



**LACROSSE**  
VICTORIA

# Annual Report

## 2015



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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<b>Chair</b>	By rotation among Board Members
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	By rotation among Board Members
<b>Secretary</b>	Danny Whitbourn
<b>Finance</b>	Adam Holmes
<b>Board Members</b>	Susanna Mullner
	Liz Balfour
	Matt Arthur
	Judy Corcoran
	Josh Anderson
	Maurice Zicman
	Jessica Kaaden

## ADVISORY GROUP CHAIRS

Business Development	Maurice Zicman
Coach and Athlete Development	Susanna Mullner
Competitions and Events	Danny Whitbourn
Junior Development	Josh Anderson
Marketing and Communications	Matt Arthur
Technical	Liz Balfour
Transfers and Permits	Josh Anderson
Womens Lacrosse	Judy Corcoran

## LIFE MEMBERS

### LACROSSE VICTORIA

Mr P Mollison	2008
Mr L Goding	2009*
Mr A Black	2010
Mr F Stewart	2012
Mr J Nolan	2014

### VICTORIA LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

Mr P Shappere	1925*
Mr W J Lampard	1925*
Mr G A Beech	1929*
Mr W B House	1929*
Mr T L Fulton	19--*
Mr H R Balmer	1933*
Mr Joel Fox	19--*
Capt Fearon	19--*
Mr A E G Webb	1947*
Mr G Flood	1948*
Mr J L Beattie	1949*
Mr E L McIntyre	1951*
Mr I J Taylor	1956*
Mr R Coldstream	1960*
Mr C F Lansbury	1961*
Mr N R Jeffrey	1963
Mr C G Middleton	1964*
Mr B Newgreen	1965*
Mr R N Ponton Snr	1966*
Mr F D Hogarth	1967*
Mr H Volk	1968*
Mr M Taylor	1971*
Mr T Allington	1975*
Mr R G Holden	1976*
Mr H D Miller	1977
Mr W L Gray	1978*
Mr G F Tillotson	1979*
Mr K R Waite	1980*
Mr D W Fox	1981
Mr L W Taylor	1982*
Mr P A Humphreys	1983
Mr A F Chiron	1984
Mr J Clayfield	1985*
Mr R Moore	1986
Mr R E Jackson	1987
Mr D V Trainor	1991
Mr F Durham	1992*

Mr R D Morgan	1993
Mr R M Russell	1994
Mr R L Speakman	1995
Mr E A. Nicholls	1996
Mr R E Pettit	1997*
Mr J W Daw	1999
Mr G F Sharpe	2000
Mr A J Inglis	2001
Mr A H Gandy	2002
Mr N D McDonald	2003
Mr J A Harris	2004
Mr G J Lee	2005
Mr D G Ross	2006

## WOMEN'S LACROSSE VICTORIA

Mrs Vivienne Parker-White	Patron
Mrs Joy Parker	1966 *
Mrs Dot Pearson	1968 *
Mrs Margaret Carpenter	1969 *
Mrs Sue Taylor	1971
Mrs Marie Cheevers	1973*
Miss Donna Appleby	1985
Mrs Kendrea Kendall	1985
Mrs Vivienne Parker-White	1985
Mrs Marie Weatherill	1985
Mrs Janet Jackson	1989
Mrs Valerie Orr	1991
Mrs Nola Williamson	1992 *
Miss Sue Gandy	1993
Mrs June Clerk	1994
Mr Robert Clerk	1995
Ms Shelley Maher	2001
Ms Kristine Palmer	2006

\*deceased

## NELL RAWLINS AWARD – WOMEN'S LACROSSE

2015	Ms Millie Caddy
2014	Ms Sarah Nobbs
2013	Ms Colleen Hunter
2012	Mr Josh Anderson
2011	Mrs Fran Nicholls
2010	Mrs Janet Jackson
2009	Not Awarded
2008	Mr Darren Minns
2007	Ms Meegan James
2006	Ms Meghan Mollison

2005	Ms Anne Tattersall
2004	Mr Don Gregory
2003	Mr Paul Mollison
2001	Ms Meredith Carre
2000	Ms Fran Whitty
1999	Ms Carol Thomas
1996	Mr Jason Simpson
1995	Miss Kris Palmer
1994	Ms Shelley Maher
1993	Mrs Gail Sedgeway
1992	Miss Sue Gandy and Mrs Yvonne Rolley
1991	Mrs June Clerk and Mr Robert Clerk
1989	Mr Sandy Grant
1987	Ms Heather Bassett
1986	Mrs Janet Jackson
1985	Mrs Nola Williamson
1984	Mrs Kendrea Kendall
1983	Miss Sue Carroll
1982	Mr Noel Smith
1981	Mrs Vivienne Parker-Grant
1980	Miss Sue Mellis
1979	Miss Donna Appleby
1978	Mrs Barbara Imlach and Mrs Valerie Orr
1977	Mrs Joy Parker
1976	Mrs Kendrea Kendall
1975	Miss Helen Davies

## PAST PRESIDENT'S AWARD – MEN'S LACROSSE

2015	Not Awarded	
2014	Mr Evan Willis	Williamstown
2013	Mr Ben Stevens	Caulfield
2012	<i>Not awarded</i>	
2011	Mr Robert Speakman	Williamstown
2010	Mrs C Hunter	Williamstown Women's
2009	Mr D Spreadborough and Mrs R Grubb	Surrey Park, Caulfield
2008	Mrs M Millar	Eltham
2007	<i>Not Awarded</i>	
2006	Mr R Benedierks and Mr M Lewer	Eltham, Altona
2005	Mr M Foster and Mr R Lawerson	Camberwell, Footscray
2004	Mr A.J Black	ALRA
2003	Mr D McKenzie	Melbourne High School
2002	Mr L T Sparks	Eltham

