

WA

ANNUAL REPORT

2011-2012



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Alzheimer's Australia march on Canberra on 13 October 2011 marks the start of our new branding direction.

VISION

A society committed to preventing dementia, while valuing and supporting people who live with it.

PURPOSE

To advance the interests of people living with dementia through advocacy, education, support and research.

PHILOSOPHY

Dementia is a human experience rather than just a biological condition. We therefore offer a holistic approach in our care that respects the individuality of people living with dementia.

VALUES

- Understanding the unique needs of people living with dementia.
- Recognising people as our greatest strength.
- Investing in partnerships.
- Treating people with respect and dignity.
- Encouraging innovation and creativity.
- Being transparent, accountable and sustainable.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On behalf of the members of the Board of Alzheimer's Australia WA, I wish to report on the 2011/2012 financial year.



Chairman
Mr Craig Masarei



John Phillimore, Professor Barbara Horner, Professor Jill Downie, Ita Buttrose and Frank Schaper at the Best Practice and Innovation in Dementia Care breakfast forum in June 2012

The last year has seen us undergo a prominent rebrand where we have cast dementia and the stigma attached to it as a villain, while positioning Alzheimer's Australia as the hero to combat it. These branding activities give us a clearer visual identity, helping to raise awareness for the essential services we provide to people in the community with dementia, and their carers.

Coinciding with the start of our new brand direction was a protest march on Parliament House on 13 October 2011. Nearly 500 people, including representatives and supporters from all

branches of Alzheimer's Australia, led by National President Ita Buttrose, marched to Parliament House to demand the Federal Government commit \$500 million to address the dementia epidemic.

The campaign continued on Valentine's Day, when community members were encouraged to ask politicians - in the form of a valentine's card - to fund dementia care and research. The cards, totalling more than 1,600, were sent to Canberra by Alzheimer's Australia, prompting responses from both sides of politics including a written letter from Prime Minister Julia Gillard.

The release of the 2012 federal budget saw nearly \$270 million allocated to dementia care over five years as part of the *Living Longer, Living Better* reform package, a welcome development which validated the time and effort put into our lobbying campaign.

On 10 August 2012, the Commonwealth Government declared dementia a National Health Priority Area, a move which was universally welcomed and, together with the funding of aged care reforms, an opportunity to address key failures in the health system in regards to dementia. Work still remains to be done given the budget's failure to allocate funding for research. However, this is something Alzheimer's Australia and Alzheimer's Australia WA will continue to fight for.

One of the many highlights for our organisation this financial year has been the launch of several new programs. Our new Client Volunteering Program aims to improve the self-esteem and quality of life of people living with early stage dementia, to provide opportunities for them to volunteer in the community. Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre was one organisation that embraced this pilot program from the outset. And we are pleased to report that its support was rewarded when the charity scooped the prestigious Bethanie Medallion for a Volunteer Organisation in 2011. The pilot was a great success and one member of the program is still volunteering at Kanyana two years on.

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In addition, a new major fundraiser - Dine4Dementia - was launched in June 2012. Raising over \$35,000 in its first year, this initiative is set to become an annual fixture in the Alzheimer's Australia WA fundraising calendar. More information about this initiative is included further on in this annual report.

Also this year, a number of key partnerships have helped us to assist Australians and their families cope with dementia and improve their quality of life. One of the partnerships we established during the last financial year involved the Alzheimer's Innovation Institute (All) in Calgary, Canada and its Ashby Memory Method (AMM) program.

AMM is a person-centered, memory-enhancement program for people experiencing early to moderate dementia which helps to manage symptoms. Based on twice weekly, hour long interactive sessions facilitated by a support worker, this program has consistently received positive feedback from participants, family carers and support workers, particularly in regards to self-esteem and confidence building.

In the past year, Alzheimer's Australia WA has also partnered with The Bethanie Group to establish a joint federally-funded project called 'My Memory Book'. The project promotes community awareness about dementia and involves the



The WA police used their annual Dine-in night for 'Dine4Dementia'. Pictured are Josh Catalano, Governor McCusker, Commissioner Karl O'Callaghan and Assistant Commissioner Duane Bell

participation of family carers to document life stories in conjunction with the person they care for. The life story book provides an opportunity for a person with dementia to reflect on the positive aspects of their past and to feel connected. It can be used as a tool to reduce anxiety when a person is in a new environment and lacks a sense of connection. To date the project has reached 81 people living with dementia, and their families.

Much work has also been undertaken this financial year on a capital project in the City of Albany to develop a new dementia community house. The new building will replace our current Hawthorn House and will provide greater capacity for quality services within the Great Southern.

Alzheimer's Australia WA is incredibly grateful for the support of:

- Lotterywest which has provided a grant of \$407,000,
- The Royalties for Region program, for a grant of \$992,000,
- Health Workforce Australia, for supporting the development of student space in the new building with a grant of \$146,000,
- The Home and Community Care (HACC) program which has supported the project with a grant of \$115,000

This project has only been made possible as a result of the support of the local community and we are indebted to The Jack Family Charitable Trust for a donation of \$100,000 and the Albany Hawthorn House fundraising team who have rallied the community and raised over \$130,000 so far.

Howard & Heaver architects are currently working on a design for the new house and we anticipate the commencement of construction in the New Year.



Craig Masarei, Glen Jakovich and Frank Alban MLA walk against dementia at the 2011 Memory Walk

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT CONT...



Minister for Mental Health and Ageing Mark Butler MP with his creation at the AAWA art therapy 'Artistic Adventure' workshop

In other highlights, earlier this year we welcomed a visit from the Federal Minister for Mental Health and Ageing, Mark Butler MP, who attended one of our art therapy workshops. The Minister was able to see and hear first-hand the benefits of our 'Artistic Adventures' program for people with dementia at the Art Gallery of WA.

Initially funded through a Dementia Community Grant by the Department of Health and Ageing in 2008, the pilot project focuses on social inclusion and the accessibility of public spaces for people with dementia. The success of the pilot project led to a partnership with the Art Gallery of WA to deliver ongoing gallery tours for people with dementia, facilitated by specially trained volunteer guides. Participants were also able to express their creativity in art sessions in the Gallery's studio.

Furthermore this financial year, Art Therapist Jackie Lewis has helped the 'Artistic Adventures' program to continue to grow, with a dozen couples enrolled in this innovative, popular program.

Jackie was also involved in the award winning 'Project Picasso', funded by Amana Living, helping to support the project by offering training and expertise to staff and volunteers. Indeed, the six week program was so successful that it has now expanded to twelve facilities. The resulting joint exhibition was held at Christchurch Grammar School, Claremont, with works sold by donation. This not only raised valuable funds, but also the project won a Mental Health Commission award.

The Government's recent commitment to fund dementia services is vital in ensuring programs for people living with dementia, such as Artistic Adventures, can continue and expand.

Throughout this financial year, Alzheimer's Australia WA has continued to work closely with a number of universities to ensure the next generation of health professionals qualify with a thorough knowledge of dementia and an understanding of the latest evidence-based dementia care practice.

We have formed a collaboration with Curtin University to provide student

learning experiences across a range of health disciplines. This project, funded by Health Workforce Australia, a Federal Government initiative, has seen the development of increased placement opportunities and partnerships with Amana Living for occupational therapy student placements within Amana facilities.

