



OVERVIEW

VISION



The vision of RAWCS remains:

Within the areas of focus of Rotary International, to enhance support services to Australian Rotarians and Rotary Clubs to assist disadvantaged communities and individuals with humanitarian aid projects



OBJECTIVE

The company objective is to manage the:

Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund
Rotary Australia Benevolent Society and
Rotary Australia Relief Fund



TO DELIVER

To enable Rotarians, the public & the corporate sector to deliver humanitarian aid & charitable support through:

Projects
Rotarians Against Malaria
Donations In Kind and
Australian Charitable Support.

REGISTERED CHARITIES:

Entity name:

Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd
Rotary Australia Relief Fund
Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund
Rotary Australia Benevolent Society

Australian Business Number (ABN):

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

PDG *John McLaren*

Understanding RAWCS

Rotary Australia World Community Service Limited (RAWCS) is an Australian non-profit public company limited by guarantee. As a public company RAWCS has a legal requirement to operate in accordance with the Australian Corporations Act and as a registered charity, RAWCS must abide by the rules and regulations established by the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission, the ACNC.

RAWCS is a company controlled by Australian Rotarians. It is important to understand that this does not mean that RAWCS is "owned" by Australian Rotarians. As a public company limited by guarantee there are no shareholders or legal owners in a formal sense. Australian Rotarians are however the most important constituency in ensuring that the company remains true to its purpose.

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Australian Rotarians are represented by the Australian District Governors of the day. The RAWCS Constitution, requires that every Australian Rotary District is represented through their District Governor who is a member of the Company. It is this membership that elects a Board of Directors to govern the company on their behalf.

The day to day management and control of the company is undertaken by the Board which is legally responsible to ensure all the requirements of an Australian company are met. The Board ensures that the ideals and values of Rotary are the ideals and values of the company. It has an ethical duty to meet the expectations of those on whose behalf the company exists – Australian Rotarians.

What RAWCS does

RAWCS is self-funding and does not rely on Rotarians to fund its operations. RAWCS works in harmony with the Rotary Foundation and its "Areas of Focus" delivering humanitarian aid through the Australian regional network of Rotary Clubs and Districts by empowering:

- **Projects:** volunteer work teams and /or funding for Rotary Projects undertaken locally, nationally and internationally;

- **Rotarians Against Malaria:** providing supplies, equipment and volunteers to support the elimination of malaria in our region by 2030;
- **Donations-in-kind:** collecting and transporting surplus goods from Australia to where they are needed overseas;
- **Communications:** delivering Rotary in action to the public, the corporate sector, philanthropists and government and linking Rotarians and Clubs with RAWCS activities.

These activities provide sustainable development and relief work overseas and charitable support for people in need of assistance within Australia. RAWCS undertakes this work through three Tax Deductible funds:

- **Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund:** currently supporting 376 overseas projects delivering humanitarian aid in 17 countries;
- **Rotary Australian Benevolent Society:** supporting 156 projects including 94 compassionate grants to Australians in need;
- **Rotary Australia Relief Fund:** providing a rapid response to 7 national appeals and disbursing funds to appropriate aid projects.

The Board has worked to develop the future of the company through its strategic planning process that sets out our vision of supporting Rotarians and Rotary Clubs by:

- Building organisational capabilities and capacities;
- Improving engagement;
- Enhancing understanding of RAWCS activities with recipients, corporates, philanthropists, donors and governments; and
- Ensuring contemporary governance and management practices.

The strategic plan frames how the company empowers Rotarians to be people of action that are compassionate and caring in the way they support humanitarian work both here in Australia and overseas.

RAWCS is a very finely-tuned business. We are responsible for the safety of Rotarians engaged on RAWCS projects and the need for high levels of compliance, accountability, and risk management. As these burdens continue to increase so do the associated costs of administration. Tight margins become stretched and the impact of the COVID-

19 pandemic has created a whole new world for us to operate in.

RAWCS received over \$24.6 million in donations and has partnered with philanthropists, donors and Australian Governments to enable Rotarians to participate in a total of 540 projects.

Notable amongst these were the very generous donations of:

- a further \$1 million from philanthropists Dick and Pip Smith for the continuation of the Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants helping Australians in hard times. Around \$742,000 has so far been matched by a further \$965,000 resulting in a total project spend of \$1.707 million or \$1.30 for every \$1.00 of Dick and Pip's donation;
- \$1 million from philanthropist Ron Allen to buy fodder for severely drought-impacted farmers through the Drought Fodder project which, thanks to a transportation subsidy by the NSW Government, will translate into an estimated project value of \$1.7 million.

Last year RAWCS assisted the Commonwealth Government by distributing \$6.5 million in cash grants to drought impacted families through the Drought Community Support Initiative and this year we have also partnered to deliver the \$5 million Drought Communities Outreach Program to farming families impacted by the drought through the provision of information events and \$500 debit cards to eligible farming households.

The RAWCS National Bushfire Appeal raised in excess of \$1.4 million and this is now being distributed in bushfire ravaged communities.

RAWCS, through Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM), is working in Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Timor Leste and West Timor to eliminate malaria in these places. RAM has submitted four Rotary Global Grant applications through Rotary districts and clubs to undertake work in these countries. RAWCS – RAM entered into a partnership with the Global Fund (an international consortium that works to eradicate AIDS, TB and Malaria) to conduct an international campaign to raise a significant amount of funds to enhance malaria elimination programs in four of our partner countries.

RAM supports a malaria vaccine project being developed and trialed by the Griffith University Institute of Glycomics. RAM is also represented on the RAM-Global Rotary Action Group Board to help shape a global Rotary agenda for malaria elimination.

The nature of Donations In Kind is changing as the medical and educational industries in developed economies look to cost-saving, sophisticated processes to sustainably reuse dated but still useful equipment and avoiding sending it to landfill. RAWCS's program of repurposing Health and Education Equipment is a pathway to providing this equipment to disadvantaged communities that face difficulties obtaining the affordable goods they need. This sustainable activity will transform our understanding of Donations in Kind. This activity delivered an amazing 54 containers of goods to 21 countries with a value in excess of \$3.87 million. Over 6,000 volunteer hours went into sustaining this program.

In today's world communication is everything and RAWCS has been developing multiple communication platforms and engaging with an ever widening national and international community. Our recognition as an ethical humanitarian aid provider goes to the heart of the integrity of Rotary.

