



Allergy New Zealand's **Annual Report 2013 - 2014**


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Letter from the Chair

WELL a year has flown by. And what a year it has been. We started the new financial year with the dust barely settled on our new premises and with a few loose ends to sort out. We had our usual annual Allergy Awareness Week about to start and a major fundraising event coming up. Finances were especially tight. We had a new CEO in Mark Dixon.

Mark took up the reins quickly and proceeded to get us in better shape for the future. Mark helped make the Northern Arena fundraising event one of our most successful funding raising events ever. Our accounts have been given a long overdue spruce up and we have a great new Office Manager in Adele Cann. We have a clearer fund raising strategy in place and been able to retain the great services of Penny Jorgensen as a health advisor. We have a clearer communication and awareness strategy emerging as an Allergy Season and remain ably supported by Karina Yanez in the Communications area. We have a great new magazine provider in place – Healthy Life Media - and continue to be ably supported by our long time staff member Julie Dunsmuir in membership services.

Perhaps most importantly we continue to be served by a network of voluntary regional co-ordinators across New Zealand who do their very best to make sure allergy sufferers in their areas get the information and support they need.

Looking to the future, the Board has long sought to expand Allergy's New Zealand funding base so we can do more for those suffering allergies across New Zealand. I can now safely report that work is underway on a number of fronts on that score thanks to our new CEO. While any growth will be incremental – we have already grown our funding base this year and this has had payoffs in our ability to fund services to help allergy sufferers.

With quite a number of challenges that were facing the Board last year now resolved too, the Board has been able to start thinking about the bigger issues in the Allergy space and how we can best play our part in it. This includes how best we can support both Allergy sufferers and our regional network of co-ordinators assisting such sufferers. We would welcome ideas.

Our Vision:

a world where allergies no longer
affect quality of life.

Our Mission:

to enhance the health and well
being of people living with allergies
by sharing current knowledge and
expertise and leading positive
change through being a strong
and credible national voice.

In the meantime it is my duty to recognise and thank all those who have worked either professionally or voluntarily for Allergy New Zealand and offered their time or spare cash to our cause. If it was not for you we would not be able to help those who need it most. To my Board colleagues, our new CEO, our great staff and regional co-ordinators, a particular thanks.

May next year prove to be one of Allergy New Zealand's best yet.



Douglas Birnie
Chairman

CEO Report

As a community focussed organisation, Allergy New Zealand has had a vintage year.

It has been a year of frenetic activity on multiple fronts, and judging by the results, those endeavours have been effective. There are a number of highlights that we have shared during this reporting period:

- returned the organisation to profit
- quadrupled visits to our website each month
- doubled the print run of our magazine, Allergy Today
- established four new social media platforms
- introduced 2 new specialist group online forums, hosted from our website
- welcomed three new corporate sponsors
- administered the first New Zealand Allergy Update (Specialist+GP Symposium)
- progressed our Pharmac submission (proposing auto-injector funding) to a point not reached before in the heavily prescribed application process.

Everyone in the small and impassioned team at Allergy New Zealand is firing on all cylinders, and momentum around our organisation's drive to improve the quality of life for those living with allergies is undeniable.

We have another exciting and productive year lined up, but we should first acknowledge the tremendous support we enjoy from those who help us face the challenge of meeting the needs of the rapidly increasing number of people we serve, despite limited funding and resources.

The Board

It's important to recognise the service of several Board Members who stepped aside at last year's AGM, each of whom committed enthusiastically and purposefully to the mission of Allergy New Zealand – to improve the quality of life of New Zealanders living with allergies. To Anna Mosley, Kylie Morse, Tim Tensenbel, Eugene Berryman-Kamp, Matt Leaning and Yaw Moh – thank you for the time, energy and humility that you chose to share with Allergy New Zealand.

We welcomed Bal Devgun and Hayley Clarke (Treasurer) as new Board members and have appreciated the vigour that they have each brought to their roles.