As well as coordinating Curtin University student placements we also provide Notre Dame University nursing placements and learning opportunities for medical students from the University of WA.

Over the duration of this project Alzheimer's Australia WA will provide nearly 3,000 days of dementia-specialist student placement across the health disciplines of nursing, OT, physio and psychology.

Last year Alzheimer's Australia WA, in partnership with the University of Wollongong, launched a new project aimed at translating research into best-practice design guidelines for architects and designers of aged care facilities. The project, a first for Australia, was funded through a National Quality Dementia Care Initiative grant. It involved the University of Tasmania, the Dementia Collaborative Research Centre, Curtin University's Centre for Research on Ageing, renowned dementia-specialist architects Brian Kidd and Kirsty Bennett and dementia landscape specialist Tara Graham Cochrane, in addition to Queensland-based family carer Tara Quirke.

The project aims to make a real difference to the quality and accessibility of built environments for people with dementia, with a range of initiatives being developed. These include environmental audit tools for care settings, course materials for university architectural students, workshops for professionals and families, a national library lending resource and a virtual web based centre of information and advice.

The guidelines will help shape quality dementia care in Australia for years to come as the number of people living with the condition is expected to increase by almost 50 per cent to 385,000 in just 10 years.

Alzheimer's Australia WA was proud to launch our 15-unit Certificate IV in Dementia Practice in the latter half of 2011. This new qualification in Australia aims to improve care practices for people with dementia and consists of one full-day workshop which must be attended every three weeks for a period of 12 months.

The qualification is applicable for experienced practitioners who are seeking to develop a greater understanding and knowledge of dementia care practices, or who have moved into dementia-specific service delivery.

Participants will gain knowledge and skills in models of best practice in dementia care and the qualification will act as a pathway for those wishing to pursue leadership roles and be innovative and creative in their workplace. Participants undertaking this qualification will be equipped to support their organisation's dementia development, and will have the ability to contribute as role models for their care team.

Significantly, 2012 saw the departure of three long serving members of our organisation. Director Terry Phillips resigned after 13 years on the Board and we offer thanks for her many years of service and wish her well in her future endeavours.

We also bid farewell and thank Tonia Zeeman who has been on the Board for six years and retired in August of this year.

CEO Frank Schaper also retired after 15 years at the helm. He joined the organisation in 1996 during a difficult period in our history and has overseen tremendous growth, which has led to AAWA becoming an industry leader. His work over a decade and a half has laid the groundwork to enable our organisation to face the challenges of the future, and he leaves our not-for-profit organisation in good shape. We thank him for his years of service and wish him all the best in his well-deserved retirement.

At the same time, we welcome former State Minister for Seniors Rhonda Parker as the new CEO of Alzheimer's Australia WA. Rhonda's experience as the nation's first Aged Care Commissioner and her time on the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency board make her the best person to lead the organisation into the future. Welcome Rhonda.

In closing, the Board, staff and our volunteers deserve special mention for their dedication to our organisation. Our work depends on the enthusiasm and commitment of so many people, and sincere thanks go to each and everyone of them.

Finally our thanks to our sponsors, donors, supporters and in particular the Australian Government and the State Government which continue to provide the resources necessary to continue our work, which is so crucial to the many thousands of West Australians and their families who are living with dementia.



Craig Masarei
Chairman

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Chairman

Mr Craig Masarei

Craig Masarei is the current Chairman of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd (AAWA) and has held this position for the past 13 years. Craig also holds the position of Treasurer of Alzheimer's Australia, our National body. Craig is the Chief Legal Officer for the Water Corporation and a Director of Water Corporation Superannuation Pty Ltd.



Vice-Chairman

Mrs Jenny Rogers

Jenny Rogers has been a Board member for seven years and Vice Chair since 2008. She has worked in the finance industry for 30 years and is currently a director in the management company - Patersons Stockbroking and Financial Planning. Jenny's other roles include Chair of the National Breast Cancer Foundation.



Honorary Treasurer

Mr Nick di Lorenzo

Nick di Lorenzo has been on the Board since 1996 and currently holds the position of Alzheimer's Australia WA Honorary Treasurer. He has been a partner in the accounting practice of Galluccio and Griggs since 1988, a company which assists with management consulting and taxation affairs of small businesses in various industries. Prior to this appointment he worked for a large accounting firm in Western Australia.



Director

Ms Terry Phillips

Terry Phillips has been a Board Member for the last 13 years, and will retire at the AGM in November. She was a professional social worker employed by a large national organisation as Employee Counsellor until her retirement two years ago. Her focus on the Board has been ensuring staff receive the support and resources they have needed to provide an excellent level of service to people with dementia and their carers.



Hon Medical Director

Dr Sean Maher

Sean Maher is a Geriatrician and Head of the Department of Rehabilitation and Aged Care at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. He previously worked at Royal Perth and Bentley Hospitals in acute geriatric medicine, rehabilitation, and as part of an Aged Care Assessment Team. He was the Federal Secretary for the Australian and New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine (ANZSGM) from 2008 - 2012 and has been a Federal Councillor of the society since 2005.



Director

Mr Tony Ramshaw

Tony Ramshaw has been a Board Member since 2006. He retired from his position as Chair of Alzheimer's National Consumer Advisory Committee and member of the National Consumer Dementia Research Network to care for his wife. He spent eight years as a carer for his wife who has dementia and who now is in residential care. He has previously held managerial positions for an international oil and gas contractor.



Director

Mrs Jenny Watt

Jenny Watt's husband Alan was diagnosed with Alzheimer's at the young age of 52, 12 years ago. Initially Jenny looked after him at home for six years, as well as her teenage children, before he was moved to residential care where he remained for four years until his passing at 63. She recently spent seven weeks in Melbourne organizing her 65 year old brother's move into residential care for dementia, witnessing his rapid decline. Within one week he did not know who she was or what her name was. Jenny comes from a medical background.



Director

Ms Tonia Zeeman *(Retired August 2012)*

Tonia Zeeman has spent over 20 years in the public, private and non profit health sector and has broad experience across aged care, community services, acute care and mental health sectors. Tonia is the General Manager of all the Services for Older People and Service Development within Brightwater Care Group. Tonia is also Director on the ACSWA Board and Chairs the Residential Care Sub-Committee of the ACSWA Board. Tonia retired from the Board in August.



Director

Ms Amanda Mitchell-Lewis

Amanda Mitchell-Lewis has been on the Board since 2010 and has been employed in the Financial Services Industry for over 25 years in various technical and management roles and currently runs her own Financial Planning practice. She is passionate about raising the awareness of Alzheimer's Disease, dementia and aged care in general for both those affected and their families based on her own family's experiences.



Director

Mr Andrew Hogan

Andrew Hogan is the CEO at St. Bartholomew's House, one of Perth's leading providers of services and support to the homeless, a role that he has only recently commenced. The mission of St Bart's is to assist in rebuilding the lives of the homeless of today and advocate to prevent the homelessness of tomorrow. Prior to coming to St. Bart's, Andrew was Group General Manager of InvoCare Australia Ltd for 11 years, the last seven of which he has been based here in Perth.



