

A photograph of a dense forest with tall trees and sunlight filtering through the canopy. The scene is vibrant and natural.

OzGREEN

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Convenors Report

2013 has been a year of change on many fronts, with us saying goodbye to old friends and welcoming new.

Over the year the leadership of our organization has changed with a new joint CEO in Gary Fry, and myself stepping up as the new chair of the board. The board has also changed with Julian Harris and Nick Bearlin-Allardice departing whilst Michelle Walker, and Mark Caddey have joined. Louise Johnston, and Sharyn Wilson continue to kindly give their time and considerable experience to round out the board with our organisation's stalwart founder Sue Lennox.

Behind the scenes the board has looked to strengthen our procedures and governance in line with the new regulations laid down by the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profit Commission. Fortunately our existing approach was already well in order, so this is more of a minor revision than major changes that other organisations have faced with respect to this.



I am pleased to see that our flagship program of Youth Leading the World continues to go from strength to strength with us increasing our locations from 42 in 2012 to 70 in 2013. We conducted activities not only in Australia but also in India, Timor L'Este, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Colombia, Bangladesh, Canada, USA, Kiribati, Uganda and Kyrgystan, demonstrating OzGreen is a truly global organization.

Youth Leading the World continues to showcase our core mission "educating people around the world enabling them to take action to improve their environment".

The immediate outlook is as challenging as ever with the Australian economy finally coming under pressure from the Global Financial Crisis, from which it has hitherto been relatively immune, coupled with recent changes in political leadership making the future look particularly onerous. At the same time we are becoming more aware every day of just how serious, wide ranging, and pressing the climate and environmental challenges have become, meaning the need for the work of our organisation is more essential than ever.

Our leadership challenge this year is to establish a solid base of funding, especially for Youth Leading the World, to ensure the program can continue to be delivered and expanded and that its legacy of positive global change is secured.

Finally thanks as always to our donors large and small, our employees and countless volunteers – know what you do is making a real difference in securing a better future and improving the planet we all share.

Gavin Keeley

CEO's Report

Transitions

Sue Lennox (Co-Founder/ Co-CEO) and Gary Fry Co-CEO Report to OzGREEN Annual General Meeting, 25 September 2013

This year has been a year of transitions for OzGREEN. Transitions that build the resilience and capacity of the organisation to contribute to more sustainable and just futures.

We have welcomed Gary Fry to our team as Co-CEO, job sharing the role with OzGREEN's Co-Founder Sue Lennox. Sue focuses on Youth Leading the World (YLTW). Gary focuses on the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (GER). We both focus on enabling OzGREEN to grow and shine.



Youth Leading the World is moving to a greater focus on training-the-trainers. This is key to the continued expansion of the reach and impact of YLTW. Of the 12 Facilitator Trainings conducted this year, 4 were conducted by OzGREEN. The others were run by our talented team of Lead Facilitators in Colombia, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Tasmania, Swan Hill, California and Argentina.

This year has also seen the transition of the Convenor role, with Julian Harris stepping down from the start of 2013 after 4 years on the OzGREEN Board. We are delighted to welcome Gavin Keeley to the role. We also farewelled Nick Allardice after a 10 year history with OzGREEN, including 5 years on the Board. Nick has taken up the challenging role of heading up Change.org in the Asia-Pacific Region. We wish Julian and Nick all the best and thank them both for the huge contributions they have made to OzGREEN. We welcomed Michelle Walker and Mark Caddey to the Board, and recognise the suite of skills that exists across the OzGREEN Board.

The most challenging transition has been the very sad death of our dearest friend Mahantji (Prof Veer Bhadra Mishra), Founder and President of the Sankat Mochan Foundation and the Clean Ganges Campaign. Mahantji's eldest son, Vishwambhar Nath Mishra, has succeeded as the new Mahant of Sankat Mochan Temple (a role he has been prepared for since birth) and also was elected as the new President of the Sankat Mochan Foundation.

Sue was invited to give keynote programs during the year, including Leadership Training for the University of California Irvine, TEDx talk in Orange County USA, Students of Sustainability in Tasmania, Luminosity Youth Summit in Port Macquarie.

Two achievements are particularly worth highlighting:

Ten fold growth in Youth Leading the World, to reach 70 locations across Australia and globally (up from 7 in 2009).

Establishing the GER Stepping Stones Project in the Hunter Valley. This is a significant and exciting project for OzGREEN as it firmly moves us into a different NRM sphere.

We would like to extend a special thanks to OzGREEN staff, volunteers, YLTW Facilitators, OzGREEN Board and OzGREEN Fund for the Rivers Board. You have enabled ozGREEN to shoot some big goals this year, and helped to steady the course as we negotiate the exciting waters of seeking to change the course of history. Thank you for your wisdom, patience and thoughtful advice.

CEO's Report

Thanks to OzGREEN partners and supporters

Sankat Mochan Foundation (Varanasi, India)

Green Timor L'Este (Oecusse)

Project Seres, Central America

OpEPA, Colombia

UC Irvine Environment Institute (USA)

Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (GER):

Partners Greening Australia, Nature Conservation Trust, National Parks Association, NSW Office for Environment and Heritage; GER Jaliigirr Biodiversity Alliance Coffs Coast; GER Hunter Valley (NSW Environmental Trust); Australian Government Clean Energy Future – Biofund supporting the GER Stepping Stones project in the Hunter Valley.

Interface – partners in the Macarthur Region 2010-2013.

Northern Territory Government – EnvironmeNT Grants 2006-2013.

Skretting – partners in Tasmania 2011-2013.

The Penn Foundation supporting the East Timor program since 2007.

John Skipper Kelly Trust – supporting our youth leadership programs.

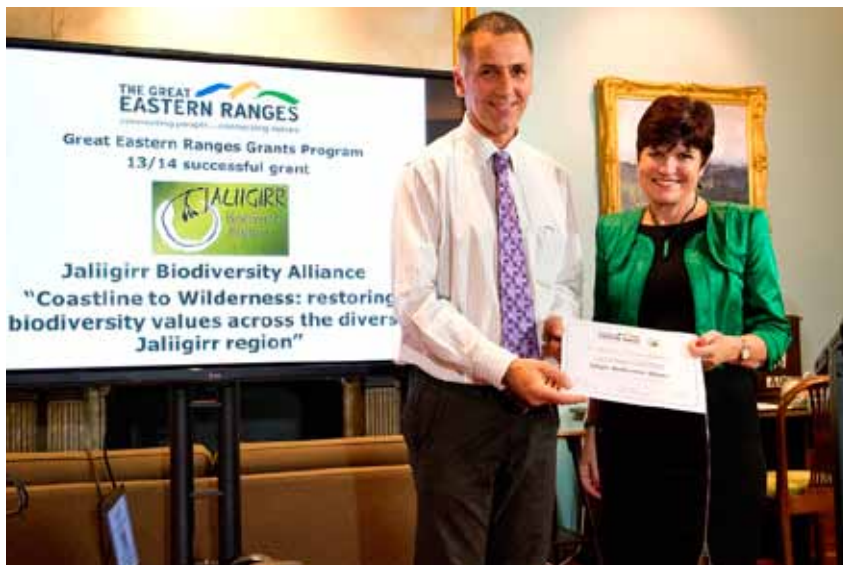
Mallesons Stephen Jaques – providing pro-bono legal advice since 2004. Special thanks to Karen Coleman.

Australian Charities Fund – corporate staff giving programs (including Sydney Opera House, Caltex and Foxtel).

Introducing Gary Fry

Gary Fry and his family moved to Bellingen from central Australia mid-2012. For the past 9 years, he had been Director of the Alice Springs Desert Park, a combination of botanic garden, zoo and cultural centre, committed to engaging people through narratives and conversations. When working for the Desert Park, Gary first met Sue and subsequently the Desert Park hosted YLTW. In a moment of great serendipity, Gary and Libby were at that time looking at buying a home in Bellingen.

Gary's engagement with OzGREEN is a natural fit. He has always worked in the field of conservation, with some responsibilities around sustainability education, and he and his family have a long-standing personal commitment to the reduction of their ecological footprint.



Gary Fry with the Hon. Robyn Parker MP, Minister for the Environment

About OzGREEN

OzGREEN educates people around the world, enabling them to take action to improve their environment.

OzGREEN educates, engages and empowers people to tackle critical environmental sustainability challenges (such as climate change and water) and become agents for positive social change. OzGREEN's transformative learning and leadership programs foster informed participation, harness people's special contributions and build pathways for ongoing engagement.

Formed in 1992, it now operates nationally across Australia and internationally in India, East Timor, Central America, Papua New Guinea and Pakistan.

The Sustainability in Action Process forms the core of all OzGREEN programs. It has been honed through 30 years of action research by OzGREEN Co-Founders, Sue and Colin Lennox. The process was piloted at Freshwater High School 1989-93 (resulting in school designation as a Centre of Excellence in Environmental Education, UN Media Peace Prize and National Youth Environment Award).

As a result they were invited to travel to India to help the Clean Ganges campaign. This journey was to change their lives. Seeing the beauty of River Ganga first hand and measuring the actual pollution levels, they realised the global water crisis was the critical issue for the Earth and decided to set up OzGREEN. The following year they left their work as teachers, sold their home and began work as two volunteers working out of a borrowed garage.