Our Head Office Team

Adele Cann was appointed as our new Office Manager early this year and made an immediate impact on the financial, administrative and logistical functions of the organisation. She has adeptly managed the migration of our member records on to a new database management system, which in future has the capacity to also manage all fundraising and sponsor-driven activity. In addition Adele managed a thorough and clean audit, which included a successful re-coding process with Brownes Chartered Accountants our long standing auditors. Somehow she also found time to achieve new monthly sales records with our online shop, as well as providing the crucial point of contact for our National Support Network.

Our hard working Waikato-based Communications Manager, Karina Yanez, requires her own section in this report to present all that she has achieved for Allergy New Zealand this year. Although we only see Karina once a fortnight at the new office in Grafton, she remains fully engaged from her office in Hamilton. Please review the impressive impact she has had on the organisation's critical external profile, on page 10.

Crucially our membership and eNewsletter recipients have been maintained throughout the period by Julie Dunsmuir, our Membership Services Co-ordinator, and we have introduced new initiatives during the year to increase member benefits.

Penny Jorgensen stepped down from her position of CEO, and we have been fortunate to retain her as a champion of allergy patient representation and advocacy, in her new role as Allergy Advisor. She remains committed to making sure Allergy New Zealand's many advocacy needs are presented and communicated to our internal and external partners on a day to day basis. Penny was recognised for

her long stewardship of the organisation with the gift of a life membership at last year's AGM.

Our National Support Team

We are fortunate to have such a motivated and caring team of Support Co-ordinators and volunteers who lead us and their local communities in the battle to spread awareness of allergies, while juggling their own lives, families and jobs. It is humbling that this team comes back year after year to check what more they might be able to contribute to our cause – thank you.

And even when life has taken them elsewhere, they return for more! Welcome back to Barbara Britten who re-joins us as the support co-ordinator for the Christchurch region. We also welcome Natalie Ravesz-Sidnam and Nicola Jackson as the Allergy New Zealand dynamic duo for Manawatu.

Northern Arena Gala Dinner

My first experience of the wide diversity of people who are touched by allergies came with joint hosting of the Northern Arena Gala Dinner in September last year. What a stunning gesture this state of the art gym, located in Silverdale north of Auckland, made when selecting Allergy New Zealand as the beneficiary of their community based fundraising efforts for 2013/14. Little did we realise then how lucky we were. Dean Kent, Matt Saunders and their friendly team didn't stop at raising over \$38,000 for Allergy New Zealand, they galvanised their local community in behind our 12 month partnership. On top of that, Dean personally provided us with multiple prime time television spots demonstrating the impact of allergies on his young family, which inspired an equally generous attitude from their significant customer base.



Our Sponsors

Each of our sponsors aligns with our primary goal of improving the quality of life for those living with allergies. They each bring a unique perspective from potentially saving lives in the event of anaphylaxis, to relieving the symptoms, to restricting specific allergens from impacting

the sufferer. Their collective support allows us to sustain our existing services and take on more effective initiatives every year.

Ecostore has been one such new association this year that has enhanced our allergy awareness messaging. Their media breakfasts have allowed us to reach new sections of the print media, and their unique product offerings have provided our members and partners with healthy alternatives particularly with their "Fragrance Free" range. Likewise HRV Ventilation Systems' filter development programme to improve and evolve the way we manage our home environments have provided fresh focus on some of the shortcomings of our older housing stock, in which allergens such as mould, dustmites etc, proliferate. They involved us in their recent creative project to renovate an old Ponsonby villa at 45 Lincoln Street, with particular regard to allergy management, to demonstrate how far their products have come. We believe their innovative approach is supporting a positive change to the way we manage our homes with regard to allergies and as a result our partnership is mutually beneficial.

Stallergenes generously supported a review and revision of our educational pamphlet literature that brought it up to date with current doctrines. Their funding has allowed a planned distribution of this refreshed literature to our partner educators throughout the national health community.