2001	Mr D McKenzie	Melbourne University
2000	Mr S Crooks and Mrs K Crooks	Altona
1999	Mrs M E Coburn	Eltham
1998	Mrs F L Carroll	Camberwell
1997	<i>Not awarded</i>	
1996	Mr G J Lee	Knox
1995	Mr G Sharpe	Altona
1994	Mr K Chamberlain	Malvern
1993	Mr R J Shannon	Eltham
1992	Mr R E Pettit	MCC
1991	Mr W Stahmer	MCC
1990	Mr M G Aitken	Camberwell
1989	Mr G J Elder	ALRA
1988	Mr J Downie	Camberwell
1987	Mr M B Hillsberg	Malvern
1986	Mr E A Nicholls	Camberwell
1985	Mr W George	Camberwell
1984	Mr P A Mollison	Footscray
1983	Mr B R Moore	Surrey Park
1982	Mr E F Spreadborough	Surrey Park
1981	<i>Not awarded</i>	
1980	Mr R D Alaimo	Surrey Park
1979	<i>Not awarded</i>	
1978	Mr D V Trainor	Surrey Park
1977	<i>Not awarded</i>	
1976	Mr G F Tillotson	Surrey Park
1975	Mr T Allington	Malvern
1974	<i>Not awarded</i>	
1973	Mr R G Holden	Surrey Park
1972	Mr M Taylor	Williamstown
1971	Mr W L Gray	MCC
1970	Mr J M Hodges	Caulfield
1969	Mr N R Jeffery	Malvern
1968	Mr C G Middleton	Malvern
1967	Mr H Volk	MHSOB
1966	Mr C F Lansbury	Malvern
1965	Mr R N Ponton	Caulfield



## LV BOARD REPORT

The 2015 Season was again one of excitement and challenge for the Board and the lacrosse community as a whole.

Our emphasis continues to be on the growth of our game and everything we do must be geared towards that goal. This year saw a number great strides forward in many areas, however the overall numbers of players across the sport has remained static.

The year began with two significant achievements. The first being the introduction of our newest member club, the Wyndham Lacrosse Club. We must acknowledge the efforts of the Altona Lacrosse Club and all those who were involved in assisting Wyndham become established. We wish them every success as they join the Victorian lacrosse community.

The second notable achievement was the recognition and award bestowed upon Sue McSolvin. On 26 January 2015, Sue was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for services to lacrosse. An outstanding achievement that we are all very proud of.

Last year we were able to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding to be part of the Craigieburn Hockey/Lacrosse Centre. We are very pleased to advise that the first stage of the development is now complete, with the playing surface now ready to be used. It is our hope that we will be able to utilize this facility during the 2016 season and continue the focus on growth out in the north of Melbourne.

This year saw the introduction of a full time position in the office that would manage all aspects of Competitions. The feedback from the clubs has been overwhelmingly positive and we would like to acknowledge the contribution that River Bradley has made to the office and to the running of the sport in Victoria.

The members of the Board took a different approach to seeking feedback from the clubs this year. Whether it was in your clubrooms or your lounge room at home, we felt this was a really beneficial way to have an open and frank discussion with our member clubs. The feedback was positive and we anticipate going through the same process at the end this season. For those clubs who did not take up the opportunity we encourage you to do so, so your ideas, suggestions and feedback can also be considered.

We continue to rely on the critical support of both Vic Health and Sport & Recreation Victoria (SRV) and thank them for this support. This year, through the efforts of Rod Kimmitt, we were able to secure funding of \$75,000, each year, for three years from Vic Health, to be used toward the development of juniors.

In addition we were able to maintain our funding of \$25,000 per annum, for three and a half years, under the Victorians More Active program.

Further to the funding achievements, lacrosse was recognised as a Tier 3 sport by School Sport Victoria. This recognition enables access to 80% of Victorian Schools, which is a significant step forward in allowing us the opportunity to promote lacrosse to school children

across Victoria. It will now be up to all of us to capitalise on this opportunity and to grow our sport.

Congratulations to all of our Men and Women, Boys and Girls who represented either Australia or Victoria this year.

To all of the clubs who hosted finals this year, we would like to thank you and acknowledge the huge efforts of all the volunteers who made it happen. Of particular note, was the rare, but hugely successful hosting of the Grand Finals at the Malvern Town Hall. The Malvern Lacrosse Club went to extraordinary lengths to be able to host the event, and we congratulate them on a job very well done.

On behalf of the Lacrosse Victoria Board, we would like to thank the office, specifically Rod, Maureen, River and Kristen for all the work that they do to allow our sport to operate. The roles they perform are often underestimated and underappreciated, however we do see the long hours and extra effort they put for all of us.

To all of our Advisory Group members, Commissioners, our Grievance Officer and all of those who assist the office and the Board, we thank you for your time, guidance and commitment.

Finally, to all the volunteers within our great sport, whether they are from the Member Clubs, our Referees and Umpires or from the Board, a big thank you for all your hard work and continued effort to grow and improve our sport. Let us continue to work together and grow our great game.

Remembering, we are all volunteers and we all have one interest at heart – our great sport of lacrosse.

Wishing you all a safe and prosperous 2016.

Yours in lacrosse

Liz Balfour

Chair

Danny Whitbourn

Secretary

## LV GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

It is with great pleasure that I present the General Managers Report for the 2015 Calendar year.

Lacrosse Victoria is extremely fortunate to be serviced by a small but extremely dedicated office staff and I would like to start this report by thanking them for their efforts over the year. Maureen Austin and Kristen Stone have continued to be the backbone of the administration of the sport. They were joined this year by River Bradley in the newly created Competitions and Communications Officers role. Together this group have provided our members with a level of professionalism, enthusiasm and commitment that is the envy of other sports of similar size and standing.

They have complimented an LV Board that has once again provided strong leadership and direction. This has been a challenging time for lacrosse and the board have not shirked their responsibility and been prepared to make hard and at times unpopular decisions in order to ensure lacrosse is given the best opportunity to grow. For that the sport should be extremely grateful.

### **Successes**

2015 saw the culmination of many years of significant effort working in the schools space to build the foundations for a vibrant lacrosse presence with the acceptance of Lacrosse Victoria as a Tier 3 member of School Sport Victoria (SSV). This was granted on the back of the significant growth seen in SSV programs since 2013 when 280 children took part in official programs. In 2015 this had grown to 3,122 children who took part in a lacrosse program involving 4 or more matches. Membership with SSV now provides Lacrosse Victoria and its member clubs access to more than 2,300 schools and 550,000 students across the state in years 4-12.