Today OzGREEN is a best practice provider of sustainability learning and leadership programs (Winner Eureka Prize for Sustainability Education 2007; AAEE Best Practice Case Study 2006; Matrix on Board Evaluation Report 2007). Sue and Colin are recognised as leading Social Entrepreneurs (winners Social Ventures Australia Big Boost 2002) and Sustainability Educators (Environmental Educators of the Year 1998; Top 100 Most Influential People in Sydney List Dec 07; Elders at AAEE Conference Darwin 2008; Canberra 2010).

Since inception, OzGREEN has worked with more than 500 schools, 500 businesses and many thousands of individuals. In FY08 alone, OzGREEN trained 1,100 sustainability leaders through its Youth LEAD, Leading with the Heart, MYRiveR and Living Communities programs, and involved a further 1,600 participants in sustainability education programs and 14,400 students and 12,000 households in sustainability events and actions in Australia (and an additional 20,000 internationally in East Timor, India and Papua New Guinea).

OzGREEN's leadership programs have resulted in an average 35% reduction in ecological footprint (measured pre and post programme), demonstrating the success of OzGREEN's success in harnessing personal capacity for change.



About OzGREEN

OzGREEN Objectives

Strengthen the capacity of people to tackle the environmental challenges of our time.

Build and support a network of sustainability leaders who are actively working for change in their community, business or school.

Innovate and scale educational processes that facilitate rapid transition to environmental sustainability.

Core Values

Sustainability: Learning to live within the limits of one planet, based on the principles of environmental sustainability:

- Equity for current generations (intra-generational equity);
- Equity for future generations (inter-generational equity); and
- Biodiversity conservation.

Enterprising approach: Educating and enabling people, organisations and communities to develop innovative sustainability solutions themselves.

Facing the sustainability challenge courageously: Keeping informed about environmental and sustainability issues as a basis for action. Being authentic and 'walking the talk'.

Transformative change: Connecting with our own hearts, each other and the earth to create life-changing outcomes.

Purpose

Building sustainable, resilient communities and organisations that can tackle the ecological and social challenges of our times.

Vision

A world in which people are in touch with and connected to themselves, other people, and the Earth so they know in their hearts that their actions are sustainable and they choose to make them so.

youth Leading the World

YOUTH LEADING the World (YLTW) brings youth together to tackle wicked eco-problems & create positive change.

Imagine thousands of young people coming together across the planet, to tackle global sustainability challenges such as energy, food, climate change, biodiversity and water and plan together how they can make a difference. OzGREEN trains and supports local people to run YLTW in their own region. YLTW began in 7 locations in 2009 and has quickly grown to benefit 70 regions in 2013.

YLTW begins with an annual 3 day youth environmental leadership congress conducted simultaneously in multiple locations, focusing attention on three ways to make a difference:

INFORM: learning to live within the limits of one planet;

INNOVATE: action planning for personal and community change;

INVOLVE: connecting change makers locally and globally.

YLTW is delivered in collaboration with local communities, businesses, government agencies, schools, universities, TAFE colleges, environmental and youth organisations. To date OzGREEN has partnered with over 200 organisations. Local partners can contribute financial support and in-kind contributions such as venue, facilitators, local coordination and follow-up as young people implement their action plans.

Key benefits for partners include skills development, engaging young people from their own community, connecting with local, national and international sustainability networks and support for implementing sustainability goals.

YLTW 2012 ran 27-29 November and involved 42 locations across Australia and around the world (some countries with multiple congresses).



YLTW Northern Beaches Facilitators



Trust! North Sydney YLTW

YLTW Australian Sites 2012: Albury-Wodonga, Bathurst, Bellingen, Bendigo, Brisbane, Byron Bay, Coffs Harbour, Hobart, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Nimbin, Port Macquarie, Swan Hill, Sydney Eastern Suburbs, Sydney North, Sydney Northern Beaches, Sydney West, Sydney Macarthur Region.

YLTW International Sites 2012: Bangladesh, Canada, Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Kyrgyzstan, India, Kiribati, Timor Leste, Uganda.

youth Leading the World

Maud de Groot from The Netherlands completed a 6 month internship with OzGREEN, researching the outcomes of YLTW 2012. The Report concluded that:

The people who were involved in YLTW have benefitted in many different ways. Participants have a better understanding of climate change and sustainability, are more motivated to take action, met lots of new people and gained more self-confidence.

Facilitators gained new skills and attitudes like facilitation skills, public speaking skills, a better understanding in youth and more experience in running an event. Besides personal benefits there were also professional benefits and benefits for their organisation, like networking opportunities, promoting their own program and engaging in the community.



YLTW Bellingin

Feedback from participants and facilitators has been very positive:

- 87% rated the program very enjoyable;
- 86% rated the program very interesting;
- 90% rated the program very relevant;
- 94% rated the overall program very good.



YLTW Facilitator Training Nov 2012

Great Eastern Ranges

Bringing people together to link and protect healthy habitats from western Victoria through NSW and the ACT to far north Queensland.

The Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (GER) is one of the largest conservation partnership projects in the world.



A GER report describes the program as supporting biodiversity by protecting, managing and restoring the connectivity and habitat values of native vegetation across all land tenures in the Great Eastern Ranges Corridor. By maximizing the amount and quality of connected habitat available, the GER aims to maintain opportunities for species to persist and adapt to the effects of land use change, continued pressure from inappropriate disturbance and introduced species, and the potential worsening impacts of a changing climate. It is an adaptive response to mitigate the impacts of past changes, ongoing pressures and future threats to Australia's most biodiverse ecosystems which support the majority of our threatened plants and animals.

OzGREEN is delighted to be one of five Lead Partner organisational members. Such a role is appropriate for an organisation that has worked in and around, and created partnerships since its inception. Our work in the GER is manifold. As a Lead Partner, we work with the other four Lead Partner organisations providing advice on direction and governance for the entire project. Operationally, that is a small part of the work of OzGREEN, though it has great significance. Unlike the other Lead Partners, we have work in each of Qld, Vic, NSW and ACT.

The GER is divided into a number of areas, each the responsibility of a partner. OzGREEN employs Gabriel Anderson, Facilitator of the Hunter Valley partnership. Gabe reports elsewhere in this report on his work in the Hunter Valley. Our responsibilities in the Hunter Valley for GER are significant and timely. The extent of coal mining activities in this space is an ongoing reminder of our insatiable needs as a species, and the impact those activities can have on other species. With less than 20% of natural vegetation left in the Hunter Valley, and relentless pressure for resources by many who may never have visited the Hunter Valley, our work to link those fragments is vital.

Part of our work within the Hunter Valley, is managing a project funded through the Federal Government's Biofund. That 6 year project worth more than \$2.7 million, has commenced its third year. The project, Stepping Stones, has a focus within the GER, and is assisting landholders manage their part of the corridor more effectively, training people in citizen science techniques, and increasing people's awareness of connectivity conservation and carbon sequestration. We are quite literally creating stepping stones across the fragmented habitat of the Hunter Valley.

Elsewhere in the Hunter Valley, we are working with Tocal College on a \$100,000 project creating in part, a site which will show others the types of works they can do, and the outcomes which can be achieved.



Facilitators Gabriel Anderson and Kirsten McKimmie show casing the Stepping Stones project area at the Tocal Field Day event.

Great Eastern Ranges

Jaliigirr is the GER partnership around the mid-North Coast, and Gary Fry represents OzGREEN in that partnership. We have responsibility there for governance and project direction at a local level.

Finally, OzGREEN has focussed its YLTW congresses which fall within the GER, as Youth Leading the GER. This has been an important aspect to the work of both OzGREEN, and GER, as it is currently the only project within the GER which specifically targets youth, and which crosses State and Territory borders. Significantly too, one of the principles which underpins Youth Leading the GER is that of partnerships and commencing work at an individual level. The success of the GER will also be underpinned by such individual behaviours.



*Gabe Anderson, happy landholders and members of the CVA Bush Regeneration team.
Photo Chris Clifton.*

Great Eastern Ranges - Hunter Valley

The Hunter Valley Partnership has moved into a new stage this year with a major focus on recruiting landholders, engaging people in the concept and completing on-ground works. Other activities included presentations and information stalls at field days, community engagement, landholder training workshops and new partnerships.

The Hunter GER received a boost in May 2012 with a successful Australian Government Biodiversity Fund grant for \$2.7 million over 6 years for the Stepping Stones project. The Stepping Stones project is a collaboration between the GER Hunter partners, OzGREEN, Muswellbrook Council, Conservation Volunteers Australia and the Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment at the University of Newcastle. A project facilitator has been employed in the Upper Hunter hosted by Muswellbrook Council. Through the Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment GER Hunter has established a presence at the University of Newcastle. The Stepping Stones project has been launched with a call out to Hunter Landholders through a series of community service announcements, television advertisements and media articles. See the Stepping Stones article for more information.

The Hunter Partnership has maintained momentum through its annual partners forum which brought together 22 organisations this year including seven who were involved for the first time. Additionally a new collaboration is being built with the Tocal Agricultural College which will be the location for a series of GER demonstration sites and interpretative material as part of the NSW Environmental Trust Funded Project.

