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Australian Institute of Landscape Architects -
2014 - 2015 Annual Report



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2014/15 financial year was another year of change and progress for AILA and Australian landscape architects. It was a year where AILA launched many new initiatives and the priorities for the profession shifted to profile raising and advocacy.

In October 2014 the inaugural Festival of Landscape Architecture took place in Brisbane. The Festival recast the conference model as well as attracting more media than any previous AILA event. The creative directors did a terrific job at exploring the past and future of landscape architecture and AILA. Congratulations to all winners of the 2014 National Awards including Taylor Cullity Lethlean with Tonkin Zulaikha Greer who were with winners of the Australian Medal for Landscape Architecture for the National Arboretum Canberra Masterplan.

The National Council and staff remained committed over the last year to continually improve the governance and operations of the organisation. Significant steps have been taken to provide tangible opportunities for members to inform and engage in the direction of the organisation. Through establishing fourteen national member-driven committees, taskforces and working groups. AILA is now engaging with its members to inform its future direction, policies and advocacy in a substantial way. In addition, AILA rolled out fifteen surveys in the last year to provide opportunities for the broader membership to inform the future direction. Some of these surveys include AILA strategy, membership satisfaction, public sector and CPD. We also launched the new website, and have streamlined our communications and have much higher than average readership.

At the 2014 AGM members expressed their strong support for the reforms AILA had undertaken but also a desire for AILA to provide greater clarity on the organisations strategic direction and priorities. In February 2015 the AILA Strategy Workshop was held in Sydney. A key outcome was the need to invest in 'profile raising' as well as 'advocacy'. At the March 2014 National Council meeting in Hobart, a key resolution was to focus 60% of AILA resources to these areas as they provide multiple benefits to the profession. The recently adopted AILA Strategy 2015 - 2020 is the outcome of many months of planning with the document proposing an exciting vision for the future of AILA.

The last financial year was a period of significant membership growth with AILA membership increasing from 1,900 in September 2014 to over 2,500 in August 2015. The growth in membership is a strong indicator that AILA is heading in the right direction. I'm sure the membership will continue to grow as the benefits to members continue to increase.

As this is my last report, there are a few people I would especially like to thank. To my fellow National Councillors, your contribution has been enormous and you have been a terrific group of people to work with. Thank you also to the Chapter Executives; especially the Chapter Presidents who have helped formulate and implement the changes within AILA. The AILA leaders over the past two years should take great satisfaction in what has been achieved.

AILA members have benefited from the enormous contribution our fantastic CEO, Shahana McKenzie. Shahana has been a driving force in the reshaping of AILA and reconnecting AILA with other industry bodies, government and the media. It has been a pleasure to work so closely with Shahana and on behalf of National Council and the membership I thank you for your energy, insight and perspective.

On a personal level it has been my great privilege to be the National President. The invaluable support of my family (Sally, Tom, Nick and James) as well as the team at FFLA, in particular Tim Fitzgerald, has enabled me to commit so much of my time to AILA. My involvement with National Council has been a life changing experience and I thank the members for giving me the opportunity to serve as National President.

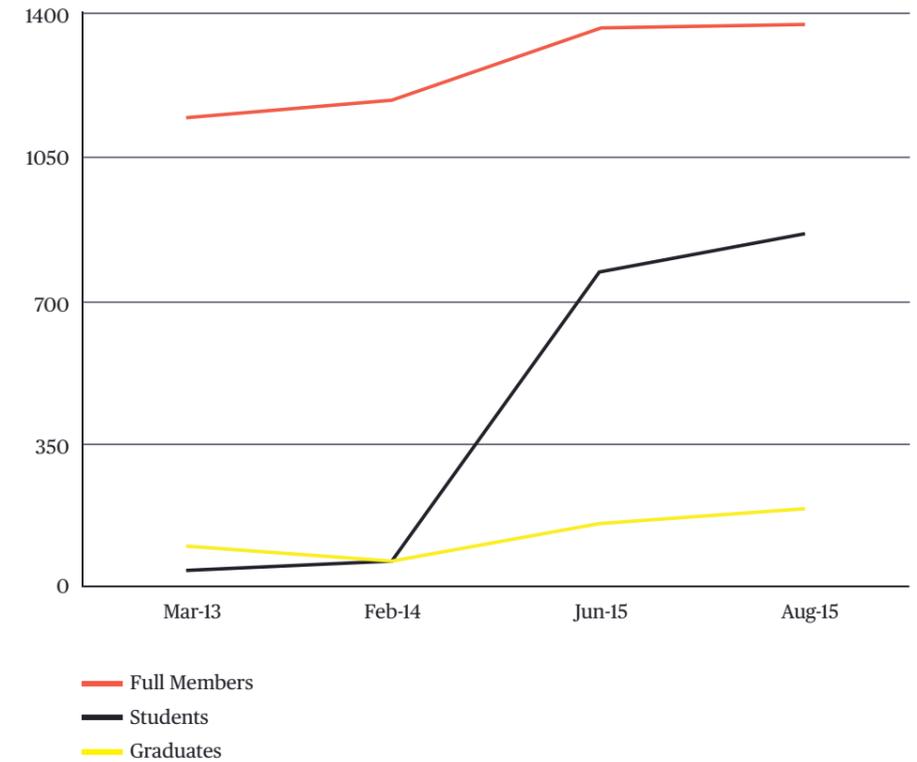
With change comes new energy. The new Chapter Executives have already taken AILA to a new level locally. The new National Council is a fantastic group of highly skilled and experienced professionals who bring so much to AILA at a time when the outlook for AILA and the profession is extremely bright. With continued energy and focus the opportunities for landscape architecture in Australia are limitless.

Mark Frisby
FAILA

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Membership numbers past 2 years



- 858 student members
- 2 x consecutive contested elections for the National Council
- New University Accreditation program created
- New strategy developed 2015 - 2020
- 14 National Committees created

“The landscape architecture profession in Australia has been greatly undervalued, and in need of a clear focus and strong advocacy in the interests of members and the public. It has been a delight to observe the recent renaissance of the AILA bringing vitality and visibility to the profession. The leadership demonstrated by the Council and CEO has been exemplary.”

Ken Maher LFRAIA FAILA
HASSELL



“In the past many urban renewal projects were led by architects, but you’ll now find landscape architects at the helm of many large-scale projects.”

Kate Cullity AILA
TCL

Image: 2014 Festival of Landscape Architecture National Awards

Cover image: The Burnley Living Roofs, University of Melbourne - HASSELL. Image: Peter Bennetts.

CEO'S REPORT

The 2014/2015 financial year has been a year of inspiring change at AILA. Each day I have been inspired by the staff, members and supporters of AILA. Landscape architects are fantastic people, and their contribution is needed more now than ever. I am delighted to be working in a role that has the potential to make a difference for the profession and their contribution.

2014/2015 I hope will be remembered as the year that set the organisation up for the future. Consistently over the period of the term we were active in developing systems, procedures and policies to clarify how the organisation wants to operate in the future. This included a new business system, CPD reporting system, membership management system, financial policies and procedures and an extensive suite of governance policies just to name a few.

2014/2015 was the first year of AILA's new Corporate Partner Program. We successfully generated over \$300,000 in national sponsorship and I would like to acknowledge the generous support of the following partners and sponsors:

- » **Principal Corporate Partner:** Lappset Australia
- » **Major Corporate Partners:** Austral Bricks and Austral Masonry
- » **Supporting Corporate Partners:** Street Furniture Australia, Village Green and Cabots
- » **National Sponsors:** WoodSolutions, Citygreen and Landmark Products

In addition to our national program, our State Chapters received significant support from local sponsors and I would like to deeply acknowledge the support provided locally.

2014/2015 was the beginning of our campaign to raise the profile and influence of the profession. This included holding the first Festival of Landscape Architecture, issuing over 15 national media releases, actively meeting with industry, government and ministers and putting up a number of submissions at the national and state level. Whilst this is still early, we are seeing fantastic results already with industry, media and government interested in the contribution landscape architects make.

Personally I would like to make a special mention to the amazing team of staff at AILA. We are supported each day by a team of staff that dedicate themselves to this organisation and go above and beyond almost every day. We are a small team, but punching well above our weight.

- » **Caroline Odgers** - National Manager, Marketing & Development
- » **Sophie Seck** - National Manager, Knowledge & Education
- » **Grace Bodman** - National Marketing & Events Assistant
- » **Catherine Horner** - National Finance Manager
- » **Catherine Scheen** - NSW Chapter Manager
- » **Carly Wood** - NSW Events & Awards Manager
- » **Katie Roberson** - Qld Chapter Manager
- » **Sally Bolton** - SA Chapter Manager
- » **Felicity McGahan** - VIC Chapter Manager
- » **Kate Western** - VIC Chapter Events & Administration Assistant
- » **Harsha Quartermaine** - WA Chapter Manager

As at 12 August 2015

Thank you to the National Council and members for trusting me with your organisation and I look forward to working with you and staff to increase the delivery, support and capacity of this organisation into the future.