Chief Executive Officer / Company Secretary

Mr Frank Schaper *(Retired September 2012)*

Frank Schaper retired in September after holding the position of CEO for 13 years. A strong advocate for people with dementia and their carers, Frank was the driving force behind the development of the 'Dementia Action Plan for Western Australia 2003-2006' and the proposed new Centre for Excellence in Dementia Care being planned for WA. His background includes teaching, a stint as General Manager of a Property Management and Development Company, a period in local government and some 25 years in the not-for-profit sector.



Chief Executive Officer / Company Secretary

Ms Rhonda Parker *(Appointed October 2012)*

Rhonda Parker was appointed CEO of Alzheimer's Australia WA in October. For the past two years Rhonda has served as CEO of The Australian Employment Covenant. She is a former State Minister for Seniors and led the establishment of Australia's first Healthy Ageing Strategy, served on the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency board and was appointed the nation's first Aged Care Commissioner.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There is an extraordinary amount of information published about dementia every day. Here are some topics that remain interesting and noteworthy.



Hon Medical Director
Dr Sean Maher

Dementia as a National Health Priority

The Australian Government's announcement in August that Dementia will now be a National Health Priority along with other chronic diseases like heart disease and diabetes is important for giving it the significance that it deserves as a major challenge for quality care of older people. There was disappointment that the Productivity Commission's report into the Care of Older Australians neglected dementia as an issue. Extensive lobbying by Alzheimer's Australia and other peak aged care bodies saw the Government respond by including \$268.4 million for improved care of people with dementia in its *Living Better, Living Longer* initiative. The detail of how this funding will be implemented is still to be seen. A National Action Plan now needs to be developed to ensure adequate and flexible service provision for better outcomes for people with dementia and their carers. It is vital that the plan also invests significantly in research. Alzheimer's Australia and its members should continue to actively lobby health ministers and governments to keep dementia on centre stage.

Advances in understanding Alzheimer's Disease

Most researchers accept that accumulation of a toxic protein, beta amyloid, contributes to Alzheimer's Disease (AD). However, the complexity of the problem is enormous and it's increasingly apparent that there are many other factors that influence inflammation and damage to brain cells that may be more important than beta amyloid. A well-known risk factor for developing earlier onset of AD is having a particular form of cholesterol transporting protein



called APOE4. Many mechanisms to explain this have been proposed including not being able to clear beta amyloid from brain cells or impaired cholesterol transport. Researchers have recently found that mice carrying the APOE4 gene had significantly raised levels of a protein (cyclophilin A) that damages the blood vessels in the brain, causing more inflammation and also allowing toxic substances across the "blood brain barrier". Another study has shown that people with late onset AD who have an altered gene involved in inflammation (Complement receptor-1) have less amyloid on their PET brain scans than those with AD that do not have it. It has long been known that the presence of "tangles" in nerve cells due to damage to another protein ("tau") correlates much better with the degree of dementia than the amount of beta amyloid "plaques". Researchers have found that damaged tau protein also alters the length and impairs the functioning of the

"powerhouses" of the cells, the mitochondria, which also contributes to nerve cells degenerating. All of these discoveries may potentially yield viable targets for future treatments.

Drug Trials

Most current drug trials underway have targeted either reducing production or increasing clearance of beta amyloid. To date, they have been largely unsuccessful in resulting in any meaningful improvement in people, despite showing improvement on PET brain scans showing less amyloid. We know that the brain changes in AD are occurring for many years before people have symptoms, so it is possible that these treatments would work if given earlier. A trial is underway to give a drug that binds and clears amyloid (crenezumab) to members of a large group of people in Colombia that carry a gene mutation that makes it certain that they will get AD. They are all currently functioning normally and will be followed

to assess their progress compared to controls. A recent trial has shown that a drug (bexarotene) already licensed for treating a form of skin cancer, T-cell lymphoma, dramatically reduced amyloid plaques in mice by 50% over 72 hours. It works by increasing APOE4 levels. Unfortunately, the plaques all recurred within 3 months. Other drugs ("davenutide" and "PBT2") in trials are targeting methods of preventing damage to tau protein and tangle formation. Another new drug ("Posiphen") reduces levels of amyloid, damaged tau and another protein associated with Parkinson's Disease (alpha synuclein), but this is only in the earliest stages of trials in people. Yet another trial will assess the effects of giving insulin intranasally to people with mild cognitive impairment to see if the promise of overcoming insulin resistance in the brain will result in improved cognition. It is encouraging that there are continued efforts at treatments aimed at different targets. A combination of these might be needed for an effective treatment.

Research Collaborations

The ability to reliably diagnose AD in its early stages preferably before symptoms emerge is the aim of several large research collaborations. These include the AD Neuroimaging Initiative (ADNI) in the USA and the Australian Biomarkers, Imaging and Lifestyle (AIBL) flagship study of ageing, but there are also centres in Japan and Europe. The collaborations all use similar methods and share their data. Correlating assessments of lifestyle and cognition, blood and cerebrospinal fluid and brain imaging will hopefully allow more accurate prediction of the risks of developing AD, earlier diagnosis and also monitoring of disease progression for drug trials. Developing reliable blood tests is also an aim, since lumbar punctures and brain scans are invasive and expensive. It is likely that a combination of biomarkers may be needed. Another example of large-scale collaboration is the International Genomics of Alzheimer's Project which



is looking at possible gene mutations in 40,000 people with AD and controls. Mutations in genes involved in the early onset of AD are well described as well as the different forms of the APOE gene. Another eight or so mutations in different genes affecting inflammation and lipid metabolism have been described. Although these only increase risk a little, they do point the way to understanding more about the underlying mechanisms and of course, possible treatments.

Prevention

In the absence of a cure, the prevention or at least delay in the onset of AD is a worthy goal. There is increasingly good observational and also some randomised control trial evidence that lifestyle measures can improve cognition and prevent decline. Exercise has been shown to do both of these things, with not only improvements on psychological testing but also on MRI brain scans showing increases in the volume of the memory parts of the brain. Exercise increases the activity of an enzyme (neprilysin) that breaks down beta amyloid and also increases the production of nerve growth factors that promote connections between nerve cells as well as their formation. Brain training programs

(including computerised versions) have been shown to improve memory, processing speed and reasoning; but any activity that provides some challenge and enjoyment should provide benefit. A healthy diet, particularly the Mediterranean diet has been shown to reduce the likelihood of AD. One study from New York of 1,880 people showed those who most closely followed the diet had a 40% lower risk of developing AD than those who did not. Similar observations have been made in people eating a diet rich in turmeric and randomised trials are underway, including one in Perth.

Further advice about improving your brain health is provided in the *Your Brain Matters* program which is being rolled out over the next three years and can be found on the Alzheimer's Australia website.

Dr Sean Maher
Honorary Medical Director

RESEARCH REPORT

Translating research into practice

It is well recognised that there is often a significant gap between what we learn through research and what occurs in practice. It has been estimated that a general knowledge translation process from evidence gathering to changed practice can take up to 12 years. I'm pleased to say in dementia care this gap seems to be considerably smaller with many innovative projects taking place in Australia and around the world. These projects are converting the growing evidence about what works for people living with dementia into real and practical outcomes, services, policies and practices. Unfortunately, like medical research, research into services and outcomes for people living with dementia is underfunded.