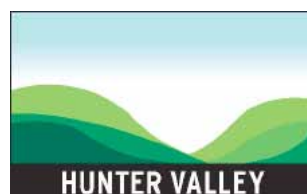
Other new groups include Hunter Bird Observers club, the Community Environment Network, Greening Australia, Cessnock City Council, and local Landcare groups.

In the second half of this year there has been a strong focus on On-ground works as a result of the Biodiversity Fund supported Stepping Stones project. The project has achieved 34 ha of rehabilitation and almost 1 ha of planting across 176 ha of properties involved in the project.

Through the activities of the GER facilitator a minimum of 1600 people have been reached and a further one million through partners. At least 800 volunteer hours contributed to the project.



Before and after shots of regeneration work



Great Eastern Ranges - Hunter Valley

A big thank you to the 2012/13 steering committee who have done a great job directing and supporting the project and making it a success, in particular our recently retired Chair Wayne Bedggood. Steering Committee members were:

Adrian Brown - Hunter Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority
Andrew McIntyre - NSW Office of Environment and Heritage
Craig Flemming - Muswellbrook Shire Council
Gary Fry - OzGREEN
Leonie Winner - Conservation Volunteers Australia
Nigel Charnock - Xstrata Coal
Peta Norris - NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service
Peter Horn - Hunter Coal Environment Group
Ruth Hardy - Hunter Region Landcare Network
Susan Rowe - Department of Primary Industries
Suzie Worth - Wanaruah Local Aboriginal Lands Council
Tim Roberts - Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment
Wayne Bedggood - Hunter Thoroughbred Breeders Association

The GER Hunter is supported by the NSW Government through its Environmental Trust.



Conservation Volunteers team removing lantana before tree planting in the Lower Hunter

Great Eastern Ranges - Stepping Stones

The Stepping Stones Project in the Hunter Valley has really started to lift off in both the Upper and Lower Hunter areas. Project facilitators Gabriel Anderson in the Lower Hunter and Kirsten McKimmie in the Upper Hunter are working closely together with project partners Muswellbrook Shire Council, the Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment and Conservation Volunteers Australia to deliver positive environmental outcomes for connectivity across the Hunter area including community awareness and on-ground works.

A number of community engagement activities have been held including community service announcements on TV, seven project information sessions, two Atlas of Living Australia landholder training workshops and one School Bird Survey, as well as the attendance at the Total Field Days. One particularly successful event was the information session held at the Two Rivers Winery in Denman where 45 people attended to listen to talks from a number of groups including Livestock Health and Pest Authority (LHPA), Upper Hunter Weeds Authority (UHWA), NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS), Muswellbrook Shire Council Environment Department, local business Farmers Warehouse and of course Stepping Stones.



Denman PS students bird watching at the James Estate Ridge Walk on Bylong Valley Way, Sandy Hollow NSW.

With weed, pest, and fire management components to the project it was valuable to make the connection with the LHPA, UHWA and RFS early on in the project so that land management efforts can be aligned. The Hunter Regional Landcare Network and the Hunter Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority (HCRCMA) have also been engaged and attended Stepping Stone events.

Local nurseries are supporting the flora needs of the project's on-ground work. Wollar Nursery and Hunter Land Management nursery in the Upper Hunter and Hunter Indigenous Plants in the Lower Hunter will prove to be a valuable resource for the production of local native stock. By the end of the financial



Landholders gathered at the Stepping Stones information session at the Two Rivers Winery in Denman NSW.

Great Eastern Ranges - Stepping Stones

year 500 trees had been planted with another 2000 plus planted in early July.

Media coverage of Stepping Stones project's events has been great with both local radio and newspapers publicising the projects events. Through all the engagement activities at last count 20 Landholders with a total of around 700 ha have nominated their properties as stepping stones to protect and enhance native habit for connectivity and biodiversity values.

The Stepping Stones Project is supported by the Australia Government's Clean Energy Future Biodiversity Fund. See www.gersteppingstones.org.au for further information.

Case Study

The Stepping Stones project enables landholders to engage in biodiversity conservation regardless of property size. The project aims to create new or enhance existing patches of native vegetation that act as stepping stones across the landscape. Stepping stones provide key links and enable connectivity between larger conservation areas.

The Stepping Stones project has been rolled out across the Hunter Valley with particular focus on Merriwa Plateau, Muswellbrook Shire and the Lower Hunter Green Corridor (Donaldson Conservation Trust Area). The response to the project has been fantastic with over 130 people engaged in workshops and information sessions to date.

In the Lower Hunter, Stepping Stones provided bush regeneration support on the 6 ha property of S and A Brown. The Browns had been working for a number of years to reduce weed infestation on their bush block. Over three days, the project provided a Conservation Volunteers (CVA) professional bush regeneration team to tackle major infestations of lantana and fishbone fern across the property. A CVA team of four removed 99% of the remaining lantana and 1000 square meters of fishbone fern.

The Browns said words could not express their thanks and gratitude for the assistance. Their property forms part of a key link within the Lower Hunter Green Corridor – from the Watagans to Port Stephens.



Great Eastern Rangers - Stepping Stones

Also in the Lower Hunter, the Mathersons own an 18 ha block on which they breed Llamas. The property is cleared except an isolated 2 ha patch of subtropical rainforest and small patches of Dry Rainforest and Dry Sclerophyll Forest. The Stepping Stones Project provided a CVA volunteer team for 5 days. The team undertook lantana control around the rainforest patch and conducted infill planting with understorey species to extend the area. In addition, a new stepping stone was created at the northern end of the property with a planting of 300 local indigenous trees. The property has now been nominated as a Land for Wildlife property.

To date the Stepping Stones project has received 80 EOI's to be involved. In the Lower Hunter, we have completed projects on 10 properties (total 176 ha). Across these projects we have achieved more than 34 hectares of rehabilitation (Bush Regeneration) and completed almost one hectare of tree planting. We are currently working with a further 25 landholders to design and implement projects.

The Hunter Valley Partnership Stepping Stones Project is an innovative approach to engaging with community and landholders to achieve healthy connected landscapes and people. It is a call to action and an invitation for all to be involved. Stepping Stones is connecting the Hunter Valley one property at a time.



Residents set to dig deep

Jemma Anshaw

SINCE 1996 more than 2.8 million people have planted more than 17 million trees as part of National Tree Day.

In 2013, the Planet Art initiative is giving residents in the Muswellbrook Shire a chance to get to know their community.

"We have worked really hard this year getting in contact with local community groups, encouraging them to be involved by setting up information stands so that National Tree Day will be a one stop shop for connecting with people in your neighbourhood," Muswellbrook Shire Council environmental projects officer Tracy Ward said.

She said Sunday, July 28, would be a great opportunity for residents who might be feeling disconnected, or are new to the area, to see just what the community has to offer.

Muswellbrook Shire Council has a valued partner in the venture, The Great Eastern Ranges Stepping Stones Project.

"It's a good feeling being part of a community, and when we all work together we can achieve more substantial positive outcomes for the environment," Stepping Stones project facilitator Kristen McKimmie said.

"It would take me a month on the end of a shovel to dig the 3000 holes to plant the 3000 trees we are planting for National Tree Day (in the Muswellbrook Shire), but if we put in a whole community effort we can build a stepping stone to native vegetation in one morning."

Both of the planting sites, at Hyde Park in Denman and Karoola Park in Muswellbrook – off Semillon Street near the Dog Agility Park, will become stepping stones for native flora and fauna.

Landcare, the Weed Authority, Catchment Management Authority, Denman Community Garden, Lions and Rotary clubs have already registered their involvement.

To find out more about how your sporting or community group can participate, contact Tracy Ward or Kristen McKimmie at the council offices on 6549 3700.

WELL PREPARED: Muswellbrook Shire Council environmental projects officer Tracy Ward and Great Eastern Ranges Stepping Stones project facilitator Kristen McKimmie are gearing up for what they hope will be a community tree planting extravaganza.

Youth Leading the Great Eastern Ranges

November saw the kick off of OzGREEN's Youth Leading the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative (YLTGER) to educate, inspire, engage and connect hundreds of young people along the length of the GER corridor. This is an exciting example of expanding the reach of the GER in partnership with a national organisation, in this case focussed on building youth leadership.

Participants learnt about sustainability and the challenges facing the GER locally and nationally; develop their own youth vision for creating sustainable, resilient ecosystems and communities; and plan for action to achieve this vision. They are now busy implementing their actions plans, including restoring an urban creek in Bellingen and "Hug-a-Tree Day" facebook Campaign.

The project forms part of OzGREEN's headline program, Youth Leading the World (YLTW), that ran in 42 locations in 2012. YLTGER was supported by a grant from GER and the NSW Government Environment Trust.

In the NSW Mid North Coast Region 6 schools took part. The program involved each school undertaking a day long field trip to monitor water quality and assess habitat condition of a water catchment near their school. At a follow up meeting participants reviewed their results and develop a presentation to discuss their results at the Youth Leading the World Congress in September.