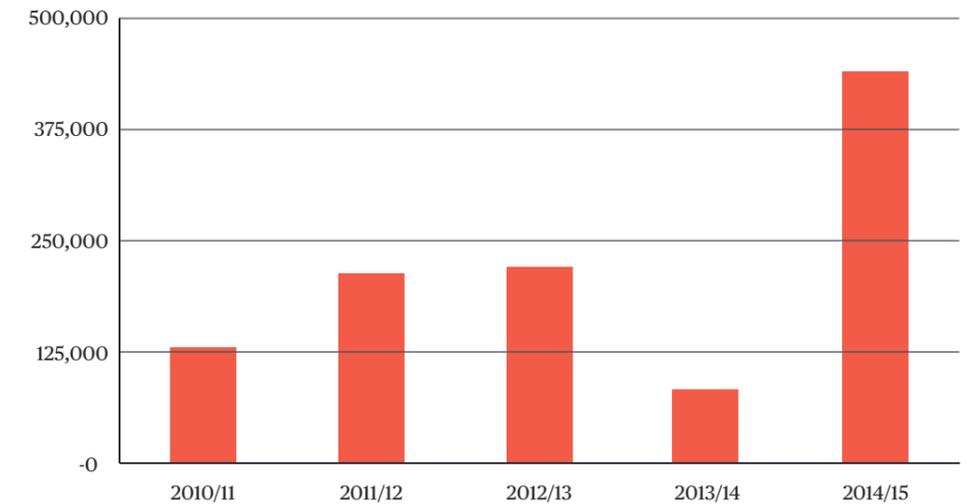
Shahana McKenzie
CEO

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Corporate partners finance

(Combined State & National)



- **New website**
- **First Festival of Landscape Architecture**
- **15 media releases issued**
- **Joined ASBEC and a Founding partner of the Parliamentary Friendship Group for Better Cities**

“The results that the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects have achieved over the last year are simply outstanding. To see membership double in the space of a year is a phenomenal result and proves the enormous benefit that can be gained from a profession actively committed to embracing change and growing its profile. The clear increase in industry and public engagement across the year is testament to the hard work and commitment of the Institute's staff, leadership and members, and this will pay dividends for years to come.”

Stephen Durkin FIEAust
Chief Executive Officer
Engineers Australia

“If you don't have good design, we don't harness and connect with the space. That's what AILA and this project are all about...Schools are more than just classrooms. They are, and must be, so much more than that. They must be welcoming and stimulating environments, and every aspect of a school's design and planning represents an opportunity to provide unique and fun learning opportunities. Our kids should be engaged and challenged by their environments from the classroom to the playground.”

Joy Burch MLA
ACT Minister for Education and Training

“AILA's transformation over the past couple of years into a bold advocate for a more liveable and human-friendly public realm has been incredible. At the same time it has been fabulous to observe the re-engagement by the membership. The future looks very promising for AILA and landscape architecture in general - the profession is in the process of claiming the position it richly deserves in public policy formulation.”

Harri Makela
Lappset Australia Pty Ltd

COMMITTEE AND CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS

NT Chapter

The end of 2014 and start of 2015 has been a productive time for the NT Chapter. The NT population of landscape architects more than doubled when the National Council meeting was held in Darwin this year. This gave a great energy and much needed rush of enthusiasm for local LA's to get involved in AILA again after keeping a very low profile for many years.

Building on the momentum generated by the Council being in town the local chapter held 3 events. Our Caring for Country talk was held in conjunction with the Charles Darwin University and their own NAIDOC week activities. We had an informative talk session taking advantage of the expertise from some of the councillors themselves, targeting local government and councils. We even held a beautiful Dinner under the stars giving the local members a chance to network with National Council and get re-inspired by what is happening outside of the NT.

Although not being represented on the next National Council, the Northern Territory has just elected 3 members to our Territory Executive to advocate and progress AILA in the NT. We are looking forward to aligning our local goals and objectives with AILA's 5 year strategy for improved design outcomes for the natural and built environment.

Jessica Hutchings AILA

NT President

VIC Chapter

Over the past year, AILA Victoria had some very exciting events and achievements. Three that stand out are:

1. AILA Victoria developed its strategy to define landscape architects' role in sustaining liveability in the state of Victoria. This conversation was furthered with AILA Vic hosting 'Channel the Panel' with Flemings Nurseries, bringing together leaders from across industry to discuss the importance of public space in our future city and blockages in achieving liveability outcomes. AILA Fresh Vic and Victorian Young Planners co-hosted an interdisciplinary forum event with a focus on regional, rural and metropolitan issues.
2. The introduction of two new committees, Advocacy and Public Sector, built on the successful committee model of Victoria. Both of these committees were established to progress a national direction of advocacy and profile raising as well as reflecting the breadth of the profession. The Victorian Committees delivered eight submissions including Better Apartments, Electricity Safety and Working towards a National Clean Air Agreement Discussion Paper.
3. With the change in State Government in November 2014, AILA Victoria actively engaged with new Ministers and Departments. A highlight was the Presidents lunch attended by Victorian Deputy Premier James Merlino MP at Fleming's Nurseries Advanced Tree Nursery. AILA Victoria's strategy for 2015: AILA the Voice of a Landscape of Liveability was launched at this event.

Jon Shinkfield FAILA

VIC President (past)

Emma Appleton AILA

VIC President (present)

SA Chapter

Over the last 12 months, AILA SA has been striving to provide a range of support services to our members in co-ordination with national office initiatives.

Raising the Profile

The 2015 State Awards has provided great opportunity to showcase landscape architecture to local decision makers, design industry and the public through an Awards Launch, Exhibition of Entries as well as increased coverage in the media through The Adelaide Review. In addition AILA SA is a presenting partner for 2015 Festival of Architecture and Design. This involvement will help to profile the profession to the broader design community and to the public of South Australia.

Engaging the Next Generation

AILA SA has built stronger relationships with Adelaide University through the Landscape Architecture Students Association (LSA), resulting in an all-time high of 77 student members. Regular meetings with the University, the establishment of a Chapter Education Committee and Internship Program has strengthened the connection between the profession, university and students. Events such as the LSA Exchange demonstrated the value of this connection, allowing members to share their career highlights and journey with over 50 students. In addition, SAILA Fresh Group has established greater connection between recent graduate members to provide support in their career developments.

Advocacy

AILA SA has also been building relationships with key industry stakeholders including meeting with The Lord Mayor to profile the significant way in which LAs contribute to the design of our cities. The Government Architect from ODASA and the state presidents from PIA and AIA have been engaged with in a regular and meaningful way. This will continue into the future.

Carina Green AILA and Heath Edwards AILA

SA Presidents (past)

Ben Willsmore AILA

SA President (present)

QLD Chapter

Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast and Townsville AILA Groups facilitated and delivered a series of CPD Discuss, Explore, Technical and social events for our members in SEQ and regional centres. The highlight of the year was the involvement in organising and successfully hosting the 2014 inaugural Festival of Landscape Architecture. 2015 saw the biannual awards which received 39 entries and culminated in a fantastic awards dinner that brought together 180 industry representatives to celebrate a diverse range of award recipients resulting in significant media exposure both in Brisbane and regionally.

This year also saw a re-energised AILA Fresh with new committee members that has built a stronger relationship with QUT resulting in an increase in student membership. Committee members also attended a national meeting of all AILA Fresh representatives at the Festival, plus ongoing monthly National AILA Fresh conference calls.

The AILA QLD Executive have focussed on profiling and advocacy of the profession and this year has seen the ongoing development of strategies for state based advocacy and profile building of the profession.

A number of letters were sent to the relevant new Qld Government Ministers with favourable responses. The relationship with the Queensland Government Architect's office saw Malcolm Middleton both sit on the jury and attend the awards dinner. We coordinated numerous AILA submissions to State and Local Government in response to significant development and policy that will have an effect on our Queensland cities, including responses to the Kurilpa Master Plan and Queens Wharf redevelopment.

The Qld Executive are also having ongoing discussions with Qld State Presidents and staff of allied affiliations such as UDAL, AIA, PIA, ALDAM, Planning & Leisure Australia, BDA, building relationships and exploring opportunities to work closer together in the future.

QLD President and Executive appreciates the efforts of national office to have a seamless and integrated relationship - particularly the regular teleconferences

David Hatherly AILA

QLD President (past)

Shaun Walsh AILA

QLD President (present)

WA Chapter

AILA WA had an active year of engaging with members, increasing the profession's profile by participating in external committees, developing position papers and policy responses and advocating for improved integration of Landscape Architecture into the planning and design of Western Australia's public spaces.