2015 also saw the establishment of the first new lacrosse club in Victoria for a number of years, the Wyndham (Warriors) Lacrosse Club. This is an exciting development for lacrosse and a clear demonstration of the value of partnerships with Wyndham City Council, Lacrosse Victoria and the Altona Lacrosse Club all playing significant roles in creating the environment for the Warriors to develop. All in lacrosse welcome the Wyndham Lacrosse Club into the lacrosse family and wish inaugural President David Fairclough and his dedicated team of volunteers all the best on their lacrosse journey.

Our representative teams continue to excel with Victoria winning the Senior Women's, U18 Boys and U18 Girls titles, and our Senior Men finishing an admirable 2<sup>nd</sup> following a challenging lead up to the tournament. With our Indoor team also reigning champions it means that Victorian teams currently hold 4 of the 5 National Championships on offer. When the success of the Fire Girls and Southern Crosse Boys at the National U15 Tournament is added to the equation, Victoria is well placed for success in years to come.

On a fiscal front Lacrosse Victoria have again delivered a responsible financial result which will be expanded upon in the Financial Report. This result has created the foundations to

allow the new board the opportunity to make the decisions necessary to support the growth and sustainability of the sport in coming years.

Importantly this position is supported by the securement of \$225,000 in funding from VicHealth over the next 3 years to grow our junior brand in the 5-12 year old segment. We have also secured \$105,000 from Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) over a 3 ½ year period to support a metropolitan regional growth model. More details will emerge in the coming months as these projects and outcomes are bedded down with the relevant funding bodies.

Lacrosse Victoria and SRV have been working together in the development of a Strategic Facilities Plan for Lacrosse and this report is due for publication in mid 2016. This report along with the funding from both SRV and VicHealth, and the establishment of the new lacrosse facility in Craigeburn will provide lacrosse with a significant opportunity to reach new markets in 2016 and beyond.

### **Challenges**

Stagnating growth continues to be an ongoing concern. 2015 saw growth in our senior ranks, however a reduction in junior numbers. This can be partly explained by the movement of our highest junior grade down from U18 to U17, however the reduction of numbers in our U15 is a concern that must be closely monitored. Early indications are that there will be a correction in 2016 but diligence must be maintained.

Our women's section endured another tough year and they must be congratulated for their efforts in maintaining a positive attitude throughout this challenging period. I am confident that should our members work together with an eye to the future they can overcome the barriers before them to create a vibrant environment for women's lacrosse in this state.

Relationships across the sport have been perhaps the biggest challenge over the last 12 months. Whether it be at national, state or club level the sport must find a way to work together towards a shared purpose if it is to enjoy the success it deserves. This may at times require individuals and members to challenge their purpose for being in the sport. But this is a healthy debate to have, for until lacrosse finds a way to truly trust each other in achieving a shared purpose we are not giving lacrosse the best chance to succeed and show others what we intrinsically know. That lacrosse is one of the greatest games on earth and everyone deserves a chance to enjoy its beauty

### **Acknowledgements**

This will be my last opportunity to table a General Managers Report so may I take this opportunity on both a personal and professional level to thank the following for their support over the last 3 years.

- First and foremost the participants who have made this sport a joy to be a part of.

- The volunteers who without their dedication and efforts this sport would simply not exist The Officials who maintain the standards that lacrosse aspires to hold on the field
- The member clubs for both their support and willingness to challenge. Friction in the right measure is important for growth
- The LV Board for their leadership and most importantly courage to challenge the status quo. It may not be apparent yet, but their vision will be rewarded in future years.
- The LV staff. Lacrosse is blessed to have, and have had, such dedicated, talented and committed staff and with them the sport is in good hands
  - Maureen Austin
  - River Bradley
  - Kristen Stone
  - Paul Clough
  - Sandra Hecker

Finally in closing may I wish everyone involved in lacrosse and the sport itself all the best for the future. It is a great sport, filled with great people. My parting wish is that you find that SHARED PURPOSE and show the rest of the sporting world what they are missing.

Rod Kimmitt  
General Manager

# LACROSSE VICTORIA INC

ABN: 31 876 640 323

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2015**



M V ANDERSON & CO  
Chartered Accountants

*Culture Commitment Confidence*

**LACROSSE VICTORIA INC**  
**ABN: 31 876 640 323**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	NOTES	2015	2014
		\$	\$
<b>INCOME</b>			
Competitions & tours		6,545	8,806
Government grants			
Interest received		117,472	104,573
Miscellaneous		2,040	2,635
Registration & insurance		9,324	4,454
Sales		325,615	316,769
School programs		15,905	15,247
State teams & championships		7,264	13,488
Sundry local competition income		164,872	286,870
<b>Total Income</b>		8,238	7,470
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		657,275	760,312
Advertising and promotion			
Accounting & auditors' fees		15,738	24,889
Bad and doubtful debts		5,820	5,714
Competition registrations		(1,179)	3,306
Competitions tours expenses		36,707	37,495
Cost of sales		9,969	19,985
Depreciation		11,120	10,364
Employee benefits expenses		6,324	6,091
Grants related expenses		204,603	188,324
General Expenses		46,141	6,415
Insurance		30,795	27,570
Local competition expenses		32,593	37,976
Operating lease		74,565	76,475
School programs related expenses		7,486	6,196
State teams & championships		5,856	13,183
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		162,531	303,108
<b>Net Profit/(Loss)</b>		649,069	767,191
		8,206	(7,479)
Retained Profits at the Beginning of the Year			
<b>Retained Profits at the End of the Year</b>		150,243	157,722
		158,449	150,243

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

**LACROSSE VICTORIA INC**  
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**ASSETS AND LIABILITIES STATEMENT**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Note	2015	2014
		\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	168,831	192,173
Trade and other receivables	3	6,240	9,465
Inventories	4	8,303	3,747
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>183,374</b>	<b>205,385</b>
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant & equipment	5	17,647	23,065
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>17,647</b>	<b>23,065</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>201,021</b>	<b>228,450</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	6	16,076	31,682
Provisions	7	20,461	20,025
Other current liabilities	8	6,035	26,500
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>42,572</b>	<b>78,207</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>42,572</b>	<b>78,207</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>158,449</b>	<b>150,243</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Profits		158,449	150,243
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>158,449</b>	<b>150,243</b>

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Receipts from members and contributors		544,158	660,435
Government grants-receipts		97,007	108,786
Payment to suppliers and employees		(661,795)	(751,870)
Interest received		2,040	2,635
Net cash provided by operating activities	10	(18,590)	19,986
<b>CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Payment for plant and equipment		(4,752)	(6,835)
Net cash provided by/(used) by investing activities		(4,752)	(6,835)
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash held</b>		(23,342)	13,151
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		192,173	179,022
<b>CASH AND CASH-EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	2	168,831	192,173

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Reform Act (Victoria) 2012*. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity:

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money value or, except where specially stated, current valuation of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

**a. Income Tax**

No provision for income tax is necessary as the Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

**b. Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

**c. Plant and Equipment**

Plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all plant and equipment is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

**d. Impairment of Assets**

At the end of each reporting period, the association reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indicator exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

**e. Employee Benefits**

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

## **NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

### **f. Provisions**

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

### **g. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

### **h. Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed.

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

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

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

### **i. Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). 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 statement of financial position.