RAWCS is supported in all its work by hundreds of Rotarians across the country and by our two dedicated and committed staff, Belinda Griffen and Pauline Lane. This is what makes Australian Rotarians "people of action" and it is what makes us all proud to be Rotarians. Your Board of Directors in 2019 / 2020, consisted of:

Chairman	John McLaren
Deputy Chairman	David Pearson
Secretary	Hank De Smit
Treasurer	Michael Whitehouse
Immediate Past Chairman	Michael Perkins
District Governor's Rep	Tim Klar
District Governor Elect's Rep	Bruce Anderson
District Governor Nominee's Rep	Heather Chong
Regional Coordinators Rep	Jerry Casburn
Manager Projects	Michael Willis till December 2019
Manager Projects	Merv Williams from December 2019
Manager Donations In Kind	Keith Roffey
Manager Rotarians Against Malaria	Jenny Kerrison
Manager Communications	John Stockbridge

Governor's Representative Tim Klar and Mick Willis retired from the Board and we thank them for their contributions over the past years.

We have been progressively restructuring the company over the past ten years and we believe the company is now a nationally capable organisation that supports Australian Rotarians with nationally standardised project management systems, efficient centralised administrative support and effective and accountable governance.

TREASURER'S REPORT

PAG *Mike Whitehouse* OAM

Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd has had a solid operational performance for the year 2019-20 and this is reflected in our financial results.

Donations have totaled \$24,648,693.

• Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd [RAWCS]	\$5,000,000
• Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund [RAOAF]	\$12,382,085
• Rotary Australia Benevolent Society [RABS]	\$4,460,873
• Rotary Australia Relief Fund [RARF]	\$2,805,735

A total operating surplus of \$187,414 has been achieved and this will strengthen our capital base.

• Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd [RAWCS]	\$148,015
• Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund [RAOAF]	\$9,813
• Rotary Australia Benevolent Society [RABS]	\$8,383
• Rotary Australia Relief Fund [RARF]	\$21,203

The RAWCS surplus included income of \$114,336 service fees relating to its 2018-19 participation in the Commonwealth Government's Drought Communities Support Initiative, where Rotarians distributed 3,405 cash grants totalling \$6,500,000 to drought-impacted farming families. This personal involvement by so many Rotarians and their local Rotary clubs throughout the Rotary District drought project network has made an extraordinary impact on the lives of farmers and their families, let alone the increased awareness of Rotary as a service provider.

Our three operating funds have greater than 540 active projects both overseas and locally. This means that over 40% of the Rotary clubs in Australia have a RAWCS project, their members providing humanitarian aid through countless hours of service.

The four major activity highlights for RAWCS this year were

- Ongoing support of farming families impacted by the long term drought, including a single donation of \$1,000,000 for fodder.
- Establishment of bushfire appeals and distribution of those appeal funds to victims of the catastrophic bush fires in all Australian States
- The ongoing partnership with philanthropist Dick Smith to distribute a second million dollars to disadvantaged Australians
- Creation of projects for Rotarians to respond to the Covid 19 pandemic, particularly the manufacture of protective clothing for health workers at the frontline during the program

RAWCS has entered into a partnership with the Commonwealth Government on Friday 12 June 2020 to

assist in delivery of the Drought Communities Outreach Program [DCOP], an initiative of National Drought and Northern Queensland Flood Response and Recovery Agency. The DCOP will be holding 70+ information events in selected towns throughout the drought-declared areas for farming families directly impacted by the drought. The aim is to increase coordination of drought support and enhance community awareness of the Australian Government's drought assistance measures.

RAWCS has received a grant of \$5 million to

- Assist with the delivery of these 70+ information outreach events through community wellbeing activities and BBQ catering.
- Distribute \$500 debit cards at these events to eligible farming households that are experiencing financial hardship due to drought as direct support and improve levels of economic activity in regions by utilizing these cards in local communities and businesses.
- RAWCS will also be assessing drought-impacted areas that will not have information events, with a view to distributing debit cards direct to eligible farming households within these areas during program.

Subject to Covid 19 restrictions, DCOP events will run from September 2020 through to June 2021 and be held in all mainland states.

RAWCS is so fortunate to have a highly efficient, skilled and compassionate staff managing our day-to-day financial transactions. This was no more evident this financial year as Belinda Griffen [National Administrator] and Pauline Lane [Systems Officer] continued to provide unparalleled service to all who dealt with RAWCS, particularly with the many

complex issues associated with the drought and bushfires distribution. For this, we express our most heartfelt gratitude and thanks to Belinda and Pauline.

RAWCS will continue to embrace change through the implementation of our new five year strategic plan, to facilitate awareness of Rotary nationally and continue to provide the highest standard of project service delivery for Australian Rotarians, Rotary Districts, and Rotary Clubs, be it

here in Australia, or overseas. A sound RAWCS financial position, sustainable into the long term, is fundamental for this, together with the maintenance of the highest standards of corporate governance required by RAWCS regulatory authorities. These include the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profit Commission, the Commonwealth Department of Finance and Trade, the Australian Securities and Investment Commission, and the Australian Taxation Office.

ROTARY DROUGHT FODDER PROJECT

PP *David Pearson*

RAWCS NATIONAL DEPUTY CHAIR



In November 2019, at the height of the intense drought in central and eastern Australia Rotary, through RAWCS, received a \$1M donation from Ron Allen who wished to help struggling cattle producers to maintain their core breeding herds. RAWCS brief was to provide real assistance to genuine primary producers in the hardest hit areas. Clearly not every deserving producer could be helped so it was decided to provide significant help to the selected few rather than tokenistic support to many.

RAWCS determined that the assistance should be focussed on the most extreme drought-affected area, defined by the overlap of the intense drought-declared areas and the zone of lowest on-record rainfall and that sufficient fodder to maintain a 100 cow herd for one month would be delivered to carefully selected recipients. To this end eighteen Rotary Clubs selected a total of ninety farmers to receive assistance in 2019-20 and the project is continuing in 2020-21.

The NSW State Government has supported the project by

offering a freight subsidy which has covered most of the cost of transporting the fodder from farms in the NSW Riverina and Victorian Mallee region to northern and far western NSW. This has been the biggest single donated drought fodder project that they have supported to date.

During 2019-20 a total of 2,758 tonnes of cereal hay was delivered at a cost of \$831,000 for the hay and \$504,000 in freight for a total landed cost of \$1,335,000 (GST incl). It is estimated that, with ongoing support from the NSW Government the original \$1M donation will deliver \$1.7M in critical support to farmers.