Some key highlights for targeted advocacy and profiling in the 2014-2015 financial year include: written responses to State Government planning documents 'Planning for Bushfire Risk Management' and 'Perth and Peel @3.5 million'; position papers for the 'Perth Freight Link' and 'Perth Light Rail' projects; invited participation on the 'Coalition for Light Rail Working Group' led by Senator Scott Ludlam and Minister Alannah MacTiernan including involvement from AILA Vice-President Daniel Bennett; presentations at Hydropolis 2015 Conference organised by the Stormwater Industry Association WA and the West Australian Local Government Australia (WALGA) Green Infrastructure Industry Talk; and ongoing positions in the 'Built Environment for Design Professionals' working group and the Swan Region NRM (Natural Resource Management) group contributing to discussions around Green Infrastructure.

wAILA Fresh successfully implemented their first two year term which led to a significant increase in student and graduate memberships. The group also provided other state Fresh groups with guidance on their establishment and with financial assistance from the state chapter wAILA Fresh held sell-out events at the Fremantle Esplanade Youth Plaza and have regular high attendance at Fresh Fridays with allied professions student and graduate groups. wAILA Fresh were also active in social media with their online blog at wAILAfresh.com, Twitter, Facebook and Instagram platforms.

The direction, energy and enthusiasm of the executive, led through 2014-2015 by Sara Kjaersgaard, has enabled AILA WA to build relationships and momentum that will ensure an exciting time ahead for members in WA.

Sara Kjaersgaard AILA

WA President (past)

Nathan Greenhill AILA

WA President (present)

NSW Chapter

Highlights of the year for the NSW Chapter include the Barangaroo Headland Park site visit in April with 200 industry friends attending to see the last stages of construction and hearing from the designers and craftspeople involved was inspiring and educational.

The Regional Connect Conference in Newcastle in March was an engaging event in a beautiful spot right on the beach. We heard from practitioners around the state about their projects; their experience as landscape architects in both private and public sector; and the opportunities and challenges of working across NSW.

Finally the awards night in November was great celebration of landscape architecture with 240 attendees and 42 entries from around the state. Amongst the many excellent entries and worthy winners, the Medal for Landscape Architecture went to Sue Barnsley Design for Jubilee Playground; the People's Choice award was for the Lemur's Forest at Taronga Zoo by JILA and James Grant's President's Award went to the 2020 initiative.

AILA NSW was heavily involved with the World Parks Congress 2014 which attracted 6000 participants from over 170 countries, AILA participated in several aspects of Congress. An AILA members' event was held in conversation with **Jess Scully**, Vivid Ideas Festival Director and **Gil Penalosa**, 8-80 Cities. AILA NSW members were involved in the Healthy Parks Healthy People Stream presentations. And lastly the pop-up park design competition - the experience a resounding success in terms of outreach, partnerships and future directions.

James Grant AILA

NSW President (past)

Gareth Collins AILA

NSW President (present)

Images on next page clockwise: AILA WA Chapter ACM Austral Bricks Studio, AILA VIC President's Lunch Fleming's Nursery, AILA VIC Chapter Landscape Technical Austral Bricks Studio, AILA SA + NAG Quiz Night and AILA NSW Chapter Barangaroo Sneak Peek Site Visit

ACT Chapter

The ACT chapter had a very busy year and judging by members' feedback and participation at events, it was also highly successful. Local membership increased from 48 to 82 with the addition of 6 new registered members which is very promising for the chapter.

Some of the key highlights from the year were a series of CPD events including the Winter Hill Tree Farm visit, John Gollings Photography workshop and Graham Fletcher Contract Administration Seminar which were all sold out prior to taking place.

AILA ACT also made submissions to government and took a proactive approach to reinforce connections and engagement with allied professions, businesses and politicians.

Amanda Evans AILA

ACT President (past)

Catherine Keirnan AILA

ACT President (present)

TAS Chapter

The AILA Tasmanian Chapter has had a busy year with a number of very successful events.

In November we hosted a screening of UK film 'Project - Wild Thing' at the University of Tasmania which was well attended by AILA members, educators and the broader community. It was a great opportunity to promote landscape architecture and to engage in discussion about the importance of connecting children with nature - for their own development and for the future health of our planet.

In May we hosted a City Talk featuring Daniel Bennett from the City of Adelaide and Toby Lodge of HASSELL, discussing the future of light rail for Hobart. This event attracted political interest with the Lord Mayor of Hobart and the Mayor of Glenorchy both publicly declaring their support for a light rail future at the event. The City Talk received mainstream media coverage with newspaper articles and radio interviews - it contributed some fresh perspectives to the debate about urban planning and transport in greater Hobart - both key issues for our capital city's sustainable future.

The May City Talk coincided with a visit by National Council. A social event was held at the Avalon City Retreat which was a great chance for members to get to know the National Council members in a relaxed and festive setting. The event was also a celebration for the Tasmanian Chapter winning the membership drive competition.

The enthusiasm and commitment from the TAS membership has been fantastic over the past year and we are excited and looking forward to a big year of CPD activities, member engagement and advocacy ahead.

Sally Taylor AILA

TAS President

Sarah Bendeich AILA

Acting TAS President



COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

National Public Sector Working Group (NPSWG)

Chair: Adrian Gray AILA

The NPSWG formed in June 2014 to represent the views and interest of Registered Landscape Architects working in the public sector.

A survey of public sector landscape architects was conducted that sought to understand the role of contemporary public sector practitioners; a better understanding of their unique core skills; what the gaps in professional needs are; and how AILA may assist in advocating and developing the profession more broadly.

A snapshot of the key findings was released in February 2015 and the NPSWG is now compiling a cross-cutting issues report for consideration by National Council by the end of 2015. Alongside this, ABS data has been received and examined that profiles Landscape Architects from 2001 to 2011 census. A article is now being prepared that 'unpacks' the data for the purpose of sharing with the wider membership.

A draft position paper titled "The Critical Role of Landscape Architects in Local Government" has been prepared to enable the National Council to advocate for the provision of landscape architectural services within the public sector. This group has also been actively trying to link State PSLA's by bringing together PSLA's at State events such as the upcoming Public Sector Summit/ AILA event in NSW in August with NPSWG members from VIC and SA presenting at this event.

National Education Committee (NEC)

Chair: Graham Fletcher AILA

This committee commenced in May 2015 and comprises representatives from universities offering Landscape Architecture programs, practitioners and students. To date, it has concentrated on delivering the Accreditation program and policies developed by the National Accreditation Framework Working Group. 2015 and 2016 will see Accreditation appraisals at six universities, with the remainder timetabled for 2017. Also, the committee has prioritised the establishment of a National Research Strategic Framework for presentation to National Council. The third priority for the committee is to recognise the importance of other national committees and the State and Territory committees in the development and delivery of national education, particularly in regard to CPD.

Publications Review Taskforce (PRT)

Chair: Christopher Sawyer AILA

At the October 2014 AILA National Council meeting, it was identified that a Publication Review Taskforce be established to identify the purpose, goal and objectives of the current funds allocated to the publication, Landscape Architecture Australia and seek to then use them for the best purpose. The review has identified the need for broader publication coverage and content that includes an expanded range of project types, including greater student, research and emerging practitioner projects. The review has recognised the importance of content and the protection of the intellectual property of the profession, and the need for greater control over this content and how it is published, as well as clear editorial policies. Much time has been spent discussing multiple publication formats, and the need to offer the expanded content over many different publication platforms. There is recognition that reliance on only print publication is no longer acceptable, with many practitioners no longer relying on printed publications for project and professional information. This will require a shift in the publication agenda of the AILA in the future, with greater allocation of resources to a broader range of publications, including on-line. The review is currently nearing completion.

Constitution Review Working Group

Chair: Michael Ryan FAILA

The purpose of this group is to review the existing constitution, to make recommendations to National Council regarding the updating of the constitution and to prepare the brief for relevant legal services.

The CRWG has had a very productive year. First meeting in September 2014, The CRWG established short, medium and long term goals.

These have largely been achieved, with the preparation of an Options Discussion Paper, designed to inform the membership of the various approaches a new constitution could take. An extensive consultation period took place, incorporating a number of face-to-face workshop-style events around the country.

The CRWG has prepared detailed recommendations to National Council based on consultation with members and others. Alongside this, drafting of a new constitution has taken place, using a more relevant and succinct template provided by an expert in this field. It is expected that this first draft be released for a second round of membership consultation in late September, with a specialised session running at the Festival to help 'un-pack' the proposed changes.

The long term phase is to finalise the draft constitution after members feedback is received, and submit it for legal advice prior to it being adopted.

The CRWG is nearing the end of its activity.

The draft of the new constitution is going to National Council in the hands of Shaun Walsh. National office is preparing information, in the form of an explanatory column, to enable this draft to be circulated for comment. After review of comments, the revised draft will be ready for legal review.