We look forward to celebrating new associations in the year ahead, and encourage all our supporters and stakeholders to reciprocate by supporting our commercial sponsors wherever possible (see P.2).

Training and Vision

Allergy New Zealand's international associations with leading clinical and patient representative organisations plays a vital role in keeping us informed of developments and research globally. We maintain our contributions and learnings from these associations through continued membership and shared submissions at their annual symposiums. FAAA in USA, EAACI in Europe and ASCIA in Australasia provide a refreshing view of how the future might look for allergy sufferers, and what we can incorporate now to ensure New Zealand remains at the forefront of those developments.

We also contribute to a number of local clinical, commercial and public organisations. For example, through our membership of the Allergen Collaboration, we have been asked to develop a training video for ‘front of house’ staff in the hospitality and restaurant sectors of the Australia and New Zealand food service industry. We are grateful to the Hospitality Training Trust for the funding to enable us to complete this project on behalf of the Allergen Collaboration members. Once complete, it will be hosted on YouTube and provide readily accessible, fundamental training in how to manage allergies within a diverse range of hospitality environments throughout Australasia.

Allergen Collaboration

Allergy New Zealand represents New Zealand patients/consumers in this joint Australia/New Zealand collaboration with regulators and industry bodies. The group continue to develop and implement non-regulatory initiatives through which to enhance the safety of consumers with food allergies. To date this includes a communication strategy to enable key messages be conveyed across the food sector (including manufacturing, services and importers); and an ‘Allergen Portal’ on the Food Standards Australia New Zealand website to provide different sectors in the community with links to best practice food allergen resources: <http://www.foodstandards.govt.nz>

The current major project of the group is the production of a training video for front of house staff, which is being co-ordinated by Allergy New Zealand - see “Training and Vision” above. Further work is anticipated over the next two years as the new Food Bill 2014 is implemented in New Zealand.

Allergy Today

Our major publication continues to go from strength to strength in partnership with Health Life Media – its publishers. Distribution to members and health professionals nationally has doubled in the last year. Regular contributors now include the Asthma Foundation, New Zealand Coeliac Society and the Malaghan Institute.



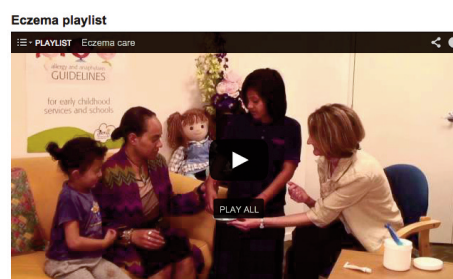
Organisers gave copies of the latest issue to all those attending the Gluten Free Food and Allergy Shows in Wellington and Auckland. Our thanks go to all those at Healthy Life Media for their support, and particularly to Paulette Crowley, the Editor.

Allergy Update

An inaugural one-day ‘Allergy Update’ meeting for General Practitioners (GP) held in Auckland in May this year. Hosted by allergy clinicians at the Auckland District Health Board, and administered by Allergy New Zealand, the meeting provided the more than 80 GPs attending from around New Zealand with clinical information on a range of specific allergy topics. We were thrilled that the initiative was so well received, and hope that a repeat can be made available to an even wider audience of GPs next year.

Child and Youth Eczema

Allergy New Zealand is a founding member of the Paediatric Society’s National Child and Youth Eczema Clinical Network. The purpose is to establish a national multi-disciplinary network that will support clinicians working across community, primary, secondary and tertiary services to deliver high quality, cost effective and integrated eczema treatment programmes for children, youth and their whanau. Allergy New Zealand’s contribution includes developing a communication plan; and resources (including facilities) for the filming of a video series on how to use moisturisers and topical steroids. The Youtube clips, completed in December 2013, are a valuable resource for patients and their families and linked through the Starship Foundation and Paediatric Society’s website www.kidshealth.org.nz as well as www.allergy.org.nz/A-Z+Allergies/Eczema