Water testing with Coffs High Students

Coffs Harbour High School, Bishop Druitt College and Casuarina Steiner School undertook water quality monitoring in the Coffs Creek catchment at Coffs Harbour. Chrysalis Steiner School and St Mary's Primary School Bellingen monitored the Bellinger River, while Dorrigo High School monitored Bielsdown River around Dorrigo.

Results for Coffs Creek showed that habitat in the riparian zone was generally in the slightly degraded to good range. Not bad for a creek that is primarily urban in nature. However the levels of phosphates were high and levels of faecal coliform were borderline for primary contact (such as swimming). Phosphates are an essential plant nutrient and are found in many fertilisers as well as being present in sewage and animal faeces. Elevated levels of phosphates in a waterway can lead to increased algal growth and potential algal blooms.



Col Lennox with Dorrigo High students.

The Bellinger River was also found to have high phosphate levels, however the riparian habitat was found to be slightly to moderately degraded, decreasing in quality further down the catchment. This reflects the farming practice of clearing land to the river bank, leaving little or no riparian zone.

Participants will now follow up this investigative phase with work on their action plans developed during the Youth Leading the World congress. We look forward to following their progress and reporting on the results of their efforts.

Macarthur Youth in Action

The Southern Highlands Hub is an exciting collaboration between two leaders in the area sustainability, OzGREEN and Interface. Now in its third year, this partnership aims to strengthen the capacity of young people to create sustainable communities in the Macarthur Region of Sydney. Key programs include Youth Eco-Leadership Camp, MYRiver Wollondilly and YOUTH LEADING the World. The program was facilitated by Sue Lennox and Ben Maron.

Participating schools include:

- Camden Primary School
- Elderslie Primary School
- Elizabeth Macarthur High School
- St Patrick's College
- Thomas Reddall High School
- Wollondilly Anglican College

MYRiver Wollondilly focused on river health in the upper catchments of the Nepean and Georges Rivers. Both of these river systems are significant to the health of the Sydney basin and the Great Eastern Ranges. Youth Leading the World was hosted by Wollondilly Anglican College and involved 75 youth and stakeholders.

The Youth Eco-Leadership Camp was conducted in partnership with Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre. Thirty switched on young people turned up for the 5 day residential camp in August 2012. The program involved leadership development, outdoor challenges and skills training to deliver a school eco-footprint workshop. Participants ran the workshop with 7 local schools and over 200 students, teaching other kids how to reduce their ecological footprint. Special thanks to St Helen's Park Primary School; Elderslie Primary School; Mawarra Primary School; Woodand Rd PS; Ambarvale HS; Leumeah HS; Campbelltown Performing Arts HS.

Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with 100% of participants rating the program very interesting and very relevant. They gained confidence, leadership skills and have since gone on to establish Environment Groups within their schools.



Eco-leadership training camp reaching new heights



MYRiver water testing

Some of the most significant impacts include:

Increased motivation and capacity to lead change.

Being able to develop a plan to make the world better. Thanks for an amazing time.

Developing a core of really inspiring students who will do stuff.

I gained massive new knowledge about the environment and made new friends. Very inspirational.

Tasmanian Youth in Action

Thanks to the generous support of Skretting, OzGREEN has been able to run a more comprehensive youth leadership development program in Hobart over the last 2 years. Key activities have included the Youth Leading the World Congress and a follow up Schools Eco-Footprint program.

In November 2012, 35 young people from UTas and Hobart school participated in Youth Leading the World. In March 2013, YLTW participants had a one day workshop to discuss next steps for their action plans and to learn how to facilitate a half day eco-footprint at their schools. The in-school workshops involved a further 200 young people from 5 schools (Hutchins School, Newtown High School, Huonville High School, Taroona High School and Kingston High School)

The University of Tasmania School of Geography and Environmental Studies has hosted YLTW in Hobart 2011, 2012 and 2013. This has involved students and faculty training as facilitators to run YLTW on campus; the contribution of venue for training, YLTW 3-day Congress and Community Forum and follow up meetings; and promotion of YLTW through university networks. UTas students have taken a lead role in extending the reach of YLTW to new regions in Tasmania.



Tasmanian youth getting it sorted

"YLTW has immense potential for engaging young Australians with sustainability issues. Our school delivers several units of study in sustainability. There is considerable scope for our students to benefit from YLTW as it enables them to bring together several aspects of sustainability, brainstorm solutions and set their own goals towards a sustainable future. We would like to support YLTW and hope it continues to grow in 2013 and beyond." (Dr Michael Lockwood, Senior Lecturer, Environmental Planning, University of Tasmania).

"It's great to see all the students here just take everything onboard. The facilitators have been absolutely brilliant just guiding the students through their activities. To see where they were on the first day to where they finished up now is quite amazing." (Warren Bounds, Teacher New Town High School)

"Most of us first came here hoping that we'd learn something that maybe we could use in the future. But we're actually going to use it and we've made plans on how we are actually going to use this in the future. it's pretty incredible meeting with a vast group of like minded people, that think like you and really connect with them." (Connah Johnstone, Kingston High School)



Tasmanian youth presenting "Pulse of the Planet"

East Timor

GREEN Timor Leste Annual Report.

Judy Charnaud

This year is my thirteenth in Oecusse – how time flies when you are having fun! Way back in January 2001 when I first arrived in Dili I had no idea what it would lead to. I hope I have given even half as much to the people of Timor Leste as they have given me.

When I arrived in Dili in May this year something seemed to be missing – no UN helicopters, no UN aircraft, no UN cars, no UN personnel, in fact the airport looked quite empty with just the Woodside helicopters on the tarmac. Oddly enough though, even without all the UN cars, the traffic in Dili is worse, if that is possible, than it was before. No traffic lights are working, in fact most seem to have disappeared altogether and the chaos at intersections has to be seen to be believed.

Oecusse continues to have more than its fair share of problems – the ferry is in serious need of repair, runs on one engine only is always dangerously overcrowded and has just been cancelled due to potential disaster. A very small ferry will replace it for a few months whilst the larger one undergoes repairs, meanwhile Oecusse people are once again stranded. Roads throughout the enclave are worse than ever, potholes, rocks and the remaining shards of tarmac make driving a safety hazard! The hospital has run out of some medicines and also fuel for the generator so operations have had to be cancelled and patients have died as a result. Even though water is plentiful due to exceptionally long wet season, it is still undrinkable due to faecal contamination and turbidity.



Village Environmental Action Planning in Maunaban



A Bio sand filtration unit.

What has GREEN TL achieved this year?

The Youth in Action GREEN Games went very well – involving many thousands of players, referees, officials and spectators. The grand finals of each sporting discipline were “grand” affairs, complete with drum bands, dancing girls, street parade and very intensely played games. There is a full Games report on the OzGREEN website.

GREEN TL has provided 11 more bio-sand filtration units to families in Oetulu, Bocosse and Bona and have another 20 in production.

We visited Maunaban to begin a new Village Environmental Plan. The project in Maunaban is supported by several Rotary Clubs – Balgowlah, Brookvale, Dee Why, Gladesville and Randwick plus a District Simplified Grant. Our trip up to the village was delayed due to unusually heavy, unseasonal rain. We toured the village with several locals, took water samples from the spring which is the main water

East Timor

supply and organised a date for the village meeting.

Two Rotarians, John Corney, (Assistant Governor Beaches and MFOO member) and Ian Bittner, (Epping Rotary) came to see the project first hand and were most impressed by the excitement engendered by the games, the professional way they were run and the respect shown to GREEN TL by the villagers we visited.

The GREEN TL Youth Group is currently nurturing 2000 tree seedlings as every village we work with wants to revegetate their catchment. These will be planted out when the next wet season begins.

GREEN TL has been involved in community planning for the Oecusse Special Economic Zone and is in place to become one of the Environmental Advisors for this development.

Brookvale Rotary funded the purchase of a new motorbike which will take pressure off the car. The car is costing a lot of money in repairs. GREEN TL desperately needs a new car!

Oecusse Special economic Zone and 20 Year Development Plan

The Timor Leste government has been busy preparing a master plan for the "Oecusse Special Economic Zone" Government delegates Arsenio Bano and Mari Alkatiri have been in Oecusse discussing the plan with local communities. The plan is very ambitious, maybe too ambitious for a small enclave with a population of 65,000 most of whom are subsistence farmers. However it is a 20 year plan with a \$9 billion dollar budget so done carefully, step by step and including capacity building for young people, it could be successful. The plan is to have Oecusse as a "Green City" so GREEN TL is in



Judy and Luis with UN officials

the right place to act as environmental consultants and ensure sustainability.



Youth in Action GREEN Games

World Water Day March 22nd was marked with a successful fund raiser in Sydney. World Water Day is the ideal time to think about the importance of clean water and the large number of people throughout the world who do not have access to this very basic commodity. I spoke at several schools and with help from Manly Friends of Oecusse managed to raise over \$6000. Thanks go to students and teachers at Beaumont Road, Balgowlah Heights, Harbord and St Kevins Primary Schools, Kinma School and North Sydney Girls High and also to several restaurants in the Manly district.