National Membership Committee (NMC)

Chair: Ashley Sheldrick AILA

The NMC has worked over the last year to review and streamline policies and procedures for AILA membership with the aim of increasing membership numbers while retaining rigour around membership processes. The removal of a range of administrative barriers to gaining and retaining AILA membership combined with an amnesty to encourage recently lapsed members to rejoin, and continued professional interest in participating in the revitalised AILA has seen membership numbers increase from 1,811 total members (1328 RLA's) in August 2014 to 2,527 total members (1382 RLA's) in August 2015.

The NMC are currently working on a review of Registration and Membership and are investigating the introduction of a membership category that allows full voting and office-holding rights without requiring becoming a Registered Landscape Architect. We are using the results of the membership survey completed with renewals to inform this process. We are also in the early stages of investigating the potential to deliver registration study modules online to improve access for regional members to the registration process. The online modules are likely to be supported by face-to-face mentoring.

Financial, Risk Management and Audit Committee (FRAP)

Chair: Penny Spiers AILA

The FRAP provides assurance and recommendations to National Council on matters relevant to the Institute's financial risk and control framework. Its role includes protecting assets, financial health, financial reporting, budgeting, risk management systems, overseeing external audits, compliance and investment strategies.

Quarterly reviews of the state and national budgets are undertaken, whilst State Managers complete monthly reports. The ownership and effort each State has attributed to their budgets and financial management should be commended. This year AILA has appointed Catherine Horner as the National Finance Manager, who is also part of the FRAP.

The FRAP is procuring independent financial and audit services with Tenders received and reviewed, and the successful candidate to be engaged in the near future. A Risk Register was created to formalise our assessment of financial and other risks to enable wider consideration within management and at board level. With these positive developments, AILA is in a strengthened financial position moving forward.



Image: Royal Park Melbourne by City of Melbourne, photography by David Hannah

National Accreditation Framework Working Group (NAF WG)

Chair: Linda Corkery FAILA

The NAF WG was formed following a meeting of academics in Melbourne in May 2014. The Working Group, comprising academics and a National Councillor, was formed to review and refresh the accreditation standards and procedures for professional landscape architecture education in Australia and, importantly, to restore transparency and trust between the academic programs and the professional body. Through teleconferences and face-to-face working sessions, NAF WG produced a set of documents to guide a new accreditation process. The central policy document was developed using the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board's (US) material as its base, tailored to respond to the realities of the Australian tertiary education settings. The NAF WG was officially disbanded in a final teleconference held in April 2015 when it signed off on final drafts of the following:

- » **Accreditation Standards and Procedures Policy**
- » **Self-Evaluation Report (SER) template**
- » **Information and Guidelines for National Accreditation Visiting Team Members (NART)**
- » **Terms of Reference for the NART membership and processes.**

The NAF WG achieved a well-balanced process, representing the interests of both academia and the profession. With the formation of a new National Education Committee, the new policy and supporting documents can be successfully overseen and implemented.

Landscape Architecture Australia Editorial Advisory Panel (LAA EAP)

Chair: Jenny Rayment FAILA

Landscape Architecture Australia magazine has seen a highly productive - as well as transformative - year in 2014-2015. The LAA Editorial Advisory Panel has met via four teleconferences over this period, and various members joined for informal conversations at the Forecast Festival in Brisbane in October.

The Festival marked the launch of a freshly re-branded magazine, showcasing the winners of the 2014 National Landscape Architecture Awards, and received tremendously positive feedback on the revised format and design.

The February issue #145 represented another landmark for the magazine by exhibiting the winners of the inaugural Landscape Architecture Australia Student Prize - an initiative that has been warmly greeted (and appreciated) by AILA. The May issue #146 delved into topics that also depart, to some degree, from more 'traditional' editions, including temporary urban interventions, urban regeneration, community activism, and curation of public space.

Throughout the discussions, the Editorial Panel and team from Architecture Media have enjoyed productive exchanges of ideas and feedback, and conversations about potential future topics, projects and contributors for upcoming features. The Panel also welcomed the announcement of Cameron Bruhn and Ricky Ricardo as Creative Directors (in association with Claire Martin) for the 2015 'This Public Life' Festival in Melbourne.

National Regional Working Group (RWG)

Chair: David Moir AILA

The RWG met for the first time in March 2015 with a term of 12 months. This working group is established to represent the views and interests of Registered Landscape Architects working in regional Australia. It aims to enhance AILA's delivery and engagement with regional members and to reconnect with non-members eligible for membership.

To assist in defining the key issues and possible strategies, the group has prepared a profile of issues relating to regional practice, these have been drawn from the 2014 AILA Regional Survey, the NSW Regional Connect Conference held in Newcastle in March and from the personal experiences of the RWG members. Key issues to date include access to CPD in regional areas, professional advocacy, increasing regional membership, promoting regional projects through the awards program, promoting careers in regional practice, promoting the profession to regional school students, influencing government policy on regional issues and possible creation of regional networks and mentor programs

Many of the issues identified also fall into the terms of reference of other committees and working groups. It is the intention of the RWG to identify opportunities where constructive input can be provided by the RWG at these cross over points so that the needs of regional members are considered in all future AILA initiatives and policy directions.

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National Advocacy Committee (NAC)

Chair: Cassandra Rose AILA

The NAC is focussed on developing policy and an approach to advocacy on a national level that has a clear and concise voice. The focus for this year has been to develop key position statements that communicate with a strong and knowledgeable voice to a wide audience beyond the profession.

Currently eleven position statements have been written by the members of the committee as first drafts. Five of these position statements have now been progressed to a point that they will be sent to the membership for comment this year. Further to the development of position statements, the NAC has developed an 'AILA Advocacy Submission and Representations Policy' which is to guide the development, approval and releasing of Advocacy material by AILA.

The NAC has this year provided formal responses to various government policy documents on a federal level as well as provided assistance to state advocacy groups to develop responses and comment on state based issues.

In the future the NAC is looking to lead a change in thinking about how to advocate for our profession to governments and the wider population, becoming more proactive and having clear goals with measurable outcomes to measure our successes.

Strategy Steering Committee (SSC)

Chair: Suzanne Moulis AILA

The SSC was formed in October 2014 to advise Council and guide the development of AILA's 2015-2020 Strategic Plan. The Strategy was successfully launched to members in August 2015 and the Committee has now been disbanded. The development of the Plan was informed by the membership through workshops and online consultation. It sets out and makes transparent the goals and actions that will guide our work over the next five years in the key areas of advocacy, profile, membership growth and good business practice. It articulates our leadership role in building a stronger profession and strengthening our credibility with policy makers. Over the next five years AILA will embrace its role as the national advocate for landscape architecture. We will build stronger relationships with communities and governments, and underpin this with continuing growth in membership and a robust organisation. AILA's National Council will regularly review the currency of the plan and AILA's performance against its goals.

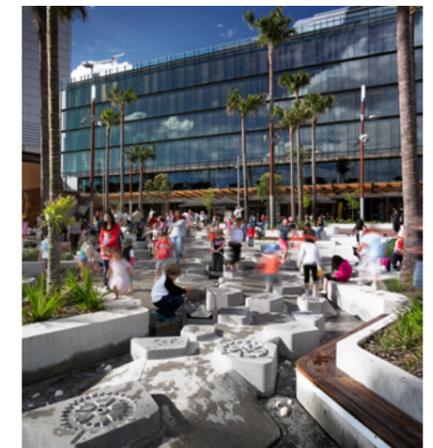
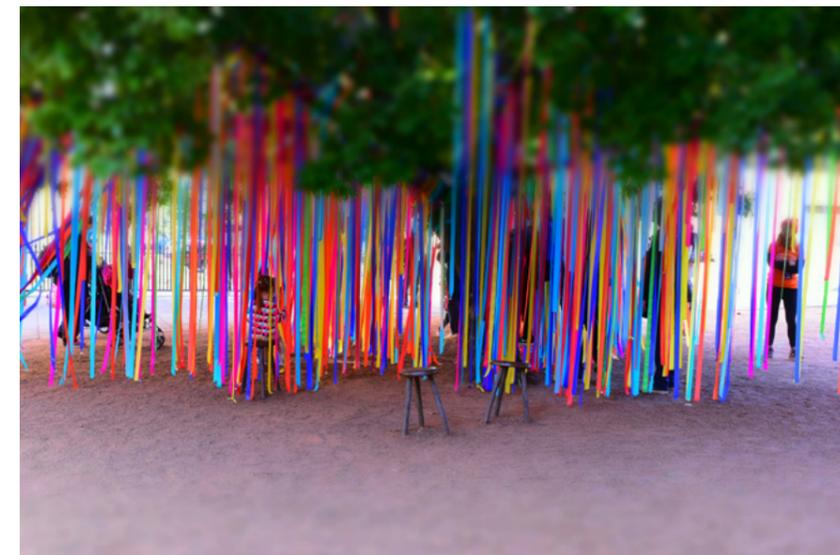
National Continuing Professional Development Committee (CPD Committee)

Chair: Louise Journeaux AILA

The CPD Committee has worked hard over the last year. It reviewed the results of the CPD survey conducted in June 2014, and reported these observations to members via the e-news. This analysis was able to provide the basis for the Committee to develop a CPD strategy, from which a Framework has been developed, guided by feedback from State and Territory Managers, Committee members and AILA National. To support the Framework and online learning possibilities, a 'Tree of Knowledge' was developed outlining five main study areas with a breakdown of topics. It is intended that this 'tree' guides the uploading of CPD content, in the years to come. Concurrently with the above activities, the Committee has investigated and researched the potential of on-line learning and funding models for this. Discussion has taken place with the State Managers about the logistics of implementing the CPD events outlined in the Draft Framework, and organising recording of events/webinars.