Education Kits in Schools

With the help of grants from a number of Trusts and the Community Organisation Grant Scheme (COGS) this year, we have been able to donate Allergy Education Kits for use

in schools around the country. The kits have been mainly provided to public health nurse teams to take into the schools in their area. Over 50 kits have been despatched so far for use in the Auckland region as well as Northland, Rotorua, Taumaranui, Te Kuiti, Tokoroa, Thames, the Ruapehu district, Taranaki, Tauranga, Waikato, Wairarapa, Hutt Valley, Wellington, Marlborough, Nelson Bays, Aoraki, Central Otago and Southland regions. There are approximately seven more regions that will be receiving these packs before the end of the year. They are always enthusiastically received from the rurally isolated schools that we target, and each year the wider communities of families attached to these schools become aware of the increasing prevalence of allergies with this program.

Gluten Free Food and Allergy Shows

Evidence of the continuing rise in prevalence of food allergies as well as intolerances could clearly be seen in the record attendances at this year's Auckland show (24-25 May). More than 3,000 people attended on each of the two days. More than 3,000 people also attended the Wellington Show held earlier in the year (22-23 March). Our staff and volunteers provided information and resources on the Allergy New Zealand stand at both shows, and our Allergy Advisor gave seminars on the diagnosis and management of food allergy. We were delighted that the organisers chose to give a copy of our Allergy Today magazine to all visitors as they entered the shows. We look forward to the next one, hosted in Christchurch 1-2 November this year.



GP Allergy Network

An increasing number of General Practitioners (GP) have expressed interest in developing knowledge and skills to better diagnose and help patients manage their allergies. An initial meeting of GPs with a specific interest in allergies was held in November 2013 with Allergy New Zealand's support.

It was agreed to develop a GP Allergy Network and to support this, Allergy New Zealand was invited to establish an online forum for the network to use. A second meeting of the network was held in association with the Allergy Update meeting (reported above).



National Workshop

A workshop was held in Auckland 14-15 September, following the AGM. Participants were staff, Board members, and the volunteers involved in the national support network. A clinical update was provided on immunotherapy; and discussion focussed on the development of a course for carers of newly-diagnosed Food Allergy children. Allergy New Zealand has initiated a project to develop the concept further, with the priority to enhance support within the early childhood education sector. The first stage, to scope the sector, is currently being undertaken for us by a student intern on placement from the School of Population Health, University of Auckland.

Pharmac Submission

The saga continues...Allergy New Zealand's previous submission to PHARMAC, for the listing of adrenaline auto-injectors in the pharmaceutical schedule for first aid treatment of anaphylaxis, was considered by the Pharmaceutical Therapeutic Advisory Committee (PTAC) in May 2012 and referred to PHARMAC. We were advised later in the year that "PHARMAC had not discounted the possibility of adrenaline auto-injectors being funded at some stage".

The tragic death of a teenager in Golden Bay from anaphylaxis to bee venom in early 2013 highlighted issues in relation to the lack of clinical allergy services in the South Island, and in particular access to immunotherapy (desensitisation) for those at risk of anaphylaxis to bee and wasp venom. An Australian study published in August 2013 provided additional evidence of the need for a rapid response (IM adrenaline) - anaphylaxis to bee/wasp venom. These factors compelled Allergy New Zealand, in discussion with the New Zealand Clinical Immunology and Allergy Group, to make a formal application for funding. This was heard by PTAC in May and their recommendation (medium priority) for funding was widened to include those at risk of anaphylaxis to food. It has to be noted that PHARMAC is

not bound to follow PTAC's recommendations. However they have recently advised that their "CUA (cost utility analysis) on adrenaline auto-injectors will be updated and reprioritised along with the other pharmaceuticals awaiting funding". We will continue to share news of their ministrations as soon as it comes to hand.

Research Programmes

In 2012 we were very pleased to meet Colleen McMilin, who was working on her PhD thesis entitled 'Life-course determinants of food allergy in New Zealand children,' at the University of Auckland. Her areas of research include prevalence, role of Vitamin D status at birth, and quality of life issues. In respect to the latter, Allergy New Zealand assisted with the recruitment of families to participate in a project "What's life got to do with it? Exploring quality of life issues amongst New Zealand food allergic children and their families".