Rotary Clubs and recipient farmers have sent many letters of gratitude to our donor reporting that in most areas they had received 2019 rainfall totals of less than half the lowest ever recorded annual total but that the timely arrival of the fodder helped them keep going until useful rain fell in early 2020. RAWCS understands that drought continues in many areas and this project and other drought support will continue in 2020-21.

PROJECTS AND VOLUNTEERS

PDG *Merv Williams*



There are currently 540 active registered projects through RAWCS.

CURRENT RAWCS PROJECTS BY REGIONS & TYPE

Region	Rotary Overseas Aid Projects (RAOAF)	Rotary Australia Benevolent Society (RABS)	Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants (RACG)	Rotary Australia Relief Fund (RARF)	Total
Northern	54	10	14		78
Eastern	148	22	42		212
Southern	111	15	31		157
Central	22	4	2		28
Western	33	6	4		43
National	9	5	1	7	22
TOTAL	377	62	94	7	540

MIX OF PROJECTS OVER LAST 4 YEARS

Year	Overseas Aid	Benevolent Society		Total
		RABS	RACG	
2016-17	46	20	24	90
2017-18	40	7	35	82
2018-19	45	31	17	93
2019-20	35	31	62	128

This Rotary year, 138 RAWCS projects have been registered for Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund (RAOAF), Rotary Australia Benevolent Society (RABS) and Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants (RACG) projects.

The on-line project application and approval process is progressing smoothly, and the Regional Projects Supervisors are all working well to ensure that any difficulties are resolved quickly.

2019-2020 PROJECTS BY REGION & TYPE

Region	Rotary Overseas Aid Fund Projects (RAOAF)	Rotary Australia Benevolent Society (RABS)	Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants (RACG)	Rotary Australia Relief Fund (RARF)	Total
Northern	10	4	10		24
Eastern	10	11	28		49
Southern	9	8	18		35
Central	2	1	2		5
Western	2	5	3		10
National	2	2	1	4	9
TOTAL	35	31	62	4	132

Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund (RAOAF)

Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund is an Overseas Aid Fund to assist local Rotary Clubs or Rotary Districts in providing sustainable improvement aid in developing countries as identified by the Department of Foreign Affairs or for short term relief for disasters.

Rotary Clubs and Districts have this year registered 35 RAOAF projects in aiding developing countries.

This year also saw the establishment of a RAOAF project made in Australia through RAWCS and RAOAF in supporting the Rotary New Zealand World Community Service project of providing Emergency Response Kits to assist people impacted by natural disasters in developing countries in the Pacific region.

Rotary Australia Benevolent Society (RABS)

The Rotary Australia Benevolent Society assists Rotary Clubs and Rotary Districts within Australia to respond to needs within their own communities and to gain tax deductibility for donations made to their registered project.

During the 2019-2020 year 31 projects have been approved and registered for the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society.

Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants

Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants (RACG) Projects is a subset of the RABS Projects and was established to provide matching funding on a dollar for dollar basis with Rotary Clubs. This project type was made possible by an earlier \$1,000,000 donation to the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society by philanthropist Dick Smith's Trust.

In 2019, as a result of a second \$1,000,000 donation to Rotary Australia World Community Service from Dick Smith, matching grants are being distributed to disadvantaged Australians identified by local Rotary Clubs or Rotary Districts as being in need within their local or wider community.

During the 2019-2020 year, 63 projects have been registered and approved for the Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants.

The RACG Committee also approved \$100,000 to be distributed to the Rotary National Bushfire Appeal.

Rotary Australia Relief Fund (RARF)

The Rotary Australia Relief Fund enables the collection of funds with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status. RARF is administered on a National basis, fully utilising the RAWCS website and its online donation facility to minimise administration costs.

RARF projects were established this year for:

- Cyclone Harold Reconstruction Appeal - Pacific Islands,
- Rotary National Bushfire Appeal which received donations from the public and Rotary Clubs/individuals. Co-ordinated by a Project Committee from the 2019-20 District Governors group, the funds have supported projects for recovery and relief to effected areas within 12 Australian Rotary Districts. Currently \$1,245 million has been distributed to the nominated Rotary Districts.
- Western Australia Bushfire Relief Project and Queensland Bushfire Relief Project.

Training on the revised RAWCS Procedures

Ongoing training sessions on the procedures for managing Projects and Volunteers have been conducted with Regional Projects and Volunteer Supervisors.

Project and Volunteer Manuals have been developed for managers and volunteer team leaders. These Manuals explain the method of starting, managing, reporting, and closing RAWCS Projects and leading teams of volunteers. The Manuals are divided into sections that explain the responsibilities of all individuals involved in RAWCS Projects.

Online Project and Volunteer Team applications.

The online project and volunteer team applications process continues to see the improvement in the submission and approval of projects and teams.

The experience gained with developing the RACG on-line Project Application has demonstrated the value of this process in reducing the application processing time and associated workload.

Mandatory On-line Project Audit Reports for Project Managers

Project Managers now appear to understand the importance the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission (ACNC) places on the Project Progress Audit Report as a measure of the financial accountability of RAWCS. There has been a marked improvement in the timely submission of these six-monthly Audit Reports.

2019-2020 PROJECTS BY DISTRICTS				
Rotary District	Overseas Aid Projects	Benelovent Society Projects		Total
		RABS	RACG	
Western				
9455	1	5	2	8
9465	1		1	2
Total	2	5	3	10
Central				
9500	1		1	2
9520	1	1	1	3
Total	2	1	2	5
Northern				
9550	1		4	5
9570	5	2	1	8
9600	1	1	1	4
9630	1		3	4
9640	1	1	1	3
Total	10	4	10	24
Eastern				
9650	1	2	15	18
9670	1	2	1	4
9675	3	3		6
9685	4	1	8	13
9700			2	2
9710	1	3	2	6
Total	10	11	28	49
Southern				
9780				
9790	3	2	2	7
9800	4	3	2	9
9810	1	1		2
9820		1	3	4
9830	1	1	11	13
Total	9	8	18	35

Volunteer Teams 2019-2020

RAWCS Volunteer Teams continue to perform sterling work and remain an extremely cost-effective way of providing assistance to developing countries.