Below are a few recent examples of international research projects, and also those taking place closer to home.

Dementia Friendly Cities

Led by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, recent research into the needs of people with dementia in the UK has led to a new movement: 'dementia friendly cities'. Focussing on accessibility, inclusion, support and understanding, local government authorities around the world are starting to consider the needs of people with dementia in town planning, service provision and even simple but important design issues such as street road signs. The historic city of York in the North of England is set to become recognised as the world's first dementia friendly city through its 'Without Walls' project. In WA we had an aged friendly city initiative and AAWA is strongly advocating with local governments to make living with dementia a key component of any aged friendly city plan.

Early Diagnosis

There is increasing evidence relating to the benefits of people receiving an accurate early diagnosis of dementia and being linked to education, support and information quickly. Recent research has shown that reduced carer burden, positive future planning, increased ability to cope with changes and reduced service usage are outcomes following early diagnosis in a supportive process. In Scotland this evidence for timely expert support following a diagnosis of dementia has been recognised and is driving the development of a dementia link person role. This will provide families with an expert dementia practitioner who can act as a resource and support for them for the first year of their journey. This link worker will assist in the accessing of information and also links individuals to future support services.

Research at AAWA

AAWA is continuing to build a strong evidence base for the delivery of services. Through internal research projects and collaborations with research partners both in WA and nationally, we are contributing to the increased understanding of the interventions which best assist people to have their voices heard and needs met.

Hawthorn House

Funded by the Wicking Trust, this research project examined the use of the Eden Principles at AAWA's Hawthorn House in Albany, and their effect on clients, carers, staff and volunteers. Findings from this large collection of data were numerous. However, a common theme that emerged from all participants was that Hawthorn House was just like a home. This study was the first in Australia to examine the impact of using the Eden Alternative model in a dementia specialist care environment.



Dementia Enabling Environments

DEEP

AAWA, in collaboration with the Universities of Wollongong, Curtin, Tasmania and Queensland University of Technology were successful in attracting funding from the National Quality Dementia Care Initiative to conduct a two year project to translate knowledge into practice in the area of dementia enabling environments. Now in its second year, the Dementia Enabling Environments Project initiatives are being evaluated to measure their impact, particularly any changes implemented by architects, aged care professionals and landscapers.

HIP-D

A partnership between Silver Chain, Curtin University and AAWA commenced during the financial year to develop and evaluate a dementia specialist home independence programme. Based on the successful Silver Chain HIP service, the HIP-D, Home Independence Programme – Dementia, is using evidence based practice to develop an intervention aimed at maximising independence, wellbeing and positive engagement.

Jason Burton

General Manager, Education,
Research and Consultancy Services
at Alzheimer's Australia WA



OUR PERFORMANCE IN 2011–2012

HOURS AND COURSES

For people with dementia and their carers in 2011–2012, we provided:

Counselling (helpline and NDSP) contacts	3,691
Counselling (HACC) hours	294
Carer Support Group hours	3,960
Early Intervention Program hours	3,538
Dementia Behaviour Management Advisory Service referrals	471
Metropolitan Centre-based respite hours	15,201
Metropolitan in-home respite hours	24,304
Care coordination hours	1,316
Albany respite hours	21,837
Kalgoorlie respite hours	2,274
Mandurah respite hours	6,242
York respite hours	2,022
Friends in Harmony Choir sessions	33

For the aged care and health sectors in 2011–2012, we provided:

Education and training workshop attendees	3,676
Nationally recognised training hours	556
Training hours for our pilot of our Cert 4 qualification in dementia practice	105
Education courses for carers – hours	532
Assistive Technology workshops	4
Art workshops	3
Choir sessions	33

OUR PERFORMANCE

OUR CORPORATE SUPPORTERS

Alzheimer's Australia WA gratefully acknowledges the organisations below, groups and trusts who have shown their support by contributing goods, services or donations to the value of \$500 or over.

Organisations

Active Ageing Network
 Acute Business Services
 AECOM
 Albany Collectors Club
 Albany Kidney Support Group Inc.
 Amalgamated Bingo Association
 Apache Energy Limited
 B&S Printing
 BCG Construction Pty Ltd
 Bethanie Day Centre
 Briscoe Search & Consultancy
 Bunbury Machine Tool Maintenance
 Cash Converters
 Catalano Seafoods
 Charities Aid Foundation Australia
 DataCom Systems WA
 Denmark Cottage Crafts Inc
 Department of the Premier and Cabinet
 Drysdale Family Trust
 DSBS
 Dudley Park Bowling & Recreation Club
 ExxonMobil Australia

Organisations

Full Gospel Assembly - Perth
 IFE Elevators Australia Pty Ltd
 Innaloo Ladies Bowling Club
 Inpex Australia Pty Ltd
 Interior Building Solutions
 Invocare Ltd
 IPM Operation & Maintenance
 Kwinana Pty Ltd
 Kone Elevators Pty Ltd
 Lasermail
 LTM Risk Partners
 Macquarie Group Services Australia Pty Ltd
 Mandurah Murray Mayday Club Inc
 Marsh Pty Ltd
 Mechanical Project Management (MPM)
 Mediterranean Shipping Company
 Mining People International
 National Australia Trustees Ltd
 Patersons Securities Ltd
 Perpetual Trustee Company Limited
 Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre

Organisations

Perth Plasterboard Centre
 Public Trustee
 Qantas Help Fund
 Quest On James
 Regent Motors
 ROC Painting
 Rotary Club of Karrinyup Inc
 Rotary Club of North Perth Inc
 Saracen Estates
 Scope Interiors
 Sipro Management Pty Ltd
 Snappers
 Soroptimists International on the Terrace
 St Johns Anglican Parrish of Albany
 Statewide Insurance Brokers Pty Ltd
 The Bowen Foundation
 Town of Kwinana
 United Way
 Ups 'N' Downers Square Dance Club
 Wonteco Pty Ltd

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE

For 30 years Alzheimer's Australia WA has provided critical advocacy, information and support services for those diagnosed with dementia, together with their loved ones.

IN THE 2011-2012 FINANCIAL YEAR, OVER 4,000 INDIVIDUALS GAVE DONATIONS TOTALLING \$705,506.

For the Christmas Appeal 2011 we shared Glenda's story, who at just 56 began to lose her ability to read, spell and recognise objects. Initially her family feared she may have a brain tumour, but then came the unexpected diagnosis of Benson's disease, a variant form of Alzheimer's. Glenda is demonstrating great courage in facing the inevitable decline which is part of this cruel disease, but alongside her family, friends and Alzheimer's Australia WA, she's determined to make the most of life. Glenda is also committed to raising awareness of younger onset dementia, and regularly shares her personal journey to help others.

700 PEOPLE DONATED TO ALZHEIMER'S AUSTRALIA WA AFTER RECEIVING GLENDA'S APPEAL, RAISING A TOTAL OF \$50,674.



LIFE STORY APPEAL

In June 2012 we shared the story of Joan and Brian, a devoted couple who have found joy and comfort through their 'life story' book, which documents treasured moments, memories and photos. This 'life story' book was created for Joan, who is living with dementia, by Alzheimer's Australia WA.