The initial report of prevalence has recently been published in the longitudinal study 'Growing Up In New Zealand', which confirmed that currently 10% of children at age 2 years, had a doctor-diagnosed allergy, mainly to milk, eggs, peanuts and dust mites.

We have also established a close relationship with the Allergy and Asthma research team at the Malaghan Institute, and follow their progress towards the development of vaccines and therapies for the treatment of allergy with great interest. Our congratulations go to Malaghan Institute Director Professor Graham Le Gros for being made a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit (CNZM) for his services to medical research, in the 2014 Queens Birthday Honours.

Well Child Tamariki Ora Booklet

Commonly known as the Plunket Book, a new version called 'My Health Book' was released in early July, and now includes information pages on 'Allergies' (p. 193) and 'Eczema' (p.204-5), both with reference to Allergy New Zealand's website www.allergy.org.nz for further information.



The books, which provide a record of children's health and development, have been given free to all parents since the 1920s. It is the first time in 25 years that it has been given an update. 100 pages of information have been added in consultation with a range of experts, including Allergy New Zealand, and the Paediatric Society's Clinical Reference Group on Child and Youth Eczema.

Our Thanks

After another busy and productive year, the team here at Allergy New Zealand which includes all our magnificent Regional Volunteers, Medical Panel, and Board would like to thank our major funders; the Lottery Grants Board; the National Lottery Community Board; and the ASB Community Trust; as well as all our sponsors and donors. Our Honorary Ambassador, Sir Peter Charles Leitch continues to contribute wherever and whenever he can. We are very lucky and grateful for his generosity in sharing his influence and time with us. An example of his enduring generosity were the number of items of his precious personal collection of sports memorabilia that were gifted to our Northern Arena Gala night, and went on to contribute significantly to our total.

Finally we would like to specifically note again the special contribution of the Northern Arena who nominated us as their charity for 2013/2014. The inclusive way in which they engaged Allergy New Zealand in their own fundraising activities was inspiring and humbling. As one of New Zealand's pre-eminent swim school and fitness centres, we wish them and their local North Auckland community all the very best for 2014.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Dixon'.

Mark Dixon
CEO

Raising Awareness

Food Allergy Awareness Week 2014

IN previous years we have held an annual awareness campaign called Allergy Awareness Week. This year we decided to solely focus on food allergies and therefore held a Food Allergy Awareness Week (FAAW). The concept of FAAW was to raise awareness about food allergies through the New Zealand media.



Website

The Allergy New Zealand website continues to grow in popularity as well as with information. Our monthly visits have quadrupled this year with significant activity around our awareness drives.

Support Network Internet Forum (SNIF)

A new addition to the website was to offer forums to certain groups. As you would have read in the CEO Report, we created the GP Allergy Network for health professionals. We also created a group called SNIF. This forum is a tool for us to maintain engagement with our regional support coordinators. It has been a great way to share ideas and update everyone on new initiatives.

Social Media

This year we decided to expand our social media reach by having accounts in different popular social media sites. We now have an account on Google Plus as well as Pinterest. Although these are still in the early stages Pinterest seems like a great tool for Allergy New Zealand and we will keep working on growing our audience there.

Facebook:

Our Facebook family has continued to grow and we now have 1,500 likes!

Twitter:

The Allergy New Zealand twitter account is still growing and receiving new followers every day.

YouTube:

To show our gratitude to our sponsors and supporters we bought together children living with allergies from all over New Zealand to send us "thank you" clips. Once we received them we put them together to create a big Thank You Video to everyone. You can watch this video on our YouTube channel or at the bottom of the Home page on our website.



Media coverage

Life with allergies: Amanda and Amelia Vun

by ROCHELLE GRIBBLE

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It's Allergy Awareness Week this week we talk to a family where allergies are part of life. Amanda, talks about life with Amelia.