During the year 112 Volunteer Teams were registered to travel overseas on RAWCS projects. These Volunteer Teams travelled to countries through Southern Africa and the Asian Continent to our neighbouring countries in the South East Asia and South Pacific Regions. The work varied from education, health, community development/building construction, water and sanitation and disease prevention. The total value of the volunteer team's activities this year was \$3,151 million. On top of this financial figure were the substantial donations of medical equipment, supplies and furniture gained through RAWCS Donations In Kind, Corporate Entities, Businesses and individuals.

A positive outcome of these Volunteer Teams visiting developing countries was that 1146 local inhabitants were being trained during these projects.

The on-line processing of Volunteer Team registrations is progressing smoothly, and the Regional Volunteer Supervisors are all working well in maintaining the volunteer team process.

Unfortunately, due to the travel restrictions imposed by the effects of COVID19, several Volunteer Teams were required to be cancelled or travel dates shortened.



VOLUNTEER TEAMS

RAWCS Region	Number of Teams	Volunteers	Local Inhabitants Trained by Teams	Donated Value	Work Value	Total Value
Central	2	17	0	\$3,840	\$54,640	\$58,480
Eastern	54	290	901	\$913,580	\$701,185	\$1,614,765
Southern	34	88	179	\$482,132	\$343,430	\$825,562
Northern	18	61	52	\$248,538	\$255,598	\$504,136
Western	4	30	14	\$80,460	\$68,300	\$148,760
TOTAL	112	486	1146	\$1,728,550	\$1,423,153	\$3,151,703

DONATIONS IN KIND PDG *Keith Roffey*

The overall value of bio-technology equipment reaching ‘end of life’ and being discarded throughout Australia has been quoted to be as high as \$1billion. As well, the educational institutions are constantly upgrading with a high percentage of equipment being discarded. The purpose of the Donations in Kind activity of RAWCS Limited is to take advantage of and collect valuable and useable goods and consumables no longer required in the Australian Health and Education Institutions and distribute them to developing nations and other areas of need.

The program is a resource for Australian Rotary Clubs and other not for profit organisations in providing humanitarian aid by way of goods in kind for their local and offshore projects. Recipient nations include countries of the South Pacific, the African Continent, the Indian sub-Continent, Sri Lanka & Nepal, South East Asia and South America.

Repurposing of equipment is changing the face of the medical and educational industries. Whilst it has always been a part of these institutions in developed economies, it has now transformed into an important, cost-saving, sophisticated process as they look towards sustainability programs and ways and means to achieve them.

Whilst disposing of unwanted materials pollutes our environment, disadvantaged communities face difficulties obtaining the affordable goods they need. The Rotary focus of empowering communities and providing sustainable development is in line with the principals of sustainability. By facilitating the repurposing of discarded useful equipment, we prevent waste, improve our communities, and increase the material well-being of communities less fortunate and developing nations. The value to the developed economies is a reduction in landfill and a fulfilment of their social responsibilities and obligations to assist the developing nations and areas of need.

RAWCS Limited has opportunities to partner with government departments, corporates and other entities in the areas of health and education for the distribution of this surplus equipment. Building on the past successes of Donations in Kind and considering the increasing major strategic opportunities available, the direction strategy, process and blueprint is a consolidated national activity with regional distribution facilities to fully capitalise on major strategic opportunities of facilitating the repurposing of this equipment.



Region	Volunteer Hours	Nations	Containers 20' equiv	\$(millions) Goods Value
Northern-Qld	3,500	7	25	1.89
Eastern-NSW	1,580	4	10	.85
Southern-Vic/Tas	950	4	6	.51
Central-SA	1,820	6	13	.62
Total	6,212	21	54	3.87m

The activity consists of major facilities in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Geelong and Adelaide and smaller satellite storage areas in Western Australia and regional areas. The facilities are managed and manned exclusively by volunteers.

Throughout the first six months of 2020 activity was suspended owing to the COVID-19 crisis. However, during this time the New South Wales and South Australian regions were able to provide equipment and consumable items that would have been shipped to developing nations to local health districts in preparation for the Covid-19 pandemic.

Although the crisis caused a suspension of container activity and work at the facilities, the table above highlights the quantities and estimated goods values transhipped to developing nations by the activity throughout the year.

ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA

PP *Jenny Kerrison* PhD, D.Ed., RN, RM

Malaria is preventable and curable. However, globally, in 2018, an estimated 228 million people were infected with malaria and 405,000 deaths occurred of which 67% were in children under age 5 (WHO, 2019). Progress in malaria elimination is at a standstill.

RAM has had a busy, productive year. Thank you to immediate Past National Manager, Dave Pearson, who provided leadership for to RAM for four (4) years. In July 2019, Dr. Jenny Kerrison RC North Hobart D9830 took over management of RAM. Despite the COVID 19 pandemic, RAM made progress in the implementation of its strategic plan. Unfortunately, our 18th Annual National RAM Conference scheduled for 5 - 6 September 2020 was cancelled. This report details our steady performance in three of four strategic goals.

GOAL # 1: A STRONG RAM NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Aided by RAM National Secretary (Gloria Hargreaves), several outputs were achieved, these were:

- Development of a three-year National RAM strategic plan 2019 – 2023
- RAM Terms of Reference and the Procedures Manual were updated and aligned with our RAWCS Ltd Constitution (May 2019)
- A MOU with partner countries was introduced for the governance of funds
- Several key RAM National, Regional and District positions were filled, including a new position of National Treasurer. The RAM Deputy National Manager was recruited in May 2020. The RAM Scientific Committee was strengthened with increased membership.
- Regular communications continued via quarterly Zoom meetings and newsletters. Also, RAM hosted Zoom meetings with the government in three countries.
- A successful "Zero Malaria Starts with Me" campaign on Malaria Awareness Day was conducted in April by our RAM PR & Social Media coordinator.

Internationally RAM has representation on the RAM-Global Rotary Action Group Board, to help shape a global agenda for malaria elimination.

GOAL # 2: STRONG SUPPORT FOR MALARIA ELIMINATION IN OUR PARTNER COUNTRIES

The principal activity for RAM is malaria elimination. This year a major achievement for RAM is the submission of four Rotary Global Grant applications through Rotary districts and clubs. This section presents details of our work in five countries:

Papua New Guinea (PNG), Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Timor Leste and West Timor (Indonesia).