AILA now has an endorsed CPD Policy, and has uploaded greater clarity to members as to what constitutes CPD and how it can be recorded, all visible in AILA's website.

New members have contributed to a revitalised committee.



National Practice Committee (NPC)

Chair: Matthew McFall AILA

This committee is what I like to call a real nuts and bolts one. The members are all experienced and are motivated to see many of the tools LA's use in the running of a business become easily available to the members. Much of the work this year has been directed toward gathering past information, examining it and updating. No one wanted to see the proverbial "Baby thrown out with the bathwater" scenario. This past work still has enormous relevance and with updating and augmenting further, it becomes an incredibly important resource. All our initiatives are vigorously debated to ascertain what is achievable in the short, medium and long term. Some of the initiatives include: a web site trial for accessing AILA information; legal advice line; senior practitioner line; competition policy; and a few more which will be unveiled soon.

The Awards Review Taskforce (ART)

Chair: Adam Hunter FAILA

The ART was established in April 2014 to review the awards categories, objectives and criteria. The group met 16 times and undertook the following key tasks

1. Appraisal of issues with the current program
2. Review of the aims of the awards
3. Examination of other award programs
4. Consideration of potential options for a new / updated program.
5. Development of an Awards Framework which facilitates entering and judging of all entries under one simplified set of criteria and a streamlined entry process
6. Development of Revised Categories for entering and awarding under. The categories reflect topics that will resonate with the general public and other targets for AILA's advocacy
7. Provision of enhanced guidelines around attribution which focus on "the project" and enable the cross section of project contributors from client, to project managers, to earlier authors across the project continuum to be recognised
8. Renewal of an awards programme across State and National streams
9. Review of consultation with membership on the draft proposal
10. Advice on finalisation of policy documents

The revised program will be launched at This Public Life in October 2015. The ART wishes to thank all those members who provided feedback on the draft proposals during the consultation period. As of August 2015, ART has completed the scope of its terms of reference on behalf of National Council.

50th Steering Committee (50th)

Chair: Susie Quinton AILA

The 50th Committee met for the first time in August 2014, we are charged with the role of ensuring that 2016, which represents AILA's 50th year, is celebrated with meaning, engages our members, and raises our professional profile, amongst other responsibilities.

The Committee initially sought expressions of interest for the role of Celebration Creative for the year's activities, adding an overall thematic continuity to the anniversary approach. A Celebration Creative brief was created and promoted via a large range of mediums however this did not entice the proposals initially envisioned. The Committee members re-thought the proposed strategy and undertook active feedback from National Council. After much evolution, and with state feedback, an exciting and meaningful strategy has been agreed upon in principle and we look forward to celebrating with you in 2016.

Other initiatives being explored include collaboration between AILA Fresh and AILA Fellows and Founders, documenting the history and personalities of our Fellows. Creating a central historical archive would also be of value. In 2016, the focal event of the year will be the IFLA Asia-Pacific Congress which will be hosted in Canberra ACT - to be known as the International Festival of Landscape Architecture.



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Lady Cilento Children's Hospital by Conrad Gargett, photography by Christopher Frederick Jones and Jubilee Playground by sue barnsley design, photography by Brett Boardman*

TREASURER'S REPORT

Positive growth of AILA has been achieved and a stable foundation has been established to build on for the future.

In 2015 AILA achieved \$1,653,613 in revenue, up from \$1,285,079 in 2014 and equates to an increase of \$368,534. This is primarily due to the creation of the new corporate partner program and an increase in membership revenue. To counter this, we also invested in a number of systems, training and investments that have increased AILA's expenditure over this period. As a National Council, we wanted to set AILA up for the future and make investments now that would deliver returns for many years to come.

National Council has taken a proactive role in investing in the forward direction of AILA and establishing a resilient foundation for achieving our strategic priorities. Achievements include:

- » A new business and membership management system
- » Development of a strategic and operational plan to see AILA focused for the next 5 years
- » Restructured all operations and developed roles to suit the needs of the AILA for the future, including increased resources at the Chapter level.
- » Significantly increasing funding to the Chapters to assist in delivering local services
- » Investment in governance training and the development of governance and operational policies to support the AILA.
- » Launch of a new website and e-communications system
- » Delivery of the First Festival of Landscape Architecture in Brisbane

The audited accounts for financial period 2014-15 reflect a loss of \$46,472. This is a significant improvement on the 2013-14 periods and major reversal of a 3 year negative financial performance trend. I am confident, as is the CEO, of delivering a positive result in the 2015/2016 financial year and that as an organisation we are moving forward, not looking back.

In going through the audit it was identified that some errors occurred in the previous year and as such an adjustment was required to the previous financial year. This was primarily related to expenses and income being recognised in the wrong financial year.

In 2014 the Finance Audit & Risk Committee (FRAP) was established to provide guidance to National Council on financial and risk matters, with a key achievement in 2015 being the establishment of a risk policy and register. In addition to this the FRAP undertook a review of the external audit service and ran an open tender process for AILA's future audit services.

I would like to acknowledge the commitment of the 2013-15 National Council to organisational and fiscal reform during their term. We have achieved a great deal, and this would not have been possible without the invaluable assistance of the CEO and National Office staff and willingness of the Chapters to achieve the benefits of a AILA "One Company" mandate.

Our AILA Partners need special mention for their continued support of the Institute.

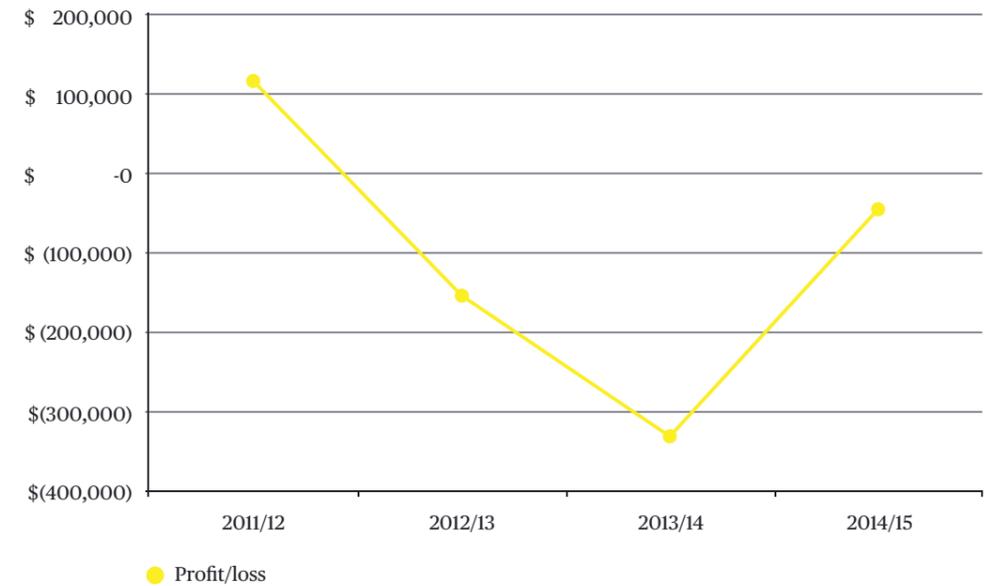
Yours sincerely,

Andrew Turnbull FAILA
National Councillor - Treasurer

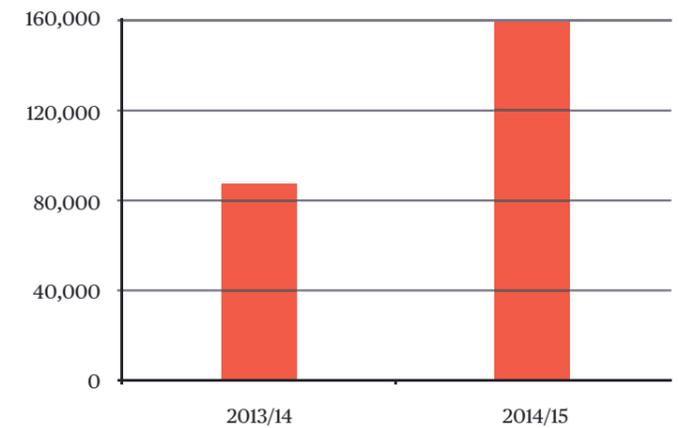
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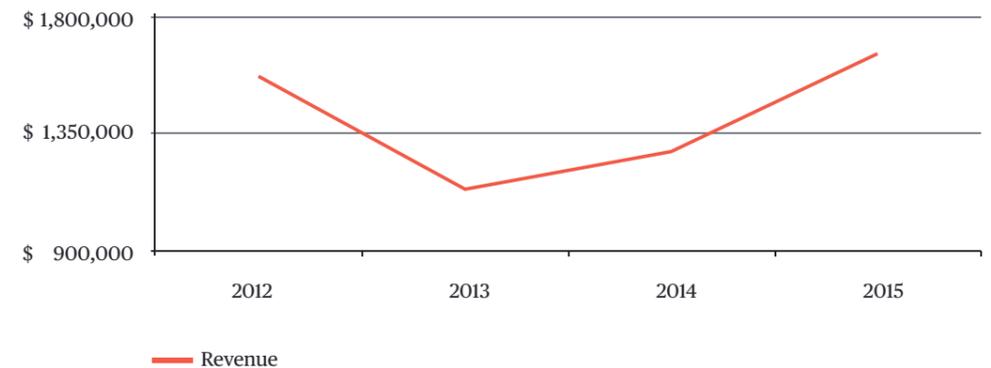
Financial performance over the last four years