Tell us a little bit about your family by allergies.

We're Nick and Amanda; Sophie (10),

Amelia had eczema right from when she was born. It was really sure at the time what it was and it was an conclusive answer for quite a long time

Allergy safety net too costly

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Caitlin Culver has to have a special injector with her all the time because her allergies are a matter of life and death. Pineapple, grapefruit or a bee sting could send the Tawa schoolgirl, 6, into shock. Her mum Sue Culver makes sure she has adrenaline-filled auto-injectors on hand day and night in case her daughter needs them. Caitlin is one of thousands of children with food allergies whose parents have to be on constant alert, and who have to meet the extra cost of buying their own life-saving injectors. Culver said that when Caitlin was young she also had an allergy to dairy products and they still upset her stomach. The range of foods that don't agree with Caitlin means that all food labels have to be checked to make sure they do not contain pineapple or grapefruit, both of which are common in fruit juices

People in the Organisation

The Board of Allergy New Zealand, 2013-2014

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The National Support Network

Regional Coordinators

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Nelson
Christchurch
Invercargill
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Joti Shivangali Lal
Mark Madden-Snoad
Robyn Oborn
and many others who have helped in countless ways

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Treasures

Report from the Treasurer

IN 2014 Allergy New Zealand has returned a profit of \$9,936.00. This is a turnaround on the previous year's loss of \$2,293.00.

Income for 2014 was up by 9% over 2013, the main contributors being the inaugural Northern Arena dinner that was held last September, and Allergy Awareness Week.

This new income offset the decrease in subscriptions and donations.

Expenses for 2014 were up 5% over 2013 in following areas:

- Consultancy
- Salaries and Allowances

There were small decreases in other areas which mitigated the increases.

Maintaining other operating expenditure at minimal levels

means funds are able to be invested in ongoing direct support for our members and allergy sufferers at a community level.

There are many other companies and individuals who support us with discounts, donations and/or extra services for our cause. Among them are our auditors, Browne's, who continue to provide essential financial services and technical advice to us.

This extensive 'family' of support continues to sustain and inspire us to look for more ways to improve the quality of life of those living with allergies. We thank you.



Hayley Clarke
Treasurer

Allergy New Zealand Incorporated **Financial Statements**

For the year ended 31 March 2014

**Allergy New Zealand Incorporated
Statement of Financial Performance
For the year ended 31 March 2014**

	Note	This Year	Last Year
Income			
Grant Money Utilised	4	164,639	134,839
Sponsorship less costs		62,667	45,863
Research Funds Utilised		-	1,315
Trade Me		-	123
Gluten Free Show		836	0
DA Dinner		37,795	0
Events		405	0
AA Week	-	10,000	0
Magazine Allergy Today		10,390	3,768
Subscriptions	17,855		20,388
Donations	13,738		68,947
Total Subscriptions and Donations		31,593	89,335
Education Services		5,250	38
Product Sales		12,697	12,391
Interest Received	1,875		3,020
Rent Received	0		0
Sundry Income	0		320
Total Miscellaneous Income		1,875	3,340
Total Allergy NZ Administration Income		318,146	291,012



These Financial Statements must be read subject to the Notes and the Auditors Report attached.

Allergy New Zealand Incorporated
Statement of Financial Performance
For the year ended 31 March 2014