Papua New Guinea (PNG) has the highest malaria incidence in all of our five (5) partner countries. A gradual increase in malaria was noted between 2014 and 2019. Nationally, PNG is transitioning from malaria control to malaria elimination in some of its provinces. RAM PNG is a highly successful Principal Recipient for the Global Fund to Fight Against AIDS, TB and Malaria. Since 2010 RAM PNG has delivered around 12 million bed nets for the PNG Government. The Chasing Malaria Program is a pilot project run by RAM PNG. It is a community-based project that provides twice-yearly malaria surveys in schools in the Gulf, Central and National Capital District Provinces. Since 2015 RAM has provided funding in most years for the 'Chasing Malaria' project. A recent project review by RAM Australia revealed that an important achievement was that the project provided access to basic malaria services to school children and communities. However, the lack of funding and staffing are major barriers to successful project implementation. In the new Rotary year, RAM Australia will donate funds to support the project in several schools in the Central Province.

This year RAM has supported a new project in New Ireland Province (NIP), PNG. The province has one of the highest malaria incidences in PNG. The NIP malaria elimination project was developed from the Definitive Feasibility Study conducted in NIP in 2018 and 2019 by the New Ireland Province Malaria Alliance (NIPMA). Our support is a matched Rotary Global Grant application to develop an outreach response team model for access to blood testing for an enzyme deficiency (G6PD) and drug treatment with Primaquine. The Grant was submitted by D9600 RC Kippa Ring-North Lakes and RC Kimbe, New Britain, with support from RAM.

In the Solomon Islands the gains in malaria elimination have proven difficult to sustain. Malaria is on the increase. In 2019 RAM's application for a \$1 Million three-year project for collaborative funding with DFAT was unsuccessful. In May 2020 RAM Australia hosted a Zoom meeting with the Solomon Islands malaria program, to receive updates. The meeting was facilitated by our RAM Solomon Islands Country Coordinator. RAM is waiting for information on possible areas it may support in the near future.

Vanuatu has made good progress in malaria elimination.

The country aims to achieve zero indigenous malaria by the end of 2023. In 2020 RAM signed an MOU with the Vanuatu malaria program to fund several key activities in 2020. Unfortunately, activities were delayed due to COVID 19 and the severe tropical cyclone "Harold". Coordinated by RAM, a Rotary Global Grant was submitted in June 2020 by New Zealand D9910 with RC Waverley D9810, to train and equip a national indoor residual spraying team.

Timor Leste aims to achieve WHO malaria elimination certification in 2021/22. It has a new five-year National Strategic Plan to prevent the re-establishment of malaria. The USD251,334 Rotary Global Grant for Timor Leste, managed by RC North Hobart D9830 and RC Dili Lafaek with support from RAM, will close in September 2020. As noted in an external review of the Timor Leste malaria program, RAM has a potential role in facilitating cross-border collaboration for malaria elimination between Timor Leste and West Timor. In June 2020, guided by RAM, D9550 RC Darwin and RC Dili submitted a Rotary Global Grant for Timor Leste to provide bed nets, training, and malaria education materials.



West Timor in Nusa Tenggara Timor (NTT) Province, Indonesia, has a target of zero indigenous malaria by 2026. RAM's support for West Timor is strategic and will contribute to preventing malaria across the Timor island. In February 2020 a RAM team of self-funded volunteers conducted a

community assessment in West Timor. Data collection was funded by RC North Hobart D9830 Rotary District Grant and RAM. A Rotary Global Grant for West Timor was submitted in June 2020. It received support with donations from Rotary D3420 and 18 D3420 Rotary clubs. The Grant will be led by RC Hillarys D9455 and RC Kupang Central D3420 with support from RAM.

GOAL # 3: POSITIONING RAM AS A FOCAL POINT FOR COORDINATION AND ADVICE

Participation and ownership of malaria elimination projects by Rotary districts and clubs is fundamental to continue our fight against malaria. This year RAM promoted the successful "Adopt-A-Project" approach, to improve engagement with Rotarians. Four Rotary Global Grant applications were submitted in June 2020 by four RAM Regions, including NZ9910. With this shift in direction, RAM has become a focal point to 'broker' for malaria elimination projects in our partner countries. This role will be further strengthened this year.

Related malaria news

Vaccines are critical for the eradication of diseases. There is no commercially available malaria vaccine. The only advanced malaria vaccine is Mosquirix (RTS,S) which is being piloted in three (3) countries in sub-Saharan Africa. In Australia, the PlasProtecT® malaria vaccine project, established in 2017 by D9640 and Griffith University Institute of Glycomics, made good progress but had to suspend Phase 1 clinical trials due to COVID 19. With a target of \$2 Million, the project is short of \$500,000 to complete the trials in Melbourne.

This year, initiated by the Global Fund (GF), the RAWCS-RAM & GF partnership was established to provide an important opportunity to raise a significant amount of funds through large corporations for malaria elimination in four of our partner countries. The partnership is led by PDG Dai Mason D9640 with assistance from the Global Fund.

Challenges

A major challenge to RAM is to secure adequate funding for its humanitarian work. RAM's revenue comes entirely from Rotarians. This year, with the recent local economic crises, our revenue has reduced by an estimated 43% in contrast to last year. Due to the financial uncertainty, our National RAM Committee has deferred offering a second 4-year RAM PhD scholarship until 2021. A further threat to our revenue that RAM is likely to experience difficulty in accessing Rotarians in larger amalgamated districts in the RAM Central, Eastern and Northern Regions in Australia. The threat to our revenue highlights the need to grow our income in other ways such as targeting Grant applications. The financial downturn also highlights the important role and responsibility for RAM regions and districts, to increase activities for awareness raising and support to end malaria.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your Directors present their report on Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd (RAWCS Ltd) for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 including, shown as separate entities, the Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund (RAOAF), Rotary Australian Benevolent Society (RABS), and Rotary Australia Relief Fund (RARF). The Directors of RAWCS Ltd, RAOAF, RABS and RARF, are the same. RAWCS Ltd acts as trustee for RARF.