Friends of the Ganges

While the Clean Ganges Campaign has continued its efforts to see that not one drop of sewage enters the river, this has been a year tinged with great sadness due to the loss of our great friend and campaigner, Mahantji, Prof. V.B. Mishra, on the 13th of March this year, and Sankat Mochan Foundation director Dr DK Sundd. As the founder of the Clean Ganges Campaign, Mahantji has been the inspiration, driving force and figure head for the Campaign and dedicated much of his life working to see sewage and other pollution no longer being discharged into the Ganges River.

Mahantji spoke often about being part of an endangered species of human being who carry the faith and tradition of India. For over 30 years he campaigned to achieve the vision of Swatcha Ganga (Clean Ganges). Through his determination, he joined with his family, friends and faith to find the solutions that would remove the sewage pollution from River Ganga. The solution Mahantji called for is simple and it exists.

It was Mahantji's dream that Varanasi should be the model for success for the rest of River Ganga. To achieve this dream, the following action is needed.

Capture: Install an interceptor pipe appropriate to each location, to capture all the sewage before it flows into the Ganga.

Clean: Install sewage treatment plants that completely treat the sewage; that reclaim water and precious nutrients; that require minimal electricity to operate; that remove harmful disease causing pathogens; and that sequester carbon.

Coordinate: Coordinate all existing bodies, national, state and local, to ensure they are working together; ensuring effective pilot models before replicating; ensuring that the sewage treatment capacity matches the levels projected for future population needs.

Check: Regularly verify that the sewage treatment system is functioning properly and monitor river health.

Although he is no longer with us Mahantji's spirit lives on and the campaign continues. Mahantji's eldest son Vishwambhar Nath Mishra (Veduji) was elected as the new President of the Sankat Mochan Foundation on 25 March. Amid chanting of Vedic hymns Vishwambhar Nath Mishra was "ABHISHEK" (crowned) as the 13th Mahant of the Sankat Mochan Complex (Akhaada Goswami Tulsi Das ji) on 26 March. This is a



VN Mishra and VB Mishra inaugurate an SMF function

Friends of the Ganges

role he has been preparing for since birth.

Everyone involved in the campaign has realised they need to step up their efforts in order to ensure Mahantji's vision is fulfilled and his legacy ensured. For our part OzGREEN have been holding regular skype meetings with SMF staff, RK Mishra and Ashok Pandey, and Catherine Porter from Friends of the Ganges US. These meetings are helping to steer the campaign through this time of change.

In November the Sankat Mochan Foundation facilitated a Youth Leading the World congress for local schools (see the YLTW report for more details).

The occasion of World Environment Day, 5th June, saw SMF conduct a public event on the banks of the Ganges River at Tulsi Ghat. This was a time to celebrate the lives of Mahantji and two of his main allies and co campaigners, Fran Peavey (US based activist who was instrumental in assisting Mahantji to establish the Clean Ganges Campaign) and Dr D K Sundd (former Executive Director of SMF). A photographic exhibition was held to engage the public and raise awareness of the campaign and its aims.

In addition lobbying of the Government continues in order to seek the release of funds for sewage works that have been promised. Ensuring that this work is commenced as soon as possible is a major focus of the campaign.

With the magnitude of the changes this year it is important that the Sankat Mochan Foundation and its supporters regroup and establish the strategic directions of the campaign to fully involve the new realities. Sue and Colin will be travelling to Varanasi in late October to work with SMF and our global partners to assist the development of this plan and to help during this period of transition.



Sweet memories, February 2000 inauguration of Village water supply in Kanauli village near Varanasi. L to R Sue Lennox, Col Lennox, Dr Sundd, Richard Jones and Prof VB Mishra

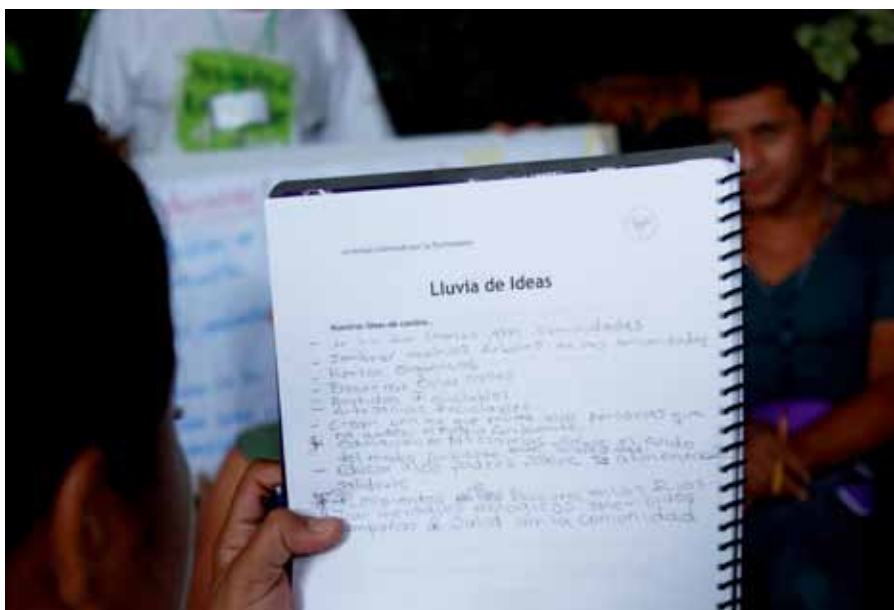
Central America

The last 12 months here in Central America have been particularly raw, where massive environmental degradation and the impacts of climate change can be seen on all sides. These two factors – hitting both people and place – are exacerbating the cycle of poverty and destroying one of the most biodiverse regions in the world. (<http://www.projectseres.org/2013/08/27/the-ugly-face-of-climate-change/>)

SERES strategy however is not without reason. Going into the last financial year, we made a decision to focus our work on youth empowerment and sustainability leadership through environmental education and awareness. Why? Because between Guatemala and El Salvador, there are more than 15 million people aged under 30! This is an opportunity not to be missed. For the first time ever, the future of this region lies in the hands of a single generation.

Working with this strategy, we have had a year that we are proud of. Here are some of the highlights:

In 2012, working in partnership with OzGREEN and OpEPA (Columbia) we again had the opportunity to send 7 young sustainability leaders to Australia for 5 weeks of Climate Change Resilience Training. The commitment of these young leaders



Brainstorming



Moises, Maricela and Bladimir, congress San Rafael Cedros, El Salvador

in supporting SERES' work here in Central America is perhaps the most valuable outcome, and they have greatly strengthened our core team. (<http://www.projectseres.org/2012/07/02/fellows-prepare-once-again-to-head-down-under/>)

In 2012, we ran 10 Youth Leaders programs, including 9 3-day youth leadership congresses and a 4-day youth leadership camp which generated a total of 25 Community Action Plans in Guatemala and El Salvador. (<http://www.projectseres.org/annual-report/>)

In 2013, we have already overtaken last year's results and have run thirteen 3-day youth leadership congresses, bringing another 350 young people into the Youth Leaders for Latin America network. We plan to run a total of 20 congresses in 2013.

For the first time ever, we ran two local Facilitator Training Programs – one in Guatemala and one in Costa Rica – welcoming 20 wonderful young individuals as part of the team of mentors and volunteer facilitators. (<http://www.projectseres.org/2013/08/12/heart-leaders-change-makers/>)

We are currently gearing up for our 4th annual Youth Leading the World camp – 4 days of training, sharing, personal development and leadership work for 60 young people from Central America, to be held in November in Guatemala.

Central America



Our Youth Leaders have also been working with a talented young local film maker in some "spotlights" that reflect their community action plans. Check out some of their videos:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=at45YdArgb4>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWhC7Myxhmg>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c1hpNX7HO7M>

Quotes from recent congress in San Rafael Cedros, El Salvador:

"My experience was incredible at this congress. I learnt about the importance of caring for our planet and of working as a team and be more co-ordinated so that we can change - perhaps not the whole world - but yes, a part of the world."

Ana Maricela Gonzalez

"This was a great experience as there are so many things that I didn't know, so many ways in which I can start to look after our environment. Now, I have so much energy and desire to work to conserve the environment. We have to give our all for the one that sustains us all - our mother earth."

Pedro Mozo

"This congress was unforgettable as were the facilitators.

The three days were like no experience I have ever had before, congratulations to SERES for your work - you are amazing leaders!"

Emerson Bladimir Mayora

"I learnt so much about the changes that you can make in society and about where we are headed if we don't make those changes. I really enjoyed learning to work in a team, and realizing how important it is to look after the environment and everyone and everything around us."

Ana Joselyn Peña



Community action plans. Photo © Piaf Producciones

Australian Leadership Awards Fellowship

Climate Resilience Leadership Program

During September-October a team of emerging leaders from Colombia, El Salvador and Guatemala travelled to Australia for 5 weeks, to participate in the Climate Resilience Leadership Program. The training was a collaboration between OzGREEN and our Latin American partners Seres and OpEPA. The program was supported by a grant from AusAID through the “Australian Leadership Awards Fellowship”.

The program was highly successful in meeting its objectives. A team of 7 fellows participated in the program and were trained to facilitate key OzGREEN sustainability leadership and community programs including Youth Leading the World and Village Environmental Action Plan program. Linkages between Australian and the LAC Region have been strengthened with relationships developed between people and organisations from 18 regions across Australia. Fellows have successfully delivered Youth Leading the World involving young people from 15 locations in Colombia, Guatemala and El Salvador – with a target for 26 locations in 2013.