	Note	This Year	Last Year
Less Expenses			
ACC	529		673
AGM Expenses	0		704
Allergy Awareness Week Costs	0		184
Bank Fees & Charges	842		736
Board Expenses	2,081		1,646
Computer Expenses	2,497		1,551
Consultancy Fees	43,935		17,038
Cleaning	1,995		0
Depreciation	1,670		2,846
General Expenses	1,349		3,252
Gluten Free Allergy Show	0		2,051
Insurance	3,961		5,472
Internet Exps	2,841		3,587
Legal Fees	3,060		1,924
Light, Power & Gas	3,548		2,062
Loss on Disposal of Assets	4,520		0
Payroll	734		0
Photocopying	3,596		3,871
Postage & Courier	986		1,873
Press Clippings & Research	85		218
Printing & Stationery	2,137		1,014
Property Maintenance	0		358
Relocation cost	17,801		22,534
Rent & Rates	33,898		44,667
Research	0		1,285
Salaries & Allowances	162,357		150,938
Security	452		0
Staff Costs	825		174
Subscriptions	990		10,468
Support Group Expenses	5,708		6,618
Telephone, Tolls & Faxes	2,370		2,294
Travel Expenses	2,854		2,573
Volunteer Expenses	587		695
Total Allergy NZ Administration Expenses		308,210	293,306
Profit/(Loss)		9,936	(2,293)

Allergy New Zealand Incorporated
Statement of Movement in Equity
For the year ended 31 March 2014

	Note	This Year	Last Year
Funds at the beginning of the year		30,660	32,954
Net Surplus for the Year		9,936	(2,293)
Funds at the end of the year		<u>40,597</u>	<u>30,660</u>

Allergy New Zealand Incorporated
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 March 2014


	Note	This Year	Last Year
Members Funds		<u>40,597</u>	<u>30,660</u>
Represented by:			
Current Assets			
Cash on Hand		542	225
ASB Cheque Account		4,099	23,101
ASB Business Saver Account		52,264	105,219
Accounts Receivable		40,553	40,150
Inventory		9,838	7,787
Prepayments		1,695	25,280
		<u>108,991</u>	<u>201,762</u>
Fixed Assets	6	4,140	6,267
Total Assets		<u>113,132</u>	<u>208,029</u>
Current Liabilities			
Accrued Expenses		12,470	37,336
Accounts Payable		12,229	49,900
Subscriptions Received in Advance		7,179	9,282
Unutilised Grant Monies held	4	14,743	61,716
Unutilised Donations	5	6,000	1,000
Goods & Services Tax		6,954	7,550
Research Fund		12,960	9,685
Canon Finance Lease - current	3	0	900
		<u>72,535</u>	<u>177,369</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>72,535</u>	<u>177,369</u>
Net Assets		<u>40,597</u>	<u>30,660</u>



 Chairman

27 June 2014

 Date



 Treasurer

27 June 2014

 Date

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1 Statement of Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

Allergy New Zealand Incorporated is incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 and registered under the Charities Act 2005. The financial statements have been prepared using generally accepted accounting practice.

Measurement Base

Unless otherwise stated, the measurement base used is that of historical cost.

Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

- (a) **Accounts Receivable**
Accounts Receivable are stated at their expected realisable value.
- (b) **Inventory**
Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, determined on a first-in first-out basis, and net realisable value.
- (c) **Depreciation**
Depreciation has been calculated at the rates allowed for taxation purposes, using the diminishing value method for all assets.
- (d) **Differential Reporting**
The Society qualifies for Differential Reporting in so far as it has met the criteria that:
 - 1 The Society is not publicly accountable.
 - 2 The Society is not defined as large as it does not exceed:
 - (i) Total revenue of \$20 million;
 - (ii) Total assets of \$10 million; and
 - (iii) 50 employees.

The Society has taken advantage of all available differential reporting exemptions.
- (e) **Fixed Assets**
Fixed assets are shown at cost less accumulated depreciation.
- (f) **Goods & Services Tax**
The financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.
- (g) **Sponsorship & Grant Money**
Grants and donation income is recognised as income when received unless the Club has a liability to repay the grant if requirements are not fulfilled. A liability is recognised to the extent that such conditions are unfulfilled at the end of the financial year.

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(h) Leases

The Society leases certain office equipment and office premises.

Finance leases, which effectively transfer substantially to the Society all the risks and benefits incidental to ownership of the leased item, are capitalised at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The leased assets and corresponding liabilities are disclosed, and the leased assets are depreciated over the period for which the Society is expected to benefit from their use.