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE2</b>		
<b>Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>		
Commonwealth bank cheque account	30,604	26,303
Commonwealth bank account - state team	21,289	31,303
Commonwealth bank online saver account	115,995	133,974
Online saver account - state team	943	593
	<u>168,831</u>	<u>192,173</u>
<b>NOTE 3</b>		
<b>Trade and other receivables</b>		
Debtors	2,081	12,635
Debtors - state team	4,159	
Provision for doubtful debts		(3,170)
	<u>6,240</u>	<u>9,465</u>
<b>NOTE4</b>		
<b>Inventory</b>		
Lacrosse shop stock	8,303	3,747
	<u>8,303</u>	<u>3,747</u>
<b>NOTE 5</b>		
<b>Plant &amp; equipment</b>		
Equipment - at cost	58,086	60,125
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	{40,439}	(37,060)
	<u>17,647</u>	<u>23,065</u>
<b>NOTE 6</b>		
<b>Trade and other payables</b>		
Trade and other payables	1,307	3,884
Other creditors and accruals	5,750	5,650
GST liabilities	(921)	2,747
GST liabilities - state team	(61)	1,363
PAYG withhold1ng tax	2,497	10,537
State team	7,504	7,501
	<u>16,076</u>	<u>31,682</u>
<b>NOTE 7</b>		
<b>Provisions</b>		
Provision for annual leave	12,582	12,761
Provision for long service leave	7,879	7,264
	<u>20,461</u>	<u>20,025</u>
<b>NOTES</b>		
<b>Other current liabilities</b>		
Grants in advance	6,035	26,500
	<u>6,035</u>	<u>26,500</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**


	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE9 Operating lease commitments</b>		
Being for rent of office		
Payable - minimum lease payments		
- not later than 12 months		6,290
- between 12 months and five years		
- greater than five years		
		6,290
		6,290
<p>The property lease is a non-cancellable lease with a three-year term, with rent payable monthly in advance.</p> <p>Contingent rental provisions within the lease require that the minimum lease payments shall be increased by Consumer Price Index per annum.</p>		
 <b>NOTE 10 Statement of Cash Flows</b>		
Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit from ordinary activities after income tax		
Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities after income tax	8,206	(7,479)
Non -.cash flows in profit		
(Gain)/ Loss on disposal of plant & equipment	3,846	12
Bad and doubtful debts	(3,170)	3,306
Depreciation	6,324	6,091
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	6,395	7,319
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(4,556)	2,292
Increase/(decrease) in payables	(15,606)	2,125
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	436	2,107
Increase/(decrease) in grants in advance	{20,465}	4,213
	. (18,590)	19,986

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

In accordance with a resolution of the committee of Lacrosse Victoria Inc, the members of the committee declare that the financial statements as set out on pages 1-7:

1. present a true and fair view of the financial position of Lacrosse Victoria Inc. as at 31 December 2015 and its 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 *Associations Incorporations Reform Act (Victoria) 2012*; and
2. at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Lacrosse Victoria Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:

President.....  
  
Elizabeth Balfour

Treasurer.....  
  
Adam Holmes

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2016

LACROSSE VICTORIA INC



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
LACROSSE VICTORIA INC**

**Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Lacrosse Victoria Inc, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015, statement of financial performance and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

**Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The committee of Lacrosse Victoria Inc is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Reform Act (Victoria) 2012* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

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

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

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

**LACROSSE VICTORIA INC**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
LACROSSE VICTORIA INC**

**Auditor's Opinion**

In our opinion the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Lacrosse Victoria Inc as at 31 December, 2015 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Reform Act (Victoria) 2012*.

**Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution**

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Lacrosse Victoria Inc to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Reform Act (Victoria) 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

*M V Anderson & Co*

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**Melbourne Vic 3000**

*Graeme 5. Day*

**GRAEME 5. DAY**  
Partner

Dated: 23 February, 2016



## RECORDS

### MEN

State League	Camberwell, Caulfield, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern, MCC, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Division 1	Altona, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern, MCC, Moreland, Williamstown
Division 2	Altona, Camberwell, Chadstone, Moreland, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Division 3	Bendigo, Camberwell, Caulfield, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern, MCC, Melbourne University, Williamstown
Under 17	Altona, Camberwell, Caulfield, Footscray, Malvern/MCC, Moreland/Eltham/Surrey Park, Melbourne University Black, Melbourne University Blue, Williamstown
Under 15	Camberwell, Caulfield/Malvern, Footscray, Melbourne University/Eltham, Moreland/Surrey Park, Williamstown
Under 13	Altona, Camberwell Blitz, Camberwell Magic, Caulfield, Chadstone, Eltham, Footscray, Malvern/MCC, Moreland/Melbourne University, Surrey Park Red, Surrey Park White, Williamstown Cities, Williamstown Fearon
Under 11	Altona, Camberwell, Caulfield, Chadstone, Eltham Durham, Eltham Russell, Footscray Green, Footscray White, Hoppers Crossing, Malvern Red, Malvern Black, MCC, Surrey Park Red, Surrey Park White, Williamstown Fearon, Williamstown Cities