Here at Alzheimer's Australia WA we share our knowledge about the importance of life stories and reminiscing for people with dementia, and we deliver training for family and care workers.

Joan and Brian were generous in allowing us to share a real excerpt from Joan's 'life story' book as part of our appeal, in the hope that it would help others to see the stories behind the statistics.

Scores of people contacted us after the appeal for advice on how they too could create a life story book to help comfort loved ones.

WE WERE HUMBLLED BY THE RESPONSE WE RECEIVED TO THE LIFE STORY BOOK APPEAL AND 800 PEOPLE DONATED A COMBINED TOTAL OF \$91,262.

We would like to convey our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the many supporters of our organisation who have remembered Alzheimer's Australia WA in their Will. Those West Australians who have made a bequest to us leave a lasting legacy for current and future members of the community who will need our support into the future. For further information on leaving a bequest to our organisation, please contact Emma Buitendag, Director of Philanthropy, on (08) 6271 1028.



OUR VOLUNTEERS

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE THIER TIME TO SUPPORT AAWA DURING 2011-2012

Volunteers for the 2011-2012 financial year provided Alzheimer's Australia WA with 5,236 hours at \$22.00 per hour which equates to \$115,412.00.

Individuals

Aaron Rinder
Ainslie Perrigo
Alwyn Edmunds
Amy Williams
Angela Murphy
Angela Pritchard
Ann Zubrick
Anne Liron
Anni Macbeth
Ashleigh Cerie
Barbara Postle
Barbara Purvis
Barbara Winter
Barry Garnham
Betty Barbour
Betty Parsons
Betty Thackrah
Bill Sheridan
Bronwen Schofield
Carine Leeftang
Carol Smith
Caroline Boldra
Casey Anderson
Cathy Brindley
Celeste Mullins
Chantal Carroll
Cheryl Gee
Cheryl Stephens
Christina Roscoe
Christine Howe
Cindy Cabeleira
Cindy Yong
Claudia Richards
Connie Chan
Courtney Dalton
Darrall Simpson

Individuals

David Thackrah
David Skipper
Dawn Rose
Dina Shah
Dirk Berkhout
Donkor Addai
Dorothy Miles
Dorothy Paul
Dot Sackville
Dwi Kusnanto
Elaine Airey
Elizabeth Curlewis
Elizabeth Papasergio
Emma Cearns
Emma Schrader
Enid Reitze
Estelle Hahn
Eunice Stephenson
Faye Sheridan
Frank Smith
Geoff Lane
Georgena (Gene) Griffiths
Gina Filardi
Glenice Robson
Glynis Herbert
Grace Chow
Graham Garnett
Graham Wilson
Harry Raynes
Hazel Cusick
Heather Nelson
Heather Thorne
Helene Grose
Hope Mann
Irene Borland
James Coutts

Individuals

Jan Healey
Janice Peake
Jayne Haartsen
Jean Barclay
Jean Freind
Jean Skipper
Jeanie Springfellow
Jenny Duckworth
Jenny Horsley
Jeryl Bennett
Jill O'Connor
Jim Gibson
Jim Hunt
Joan Raynes
Joan Haliczenko
John Blaney-Murphy
John Edwards
John Huan
John Parker
Joy Houghton
Joyce Leeming
Judith Gibbs
Judy Bihari
Judy Elliott
Judy Sinclair
Julie Mounteney
Julius Re
June Sheridan
Karen Kain
Kate Pearce
Katharine Elliott
Kathleen Muntz
Kathryn Bradshaw
Kelly Edmondson
Klaus Groth
Kristin King

Individuals

Kristy McFarlane
Laurie Benson
Leigha Sherwood
Linda Harloe
Lynette Delane
Malcolm Hay
Margaret Browning
Margaret Edwards
Margaret Evans
Margaret Hodgson
Margaret Johnson
Margaret Lesham
Margaret Shipley
Margi Warren
Marie Watts
Marjorie Delane
Marlene Page
Marli McGuckin
Mary Rigby
Mary Roberts
Maureen Lenson
Maurice Searle
May Dearden
Michael Waterfield
Michael Wishart
Michelle Lyon
Mildred Jermy
Mollie Smith
Molly Harris
Nancy Hooper
Nancy Williamson
Neil Edmunds

Individuals

Nichola Burton
Noel George
Norma West
Patricia Bell
Patricia Gignoli
Paul Shadwell
Paula Hanson
Pauline Marwick
Peta Douglas
Peter Brown
Rebecca Banks
Renee Celani
Rhiann MacDonald
Rhonda Knight
Ricci Mardon
Rob Gordon
Robert Fletcher
Robyn Gee
Robyn Stone
Robyn Terry
Roger Smith
Rosemary Hay
Rosemary McDonald
Russell Goodlet
San Wong
Sanele Dube
Seymour (Pat) Dowd
Shannon Cribben
Sheryl Little
Sheryl Weiman
Shi Yan Cheng

Individuals

Shirley Thomas
Siew Huan
Stephanie Jones
Sue Owen
Sue Saraceni
Susan Barycki
Susan Carter
Susan Franklin
Susan Jarvis
Suzanne Evans
Suzanne Free
Sylvia Timmins
Tanya Chatfields
Therese Strong
Thomas Chapman
Trish O'Neil
Val Caldwell
Val Rob
Valerie Wishart
Wendy Ding
Wendy Unstead
Yessica Yessica

Organisations

Christchurch Grammar School
Churchlands Senior High School
Iona Presentation College
Johnny Young Talent School
March Group
Snappers Swimming Club
Woodside Petroleum Ltd



WE ARE HERE... FOR THE COMMUNITY

Alzheimer's Australia WA is committed to raising the awareness of Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia in the community. We strive to help people understand the impact of dementia and to reduce their risk of developing the condition through our community education programs.

Dine4Dementia

A new fundraising initiative called 'Dine4Dementia' was launched in June 2012. Homes, workplaces and aged care facilities throughout the State held 'Dine4Dementia' morning teas, lunches and dinners throughout June to raise vital funds and awareness. Raising over \$35,000 in its first year, 'Dine4Dementia' is set to become an annual fixture on the Alzheimer's Australia WA fundraising calendar. Special thanks is made to the celebrity face of the campaign, Josh Catalano, sponsors, Storm Box and Saracen Estates, and all the 'Dine4Dementia' hosts and guests for their generous support.



Annual Tea Dance

The 17th Annual Tea Dance took place on 18 August at the Embassy Ballroom in Carlisle. The event was a rousing success, with 265 guests from aged care, residential and nursing facilities across Perth, including clients from the Mary Chester Centre. Catering was generously provided by students from Churchlands Senior High School, and volunteers from Woodside Petroleum Ltd graciously donated their time as chaperones for the guests. A highlight of the event was the performance by Alzheimer's Australia WA's Friends in Harmony Choir, who provided entertainment alongside the regular band Sounds Good.