Operating lease payments, where the lessors effectively retain substantially all of the risks and benefits of ownership of the leased item, are recognised in the determination of the operating surplus in equal instalments over the lease term.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those used in previous years.

2 Operating Lease Commitments

	This Year	Last Year
Current	30,000	3,964
Term	120,000	0
	<u>150,000</u>	<u>3,964</u>

Lease commitments represent an operating lease in respect of offices situated at 97 Grafton Road, Grafton. The lease starts April 2014 and expires in March 2019.

3 Finance Leases

	This Year	Last Year
Current	0	900
Term	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>900</u>

The photocopier finance lease is secured over the asset to which it relates.

4 Grants

2014	Opening Balance	Grants Received	Grants Spent	Closing Balance
Received From				
ASB Charitable Trust	6,520	45,000	51,520	-
Community Organisation Grants Scheme	10,396	27,166	28,082	9,480
Lottery Grants Board	44,500	-	44,500	-
Rotorua Trust	300	-	300	-
Infinity Foundation	-	3,300	3,300	-
Four Winds Trust	-	9,000	7,404	1,596
Guardian Trust	-	12,000	10,000	2,000
The Page Trust - Palmerston North - Public 1	-	600	600	-
The Page Trust - Hamilton - Public Trust	-	800	800	-
Hospitality Training Trust	-	14,800	14,800	-
Maurice Paykel Charitable Trust	-	5,000	3,333	1,667
	<u>61,716</u>	<u>117,666</u>	<u>164,639</u>	<u>14,743</u>

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5 Donation

2014

Received From

	Opening Balance	Donation Received	Donation Spent	Closing Balance
General Donations	-	12,738	12,738	-
Stallergenes Australia	-	5,000	-	5,000
John Illott Charitable Trust	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>18,738</u>	<u>13,738</u>	<u>6,000</u>

6 Fixed Assets
2014

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Disposal	Book Value
Display Board	6,433	4,979	1,454	0
Computer Hardware	26,570	25,540	584	446
Computer Software	3,815	3,767	48	0
Office Furniture	16,320	10,192	2,434	3,694
	<u>53,138</u>	<u>44,478</u>	<u>4,520</u>	<u>4,140</u>

2013

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Disposal	Book Value
Display Board	6,433	4,979	0	1,454
Videos	669	669	0	0
Books	602	602	0	0
Computer Hardware	26,570	25,094	0	1,476
Computer Software	3,815	3,767	0	48
Office Furniture	12,257	8,968	0	3,289
	<u>50,346</u>	<u>44,079</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,267</u>

7 Capital Commitments

The Society had no capital commitments at balance date (2013: Nil).

8 Guarantees and Contingent Liabilities

The Society has given no guarantees during the year and has no contingent liabilities at balance date (2013: Nil).

9 Events Subsequent to Balance Date

There have been no significant events subsequent to balance date (2013: Nil).

10 Related Parties

There have been no related party transactions during the year (2013: Nil).

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Independent Audit Report

To the Members of Allergy New Zealand Inc.

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 7, which comprise the statement of financial performance, the statement of financial position at 31 March 2014, a summary of significant accounting policies & other explanatory notes.

Board Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand that give a true & fair view of the matters to which they relate: this includes the design, implementation & maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation & fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require us to comply with ethical requirements & plan & perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts & disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation & presentation of financial statements that give a true & fair view of the matters to which they relate 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 & the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with, or interest in, the society.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Financial Position & Financial Performance

In common with other organisations of a similar nature, control over the income from Raffles, Subscriptions, Fundraising Activities and other income prior to being recorded is limited and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control. Consequently, we are unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts were necessary.

Qualified Opinion on Financial Position & Financial Performance

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements on pages 1 to 7;

- Comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand;
- Give a true & fair view of the financial position of Allergy New Zealand Inc as at 31 March 2014, & its financial performance for the year then ended.



Browne's
Chartered Accountants
5 June 2014
Auckland

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