### Registered Men & Junior Boys Players 2015

Club	Senior	U17	U15	U13	U11	Total
ALRA						
Altona	25	10	6	7	10	58
Bendigo	15	2	1			18
Camberwell	33	8	19	23	11	94
Caulfield	30	11	7	10	7	65
Chadstone	37	3	1	7	7	55
Eltham	52	5	5	9	14	85
Footscray	37	12	8	10	14	81
Hoppers Crossing					9	9
Malvern	46	6	6	10	15	83
MCC	53	3	3	3	7	69
Melbourne Uni	39	30	8	1		78
Moreland	28	5	9	10	4	56
Surrey Park	38	3	7	16	11	75
Williamstown	69	13	10	24	26	142
	502	111	90	130	135	968

## RECORDS

### WOMEN

#### Winter Teams

State League	Caulfield, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown Women
A Grade	Altona, Caulfield, Chadstone, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown Women
B Grade	Chadstone, Eltham, Malvern, MCC, Melbourne University, Newport, Surrey Park, Williamstown Women
Under 17	Caulfield, Chadstone, Footscray, Newport, Surrey Park, Williamstown
Under 15	Caulfield/Malvern, Eltham/Camberwell, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown Blue, Williamstown Gold
Under 13	Camberwell, Caulfield, Eltham/Chadstone, Footscray, Newport, Williamstown Blue, Williamstown Gold

#### Registered Women & Junior Girls Players 2015

Club	Senior	U17	U15	U13	U11	Total
AILRA						
Altona	11	1	1	1		14
Camberwell	1	2	5	4	6	18
Caulfield	20	4	9	5	6	44
Chadstone	18	6	3	4	3	34
Eltham	12	2	8	3	2	27
Footscray	26	6	3	12	6	53
Malvern	11		2	4		17
MCC	13		3		2	18
Melbourne University	20					20
Moreland						0
Newport	31	7	13	9	3	63
Surrey Park	7	7	2	2	3	21
Williamstown Women	16	12	24	17	11	80
	186	47	73	61	42	409

# REGISTRATION AND TEAM NUMBER STATISTICS 2005-2015

## MEN

										Teams	
		Senior	Total Junior	U17	U15	U13	U11	Total Players	Junior	Senior	
2015		502	466	111	90	130	135	968	44	31	
2014		462	500	137	114	104	145	962	39	31	
2013		488	502	84	100	120	198	990	40	33	
2012		513	560	82	148	125	205	1073	42	35	
2011		480	554	77	157	117	203	1034	40	34	
2010		502	544	101	120	123	200	1046	45	35	
2009		461	588	151	134	108	195	1049	51	33	
2008		436	680	185	149	126	220	1116	53	32	
2007		415	690	154	201	125	210	1105	51	29	
2006		464	646	190	197	129	130	1110	47	28	
2005		484	665	141	253	157	130	1149	55	28	
2004											
2003									53	23	
2002									52	25	
2001									51	27	
2000									55	26	
1999									55	24	
1998									47	23	

## WOMEN

	Life									Teams	
		Senior	Total Junior	U17	U15	U13	U11	Total Players	Junior	Senior	
2015		186	223	47	73	61	42	409	19	18	
2014		182	284	59	98	67	60	466	19	20	
2013		187	273	55	79	81	41	460	21	19	
2012		198	251	40	80	77	54	449	25	21	
2011	1	190	260	47	64	76	73	451	21	19	
2010	2	185	241	41	66	63	71	428	22	16	
2009	1	197	242	37	70	56	79	440	23	18	
2008	1	247	244	39	61	67	77	493	20	19	
2007	1	203	233	46	53	77	57	437	19	18	
2006	1	174	211	44	62	51	54	386	20	19	
2005	3	208	204	34	70	48	52	415	21	16	
2004	2	219	206	29	57	74	46	427	21	16	
2003	2	193	207	41	38	78	48	400	18	18	
2002		211	212					423			
2001		195	194					389			
2000		193	173					366			
1999		167	187					354			
1998		174	166					340			
1997		185	144					329			
1996		191	119					310			

# COMPETITION RESULTS

## MEN

Grade	Premiership
State League- Joel Fox Shield	Williamstown 7 def Footscray 6
Division 1- George Smith Premiership Cup	Moreland 18 def Williamstown 7
Division 2- Captain Fearon Trophy	Williamstown 22 def Surrey Park 8
Division 3- Hugh Woods Cup	Williamstown 15 def Eltham 12
Under 17 – R. E Pettit Trophy	Malvern/MCC 9 def Williamstown 6
Under 15- J L Daw Trophy	Caulfield/Malvern 18 def Williamstown 4
Under 13- J L (Jack) Beattie Trophy	Williamstown Fearons 10 def Williamstown Cities 12
Under 11	Lightning Carnival - 1 Crocodiles Division- Eltham Gold Kangaroos Division- Bendigo Sharks Division- Camberwell  Lightning Carnival - 2 Crocodiles Division- Eltham Durhan Kangaroos Division- Malvern Red Sharks Division- Camberwell
Indoor- Read Cup	Fury def Storm ( Best of 3 game finals series)

## WOMEN

Grade	Winner
State League – Fearon Cup	Newport 8 def Footscray 6
A Grade – Parker Cup	Footscray 12 def Newport 6
B Grade- Cheevers Cup	Surrey Park 15 def Malvern 3
U17 – Kendall/Pearson Cup	Footscray 11 def Williamstown 7
U15 Vivienne Parker-Grant Cup	Williamstown Gold 11 def Newport 3
U13	Footscray 13 def Newport 9
U11	No Competition

# BEST AND FAIREST

## MEN

### State League

Name	Club	Votes
Chris Plumb	Footscray	27
Patrick McGrath-Campbell	Malvern	23
Rob Stark	Caulfield	23
Chris Tillitson	Surrey Park	18
Caleb Hall	Eltham	18

### Division 1

Name	Club	Votes
Campbell MacKinnon	Altona	15
Lachlan McDonald	Altona	15
Hayden Dekker	Chadstone	14
Oskar Rosa	Moreland	12
Angus Thompson-Pritchard	Moreland	12

### Division 2

Name	Club	Votes
Maurice Zicman	Altona	19
Joshua Robinson	Williamstown	16
Danny Whitbourn	Surrey Park	11
Angus Angiolla	Moreland	9
Nick Barlow	Camberwell	9
Conor Hudson	Chadstone	9
Tristan Tomasino	Williamstown	9