Fellows have returned to the LAC Region to work with local communities and youth with strong confidence in their own capacity to be change leaders and facilitators.

The involvement of Gumbaynggirr Elders was of special significance to Fellows. Many are from small Indigenous communities in the LAC Region.



The Climate Resilience Leadership Program Fellows

20 Years of OzGREEN



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Committees' Report

30 June 2013

Your committee members submit the financial report of the Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2013.

1. General Information

Committee Members

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

Gavin Keeley	Convenor - Appointed July 2012
Sue Lennox	Secretary
Louise Johnston	Treasurer
Sharyn Wilson	
Michelle Walker	Appointed February 2013
Mark Caddey	Appointed May 2013
Nick Bearlin-Allardice	Resigned December 2012
Julian Harris	Resigned December 2012

Principal Activities

The principal activities of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated during the Financial year were the developing and maintaining of programs to harness the creativity and intelligence of people to build pathways to a sustainable future. The Association's programs are based on a 3 part methodology that enables informed participation, harnesses unique contributions and provides ongoing support through long term engagement.

Significant Changes

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

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Committees' Report

30 June 2013

2. Operating Results and Review of Operations for The Year

Operating Result

The operating surplus/(deficit) of the Association for the financial year amounted to \$ 78,565 (2012: \$ (116,877)). The Association is exempt from income tax.

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

Convener:



Gavin Keeley

Treasurer:



Louise Johnston

Dated this 24th day of September 2013

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 June 2013

	2013	2012
Note	\$	\$
Revenue and other income	2 734,652	490,889
Employee benefits expense	(338,703)	(311,317)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(4,899)	(6,699)
Project costs	(88,577)	(89,967)
Consultancy fees	(82,090)	(18,703)
Travel and accommodation	(33,034)	(64,455)
Workshops and meeting costs	(21,616)	(20,512)
Accounting fees	(23,772)	(22,946)
Rental expenses	(11,100)	(14,484)
Telephone	(9,343)	(13,767)
Insurance general	(6,723)	(6,231)
Printing and supplies	(2,609)	(1,767)
Loss on disposal of assets	-	(5,339)
Other expenses	(33,621)	(31,579)
Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax	78,565	(116,877)
Income tax expense	1(k) -	-
Surplus/(Deficit) from continuing operations	78,565	(116,877)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	78,565	(116,877)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

As At 30 June 2013

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	358,554	564,490
Trade and other receivables	6	82,500	3,072
Other assets	7	5,771	3,500
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		446,825	571,062
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	3,380	5,826
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		3,380	5,826
TOTAL ASSETS		450,205	576,888
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	9	80,813	120,643
Employee benefits	10	46,037	44,881
Other liabilities	11	225,500	392,075
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		352,350	557,599
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		352,350	557,599
NET ASSETS		97,855	19,289
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		97,855	19,289
TOTAL EQUITY		97,855	19,289

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 June 2013

2013

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2012	19,290	19,290
Surplus for the year	78,565	78,565
Balance at 30 June 2013	<u>97,855</u>	<u>97,855</u>

2012

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2011	136,166	136,166
Deficit for the year	(116,877)	(116,877)
Balance at 30 June 2012	<u>19,289</u>	<u>19,289</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 June 2013

	2013	2012
Note	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Contributions and receipts from customers	485,058	870,039
Payments to suppliers and employees	(692,132)	(543,822)
Interest received	3,591	1,841
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities (Note 14)	<u>(203,483)</u>	<u>328,058</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITY		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	<u>(2,453)</u>	<u>(1,604)</u>
Net cash used in investing activity	<u>(2,453)</u>	<u>(1,604)</u>
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents held	(205,936)	326,454
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>564,490</u>	<u>238,036</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	5 <u><u>358,554</u></u>	<u><u>564,490</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2013

The financial statements cover Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated as an individual entity. Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated is a not-for-profit association incorporated in New South Wales under the *Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009* and *Associations Incorporation Regulation (NSW) 2010*.

1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations and the *Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009* and *Associations Incorporation Regulation (NSW) 2010*.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements, except the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The amount presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

These financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the committee on ----- September 2013.

(b) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(c) Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. In the event the carrying amount of plant and equipment is greater than the estimated recoverable amount, the carrying amount is written down immediately to the estimated recoverable amount and impairment losses are recognised either in profit or loss. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present.

The cost of fixed assets include expenditure that is directly attributable to the asset. Subsequent cost are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised as expenses in profit or loss during the financial year.

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1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued

(c) Property, Plant and Equipment continued

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Plant and Equipment	20% - 33.3%

The assets' residual values, depreciation methods and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the item is recognised.

(d) Leases

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all of the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

(e) Financial Instruments Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is the equivalent to the date that the Association commits itself to either the purchase or sale of the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transactions costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at either fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest method, or cost. *Fair value* represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in arm's length transaction. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- less principal repayments any reduction for impairment;
- adjustment for any cumulative amortisation of the difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount calculated using the *effective interest method*; and

The *effective interest method* is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to

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1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued

(e) Financial Instruments continued

the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

The classification of financial instruments depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired.

(i) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Loans and receivables are included in current assets, except for those which are not expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

(ii) Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities other than financial guarantees are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial liability is derecognised.

(i) Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual right to receipts of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party, whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the assets. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of the consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(ii) Impairment of Assets

At the end of reporting period, the association assess whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. The assessment will consider both external and internal information. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of that asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value-in-use, to the assets carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is immediately recognised in profit or loss.

Where the future economic benefits of the assets are not primarily dependent upon the asset's ability to generate net cash flows and when the entity would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of an asset.

Where it is not possible to estimate to the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the association estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

(f) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with

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1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued

(f) Cash and Cash Equivalents continued

original maturities of three months or less which are convertible to a known amount of cash and subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

(g) Trade and Other Receivables

Accounts receivables and other receivables include amounts due from customers for goods and services sold in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Accounts receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment.

(h) Trade and Other Payables

Trade 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 which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

(i) 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 benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may satisfy vesting requirements. Those cashflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows.

(j) 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.

(k) Income Tax

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

(l) Revenue and Other Income

The Association recognises revenue when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and specific criteria have been met for each of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education

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1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued

(l) Revenue and Other Income continued

Network (Australia) Incorporated's activities as discussed below.

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

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

Revenue from the rendering of services is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers

These financial statements do not include the value of time contributed by volunteers during the year.

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

(m) Grants

Grants are recognised at fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all grant conditions will be met. Grants relating to expense items are recognised as income over the periods necessary to match the grant to the costs they are compensating. Grants relating to assets are credited to deferred income at fair value and are credited to income over the expected useful life of the asset on a straight-line basis.

(n) 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 Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

(o) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

Key estimates - impairment

The Association assesses impairment at the end of each reporting year by evaluating conditions specific to the Association that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporate various key assumptions.

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1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies continued

(p) New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

The AASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The Association has decided against early adoption of these Standards. The following table summarises those future requirements applicable to the association, and their impact on the Association:

Standard Name	Effective date for entity	Requirements	Impact
AASB 2011 – 4 - Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards to Remove Individual Key Management Personnel Disclosure Requirements [AASB 124]	30 June 2014	Remove individual key management personnel disclosure requirements (i.e. components of remuneration) for disclosing entities.	The entity is not a disclosing entity and therefore this will have no impact.
AASB 2011-9 - Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income.	30 June 2013	Entities will be required to group items presented in other comprehensive income on the basis of whether they are potentially reclassifiable to profit or loss subsequently (reclassification adjustments).	The items shown in other comprehensive income will be separated into two categories.
AASB 1053	30 June 2014	This standard allows certain entities to reduce disclosures.	Since the association is a not-for-profit private sector entity, it qualifies for the reduced disclosure requirements for Tier 2 entities. It is anticipated that the association will take advantage of Tier 2 reporting at a later date.

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2 Revenue and Other Income

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Operating activities		
- Grants received	351,325	188,406
- Sponsorship and licensing fees	228,258	173,753
- Donations received	147,553	111,969
- Professional services fees	3,925	14,920
- Interest income	3,591	1,841
Total Revenue	<u>734,652</u>	<u>490,889</u>

Income received from Australian Government during the year is as follows:

	Total Received	Deferred	Recognised as Income
	\$	\$	\$
GVEHSO	3,000	-	3,000
Biofund	<u>283,000</u>	<u>213,723</u>	<u>69,277</u>
Total	<u>286,000</u>	<u>213,723</u>	<u>72,277</u>

3 Auditors' Remuneration

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Remuneration of the auditor of the association, for:		
- Auditing or reviewing the financial report	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>

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4 Interests of Key Management Personnel

The totals of remuneration paid to the key management personnel of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated during the year are as follows:

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Committee members		
Short-term employee benefits	66,838	82,604
Post-employment benefits	6,015	7,434
	<u>72,853</u>	<u>90,038</u>
Other		
Short-term employee benefits	15,970	19,859
Post-employment benefits	-	1,787
	<u>15,970</u>	<u>21,646</u>
	<u>88,823</u>	<u>111,684</u>

5 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>358,554</u>	<u>564,490</u>

Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>358,554</u>	<u>564,490</u>

6 Trade and Other Receivables

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	82,500	3,072
Provision for impairment	-	-
	<u>82,500</u>	<u>3,072</u>
Total current trade and other receivables	<u>82,500</u>	<u>3,072</u>

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6 Trade and Other Receivables continued

No impairment of trade and other receivables was required at 30 June 2013 (2012: Nil).