Income to state/territories chapters



Revenue Growth



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FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your directors present their report on the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

DIRECTORS

The names of directors in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

Mr Mark Frisby (appointed October 2013)
Mr Greg Grabasch (appointed October 2013)
Ms Liesl Malan (appointed October 2013)
Mr Andrew Turnbull (appointed October 2013)
Mr Shaun Walsh (appointed October 2013)
Mr Jerry de Gryse (appointed October 2013)
Mr Daniel Bennett (appointed October 2013)
Ms Julie Marler (appointed October 2013)
Ms Fiona Eddleston (appointed October 2013)
Ms Suzanne Moulis (appointed October 2013)

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

COMPANY SECRETARY

The following person held the position of entity secretary at the end of the financial year:
Mr Shaun Walsh – from October 2013 until present.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the organisation during the financial year were to operate a professional association of landscape architects. The principal activities are primarily advancing the interests of landscape architects and landscape architecture through promotion, campaigning and communicating to the public and key stakeholders on the benefits of landscape architecture, and to support the profession through the delivery of relevant services, benefits and products to support their practice and career. There were no significant changes in the nature of the company's principal activities during the financial year.

OBJECTIVES

The entity's short term objectives are:

- Increased membership growth and engagement
- Increased sponsorship and partnership growth and engagement
- Increased advocacy and public campaigning through government, industry and public communications campaigns and engagement
- Increased membership services, including individual and practice support and continuing professional development
- Continuing to improve the management and governance of the organisation
- Development of a new constitution, and the replacement of the governance manual

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

The entity's long term objectives are to:

- Provide a sustainable financial platform for the organisation through membership, sponsorship and other revenue growth.
- Deliver relevant and engaging membership benefits and services to all sectors and member types
- Inspire an active membership with increased diversity in membership to reflect the broader community
- Increase the profile of landscape architecture to media, government, industry, communities, schools and other key stakeholders
- Position AILA as the leading professional institute for advocacy of the enhancement, creation and management of ecologically sustainable, culturally responsible and economically supportive landscapes
- Increase AILA's influence and connection with government at all levels
- Deliver a strong policy platform
- Deliver a successful awards and public engagement program
- Deliver a sustainable national events program that informs, educates and engages with members, industry, government and the community
- Deliver relevant, timely and proactive communications to engage and support members and stakeholders in their involvement with AILA
- Develop an innovative, sustainable and rewarding accreditation program that delivers high quality graduates
- Deliver a national continual professional development (CPD) framework that delivers appropriate CPD to all member levels and locations
- Collaborate with industry and universities to secure and deliver research
- Foster AILA as a facilitator and incubator of ideas that can advance professional knowledge, educate, challenge and promote the role of landscape architecture in society

To achieve these objectives, the entity has adopted the following strategies:

- To remain focused on delivering the agreed strategic and operational plan for the organisation
- To deliver an appropriate level of training, policies and procedures to manage and govern the organisation and to provide support to the National Council, staff and member committees
- To deliver on AILA's mission, vision and values at all times
- To monitor and report transparently and recognise performance

OPERATING RESULTS

The result of the company after providing for income tax amounted to a deficit of \$46,472 (2014: restated deficit of \$403,934 – refer to note 18).

DIVIDENDS PAID OR RECOMMENDED

In accordance with the provisions of the company's articles, no distribution is available to members.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

A review of the operations of the company during the financial year and the results of those operations is set out elsewhere in reports to members.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS

The 2014/2015 financial year was a significant year of change and innovation for the organisation. This includes the following:

- The organisation invested in a new business and membership management system
- Developed a strategic and operational plan to see the organisation focused for the next 5 years
- Restructured all operations and developed roles to suit the needs of the organisation for the future
- Invested in governance training and the development of governance and operational policies to support the organisation.
- Launched a new website and e-communications system
- Launched the first Festival of Landscape Architecture

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

Nil

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Nil

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The directors will continue to operate the company in the best interests of the members.

INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS

Mr Daniel Bennett	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture — Associate Diploma of Horticulture
Jerry de Gryse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Bachelor Science, Natural Resource — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (Honours) — Master of Environmental Studies
Fiona Eddleston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Masters of Environmental Management — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
Mark Frisby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Appointed Board Member October 2012 – June 2013 — Master of Landscape Architecture — Graduate Diploma of Landscape Architecture — Bachelor of Planning and Design
Greg Grabasch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Appointed Board Member November 2009 – June 2013 — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (Honours)
Liesl Malan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Appointed Board Member October 2012 – June 2013 — Graduate Diploma Landscape Architecture — Bachelor of Arts
Julie Marler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Masters of Heritage Conservation — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (Honours First Class) — Bachelor of Arts (Honours)
Suzanne Moulis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Master of Business Administration — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (Honours First Class)
Andrew Turnbull	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Appointed Board Member October 2012 – June 2013 — Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
Shaun Walsh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Appointed Board Member October 2013 — Appointed Board Member October 2012 – June 2013 — Graduate Diploma Landscape Architecture — Bachelor of Regional and Town Planning

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

DIRECTORS' AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' EMOLUMENTS

No director has become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the company, or a related body corporate with a director, a firm of which a director is a member or an entity in which a director has a substantial financial interest.

MEMBERS GUARANTEE

The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, the Memorandum of Association states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$20 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2015, the total amount that members of the company are liable to contribute is \$27,580 – 1379 members (2014: \$25,120 – 1256 members).

MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

During the financial year, 8 meetings of directors were held. Attendances were:

Director	DIRECTORS' MEETINGS	
	Number eligible to attend	Number Attended
Daniel Bennett	8	5
Jerry de Gryse	8	7
Fiona Eddleston	8	6
Mark Frisby	8	8
Greg Grabasch	8	8
Liesl Malan	8	7
Julie Marler	8	8
Suzanne Moulis	8	6
Andrew Turnbull	8	8
Shaun Walsh	8	8

INDEMNIFYING OFFICERS OR AUDITOR

During or since the end of the financial year the company has given an indemnity or entered an agreement to indemnify, or paid or agreed to pay insurance premiums as follows:

The company has paid premiums in respect of a Director's and Officer's Liability insurance contract. The insurance contract insures against certain liability (subject to exclusions), persons who are or have been directors or officers of the company or related parties corporate. A condition of the insurance contract is that the nature of the liability indemnified, the premium payable and certain other details of the policy not be disclosed.

PROCEEDINGS ON BEHALF OF COMPANY

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the company or intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the company for all or any part of those proceedings.

The company was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

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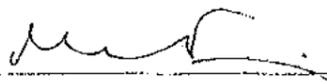
AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*, for the year ended 30 June 2015 has been received and can be found on page 8.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

 ANDREW TURNBULL
DIRECTOR

Dated this 26 day of August 2015

 MARK FRISBY
DIRECTOR

Dated this 26 day of August 2015

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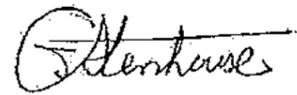
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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial report of The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects for the year ended 30 June 2015, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contravenions of:

- i. the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- ii. any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.


