2017	2016
2. ANZAC Day Expenses		
Other	90	435
Wreaths	540	440
Nurses on duty	700	600
Food Platters	5,687	84
Breakfast	1,104	648
Total ANZAC Day Expenses	8,121	2,207
	2017	2016

3. Donations

Austin Health	-	10,000
BLK Sport	-	3,216
Everymans (Simpson)	2,400	2,400
Veterans Health and Support	19,288	-

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Other	3,896	4,004
Total Donations	25,584	19,620
	2017	2016

4. Functions

ANZAC Day Luncheon	-	1,800
Army Graduation & Platters	617	-
Barracks Passing Out	-	444
Legacy Ladies Luncheon	293	1,728
Remembrance Day	1,351	275
Vietnam Veterans Function	-	564
Volunteers Luncheon	-	6,120
Total Functions	2,261	10,931
	2017	2016

5. General Expenses

Framed Display of colour patches ALH Regiment	-	950
Police Checks	465	277
Room for the Pension Disability Refresher Course	235	-
Welfare Office Chairs	628	-
Other	195	423
Total General Expenses	1,524	1,650
	2017	2016

6. Printing & Stationary

Snippets Newsletters	4,000	2,000
Other	1,581	876
Total Printing & Stationary	5,581	2,876
	2017	2016

7. Cash on Hand

Bank accounts/(overdraft)	11,626	-
Total Cash on Hand	11,626	-
	2017	2016

8. Plant & Equipment, Vehicles

Vehicles		
Motor Vehicles	26,771	26,771

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Less Accumulated Depreciation on Motor Vehicles	(7,433)	(987)
Total Vehicles	19,338	25,784
Total Plant & Equipment, Vehicles	19,338	25,784
	2017	2016

9. Related Party Loans

Current Liability

Loan - Patriotic Fund	-	9,674
Loan - RSL Sub Branch	-	9,151
Total Current Liability	-	18,825
Total Related Party Loans	-	18,825

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Statement by Members of the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Committee

WATSONIA RSL SUB-BRANCH AS AGENCY FOR GENERAL APPEALS PATRIOTIC FUND B86

For the year ended 31 December 2017

The committee of the Wasonia RSL Sub Branch Inc. has determined that the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Welfare Fund is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlines in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3-7:

1. Presents fairly the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Welfare Fund as at 31 December 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of the this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Welfare Fund will be able to pay its debts and when they become due and payable.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for an on behalf of the committee.

President 
Jeff Mawkes

Treasurer 
John Inglis

Dated: 7 / 3 / 18

WATSONIA RSL PATRIOTIC WELFARE FUND

WATSONIA RSL PATRIOTIC WELFARE FUND
For the year ended 31 December 2017

Prepared by KSR Partners

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Income and Expenditure Statement

WATSONIA RSL PATRIOTIC WELFARE FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

Fund is Patriotic.

	NOTES	2017	2016
Income			
Interest Income		2,323	2,894
Capital Gain (Loss) on Sale of Non-Current Assets		(9,674)	-
Total Income		(7,351)	2,894
Expenditure			
Depreciation		2,129	2,717
Donations		5,000	-
Total Expenditure		7,129	2,717
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)		(14,480)	177

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

WATSONIA RSL PATRIOTIC WELFARE FUND

As at 31 December 2017

Fund is Patriotic.

	NOTES	2017	2016
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents		-	225,354
Total Current Assets		-	225,354
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment, Vehicles	2	9,836	11,965
Related Party Loans	3	222,677	9,674
Total Non-Current Assets		232,513	21,639
Total Assets		232,513	246,993
Net Assets		232,513	246,993
Member's Funds			
Current Year Earnings		(14,480)	177
Retained Earnings		246,993	246,817
Total Member's Funds		232,513	246,993

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

WATSONIA RSL PATRIOTIC WELFARE FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

Fund is Patriotic.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not for profits Commission Act 2012 and the Veterans Act 2005 (Victoria). The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic 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.

Income Tax

The fund is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand and deposits held at call with banks.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time 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.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



	2017	2016
1. Cash on Hand		
Bank accounts/(overdraft)	-	225,354
Total Cash on Hand	-	225,354

	2017	2016
2. Plant & Equipment, Vehicles		
Plant & Equipment		
Plant & Equipment - RSL	24,008	24,008
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(14,172)	(12,043)
Total Plant & Equipment	9,836	11,965
Total Plant & Equipment, Vehicles	9,836	11,965

	2017	2016
3. Related Party Loan Accounts		
Non Current Assets		
Loan - Building Fund	222,677	-
Loan - Welfare Fund	-	9,674
Total Non Current Assets	222,677	9,674
Total Related Party Loan Accounts	222,677	9,674

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Certificate By Members of the Committee

WATSONIA RSL PATRIOTIC WELFARE FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

The committee of the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Inc. has determined that the Fund is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined on page 5 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3 - 6:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Building Fund as at 31 December 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement there are reasonable ground to believe that the Watsonia RSL Sub Branch Patriotic Building Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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

President: 
JEFF MAWKES

Treasurer: 
JOHN INGLIS

Date of Signing: 7/3/18

Watsonia RSL Community Benefit Statement

Room Hire	\$	115,500.00
Affiliate Membership Subscription for over 75's	\$	49,560.00
Veteran Donations	\$	23,266.00
Anzac Day Platters	\$	5,687.00
Watsonia Sporting Club Jumper Sponsorship	\$	4,000.00
Christmas Care Packages for Defence	\$	4,896.00
Bundoora RSL Bowling Centre Sponsorship	\$	2,500.00
Everyman's Welfare	\$	2,400.00
Watsonia RSL Pipes & Drums Band Sponsorship	\$	2,000.00
World Snooker Championships Sponsorship	\$	2,000.00
Edinburgh Shield Bowls Competition Sponsorship	\$	1,600.00
Welfare Motor Vehicle Costs	\$	1,555.00
Contemporary Veterans Luncheon	\$	1,201.00
Legacy Ladies Donation	\$	1,121.00
Anzac Day Breakfast	\$	1,104.00
Family Day Event Simpsons Barracks Sponsorship	\$	1,000.00
Sponsorship for Traditional RSL SB Sustainability Fund	\$	1,000.00
Care Packages for Veterans facing terminal illness	\$	964.00
The Gurkha Welfare Trust	\$	958.00
Very Special Kids	\$	661.00
Army Graduation Platters	\$	617.00
Aust. War Memorial - Last Post Ceremony	\$	600.00
Watsonia RSL Golf Club Sponsorship	\$	600.00
Soldier On	\$	515.00
Melbourne Special Children's Christmas party Sponsorship	\$	273.00
National Pen Promotions	\$	264.00
Production Viewbank College Sponsorship	\$	250.00
WRAP Basketball Program	\$	100.00
Inner FM 96.5 Community Group Membership	\$	99.00
Sub Total	\$	226,290.00
Welfare Expenses	\$	13,809.00
Obituaries	\$	1,781.00
Hospital Packs / First Aid / Physio / Health / Nurses	\$	1,291.00
Flowers / Wreaths	\$	690.00
Police Checks	\$	465.00
Sub Total	\$	18,035.00
Volunteer Hours 8,585 hours @ \$34.89 per hour	\$	299,531.00
Grand Total	\$	543,856.00

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