### Division 3

Name	Club	Votes
Jesse Gent	Eltham	13
Brian Bach	Melbourne University	11
Aaron Currie	Malvern	10
Jacob Barden	Caulfield	10

### Under 17

Name	Club	Votes
Liam Fothergill	Caulfield	25
Lachlan McDonald	Altona	24
Jacob Coventry-Poole	Melbourne University	24
Tim Graham	Malvern	21
Peter Kwas	Footscray	20

### Under 15

Name	Club	Votes
Mitchell Baker	Malvern/Caulfield	16
Jayden Smith	Williamstown	15
Liam Harari	Caulfield/Malvern	12
Al Rubins	Camberwell	11
Jackson Marsh	Footscray	11
Ethan Boyd	Camberwell	11

- NOTE: No awards for U/13 & U/11

# BEST AND FAIREST

## WOMEN

### State League

Name	Club	Votes
Sarah Mollison	Footscray	27
Marlee Paton	Newport	20
Rachel Kirchheimer	Newport	20
Hayley Sofarnos	Newport	18
Abbie Burgess	Footscray	14

### A Grade

Name	Club	Votes
Vicki Ryan	Altona	12
Rhiannon Birch	Footscray	11
Jemma Hunter	Williamstown	11
Emily Prentice	Footscray	11
Shannon Edwards	Chadstone	10

### B Grade

Name	Club	Votes
Gabrielle Nichols	MCC	27
Leanne Ryan	Surrey Park	23
Romy Ansell	Malvern	20
Millie Caddy	Melbourne University	20
Emily Mason	Williamstown Women	20

## CLUB REPORTS

### ALTONA

Being a first time president the 2015 has been one of challenges and a steep learning curve, but at the end I believe the club is doing well. I have been very lucky to have the support of Jo Hughes, Peter Howarth, Bernard & Liz McDonald, Beej Howarth and Graham Mackinnon along with many others who keep the club running.

On the field we dropped off a bit this year as several senior players stepped away this year and our senior numbers were down. Balancing this was the exciting growth of our juniors both in numbers and ability. We are a small club punching well above our weight when it comes to junior recruitment and if we can build on our juniors the future could be very bright.

In addition to our impressive juniors, the club has been well represented by our seniors with Vicki Ryan and Campbell MacKinnon selected to represent Victoria at this year's nationals and Lachlan MacKinnon earning the highest honour of representing Australia at the World Indoor Lacrosse Championships.

All have played with Altona since they were juniors and are examples of what our players can achieve with hard work. Additionally Altona was well represented at the U15 National Championship with 7 juniors chosen to representative sides and Cam Keenan selected for the Victoria U18 side.

We continue to be a club that expects our individual abilities to get us across the line each week, but when faced with teams that match our skills we lack the teamwork to find a way to win. That will only change with commitment to training and willingness to put the team first. Across the sport there is unfortunately a lack of qualified coaches and it will fall on all of us to drive success on the field.

Off the field the club is being forced to change and is adapting to it. This year we began a ground sharing arrangement with Newport Lacrosse. Despite some trepidation from members of both clubs the relationship has been overall positive and I am sure that going forward the two clubs will find ways to work better together. The ground sharing arrangement with Newport has come about because of the growing pressure on the Hobson's Bay City Council to find facilities for all of the sporting clubs.

The year round availability of Lynch Reserve to Altona Lacrosse without question is no longer guaranteed. The club will need to find new ways of working internally and with other groups.

Finally I want to say how much I have learned in my year as President and how much it has made me appreciate even more all of the work that the select few put in to make it all possible. There have been challenges and I have learned a lot about myself and the people at the club. Lacrosse is a sport that is surrounded by passionate people and even though we may not always see eye to eye I have always known that we are all working for the growth of our sport.

*James Bleed  
President*

### BENDIGO

This year started with similar committee members with only three changes. Vincent Fitzpatrick put his hand up for minute secretary, while Ian Lock and Evan Matheson joined as a committee member.

Thanks to all the committee members for their continual support and effort over the last 12 months.



I believe this year has been another step in the right direction. The junior competition has continued and grown, with very good numbers in the 2014 spring (27 players) and 2015 summer (24 players) competition. At this moment we now have over 35 players playing 2015 spring competition.

We sent a team of nine (6 boys and 3 girls) to the Lacrosse Victoria U11 carnival at Altona on 30 May 2015. They were representing Bendigo, which the club bought new playing tops for such special events. This was Bendigo's first junior lacrosse representative team. The players trained for another 5 weeks after their summer competition concluded, so they could keep improving on their lacrosse skills for the carnival. They played, competed and won the Kangaroo (third) Division Competition. 6 of the 9 players will compete again next year; however they will be placed in the Sharks (first) Division. All the players and parents seem to have a great time.

As per past years we've had BBQs at Bunning's and Woolworth to fundraise for our transportation costs (Bus and Fuel), they were successful as they covered these costs. Thank you to all the members that had helped on these Saturdays.

It was again very hard to obtain sponsors but it wasn't because members weren't trying. Over the past 12 months the club submitted 5 proposals and received 2 successful grants: VicHealth for \$500 and Greater Bendigo Shire Council for \$1,890. These funds assisted the purchase of equipment for our Youth Competition, which we have at least ten 13 and 14 yr old training as we speak.

This Youth Competition will be our foundation of our senior team for years to come. We will have youth running the midfields in the not too distant future.

My aim was to keep lacrosse affordable and club fees were kept to the basic minimum just to cover LV fees. I believe we have the lowest fees in Victoria and I hope that the club can continue to do so for years to come.

Thanks to the players from Warrnambool, Castlemaine, Lancefield and Melbourne that represented our club as you are "very committed" in a nice way!

I will not be standing for Presidency for 2016 as I would like to undertake another role within the club committee. It is time for another club person to take the steering wheel and lead us to more success.

Gino (Eugenio) Iuliano  
President

## CAMBERWELL

Season 2015 for Camberwell Lacrosse Club was one of consolidation and hard decisions, it witnessed the first time in over a decade that CLC has not fielded a Women's team, but is also witnessed the resurgence of CLC teams making finals.

In 2015 we welcomed Tony Hollenkamp to the role of Junior Coordinator, a role he has made his own and thrived in, with strong numbers across the board, in particular in the older boys age groups, which looks to continue into 2016. In my mind there is no busier and more demanding role within CLC then that of the Junior Coordinator, so a huge thankyou to Tony for his passion and commitment to growing CLC (further information contained in the Junior Coordinators Report).