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G M STENHOUSE
Partner

Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
Date: 26 August 2015

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	NOTE	2015 \$	(restated) 2014 \$
Revenues	2	1,653,613	1,285,079
Employee benefits expense		(771,242)	(885,772)
Depreciation expense		(22,075)	(10,291)
Publications expense		(92,520)	(96,196)
Events, awards, and administration expenses		(620,507)	(455,256)
Professional services expense		(59,525)	(94,183)
Office expenses		(39,261)	(54,505)
Other expenses		(94,955)	(92,810)
(Deficit)/Surplus before income tax expense	3	(46,472)	(403,934)
Income tax expense	1a	-	-
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year		(46,472)	(403,934)
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity		(46,472)	(403,934)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2015

	NOTE	2015 \$	(restated) 2014 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash assets	5	490,227	705,544
Receivables	6	117,623	90,881
Prepayments	7	96,499	63,539
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		704,349	859,964
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	72,104	44,554
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		72,104	44,554
TOTAL ASSETS		776,453	904,518
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	9	109,148	190,297
Other liabilities	10	368,476	371,018
Provisions	11	36,307	34,209
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		513,931	595,524
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	11	3,858	3,858
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,858	3,858
TOTAL LIABILITIES		517,789	599,382
NET ASSETS		258,664	305,136
EQUITY			
Reserves	12	6,131	6,131
Retained Earnings		252,533	299,005
TOTAL EQUITY		258,664	305,136

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	Retained Earnings \$	Reserves \$	Total \$
Balance as at 30 June 2013	702,939	6,131	709,070
Comprehensive income for the Year (restated)	(403,934)	-	(403,934)
Balance as at 30 June 2014 (restated)	299,005	6,131	305,136
Comprehensive income for the Year	(46,472)	-	(46,472)
Balance as at 30 June 2015	<u>252,533</u>	<u>6,131</u>	<u>258,664</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	NOTE	2015 \$	2014 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from membership, sponsorship, and operations		1,627,871	1,252,548
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,800,038)	(1,761,086)
Interest received		6,475	24,014
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	13b	<u>(165,692)</u>	<u>(484,524)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payment for property, plant and equipment		(49,625)	(43,233)
Proceeds from investments		-	179,063
Payment for investments		-	(7,216)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		<u>(49,625)</u>	<u>128,614</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		(215,317)	(355,910)
Cash at beginning of financial year		705,544	1,061,454
Cash at end of financial year	13a	<u>490,227</u>	<u>705,544</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements cover the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Limited as an individual entity, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Limited is a company limited by guarantee.

Basis of Preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. The company is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for 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 amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Accounting Policies

a. Income Tax

The company is exempt from income tax on mutual income under the principle of mutuality. Any non-member income net of relevant expenses is subject to income tax.

b. Plant and Equipment

Each class of plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows which will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

The cost of fixed assets constructed within the entity includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including capitalised lease assets is depreciated on a straight-line basis or diminishing value basis over their useful lives to the company 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 & equipment	13% to 33%
Office equipment	13% to 33%

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

c. Leases

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Lease incentives received under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

d. Key judgments

Employee Benefits

For the purpose of measurement, AASB 119: *Employee Benefits* (September 2011) defines obligations for short-term employee benefits as obligations expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related services. The company expects most employees will take their annual leave entitlements within 24 months of the reporting period in which they were earned, but this will not have a material impact on the amounts recognised in respect of obligations for employees' leave entitlements.

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

e. Employee Provisions

Short-term employee provisions

Provision is made for the company's obligation for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

Other long-term employee provisions

Provision is made for employees' long service leave and annual leave entitlements not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures, and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Upon the remeasurement of obligations for other long-term employee benefits, the net change in the obligation is recognised in profit or loss as a part of employee benefits expense.

The company's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current employee provisions in its balance sheet, except where the company does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

f. Cash

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

g. Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon the delivery of goods to customers. Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service of goods to customers. Subscription receipts are brought to account as income in the period to which the membership fee relates.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

h. 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 balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

i. Critical Accounting Estimates

The directors evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the organization. No accounting assumptions or estimates have been identified that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next accounting period.

j. Financial Instruments

Recognition and Initial Measurement

Financial instruments, incorporating financial assets and financial liabilities, are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Trade date accounting is adopted for financial assets that are delivered within timeframes established by marketplace convention.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt 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 asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are either discharged, cancelled or expire. The difference between carrying value of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed is recognised in profit or loss.

Classification and Subsequent Measurement

i. *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets are classified at fair value through profit or loss when they are held for trading purpose of short term profit taking, where they are derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Realised and unrealised gains and losses arising from the changes in fair value are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

ii. *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 measure at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

iii. *Held-to-maturity investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the entity's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

iv. *Available-for-sale financial assets*

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative assets that are either designated as such or that are not classified in any of the other categories. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

v. *Financial Liabilities*

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

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NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Fair Value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

Impairment

At each reporting date, the entity assesses whether there is any objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

k. *New standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective*

The AASB has issued a number of new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods, some of which are relevant to the company. The company has decided not to early adopt any of the new and amended pronouncements. The company's assessment of the new and amended pronouncements that are relevant to the company but applicable in future reporting periods is set out below:

Ref	Title	Summary	Application date (financial years beginning)	Expected Impact
AASB 2015-3	<i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Withdrawal of AASB 1031 Materiality</i>	The Standard completes the AASB's project to remove Australian guidance on materiality from Australian Accounting Standards	1 July 2015	No expected impact
AASB 2014-4	<i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Clarification of Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation</i>	This Standard amends AASB 116 and AASB 138 to establish the principle for the basis of depreciation and amortisation as being the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits of an asset, and to clarify that revenue is generally presumed to be an inappropriate basis for that purpose.	1 January 2016	Minimal impact
AASB 2015-1	<i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Annual Improvements to Australian Accounting Standards 2012-2014 Cycle</i>	The Standard makes amendments to various Australian Accounting Standards arising from the IASB's Annual Improvements process, and editorial corrections.	1 January 2016	Minimal impact
AASB 2015-6	<i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Extending Related Party Disclosures to Not-for-Profit</i>	The amendments specify consistent related party disclosure requirements for the Australian Government, State Governments, local councils and other not-for-profit public sector entities.	1 July 2016	Minimal impact

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Ref	Title	Summary	Application date (financial years beginning)	Expected Impact
	<i>Public Sector Entities</i>			
AASB 15	<i>Revenue from Contracts with Customers</i>	This Standard establishes principles (including disclosure requirements) for reporting useful information about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from an entity's contracts with customers.	1 January 2017	Minimal impact
AASB 2014-5	<i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 15</i>	Consequential amendments arising from the issuance of AASB 15.	1 January 2017	Minimal impact
AASB 9	<i>Financial Instruments</i>	This Standard supersedes both AASB 9 (December 2010) and AASB 9 (December 2009) when applied. It introduces a "fair value through other comprehensive income" category for debt instruments, contains requirements for impairment of financial assets, etc.	1 January 2018	Minimal impact
AASB 2014-7	<i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 (December 2014)</i>	Consequential amendments arising from the issuance of AASB 9	1 January 2018	Minimal impact

NOTE 2: REVENUE

Operating activities

	2015 \$	(restated) 2014 \$
- National Office – professional services	10,029	18,964
- Operational (States)	8,252	27,262
- Events	372,102	175,286
- Membership	677,541	695,109
- Awards	100,894	72,974
- Publications	12,683	3,613
- Promotional	442,112	291,871
- Partnership	30,000	-
	<u>1,653,613</u>	<u>1,285,079</u>

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NOTE 3: RESULT

Result before income tax has been determined after:

Expenses:

Depreciation of non-current assets		
- plant and equipment	22,075	10,291
Remuneration of auditor		
- Audit fee	18,000	18,000

NOTE 4: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

a. Directors

The names of directors who have held office during the financial year are:

Mr Mark Frisby	Mr Jerry de Gryse
Mr Greg Grabasch	Mr Daniel Bennett
Ms Liesl Malan	Ms Julie Marter
Mr Andrew Turnbull	Ms Fiona Eddleston
Mr Shaun Walsh	Ms Suzanne Moulis

b. Remuneration of Directors

No remuneration was paid to directors during the year.

c. Retirement and Superannuation Contributions

No amounts were paid to superannuation funds in connection with the retirement of directors. No retirement allowances were paid in connection with the retirement of directors.

d. Other Related Parties

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

e. Key Management Personnel

The aggregate compensation of key management personnel of the company is set out below:

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Short term benefits	353,512	328,480
Post-employment benefits	27,803	45,292
Other long-term benefits	-	41,154
Termination benefits	-	303,884
Total benefits	<u>381,315</u>	<u>718,810</u>

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NOTE 5: CASH ASSETS

Cash at bank	490,227	705,544
	<u>490,227</u>	<u>705,544</u>
Cash at bank is comprised of the following state balances		
National Office	478,345	361,371
ACT State Group	-	11,299
NT State Group	-	4,871
NSW State Group	-	72,507
QLD State Group	-	161,341
SA State Group	11,582	17,875
TAS State Group	-	24,897
VIC State Group	-	20,806
WA State Group	-	30,577
Petty Cash	300	-
Total Cash Assets	<u>490,227</u>	<u>705,544</u>

NOTE 6: RECEIVABLES

CURRENT

Trade debtors	117,623	90,881
Less provision for doubtful debts	-	-
	<u>117,623</u>	<u>90,881</u>