Directors

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

PDG John McLaren National Chair	26 Rocklands Drive Tiwi, NT 0810
PP David Pearson National Deputy Chair Appointed 5 July 2019	714 Green Hills Road Armidale, NSW 2350
PDG Hank DeSmit National Secretary	29 Glenbank Ramble Yanchep WA 6035
PAG Mike Whitehouse OAM National Treasurer	42 Auburn Road Kingston, TAS 7050
PDG Michael Perkins OAM Immediate Past National Chair	PO Box 305 Orford, TAS 7190
DG Tim Klar District Governors' Rep Resigned 30 June 2020	8 Rogerson Circuit Craigburn Farm, SA 5051
DGE Bruce Anderson District Governors' Rep	25 Garden Avenue Keilor, VIC 3036
DGN Heather Chong District Governors' Rep Appointed 1 October 2019	331 Fingerpost Road Campania, TAS 7026
PP Michael Willis National Projects & Volunteers Manager Resigned 30 November 2019	35 Gillard Street Burwood, VIC 3125
PDG Mervyn Williams National Projects & Volunteers Manager Appointed 1 December 2019	5 Robins Close Mount Martha, VIC 3934
PP John Stockbridge National Communications Manager	7 Marston Way Canning Vale, WA 6155
PDG Jerry Casburn National Operations Manager	1/71 Walkers Road Somerton Park, SA 5044
PDG Keith Roffey National DIK Manager	25 Seidel Avenue Picnic Point, NSW 2213
PP Jenny Kerrison National RAM Manager Appointed 1 July 2019	6/15 St Canice Avenue Sandy Bay, TAS 7005

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

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Principal Activities

The principal activities of the entities during the financial year were:

- To coordinate humanitarian projects overseas and in Australia and to create goodwill, peace and understanding in accordance with the objects of Rotary with the active participation of Australian Rotarians and Rotary Clubs.
- To operate the RAOAF and RABS to ensure that money or assets derived by way of tax deductible gifts were used exclusively for the relief of persons in certified developing countries and persons in need within Australia.

Operating Results

The total comprehensive income of RAWCS Ltd for the year amounted to a surplus of \$148,015 (2019: \$19,512). Total donations received in the 2020 financial year amounted to \$5,000,000 (2019: \$6,000) and total project expenditure incurred was \$518,465 (2019: \$nil).

The total comprehensive income of RAOAF for the year amounted to a surplus of \$9,813 (2019: \$9,069). Total donations received in the 2020 financial year amounted to \$12,382,085 (2019: \$13,188,323) and total project expenditure incurred was \$13,141,330 (2019: \$13,494,636).

The total comprehensive income of RABS for the year amounted to a surplus of \$8,383 (2019: \$3,330). Total donations received in the 2020 financial year amounted to \$4,460,873 (2019: \$7,950,598) and total project expenditure incurred was \$4,935,188 (2019: \$19,349,753).

The total comprehensive income of RARF for the year amounted to a surplus of \$21,203 (2019: \$8,647). Total donations received in the 2020 financial year amounted to \$2,805,735 (2019: \$10,984,278) and total project expenditure incurred was \$nil (2019: \$nil).

Dividend Paid or Recommended

The constitutions of the organisations reported within the group and Government regulations requires that all income and property must be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Funds, which is to provide humanitarian and educational relief for people in certified developing countries, therefore no dividends have been paid or recommended.

Review of Operations

The Trustees review the operations of the Funds on a regular basis and develop guidelines for volunteers in the areas of workplace safety, international travel and project support.

Significant Changes in State of Affairs

No significant changes in the Funds' state of affairs have occurred during the financial year.

Future Developments

Directors expect an increase in the level of donations from Private Ancillary Funds during the following financial year. These donations are likely to broaden the Funds' activities and diversify the number of developing countries in which projects are undertaken.

Environmental Issues

The Funds' operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

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Indemnifying Officers or Auditor

The Funds, its officer bearers and volunteers are covered by a suite of insurance policies grouped under the Rotary National Insurance Programme and re-negotiated on an annual basis by the National Insurance Committee. Premiums are paid by the Rotary Districts in Australia on a per capita basis.

No indemnities have been given or insurance paid, during or since the end of the financial year for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Funds.

Proceedings on Behalf of the Funds

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

The Funds were not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

After Balance Date Events

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Funds, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Funds in future financial years.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under s 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* has been included in the financial report.

This Director's report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:



National Chair



National Treasurer

Date this 22 day July of 2020.

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Note	2020				2019			
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
REVENUE								
Donation revenue	5,000,000	12,382,085	4,460,873	2,805,735	6,000	13,188,323	7,950,598	10,984,278
Internal transfers from donations in Other Entities	-	-	2,518,429	-	-	-	13,360,238	-
Other revenue	602,464	249,706	282,742	61,359	507,852	293,589	245,674	19,229
Utilisation of unexpended donations	-	759,245	-	-	-	306,263	765,468	-
TOTAL REVENUE	5,602,464	13,391,036	7,262,044	2,867,094	513,852	13,788,175	22,321,978	11,003,507
EXPENDITURE								
Project expenditure	518,465	13,141,330	4,935,188	-	-	13,494,636	19,349,753	-
Other expenditure	454,449	239,893	274,360	40,156	494,340	284,470	242,345	10,582
Transfer to unexpended donations Internal transfers for projects in Other Entities	4,481,535	-	2,044,113	287,306	-	-	-	350,590
	-	-	-	2,518,429	-	-	2,726,550	10,633,688
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5,454,449	13,381,223	7,253,661	2,845,891	494,340	13,779,106	22,318,648	10,994,860
OPERATING SURPLUS	148,015	9,813	8,383	21,203	19,512	9,069	3,330	8,647
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	148,015	9,813	8,383	21,203	19,512	9,069	3,330	8,647

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Note	2020					2019						
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS												
Cash and cash equivalents	5,394,743	978,614	2,183,587	698,713	205,689	1,698,795	408,709	412,364				
Trade and other receivables	20,479	4,389	45,415	27	79,986	36,697	57,670	716				
Inter-entity receivables	84,150	-	1,100,000	14,599	101,200	-	1,000,000	-				
Investments	1,501,100	5,252,486	-	-	1,001,100	5,246,603	-	-				
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	7,000,472	6,235,489	3,329,002	713,339	1,387,975	6,982,095	1,466,379	413,080				
NON-CURRENT ASSETS												
Plant and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
TOTAL ASSETS	7,000,472	6,235,489	3,329,002	713,339	1,387,975	6,982,095	1,466,379	413,080				
CURRENT LIABILITIES												
Trade and other payables	595,259	-	14,157	-	112,312	-	184,141	-				
Inter-entity payable	1,100,000	80,599	15,400	2,750	1,000,000	82,500	7,700	11,000				
Unexpended donations	4,948,939	5,949,099	3,228,964	678,947	67,404	6,703,617	1,231,392	391,641				
Tied Bequests	-	-	18,952	-	-	-	-	-				
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	6,644,198	6,029,698	3,277,473	681,697	1,179,716	6,786,117	1,423,233	402,641				
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES												
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,644,198	6,029,698	3,277,473	681,697	1,179,716	6,786,117	1,423,233	402,641				