The ever reliant Junior Recruitment Team lead by Tony Hollenkamp, mentored by Josh Anderson and Life Member Doug Fox and supported by countless others, again delivered a tribe of new members to Camberwell Lacrosse Club ensuring our future success for years to come.

2015 was the first time in a number of years that we didn't have the usual struggle to recruit Coaches and we had an influx of first time coaches, who were paired with experienced Coaches who were able to guide, mentor and

support this new blood in our Coaching ranks. Hopefully this trend of juniors graduating into seniors and beginning to Coach will continue into 2016.

Unfortunately in 2015 CLC was not able to field a Women's team despite numerous attempts to partner with another Lacrosse Clubs, some of our senior players transferred to Caulfield, some of our junior players played seniors with Surrey Park and a number decided to take a year off. CLC is committed in 2016 to continuing to build upon the junior numbers in the hope of being able to resurrect the Women's senior side in the coming years. Of note in 2015 we fielded a standalone CLC Under 13's Girls team, which was a result of the ongoing recruitment efforts of Doug Fox.

The 2015 CLC Committee as always led the Club with a 'Just one thing' attitude, with an emphasis on strategic planning, focusing on player recruitment and retention, financial sustainability and further developing CLC as an inclusive and respectful family friendly Club. It was envisaged that in 2015 we would launch a three year Strategic Plan however this did not occur due to various reasons, but it is hoped that early in 2016 the CLC 2016-2018 Strategic Plan will be launched.

March 2015 saw the roll out of a new online CLC registration process and data base, aimed at streamlining and alleviating the administration burden of collecting, storing and utilising Members information. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Paul Beardsell who created and developed this database.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Communications Team made up of Miron Mizrahi who authors our website and Matthew Kerr Jnr who delivers our weekly newsletter Tribal Talk who combined enable us to keep our Members informed.

Our on field success in 2015 was mixed, our Division Two Men's side just missed out on the finals finishing fifth, our Under 17 Girls finished third, our Under 15 Girls finished fourth, our Under 15 Boys side finished third just missing out on a grand final game by one goal and Our Under 11 Boys dominated the season and won both flags in Division One.

CLC relationship with Lacrosse Victoria remain strong, with CLC again taking the lead among Victorian Lacrosse Clubs in demanding better governance and direction from Lacrosse Victoria. LV appears to have taken this feedback on board and continues to address a number of issues that they along with the Australian Lacrosse Association are facing.

Our relationship with our local council the City of Booroondara remained strong and this is evidenced by the opening a new multipurpose facility at Eric Raven and the development of a multipurpose area in 2016 at Dorothy Laver West.

As in recent years, our social calendar was packed with junior pizza, pasta and movie nights, a trivia night, our annual Past Players Day, The Glenn Horder Shield (played between Camberwell and Surrey Park) and our Junior and Senior presentation afternoon and night. Our social calendar was an incredibly important part of our fundraising in 2015 and it would not have been possible without the hard work and support of Mike and Helen Gloutnay, Sarah Melville, Tony Hollenkamp and Brema & Scott Samuel

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 2015 CLC Committee for all their hard work and their behind the scenes hours and commitment. To the coaches thank you for developing the next generation CLC players. Thank you to the players who embody the courage and loyalty of the Chiefs. To the volunteers and supporters of the Club, your commitment and effort make it all possible. To our sponsors in particular Oldham Naidoo Lawyers your financial support is critical to the financial sustainability of CLC, so thank you.

I have every confidence that 2016 will be filled with both continued off field success and further on field success.

Matthew Kerr  
President

## CAULFIELD

Congratulations to all members for their individual contributions and participation within the 2015 season.

A very special thank you must go to the entire 2015 Management Committee who again delivered what most club members unfortunately take for granted, the opportunity to participate in their game of choice – Lacrosse.

It is unfortunate that negative comments need to be communicated within a formal report such as this but continual requests for improved participation, more commitment and the need for the wider membership to take a greater interest in the sport that they love, have for the past decade fallen on deaf ears.

The committee that serves the club over the next few years has a significant challenge to ensure they engage with their membership and improve 2-way communication.

Times have changed and we continue to manage the club with a 1980's mentality and structure, supported by a constitution and by-laws that date back to the 1950's. Time for a change?

Having to chase subscriptions, the need to continually seek participation and support for social events, the reluctance to support junior recruitment and the inability to communicate effectively have not surprisingly, delivered unfavourable results, and continually frustrate those that do care. Each team continues to operate in its own functional silo which does have some benefits but we need club members, not just team members.

The end result is eventually those dedicated enough to keep things happening burn out. I fear that we have now reached that stage with the current generation and I sincerely hope that the next generation can have some success in achieving some form of cultural reform and positive change.

Without this, our club, and eventually our sport will surely perish.

On a positive note the 2015 season did deliver some great results.

\* The committee delivered a strong positive financial result and has recovered from what was a difficult period administratively.

\* A changed focus on junior recruitment has delivered a much improved participation rate for both boys and girls at the entry level and additional focus in this area must be maintained over the coming years.

\* We finished the season on a high as a host club for what by all reports was a successfully managed final.

\* All junior teams have had a very successful year with strong participation rates and most importantly they have all enjoyed playing lacrosse. The player return rate for 2016 looks promising.

Congratulations to all players that were selected to participate as State and International representatives, and to all those who supported their contribution.

Thank you to the dedicated few who did step up on a regular basis to referee, score and assist with event management. Your contributions are appreciated. Thank you to all coaches and team managers, without your contributions there is no game.

Finally again, thank you to the 2015 Management Committee and those who assisted with set up, line marking, driving BBQ's and all the other voluntary tasks that help us keep things afloat. Thanks to Sandra Hecker who managed the canteen for the greater part of the season. A difficult job but one that is essential to ensure a cash flow and the on-going financial success of the club.

I'd like to wish the incoming Committee all the best for 2016 and offer my ongoing support as required. I would also like to emphasise the importance of junior recruitment over the next few years, and beyond. We can operate on an ongoing basis without key committee positions filled, but we cannot survive and grow without ongoing recruitment.