NOTE 7: PREPAYMENT

Prepayments	96,499	63,539
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NOTE 8: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Plant and equipment at cost – National Office	102,007	56,065
Less accumulated depreciation	(32,802)	(12,973)
	<u>69,205</u>	<u>43,092</u>
Plant and equipment at cost – New South Wales	5,519	1,836
Less accumulated depreciation	(2,620)	(374)
	<u>2,899</u>	<u>1,462</u>
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>72,104</u>	<u>44,554</u>

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NOTE 8: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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

	Plant and Equipment (NSW) \$	Plant and Equipment (National) \$	Total \$
WDV Balance at the beginning of the year	2,165	42,389	44,554
Additions	2,797	46,828	49,625
Disposals	-	-	-
Depreciation expense	(2,063)	(20,012)	(22,075)
Carrying amount at the end of year	<u>2,899</u>	<u>69,205</u>	<u>72,104</u>

		(restated) 2014
	2015	2014
	\$	\$

NOTE 9: PAYABLES

CURRENT

Trade creditors	109,148	190,297
	<u>109,148</u>	<u>190,297</u>

NOTE 10: OTHER LIABILITIES

Conference and event income in advance	\$	\$
Sponsorship in advance	55,500	70,806
National Conference	47,571	42,728
Events	29,967	21,187
Memberships in advance	235,438	236,297
	<u>368,476</u>	<u>371,018</u>

NOTE 11: PROVISIONS

CURRENT

Employee entitlements	36,307	34,209
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NON-CURRENT

Employee entitlements	3,858	3,858
Aggregate employee benefits liability	<u>40,165</u>	<u>38,067</u>

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NOTE 12: MEMBERS' GUARANTEES

The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects is a company incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 as a company limited by guarantee. Every member undertakes to contribute to the assets on the winding up of the company an amount not exceeding twenty dollars in accordance with Clause 7 of the Memorandum of Association.

	2015	(restated) 2014
	\$	\$
NOTE 13: CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
a. Reconciliation of Cash		
Cash at bank	490,227	705,544
b. Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Result from ordinary activities after income tax		
Result from ordinary activities after income tax	(46,472)	(403,934)
Non-cash flows in result from ordinary activities		
Depreciation	22,075	10,291
Loss on disposal of assets	-	3,191
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposal of subsidiaries		
(Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable	(26,742)	(61,612)
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	(32,960)	(8,995)
Increase/(decrease) in payables	(81,149)	161,652
Increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	(2,542)	(82,749)
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	2,098	(102,368)
Cash Flows from operations	<u>(165,692)</u>	<u>(484,524)</u>

NOTE 14: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

a. Financial Risk Management Policies

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

The entity does not have any derivative instruments at 30 June 2015.

i Treasury Risk Management

The committee members meet on a regular basis to analyse financial risk exposure and to evaluate treasury management strategies in the context of the most recent economic conditions and forecasts.

ii Financial Risk Exposures and Management

The main risks the entity is exposed to through its financial instruments are interest rate risk, liquidity risk and credit risk.

Foreign Currency Risk

The entity is not exposed to fluctuations in foreign currencies.

Liquidity Risk

The entity manages liquidity risk by monitoring forecast cash flows and ensuring that adequate unutilised borrowing facilities are maintained.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 14: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Credit Risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, at balance date to recognised financial assets, is the carrying amount, net of any provisions for impairment of those assets, as disclosed in the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements. The entity does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single receivable or group of receivables under financial instruments entered into by the entity.

There are no material amounts of collateral held as security at 30 June 2015.

Credit risk is managed by the entity and reviewed regularly by the committee members. It arises from exposures to customers as well as through deposits with financial institutions.

The entity monitors the credit risk by actively assessing the rating quality and liquidity of counterparties:

- Only banks and financial institutions with an 'A' rating are utilised.
- The credit standing of counterparties is reviewed monthly for liquidity and credit risk.

The trade receivables balances at 30 June 2015 and 30 June 2014 do not include any counterparties with external credit ratings. Customers are assessed for credit worthiness using the criteria detailed above.

Price risk

The entity is not exposed to any material commodity price risk.

b. Financial Instruments Composition and Maturity Analysis

The table below reflects the undiscounted contractual settlement terms for financial instruments of a fixed period of maturity, as well as management's expectations of the settlement period for all other financial instruments. As such, the amounts may not reconcile to the balance sheet.

	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate		Floating Interest Rate		Fixed Interest Rate Maturing Within Year		Non-interest Bearing		Total	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	Financial Assets									
Cash at bank	1.5	2.3	130,840	339,515	-	-	359,387	366,029	490,227	705,544
Trade and other receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	117,623	90,881	117,623	90,881
Total Financial Assets	-	-	130,840	339,515	-	-	477,010	456,910	607,850	796,425
Financial Liabilities										
Trade and sundry payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	109,148	190,297	109,148	190,297
Total Financial Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	109,148	190,297	109,148	190,297

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NOTE 14: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Trade and sundry payables are expected to be paid as follows:

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Trade payables		
Less than 6 months	109,148	190,297
Total trade and sundry payables	<u>109,148</u>	<u>190,297</u>

c. Sensitivity analysis

Interest rate risk

The association has performed a sensitivity analysis relating to its exposure to interest rate risk at balance date. This sensitivity analysis demonstrates the effect on current year results and equity which could result from a change in this risk.

As at 30 June 2015, the effect on profit and equity as a result of changes in the interest rate, with all other variables remaining constant, would be as follows:

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Change in profit		
- Increase in interest rate by 1%	1,308	3,395
- Decrease in interest rate by 1%	(1,308)	(3,395)
Change in equity		
- Increase in interest rate by 1%	1,308	3,395
- Decrease in interest rate by 1%	(1,308)	(3,395)

This sensitivity analysis has been performed on the assumption that all other variables remain unchanged.

No sensitivity analysis has been performed for foreign exchange risk, as the entity is not exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange.

NOTE 15: OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

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

Payable – minimum lease payments:

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
- not later than 12 months	15,000	15,000
- between 12 months and 5 years	-	28,109
Total minimum lease payments	<u>15,000</u>	<u>43,109</u>

The property lease commitments are non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not recognised in the financial statements with a three-year term.

NOTE 16: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The company has a bank guarantee for \$0 (2014: \$5,225) which relates to the office rental in Braddon for the lease that terminated in May 2014. Subsequent to 30 June 2014, the bank guarantee has been cancelled as it is no longer required.

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NOTE 17: ENTITY DETAILS

The registered office of the entity is:

Australian Institute of Landscape Architects
47 Jardine St
Kingston ACT 2601

NOTE 18: RETROSPECTIVE RESTATEMENT OF ERRORS

During the financial year, the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects discovered that the Statement of Comprehensive Income for the financial year ended 30 June 2014 had included revenue in respect of a conference held during the financial year ended 30 June 2015 in error. In addition, expenses incurred in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2014 were not recognised during that period. The financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2014 have been restated to correct this error. The effect of the restatement on those financial statements is summarised below.

In 2014, The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects reported:

	2014
	\$
Revenues	1,381,456
Employee benefits expense	(885,772)
Depreciation expense	(10,291)
Publications expense	(90,926)
Event expense	(134,497)
Awards expense	(158,704)
Administration expense	(157,075)
Professional services expense	(94,183)
Office expenses	(54,505)
Other expenses	(79,830)
(Deficit)/Surplus before income tax expense	<u>(284,327)</u>

	Effect on
	2014
Decrease in revenues	96,377
Increase in publications expense	5,270
Increase in administration expense	4,980
Increase in other expenses	12,980
(Decrease)/increase in profit	<u>(119,607)</u>
Increase in payables	23,230
Increase in other liabilities	96,377
(Decrease)/increase in retained earnings	<u>(119,607)</u>

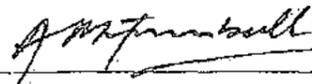
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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors of the company declare that:

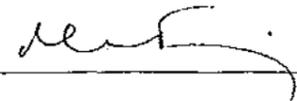
1. The financial statements and notes, being the Balance Sheet, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and Notes to the Financial Statements are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*:
 - a. Comply with Accounting Standards; and
 - b. Give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2015 and the performance for the year ended on that date of the company;
2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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

 ANDREW TURABIAN

DIRECTOR

Dated this 26 day of August 2015

 MARK FRISBY

DIRECTOR

Dated this 26 day of August 2015



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF

THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

We have audited the accompanying financial report of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects ("the company"), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2015, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement for the year then ended and the notes to the financial statements and other explanatory information and the directors' declaration.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation 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 the directors, 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.

Independence

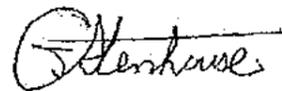
In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial report of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

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G M STENHOUSE
Partner

Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
Date: 26 August 2015