OUR MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS

Alzheimer's Australia WA relies on community contributions made either through volunteering, donations or a combination of both. Our supporters are greatly appreciated and every action, big or small, combines to make an enormous difference for people living with dementia. We also acknowledge both the Australian Government and the State Government of Western Australia for funding a number of dementia support programs.

Here are some of the people who help Alzheimer's Australia WA to grow...



Terry Phillips's story

Alzheimer's Australia WA Director Terry Phillips will be retiring from the Board after almost 13 years as a Director.

Terry Phillips first came to Australia in 1980. She began working at Graylands Hospital and later at St John of God Hospital before discovering her passion for employee counselling, an area in which she was involved for the next two decades.

In May 1995, Terry's husband Grant was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. He was 46.

Terry explains that he was diagnosed at an early stage of the disease, which gave them an extra year together.

"I quickly took long service leave and we travelled while he was still able to," Terry says.

"Following our travels, I was able to work part-time which enabled me to keep Grant at home much longer than if I'd worked full-time, but by 1997 he needed respite care."

In 1999, Alzheimer's Australia WA CEO Frank Schaper invited Terry to the board as a carer, a request she accepted.

"I was deeply grateful for all that Alzheimer's Australia WA did for Grant and I, so it was my way of giving back," she explains.

With her background, it was inevitable that Terry took a special interest in the employees of Alzheimer's Australia WA and so quickly earned a reputation for being their voice on the Board.

"We ask our staff to do an incredibly difficult job. To be a carer requires trust and I know from personal experience it

can be an emotionally draining process, and so you need to attract the right people to the job."

Terry said she had mixed feelings about leaving the board of Alzheimer's Australia WA this year.

"I've made great friends and I feel I've made a difference, but after 13 years it's time to move on. I'll miss the people, but I'm confident the organisation will continue to be a special place to work," she says.

Ross Skelton's story

Ross completed the Busselton Ironman Triathlon in 2011 to raise funds in support of quality dementia care programs.

Ross's father was diagnosed with younger onset dementia at the age of 64 - an age Ross says was far too young.



"The thing about my dad was that he only retired a few years ago. From a quality of life point of view, he wasn't able to enjoy his retirement," he explains.

This year, Ross and his sister had the unenviable task of finding a suitable nursing home for their father, something which highlighted the need for more age-appropriate facilities.



"Alzheimer's Australia WA was terrific, they were always there for advice if we needed it," he says. "I've been looking for a charity to do something special for, and with my father's condition it was only natural that I chose Alzheimer's Australia WA."

The annual Busselton Ironman Triathlon consists of a 180km bicycle ride, a 3.8 km swim and a 42km run. It's a gruelling test of endurance which Ross is used to partaking in now having completed the race each year since 2009.

"Knowing that I am doing this for a good cause and that I've got the support of people who are donating generously always gets me to the finish line," he says.

And incredibly, Ross raised over \$13,000 when he took part in the this year's triathlon.

He completed the 3.8km swim, the 180km bicycle ride and the 42.2km run in 12hrs and 56 seconds.

Ross and his wife Natalie also held a successful Quiz Night prior to his race in support of Alzheimer's Australia WA.

OUR MEMBERS

Alzheimer's Australia WA has 3,139 individual members and 34 corporate members, all of whom play a key role in the daily life of our organisation.

Membership, which is free to individuals, is open to carers, families and friends of people with dementia, in addition to health workers and health professionals and anyone who has an interest in our work and in dementia.

Each member is presented with an Alzheimer's Australia WA membership pin, which can be worn as a symbol of support for people with dementia.

Organisations are also welcomed as members. A strong membership enables us to be more effective in advocating on behalf of people living with dementia, as it gives strength to our 'voice'.



Ann Zubrik's story

I never knew my maternal grandfather, a World War I veteran who survived Gallipoli, Ypres and the Somme. I know that in his last years, when he had dementia, he wandered the streets of his Sydney suburb 'looking for his boys to check they were safe'. He was well known in the neighbourhood and locals invited him to join them on the porch and share his stories.

Volunteering at Alzheimer's Australia WA's Mary Chester Centre is one way I can express gratitude for the time others so sensitively spent with my grandfather, allowing my grandmother time and space to care for herself. It's a way for me to give back.





My professional work has been primarily in health and education. I spent many years as a Speech Pathologist. My special interest has been both developmental and acquired brain injuries. I have had the privilege of setting up educational and clinical programs in Australia, North America and several South-East Asian countries too.

Spending Wednesday as a Member of the Mary Chester Club is the highlight of my week. I'm simply a companion to the wonderful men with whom I share the day. Our time together passes quickly and at the end of the day I return home energised. We have been friends, together. How will we experience the sanctity of life unless we are persons, not roles, to one another?

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

1 JULY 2011 – 30 JUNE 2012

	July	August	September	October	November
Education and Research	DEEP launch 	HipD Research project commenced Safe2Walk Victoria Project	Cert IV in Dementia Practice launched	Safe2Walk launches new GPS phone 	Albany Hawthorn House research concluded

Media and Events	Baroness Greenfield lecture 	Tea Dance 2011 	Dementia Awareness Week 2011 (September 16-26) 	March on Parliament 	
			Hawthorn House Funding		

Fundraising	City to Surf 	Golf Day 	Memory Walk 2011 		Street Appeal 2011 

Memory Van

Our Memory Van is an important part of our community outreach service. The van visits regions across WA throughout the year, helping to spread the news about living a brain healthy lifestyle and how to reduce the risk of developing dementia, as well as presenting information for carers and people living with dementia. This financial year, we visited four regional areas including Dowerin, Mandurah, Wagin, and Balingup, where we liaised with over 365 people. In the metro area we attended 17 different events, speaking with and offering advice to over 1,100 people.

Places visited

Dowerin Field Day (two days), City of Swan, Blue Sky Visit, Carers WA, Dept of Vet's Affairs, SW Snrs. Van Display, Centro Maddington, Seniors Recreation Council, Perth (Have a go Day), City of Mandurah, Nedlands City, City of Swan, Street Appeal, Alz. Open Day, Rotary – Hyde Park, Wagin Woolorama, Rockingham, Balingup Van Display, Health Festival.



Again this financial year, Alzheimer's Australia WA has provided a range of programs to increase awareness of dementia in the community. These awareness programs assist in dispelling myths about dementia and provide better understanding of memory and ageing.

December Launch of Health Workforce Australia Student Placements	February AAWA Open Day 	March Regional Education delivered in: Albany Katanning Busselton Mandurah	April	May Centre of Excellence Building Design Completed 	June Social Return of Investment Project Commenced 
Valentines Day Appeal 	Hyde Park Fair AAWA Big Day Out	Minister Mark Butler Art visit 	Dr Sube Banerjee lecture 	Ita Buttrose Breakfast 	ACSWA Excellence in Care Nomination
Christmas Appeal 	Rottnest Channel Swim 	Busselton Ironman >	HBF Run For A Reason Europe Cycle Challenge 	Dine4Dementia 	< Tax Appeal

Date	Numbers	Event Details	Date	Numbers	Event Details
August 24/25	142	Dowerin Field Day	November 23	38	Ballajura Snrs. Expo
September 17	32	Time of your Life for City of Swan	November 25	63	AAWA Street Appeal
October 20	52	Carers WA Expo	February 8	147	AAWA Open Day
October 25	73	Vets. Health Week	March 4/5	193	Hyde Park Festival
November 6	72	SW Snrs. Expo	March 9	48	Wagin Wollarama
November 7	53	Maddington Centro Display	April 18	73	Rockingham Mini Have a Go Day
November 9	269	Have a Go Day	April 21	127	Balingup Field Day
November 11	48	Mandurah Snrs. Expo	June 27	33	Health Festival Metro
November 22	16	Nedlands Snrs. Expo			

Van outing details from July 2011 - June 2012

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

Your directors present this report to the members of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2012.