Credit Risk

The Association has no significant concentration of credit risk with respect to any single counterparty or group of counterparties.

The following table details the Association's trade and other receivables exposure to credit risk with ageing analysis and impairment provided for thereon. Amounts are considered as 'past due' when the debt has not been settled, within the terms and conditions agreed between the Association and the customer or counter party to the transaction. Receivables that are past due are assessed for impairment by ascertaining solvency of the debtors and are provided for where there is objective evidence indicating that the debt may not be fully repaid to the Association.

The Association does not hold any financial assets with terms that have been renegotiated, but which would otherwise be past due or impaired. The other classes of receivables do not contain impaired assets.

The balances of receivables that remain within initial trade terms (as detailed in the table) are considered to be of high credit quality.

	Gross amount \$	Past due and impaired \$	Past due but not impaired (days overdue)				Within initial trade terms \$
			< 30 \$	31-60 \$	61-90 \$	> 90 \$	
2013							
Trade receivables	82,500	-	41,250	-	-	41,250	-
Total	82,500	-	41,250	-	-	41,250	-
2012							
Trade receivables	3,072	-	-	-	-	2,750	322
Total	3,072	-	-	-	-	2,750	322

No collateral is held as security for any of the accounts receivable or other debtor balances.

7 Other Assets

	2013 \$	2012 \$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	4,540	2,269
Deposits	1,231	1,231
	5,771	3,500

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8 Property, Plant and Equipment

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and equipment		
At cost	23,962	21,509
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(20,582)</u>	<u>(15,683)</u>
Total plant and equipment	<u>3,380</u>	<u>5,826</u>
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(a) Movements in Carrying Amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	Plant and Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
	\$	\$	\$
2013			
Balance at the beginning of year	5,826	-	5,826
Additions	2,453	-	2,453
Depreciation expense	<u>(4,899)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,899)</u>
Balance at 30 June 2013	<u>3,380</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,380</u>
2012			
Balance at the beginning of year	9,358	6,901	16,259
Additions	1,604	-	1,604
Disposal-written down value	-	(5,339)	(5,339)
Depreciation expense	<u>(5,136)</u>	<u>(1,562)</u>	<u>(6,698)</u>
Balance at 30 June 2012	<u>5,826</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,826</u>

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9 Trade and Other Payables

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Unsecured liabilities		
Trade payables	11,333	22,529
GST payable	19,062	43,855
Employee benefits	19,820	16,913
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	30,598	37,346
	<u>80,813</u>	<u>120,643</u>

(a) Financial Liabilities at Amortised Cost Classified as Trade and Other Payables

	2013	2012
Note	\$	\$
Trade and other payables:		
- Total current	80,813	120,643
Less:		
Annual leave entitlements	19,820	16,913
Financial liabilities as trade and other payables	15 <u>60,993</u>	<u>103,730</u>

10 Employee Benefits

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Long service leave	<u>46,037</u>	<u>44,881</u>

11 Other Liabilities

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Deferred income	<u>225,500</u>	<u>392,075</u>

12 Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2013 (30 June 2012:None).

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13 Capital and Leasing Commitments

(a) Operating Lease Commitments

Non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Payable - minimum lease payments:		
- No later than 1 year	<u>11,100</u>	<u>11,100</u>

14 Cash Flow Information

Reconciliation of cash flow from operating activities with surplus (deficit) for the year

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	78,565	(116,877)
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Non-cash flows in profit:		
-depreciation	4,899	6,698
- net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	5,339
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(79,427)	47,913
- (increase)/decrease in prepayments	(2,271)	5,725
- increase/(decrease) in income in advance	(166,575)	333,078
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	(39,830)	38,916
- increase/(decrease) in provisions	1,156	7,266
Cash flow from operations	<u>(203,483)</u>	<u>328,058</u>

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15 Financial Risk Management

The Association's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, accounts receivable and payable.

The totals for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 139 as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
Financial Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	358,554	564,490
Loans and receivables	6	82,500	3,072
Total financial assets		441,054	567,562
Financial Liabilities			
Financial liabilities at amortised cost			
Trade and other payables	9(a)	60,993	103,730
Total financial liabilities		60,993	103,730

Financial Risk Management Policies

The Committee of Management has overall responsibility for the establishment of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated's financial risk management framework. This includes the development of policies covering specific areas such as interest rate risk and credit risk.

Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated's activities.

The day-to-day risk management is carried out by Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated's finance function under policies and objectives which have been approved by the Committee of Management.

Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated does not actively engage in the trading of financial assets for speculative purposes nor does it write options.

Mitigation strategies for specific risks faced are described below:

(a) Credit Risk

Exposure to credit risk relating to financial assets arises from the potential non-performance by counterparties of contract obligations that could lead to a financial loss to Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated and arises principally from Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated's receivables and bank balances.

Credit risk exposures

The maximum exposure to credit risk by class of recognised financial assets at the end of the reporting period, excluding the value of any collateral or other security held, is equivalent to the carrying value and classification of those financial

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15 Financial Risk Management continued

assets (net of any provisions) as presented in the statement of financial position.

The Association has no significant concentration of credit risk with any single counterparty or group of counterparties. Details with respect to credit risk of Trade and Other Receivables are provided in Note 6.

Trade and other receivables that are neither past due or impaired are considered to be of high credit quality. Aggregates of such amounts are as detailed at Note 6.

Risk is also minimised through investing surplus funds in financial institutions that maintains a high credit rating or in entities that the committee has otherwise assessed as being financially sound.

Financial assets pledged as collateral

No financial assets have been pledged as security for any financial liability.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations related to financial liabilities. The Association manages this risk through the following mechanisms:

- preparing forward-looking cash flow analysis in relation to its operational, investing and financial activities which are monitored on a monthly basis;
- monitoring unspent grants;
- obtaining funding from a variety of sources;
- maintaining a reputable credit profile;
- managing credit risk related to financial assets;
- only investing surplus cash with major financial institutions; and
- comparing the maturity profile of financial liabilities with the realisation profile of financial assets.

Typically, Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated ensures that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses for a period of 60 days. As at 30 June 2013 all financial assets and financial liabilities are expected to mature within 12 months of the balance sheet date.

(c) Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices.

i. Interest rate risk

Exposure to interest rate risk arises on financial assets recognised at the end of the reporting period, whereby a future change in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of fixed rate financial instruments.

Sensitivity analysis

The following table illustrates sensitivities to Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated's exposures to changes interest rates. The table indicates the impact on how profit and equity values reported at the end of the reporting year would have been affected by changes in the relevant risk variable that

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15 Financial Risk Management continued

management considers to be reasonably possible. These sensitivities assume that the movement in a particular variable is independent of other variables.

	Profit \$	Equity \$
Year ended 30 June 2013		
Increase /decrease in interest rate of 2% +/-	<u>5,609</u>	<u>5,609</u>
Year ended 30 June 2012		
Increase /decrease in interest rate of 2% +/-	<u>11,299</u>	<u>11,299</u>

16 Financial Information to be Furnished under Charitable Fundraising Act

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Fundraising Costs (A)	15,000	21,874
Gross fundraising income (B)	147,553	111,969
Fundraising surplus (C)	132,553	90,095
Cost of services provided (D)	460,193	467,259
Total expenditure (E)	656,087	607,766
Total Income (F)	734,652	490,889
	2013 %	2012 %
Fundraising Costs/Gross fundraising income (A/B)	10	20
Fundraising surplus/Gross fundraising income (C/B)	90	80
Cost of services provided/Total expenditure (D/E)	70	77
Cost of services provided/Total Income (D/F)	63	95

17 Association Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the association is:
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 4/82 Hyde Street
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15 Financial Risk Management continued

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Year ended 30 June 2013		
Increase /decrease in interest rate of 2% +/-	<u>5,609</u>	<u>5,609</u>
Year ended 30 June 2012		
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Cost of services provided/Total Income (D/F)	70	95

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Committees' Declaration

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3 to 21:

1. Present fairly the financial position of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated as at 30 June 2013 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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

Convener 
Gavin Keeley

Treasurer 
Louise Johnston

Dated this 24th day of September 2013



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Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated

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Independent Audit Report to the members of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2013, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and committees' declaration.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

Management committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

Basis of Qualified Opinion

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated to maintain an effective system of internal controls over donations, and other fundraising activities until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to those activities was limited to amounts recorded.