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Note	2020					2019						
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
NET ASSETS	<u>356,274</u>	<u>205,791</u>	<u>51,529</u>	<u>31,642</u>	<u>208,259</u>	<u>195,978</u>	<u>43,146</u>	<u>10,439</u>	<u>208,259</u>	<u>195,978</u>	<u>43,146</u>	<u>10,439</u>
EQUITY												
Retained earnings	356,274	205,791	51,529	31,642	208,259	195,978	43,146	10,439	208,259	195,978	43,146	10,439
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>356,274</u>	<u>205,791</u>	<u>51,529</u>	<u>31,642</u>	<u>208,259</u>	<u>195,978</u>	<u>43,146</u>	<u>10,439</u>	<u>208,259</u>	<u>195,978</u>	<u>43,146</u>	<u>10,439</u>

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	Retained Earnings	Contributed Equity	Total
	\$	\$	\$
RAWCS LTD			
At 30 June 2018	188,747	-	188,747
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	19,512	-	19,512
At 30 June 2019	208,259	-	208,259
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	148,015	-	148,015
At 30 June 2020	<u>356,274</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>356,274</u>
RAOAF			
At 30 June 2018	186,909	-	186,909
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	9,069	-	9,069
At 30 June 2019	195,978	-	195,978
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	9,813	-	-
At 30 June 2020	<u>205,791</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>205,791</u>

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	Retained Earnings	Contributed Equity	Total
	\$	\$	\$
RABS			
AT 30 June 2018	39,816	-	39,816
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	3,330	-	3,330
At 30 June 2019	43,146	-	43,146
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	8,383	-	-
At 30 June 2020	<u>51,529</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,529</u>
RARE			
AT 30 June 2018	692	1,100	1,792
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	8,647	-	8,647
At 30 June 2019	9,339	1,100	10,439
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	21,203	-	21,203
At 30 June 2020	<u>30,542</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>31,642</u>

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Note	2020					2019						
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES												
Receipts from Donors	4,481,535	12,274,625	6,979,302	272,708	6,000	13,194,939	18,586,944	361,590				
Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(446,610)	(13,334,585)	(5,218,539)	(48,203)	(938,628)	(13,854,808)	(19,040,997)	(8,853)				
Interest Received	168,408	114,920	481	-	139,725	13,956	22,459	15,022				
Other Revenue	985,721	230,742	113,634	61,844	322,113	285,648	390,788	4,419				
Net Cash provided by (used in) Operating Activities	5 (b)	5,189,054	1,874,878	286,349	(470,790)	(360,265)	(40,806)	372,178				
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES												
Inter-entity Payable/(Receivable)	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	(1,000,000)	-				
(Investment)/Redemption of Financial Assets	-	(5,883)	(100,000)	-	(500,000)	61,122	-	-				
Net Cash provided by (used in) Investing Activities	-	(5,883)	(100,000)	-	500,000	61,122	(1,000,000)	-				

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Note	2020				2019			
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Net Cash provided by (used in) Financing Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash Held	5,189,054	(720,181)	1,774,878	286,349	29,210	(299,143)	(1,040,806)	372,178
Cash at the Beginning of the Year	205,689	1,698,792	408,709	412,364	176,479	1,997,938	1,449,515	40,186
CASH AT THE END OF THE YEAR	5,394,743	978,614	2,183,587	698,713	205,689	1,698,795	408,709	412,364

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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Directors have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the Entities are non-reporting entities because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*, the *Australian Charities and Not for profits Commission Act 2012* and the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991*. The Funds are not-for-profit entities for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

The Directors commissioned an opinion from Herberts Smith Freehills, a national firm of lawyers, regarding the legal structure of RAWCS Ltd and its three operating funds. Their advice was that RAWCS Ltd has two divisions, RAOAF and RABS, but is one legal entity, and that RAWCS Ltd acted as trustee for the RARF. The Directors have decided to report the four Funds in one set of financial statements as they have determined it gives a more appropriate view of the undertakings of Rotary's humanitarian operations to the readers of the financial statements.

RARF is a public ancillary fund established to receive donations for Rotary's charitable activities in Australia. As a DGR Level 2 and a public ancillary fund, the RARF must transfer all funds for which it has provided a tax-deductible receipt to DGR Level 1.

With the exception of Note 1(a) and the separate presentation of the four entities, in all other aspects the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement criteria of the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards applicable to entities reporting under the *Corporations Act 2001* and the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the Directors have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical cost unless otherwise stated in the notes. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

- AASB 101, Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 107, Statement of Cash Flows
- AASB 108, Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- AASB 119, Employee Benefits
- AASB 1031, Materiality
- AASB 1048, Interpretation of Standards
- AASB 1054, Australian Additional Disclosures.

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

(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits at call with banks with an original maturity of three months or less that are readily converted to known amounts of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in values. Included in the cash and cash equivalents balance in RAOAF is the foreign currency account opened in the 2013 financial year. This bank account is expressed in Australian dollars, converted from United States dollars using the currency rates applied at the time of initial purchase.

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents (Continued)

No adjusting entry has been made to record the movement in fair value created by the fluctuation in the currency rate at balance date, as it is expected this bank account will be only be utilised to complete purchases in US dollars.

(b) Unexpended Donations

The unexpended donations liability relates to donations received during the financial year, but not expended by the end of the financial year. Due to the nature of the Entities these donations are not considered as a surplus for the Entities, but rather a liability that the Entities are committed to spend on the projects in the following year.

(c) Investments

Investments are term deposits with original maturities of three months and more.

(d) Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment is measured on a cost basis less depreciation and any 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 that 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.

In the event the carrying amount of plant and equipment is greater than the recoverable amount, the carrying amount is written down immediately to the estimated recoverable amount. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present.

The depreciable amount of plant and equipment is calculated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the entity from the time the asset is held ready for use. The depreciation rates used for all items of plant and equipment are between 10-40%, which is consistent with the prior year. The asset's residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate the end of each reporting period.

(e) Provisions

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

(f) Trade and Other Receivables

Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

(g) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the entities during the reporting period which

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Trade and Other payables (Continued)

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

(h) Revenue

Revenue from donations, gifts and fundraising are recognised upon receipt from donors. Donations are transferred between Entities, ensuring the purpose behind the donations is preserved. Donations and tied-bequests that are received in relation to a specific purpose are recognised as liability until the obligations associated with the donation or tied-bequest have been fulfilled.