		Board		Executive	
Directors	Date Appointed	A	*B	A	B
Mr Craig Masarei	Nov 2002	11	14	10	10
Mrs Jenny Rogers	Nov 2004	11	14	8	10
Mr Nick Di Lorenzo	Nov 2002	9	14	9	10
Dr Sean Maher	Sept 2010	10	14	NA	NA
Ms Terry Phillips	Nov 2002	12	14	NA	NA
Mr Frank J Schaper	Nov 2002	13	14	10	10
Mrs Jenny Watt	Nov 2005	11	14	NA	NA
Ms Tonia Zeeman	May 2006	11	14	NA	NA
Mr Tony Ramshaw	Nov 2006	12	14	NA	NA
Mr Andrew Hogan	Nov 2010	13	14	NA	NA
Ms Amanda Mitchell-Lewis	Nov 2010	13	14	NA	NA
Ms Rhonda Parker	Sept 2011	8	11	NA	NA

**includes two extraordinary meetings*

A Number of meetings attended

B Number of meetings held during the time the director held office during the year

Note:

- Ms Rhonda Parker commenced as CEO in October 2012.

Details of directors' qualifications, experience and special responsibilities are contained in the table below.

Directors	Qualifications	Experience	Special Responsibilities
Mr Craig Masarei	Bachelor of Jurisprudence, Bachelor of Laws (Hon)	Legal and economic	Chairman
Mrs Jenny Rogers		Financial Advisor / Equities, Superannuation, Managed Funds	Deputy Chair
Mr Nick Di Lorenzo	Bachelor of Business Administration (Accounting)	Accounting and Taxation	Treasurer
Dr Sean Maher	Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians		Honorary Medical Director
Mr Frank J Schaper	Bachelor of Arts (Education) Diploma Recreation Management	Organisation Management	CEO/Company Secretary
Ms Terry Phillips	Bachelor of Social Work Mental Health Nurse Bachelor of Arts		Counselling, Crisis Intervention, Mediation, Social Work in an industrial setting
Mrs Jenny Watt	General Nursing and Midwifery Certificates	Carer	
Ms Amanda Mitchell-Lewis	Bachelor of Business – MGT Advanced Diploma – Financial Planning Holds licence as Financial Planner	25 years experience Financial Services Industry Managerial training, Practice	
Ms Tonia Zeeman	Bachelor of Science (Nursing) Diploma of Science (Nursing) Diploma Mental Health (Nursing)	Health Care/Services Management	
Mr Tony Ramshaw	Bachelor of Electrical Engineering Diploma of Management		Business, Project and change management, Operations and maintenance, Carer
Mr Andrew Hogan	BA (Psych) Flinders University BTh Flinders University	Minister of Religion Carer	
Ms Rhonda Parker	Diploma of Teaching	Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency. Strategic planning and policy development. Federal Aged Care Commission.	Chief Executive Officer

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

Company Secretary

Mr Frank J Schaper had been the company secretary since 2001 and retired September 2012. Rhonda Parker was appointed to the position in October 2012.

Principal activities

The company's principal activities during the year were:

- To provide representation and support while advancing the interest of individuals with dementia and their carers at a personal, community and political level.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the company's activities during the year.

Operating result and review of operations

The operating result for the year was a net loss of \$327,411 (2011: Profit \$448,139). The company is exempt from income tax. A detailed review of operations can be found in the annual report which accompanies this financial report.

Dividends

The company's constitution precludes the payment of dividends.

Significant changes in state of affairs

In the opinion of the directors, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the company that occurred during the financial year under review not otherwise disclosed in this report.

After balance date events

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of the report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature that in the opinion of the directors is likely to substantially affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations, or the company's state of affairs in future financial years.

Future developments

The company will continue to carry on the principal activities noted above. There are no likely developments in the activities in future years which will affect the results and therefore require disclosure.

Auditor's independence

The auditor's declaration of independence appears on Page 25 and forms part of the Directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2012.

Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

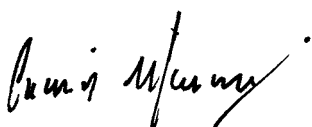
Since the end of the previous financial year the company has paid insurance premiums of \$5,360 in respect of directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses insurance contracts for current and former directors and officers, including senior executives of the company. The insurance premiums relate to:

- Costs and expenses incurred by the relevant officers in defending proceedings whether civil or criminal and whatever the outcome
- Other liabilities that may arise from their position, with the exception of conduct involving wilful breach of duty or improper use of information or position to gain a personal advantage.

The company has not otherwise indemnified or agreed to indemnify an officer or auditor of the company against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to s.298(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the directors:



DIRECTOR



DIRECTOR

PERTH

DATED THIS 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2012.

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION



Certified Practising Accountants

PARTNERS

Anthony Macri FCPA

Domenic Macri CPA

Connie De Felice CA

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001

TO THE DIRECTORS OF ALZHEIMER'S AUSTRALIA WA LTD

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2012, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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MACRI PARTNERS
CERTIFIED PRACTISING ACCOUNTANTS
SUITE 2, 137 BURSWOOD RD
BURSWOOD WA 6100

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A Macri".

A MACRI
PARTNER

PERTH
DATED THIS 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2012.





DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Information on the Company's Concise Financial Report for the year ended 30th June 2012

The financial statements and disclosures in the Concise Financial Report have been derived from the 2012 Financial Report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd and is an extract from the full financial report. A copy of the full financial report and auditor's report will be sent to any member, free of charge, upon request.

The information about the concise financial report is provided to assist members in understanding this report and is based on the company's consolidated financial statement and has been derived from the full 2012 Financial Report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd.

Statement of Comprehensive Income

The loss for the year is \$327,411. This is due to a decrease in bequests, loss in the investment portfolio of \$88,061 for the year and increased consultancy costs. Compared to last year, total income decreased by \$286,950 (2.9%) whilst expenditure increased by \$508,954 (5.3%).

Statement of Financial Position

The total Assets of the company increased to \$8,599,777. This increase is attributable to the following:

- An increase in the value of Property, Plant and Equipment resulting from payments for Work in Progress in relation to the ongoing Curtin University building project.
- A significant increase in cash and cash equivalents (\$1,544,375) including Term Deposit - Leave accruals fund (\$930,869) and Term Deposit - Rockingham Branch fund (\$111,509).

It is important to highlight the fact that the value of property held by the company represents a historical cost rather than the market value.

Total liabilities increased by \$2,356,617 (103.3%) mainly due to receipt of a loan from the State Government (\$2,000,000) associated with present Curtin University building project.