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Independent Audit Report to the members of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report in accordance with Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009 including giving a true and fair view of Associations Incorporation Regulation (NSW) 2010 of Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated's financial position as at 30 June 2013, and its financial performance for the year then ended on that date.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We also report that:

- a) the financial statements show a true and fair view of the financial result of fund raising appeals conducted during the year;
- b) the accounting and associated records have been properly kept during the year in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and the regulations;
- c) money received as a result of fundraising appeals conducted during the year has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and the regulations; and
- d) at the date of the report, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Rupaninga Dharmasiri

Partner
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Dated this 24th day of September 2013



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Disclaimer

The additional financial data presented on page 26 is in accordance with the books and records of the Association which have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our statutory audit of the Association for the year ended 30 June 2013. It will be appreciated that our statutory audit did not cover all details of the additional financial data. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and we give no warranty of accuracy or reliability in respect of the data provided. Neither the firm nor any member or employee of the firm undertakes responsibility in any way whatsoever to any person (other than Oz Green - Global Rivers Environmental Education Network (Australia) Incorporated) in respect of such data, including any errors of omissions therein however caused.

Rupaninga Dharmasiri

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Dated this 24th day of September 2013



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Profit and Loss Account

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Income		
Grants, donations and sponsorship	727,136	474,128
Professional services fees	3,925	14,920
Interest income	3,591	1,841
Total income	<u>734,652</u>	<u>490,889</u>
Less: Expenses		
Accounting fees	23,772	22,946
Advertising	11,199	2,391
Auditors remuneration	10,000	7,000
Bank charges	2,350	2,285
Consultancy fees	82,090	18,703
Depreciation	4,899	6,699
Entertainment	-	96
Insurance general	6,723	6,231
IT Expenses	3,900	3,091
Lease rentals on operating lease	-	333
Long service leave	1,157	7,266
Motor vehicle expenses	899	1,634
Other employee costs	37	-
Loss on disposal of assets	-	5,339
Postage	323	3,067
Printing and supplies	2,609	1,767
Project costs	88,577	89,967
Rental expenses	11,100	14,484
Repairs and maintenance	7	130
Salaries	294,668	276,396
Sick leave	2,907	(5,508)
Staff training	-	50
Subscriptions	225	199
Sundry expenses	4,718	11,353
Superannuation contributions	26,294	25,604
Telephone	9,343	13,767
Travel and accommodation	33,034	64,455
Workers compensation insurance	13,640	7,509
Workshops and meeting costs	21,616	20,512
Total Expenses	<u>(656,087)</u>	<u>(607,766)</u>
(Deficit)/Surplus before income tax	<u>78,565</u>	<u>(116,877)</u>

OzGREEN Board

Chairman

Gavin Keeley

(Joined July 2012)

Gavin Keeley is an experienced Computer Scientist and business leader with a career spanning nearly 30 years in international consultancy and executive corporate roles across a diverse range of industry sectors.



Sue Lennox

Co-Founder of Oz GREEN and CEO, To Sue, OzGREEN is not a job – it is her strategic response to her deep concern for the environment and her vision to build a more sustainable, peaceful and equitable world.

Sue, along with her husband Colin, has been the driving force behind OzGREEN since it's inception. She has 30 years experience in environmental education program innovation, development, management and implementation in urban, regional, remote and Indigenous communities in Australia, India, Papua New Guinea, East Timor and Pakistan.



Michelle Walker

(Joined Feb 2013)

Michelle has been involved with OzGREEN since 2007, when she attended a Youth LEAD camp in Alice Springs and was moved by the young peoples' stories and the power of real listening. On behalf of OzGREEN, Michelle volunteered for the Clean Ganges Campaign in Varanasi, India, assisting to run the 2010 YLTW Varanasi congress and One Planet Week activities to reduce the eco-footprint of some Varanasi youth. With a degree in environmental science, she has worked in water conservation and water planning, and was a proud recipient of the NT Young Achiever ConocoPhillips Environment Award in 2007.



Nick Bearlin Allardice

(Resigned December 2012)

Treasurer

Louise Johnston

OzGREEN is an organisation I had been involved in through the youth programs, I am passionate about their objectives and methodology and wanted to contribute in a way that utilised my key skills so it would be more meaningful for myself and the organisation than unskilled volunteering.



Sharyn Wilson

Sharyn has been a supporter of OzGreen since 2007 and has completed the Leading with the Heart workshop. She has a Masters of Applied Science in Social Ecology and a deep passion for supporting sustainability and encouraging education of environmental issues. She is proud to support OzGreen as a board member.



Mark Caddey

(Joined May 2013)

Mark has 25 years' experience as with the NSW Department of Education and have taught agriculture, science, environmental and sustainability education. Recently his work has involved revision sustainability education through a new curriculum framework and the Australian Curriculum. I am the chair of Australian Association of Environmental Education in NSW and as a team we are developing a new framework for education for sustainability for the community of NSW. He sees OzGreen as being a key player in the community environmental education, engagement and action. The focus on building capacity in young people to take on and solve the complex environmental issues is both exciting and challenging.



Julian Harris

(Resigned December 2012)



Fund for the Rivers Board

Chairman

Colin Lennox

(BSc, Dip Ed)

Co-Founder of Oz GREEN, Convenor of the Oz GREEN Management Committee, Member of the Board of the Oz GREEN Fund for the Rivers Public Gift Fund and Executive Director. Colin has



a particular interest in the way the environment (particularly water) impacts on development in the majority world. His work with Oz GREEN has convinced him that there is a desperate need to work towards an equitable distribution of resources amongst all peoples of the world.

Geoffrey Smith

(MSc)

Board Member OzGREEN Fund for the Rivers. Geoffrey is a Founding member of OzGREEN. Former State Waterwatch Coordinator, he is currently Natural Systems Program Leader with Blue Mountains City Council. Geoffrey's vision is for people to experience the sacred nature of all waterways as living systems essential to all life. Geoffrey has been active in promoting sustainable alternatives to address the Millennium Development Goals for Freshwater and sanitation at the World Summit on Sustainable Development in J'burg and the World Water Forum in Kyoto.

Treasurer

Stewart Smith

(BSc. Hons, M. Env. Law)

Member of the Board of Directors of the Oz GREEN Fund for the Rivers Public Gift Fund. Stewart is an Environmental Research Officer with the NSW Parliament. "When visiting India and Nepal in 1989, I was really touched by the spirituality of the Ganges River. It crystallised for me the need for environmental education to play an important part in people's lives. I support OzGREEN because it is an incredible force in environmental education.

Sharyn Wilson

Sharyn has been a supporter of OzGreen since 2007 and has completed the Leading with the Heart workshop. She has a Masters of Applied Science in Social Ecology and a deep passion for supporting sustainability and encouraging education of environmental issues. She is proud to support OzGreen as a board member.



Oz GREEN Staff & Awards

Banksia Award Education Category Finalist 2008

Eureka Prize

National Museum of Australia Department of Environment and Climate Change Alan Strom Award for Environmental Sustainability Education, 2007.

Vodafone Australia Foundation World of Difference Awarded to Ben Taylor to work with OzGREEN in 2004

Social Ventures Australia BIGBOOST! Winners 2003 for Youth LEAD

Stormwater Industry Association Finalist in Award of Excellence for Environmental Education for Upper Parramatta River Catchment Education Kit 2003

Rivercare 2000 Award of Excellence 2000 for kids, companies and creeks Stormwater Action Projects

Environmental Educators of the Year - 1998 Association for Environmental Education (NSW)

NSW Government RiverCare 2000 Awards Finalist in Diamond Award 1997, 1998, 2000 Oz GREEN co- founder Sue Lennox, for outstanding contributions to achieving health in NSW rivers.

RiverCare 2000 Gold Award 1995 kids, companies and creeks Project

RiverCare 2000 Silver Award 1998 Dee Why WetlandCARE

RiverCare 2000 Accreditation

- "kids, companies and creeks" (1995),
- Our Place (1997),
- Dee Why WetlandCARE (1997),
- Stormwater Action Project (1998).

Banksia Environmental Awards Sue & Col Lennox winners of the Water Category 1996

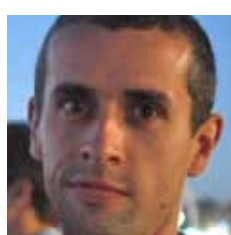
Banksia Environmental Awards Finalists in the Education & Training Category 1996

Metro Pride Award - Keep Australia Beautiful Council: Highly commended for the kids, companies and creeks Project 1996

United Nations Association Media Peace Awards Special Citation for Swatcha Ganga (Clean the Ganges) video, 1994.

United Nations Association Media Peace Awards Winner of major award "Fresh Water" video, 1991.

Keep Australia Beautiful Council - Landcom Sustainable Communities Award "Living Waters -Living Communities" 2001



Sue Lennox
Gary Fry
Colin Lennox
Judy Charnaud
Gabriel Anderson
Rowan Lennox
Denise Aitken
Benjamin Maron
Anna Joy
Dane Owen

Co-Chief Executive Officer, Co-founder (B Sc Dip Ed)
Co-Chief Executive Officer (MWLDMGT)
Executive Director, Co-founder (B Sc Dip Ed)
East Timor Program Manager (B Sc Dip Ed FGAA)
Programs Coordinator Hunter Valley (B App Sc Hon)
Finance & IT Manager (B Sc)
Office Manager
Program Coordinator (BEd Primary, Grad Dip)
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