Interest revenue is recognised as is accrues using the effective interest rate method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Interest earned on investments held by the funds are credited to Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd.

Service fees are recognised upon receipts from donors. Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd collects a monthly administration fee from the other entities to aid in the running of the organisation.

(i) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), in which case 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 are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

(j) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the entity is exempt from tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(k) Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the organisations liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Long Service Leave is brought to account when an employee achieves five years of service.

(l) Leases

Currently RAWCS Ltd lease their office at Level 3, 43 Hunter Street, Parramatta NSW, on a month by month lease arrangement from Rotary Down Under. The rental agreement is considered to be a peppercorn lease and has not been accounted for under AASB 16 *Leases*.

(m) Comparative Figures

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

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Note	2020				2019			
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
NOTE 2: OTHER REVENUE								
General donations	-	7,460	1,715	-	-	6,616	2,658	-
Interest received	114,920	1,077	481	-	132,902	13,006	21,521	-
Service fee	18,210	240,507	68,306	61,359	22,000	273,967	45,771	15,022
Administration fee received	351,570	-	190,240	-	340,750	-	175,724	-
Drought Community Support Initiative administration fee	114,335	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government COVID Assistance	-	-	22,000	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	3,429	662	-	-	-	-	-	4,207
Total Other Revenue	602,464	249,706	282,742	61,359	507,852	293,589	245,674	19,229
NOTE 3: OTHER EXPENDITURE								
Salaries and wages	13,361	-	190,240	-	21,854	-	175,724	-
Administration fee	190,240	234,600	82,070	34,900	175,724	277,500	65,450	10,000
Advertising and website costs	29,592	-	-	-	58,417	-	-	-
Regional meetings and conferences	39,233	-	-	-	70,707	-	-	-
Office administration	35,710	-	-	-	24,249	-	-	-
Insurance	5,739	-	-	-	13,255	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	1,988	-	-	-
Other expenses	140,574	5,293	2,050	5,256	128,146	6,970	1,171	582
Total Other Expenditure	454,449	239,893	274,360	40,156	494,340	284,470	242,345	10,582

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Note	2020					2019						
	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF	RAWCS Ltd	RAOAF	RABS	RARF
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents												
Bank Accounts	5,394,743	978,614	2,183,587	698,713	205,689	1,698,795	408,709		412,364			
	5,394,743	978,614	2,183,587	698,713	205,689	1,698,795	408,709		412,364			
(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with surplus from operations:												
Surplus for the year	148,015	9,813	8,383	21,203	19,512	9,069	3,330		8,647			
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	1,988	-	-		-			
Changes in assets and liabilities												
Decrease / (Increase) in Trade and Other Receivables	(440,493)	-	5,848	-	3,480	950	(22,786)		-			
Decrease / (Increase) in Inter-entity Receivables	17,050	-	-	(14,598)	(57,200)	-	-		-			
(Decrease) / Increase in Trade and Other Payables	482,947	32,308	(163,577)	688	61,430	(32,759)	167,564		(790)			
(Decrease) / Increase in Inter-entity Payables	100,000	(1,901)	7,700	(8,250)	(500,000)	38,500	7,700		11,000			
(Decrease) / Increase in Unexpended Donations	4,881,535	(754,518)	2,016,524	287,306	-	(376,025)	(196,614)		353,321			
	5,189,054	(714,298)	1,874,878	286,349	(470,790)	(360,265)	(40,806)		372,178			

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NOTE 6: AUDIT REMUNERATION

Amounts received or due and receivable by the auditors for:	2020	2019
Review of the Financial Statements	15,000	17,800
Other Services	-	-
Total	15,000	17,800

NOTE 7: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In March 2020 the COVID-19 pandemic was declared, which has seen a number of Federal, and State Government, and relevant health authorities implement directives that have impacted local and overseas communities, and the ability to raise donation income and distribute donation expenditure. It is not possible to predict the ongoing nature and future impacts of COVID-19 at the time of this report. The Entities have low costs of operations, the impact on COVID-19 is therefore more likely to impact on the abilities to complete projects in a timely manner.

NOTE 8: ENTITY DETAILS

The registered office of the Funds is:

Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd
 Level 3, 43 Hunter Street
 Parramatta NSW 2150

The entities operate through five Regional Committees around Australia. These Committees report to the Board of Directors in relation to activities on a quarterly basis and financially on an annual basis. The principal place of business is at the address of the Registered Office.

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The Directors have determined that the entities are not reporting Entities and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Directors of the Funds declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes present fairly the Entities' financial position as at 30 June 2020 and their performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act of 2012; and
2. In the Directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Entities will be able to pay their debts as and when they become due and payable.

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



National Chair
John McLaren



National Treasurer
Mike Whitehouse



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd and Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund, Rotary Australia Benevolent Society, and Rotary Australia Relief Fund.

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

We have audited the financial report of Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd and Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund, Rotary Australia Benevolent Society, and Rotary Australia Relief Fund (the Entities), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion the financial report of Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd, Rotary Australia Overseas Aid Fund, Rotary Australia Benevolent Society, and Rotary Australia Relief Fund has been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012* and the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Entities' financial position as at 30 June 2020 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and Division 60 the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.
- (c) money received as a result of fundraising appeals conducted during the year has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991*.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Funds in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act), the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Fund's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Corporations Act 2001*, the ACNC Act and the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibility of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Entities' are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*, ACNC Act, the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* and the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Entities' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the responsible entities either intend to liquidate the registered entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 registered Entities' internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by responsible Entities'.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of responsible entities' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered Entities' ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered Entities' to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



JOANNE DOYLE

Partner

WISE LORD & FERGUSON

Date: 22 July 2020



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

ROTARY AUSTRALIA WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE LTD
ABN 37 739 341 003

ROTARY AUSTRALIA OVERSEAS AID FUND
ABN 21 388 376 554

ROTARY AUSTRALIA BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
ABN 54 563 288 318

AND

ROTARY AUSTRALIA RELIEF FUND
ABN 80 595 697 237

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2020 there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporation Act 2001* or any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit of the abovementioned entities.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joanne Doyle'.

JOANNE DOYLE
Partner
WISE LORD & FERGUSON

Date 22 July 2020