Statement of Cash Flows

Cash Flows from operating activities has seen a slight increase to \$523,443 because of an increase in grants received compared to last year. Cash Flows from investing activities is negative due to the ongoing investment in the building project. Cash Flows from financing activities has increased by \$2,057,201 due to a loan from government (\$2,000,000) associated with Curtin University building project.

There has been a total increase in cash and cash equivalents for the year of \$1,159,716.

Statement of Changes in Equity

The equity of AAWA has decreased by \$327,411. This is due largely to a significant decrease in bequests.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	Note	2012 \$	2011 \$
Revenue	2 (a)	9,705,049	9,991,999
Employee benefits expense		(6,904,356)	(6,634,256)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	2 (c)	(143,492)	(165,459)
Finance costs	2 (c)	(20,004)	(14,686)
Other expenses	2 (c)	(2,876,547)	(2,811,941)
		<u>(9,944,399)</u>	<u>(9,626,342)</u>
Profit/(Loss) for the year		<u>(239,350)</u>	<u>365,657</u>
Other Comprehensive Income:			
Net change in fair value of financial assets	2 (b)	(88,061)	82,482
Other comprehensive income for the year		<u>(88,061)</u>	<u>82,482</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u>(327,411)</u>	<u>448,139</u>

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2012

	Note	2012 \$	2011 \$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		1,544,375	384,659
Trade and other receivables		524,462	710,074
Inventories		21,786	30,774
Total Current Assets		2,090,623	1,125,507
Non Current Assets			
Financial Assets		1,190,736	1,278,797
Property, Plant and Equipment		5,237,108	4,166,267
Intangible Assets		81,310	-
Total Non Current Assets		6,509,154	5,445,064
TOTAL ASSETS		8,599,777	6,570,571
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables		1,656,765	1,288,291
Borrowings		58,863	84,404
Provisions		704,502	667,053
Total Current Liabilities		2,420,130	2,039,748
Non Current Liabilities			
Borrowings		2,000,000	-
Provisions		217,958	241,723
Total Non Current Liabilities		2,217,958	241,723
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,638,088	2,281,471
NET ASSETS		3,961,689	4,289,100
Members' Funds			
Asset revaluation reserve		669,442	669,442
Retained Earnings		3,292,247	3,619,658
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		3,961,689	4,289,100

STATEMENT OF RECOGNISED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	Retained Earnings	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 30 June 2010	3,171,519	669,442	3,840,961
Profit/(Loss) attributable to operating activities of the company	448,139	-	448,139
Balance at 30 June 2011	3,619,658	669,442	4,289,100
Profit attributable to operating activities of the company	(327,411)	-	(327,411)
Balance at 30 June 2012	3,292,247	669,442	3,961,689

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from:		
- Donations and gifts	705,506	1,192,048
- Government grants	9,212,117	8,541,888
- Interest received	66,151	39,062
- Dividends received	57,544	123,684
- Fees & Charges	635,667	328,662
- Other Receipts	20,346	273,720
GST Paid	(405,329)	(488,267)
Payments to suppliers and employees	(9,829,864)	(9,500,204)
Borrowing Costs	(20,004)	(14,686)
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	442,133	495,907
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	18,430	214,463
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(1,232,954)	(759,815)
Net movement from sale/purchase of financial assets	(42,351)	-
NET CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(1,256,875)	(545,352)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from borrowings	2,000,000	26,268
Finance lease payments	(25,541)	(109,010)
NET CASH FLOWS USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	1,974,459	(82,742)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,159,716	(132,187)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	384,659	516,846
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	1,544,375	384,659

NOTES TO CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

Note 1: Basis of Preparation of the Concise Financial Report

The concise financial report is an extract of the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2012. The concise financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports and the Corporations Act 2001.

The financial statements, specific disclosures and other information included in the concise financial report are derived from, and are consistent with, the full financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd. The concise financial report cannot be expected to provide as detailed an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd as the full financial report. A copy of the full financial report and auditor's report will be sent to any member, free of charge, upon request.

The financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd complies with all Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) in their entirety. The presentation currency used in this concise financial report is Australian dollars.

Note 2: Revenue, other Income and Expenses

(a) Revenue

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Sale of goods	22,999	39,700
Rendering of services	553,855	480,488
Government grants	8,553,913	7,831,628
Donations and gifts	528,900	449,549
Legacies	109,741	742,499
Revenue from Rockingham Branch	18,338	11,791
Building Appeal	-	68,040

(b) Other income

Investment income		
- Interest	72,343	33,044
- Dividends	57,545	142,659
Net change in fair value of financial assets	(88,061)	82,482

(c) Expenses

Finance costs	20,004	14,686
Depreciation	143,492	165,459
Cost of goods for sale	4,657	18,396
Operating lease payments	52,969	64,240
Auditors' remuneration	38,400	28,400



NOTES TO CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

Note 3: Segment Reporting

The company operates predominately in one business and geographical segment being provision of community services in Western Australia.

Note 4: Events after the Reporting Period

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the company except for the information disclosed in the Directors' report.

Note 5: Extract – Qualified Auditor's Opinion on the Full Financial Report

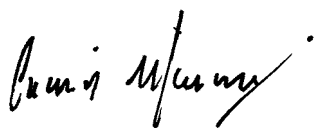
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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The Directors of the Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd declare that the accompanying concise financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd for the financial year ended 30 June 2012:

- a. complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports; and
- b. is an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2012 and has been derived from and is consistent with the full financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



DIRECTOR



DIRECTOR

PERTH

DATED THIS 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2012.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



PARTNERS
Anthony Macri FCPA
Domenic Macri CPA
Connie De Felice CA

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO: THE MEMBERS OF ALZHEIMER'S AUSTRALIA WA LTD

Report on the Concise Financial Report

The accompanying concise financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2012, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended and related notes, derived from the audited financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2012, as well as the discussion and analysis. The concise financial report does not contain all the disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards.

Directors' Responsibility for the Concise Financial Report

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the concise financial report in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports (including Australian Accounting Interpretations), statutory and other requirements. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation of the concise financial report; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the concise financial report based on our audit procedures. We have conducted an independent audit, in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, of the full financial report of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2012. Our auditor's report on the financial report for the year was signed on 5 December 2012 and was subject to a modification. Australian Auditing Standards require that we comply with the relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report for the year is free from material misstatement.

Our procedures in respect of the concise financial report included testing that the information in the concise financial report is derived from, and is consistent with the financial report for the year, and examination on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts, discussion, and analysis, and other disclosures which were not directly derived from the financial report for the year. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the concise financial report complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports and whether the discussion and analysis complies with the requirements laid down in AASB 1039.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declarations required by the Corporations Act 2001, provided to the directors of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd on 5 December 2012, would be in the same terms if provided to the directors as at the date of this auditor's report.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the concise financial report, including the discussion and analysis of Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2012 complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: *Concise Financial Reports*.

Modification to the Auditor's Report on the Financial Report for the Year

The following paragraph is copied from our report on the financial report for the year. The modification to the opinion in that report does not apply to our opinion on the Concise Financial Report for the reason stated above in our Auditor's Opinion.

Basis for Qualified Auditor's Opinion:

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