Take care over the coming festive season. Stay safe and I look forward to catching up again in 2016.

Brian Hecker  
President

## CHADSTONE

Congratulations to all clubs and to Lacrosse Victoria on a great season in 2015.

It was my first season as Chadstone Lacrosse Club's president and I had big shoes to fill! Thanks to Bruce Freeman for serving the previous 3 years in the role and for allowing an easy transition, offering support and continuing to be involved with the club.

Sadly, shortly after our AGM, Life Member David Cohen passed away on 25th November 2014. David was a co-founder of Chadstone Lacrosse Club along with Bill Gray Snr and was the club's first president, serving from 1960-1966. I think that the best tribute we can make is to ensure that the club and the sport continue to thrive for many more years.

There have been some great achievements at the club this year for which I am very proud - including increasing our membership by 15%!

It was a big year for our women's and girls' section! This year we managed to enter a 2nd women's team (in B-Grade) and have our A-Grade team make it to a Preliminary Final. We hosted the women's prelim finals round and it was fantastic to have one of our teams playing on the day. We also expanded our junior girls contingent by entering a U13 team combined with Eltham as well as fielding our own U17 girls team. Well done girls! After dropping down from State League, it was disappointing the men's Div 1 and Div 2 didn't make finals, however we won the Bill Gray Shield and the Clive Carr Shield. Our Under 15 boys played in a combined team with Malvern and Caulfield which won the premiership! We had 4 boys in a U17 team combined with Camberwell, a full U13 boys team and after starting with only a couple of U11 players in a team combined with MCC we recruited enough players for our own U11 team. Thank you to all coaches, referees, umpires and team managers who made this season possible!

I'd like to thank the members of the club committee who dedicated a significant amount of time this year to running the club: Rachael Brick (Vice President), Ellie Cope (Secretary), Karen Hennekam (Treasurer), Scott Filliponi, Shannon Edwards, Hayden Dekker, Rob Collis, John Barlow, Alison Karpel and Helen Torchia. All but two of the committee were current players (5 women's and 4 men's players), which I think is a great sign that the players are taking ownership of the club.

Rob Collis performed with great enthusiasm in the Junior Coordinator role, organising school holiday camps, school clinics and indoor programs. LV did not organise a forum for clubs to arrange junior combined teams this year. Rob was instrumental in the difficult and time-consuming task of organising combined teams for our junior players in U11, U13G, U15B and U17B age-groups and ensuring that our stand-alone junior teams in U13B and U17G had coaches and were able to take the field.

Thanks to Malvern, Caulfield, Eltham, MCC and Camberwell for working with us to form the combined junior teams and for their willingness to play some home games at our field and/or in Chadstone uniforms, particularly on our Family Day.

We had a very successful Family Day with 5 Chadstone home games, a raffle, junior recruiting camp and parents v kids game. A lot of players and parents made great contributions with all aspects of the day and I thank you all very much.

I absolutely must thank all of the volunteers who helped with Bunnings and Masters BBQ's, in the canteen and on the BBQ for family day, finals hosting and regular home games. One of our challenges was not having a canteen manager for the season. As I'm sure happens at most clubs, we are often stretched for volunteers and often rely too much on those who have other roles as players, officials and club office bearers. Most of our coaches, team managers and officials were players.

Another major challenge was finding enough referees and umpires for home and away games. The introduction of online accreditation (for men's referees) makes it more accessible, however I think that training sessions would be valuable and the remuneration is far too low at \$15-20 per game.

Turning on the new flood lights for the first time was A M A Z I N G! Our relationship with Stonnington Council seems to be quite good, however they haven't approved playing night games.

An off-field highlight was Scott Filliponi being awarded the Stonnington Citizen of the Year Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the community as a coach, player and volunteer, nominated by Mary Conheady. The award night fittingly occurred in August just in time before he departed to represent Australia in the World Indoor Lacrosse Championships in New York.

LV Presentation Night did not pass by without Chadstone players being recognised. Congratulations to individuals from our club who were placed in the top 5 in the league vote counts:

- A Grade – Shannon Edwards came 5<sup>th</sup>
- Div 1 – Hayden Dekker came 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Div 2 – Conor Hudson came 4<sup>th</sup>

We had several players selected to play in representative teams and I am very proud of these players' achievements:

- Australian Indoor Lacrosse Team: Scott Filliponi;
- Australian U23 Mens Team (for ASPAC Tournament): Rob Collis, Kale Murfett
- Victorian Indoor Lacrosse Team: Scott Filliponi;
- Victorian U18 Men's Lacrosse Team: Callum Smythe, Lennon Fowler
- Presidents U18 Women's Lacrosse Team: Sophie Nicholson
- Southern Crosse U15 Boys Team: Sam Boontjes
- Fire U15 Girls Team: Jenny Kilsby

Thank you to all at Chaddy and the wider lacrosse community. I'd like to offer a warm welcome to the new club Wyndham! Looking forward to another great season in 2016!

James Conheady  
President

## ELTHAM

The 2015 season was overall a successful one for the Eltham Lacrosse Club. The club goals for the year were around re-establishing the governance and organisation at the club, developing and improving our teams' performance and increasing participation in all aspects of club life.

Around the organisation aspects we sought to involve new and enthusiastic members in our executive team which injected some much needed energy and commitment. The team met regularly and worked hard to plan and organise the

season. Highlights include some great social events, the running of the Women's Finals, a couple of successful grant applications, improved fee collection and improved communication within the club and beyond.

From a team perspective the return of Dan Stiglich to the club and importantly to the role of State League coach created a very positive vibe as he sought to engender a team spirit of inclusiveness and develop the fitness and playing skills of all the boys. State League may not of made the finals but they definitely were building each week and this bodes well for 2016. Lincoln Trainor's return to Div 3 also brought a positivity to the playing group which reflected in their very successful season finishing on top of the ladder and runners up in the finals. Meanwhile the women under the auspicious coaching direction of Kendrea Kendall also proved to be a force to reckon with, remaining in the top 3 all year. Looking forward to 2016, we need to create the same vibe and enthusiasm in our junior teams, which frankly struggle due to lack of numbers and a sense of identity. This is not the case for all teams and our under 11s and under 13 boys really shone throughout the year.

A definite win for the club was also the increased participation in the social events, Men's dinners and Saturday night meals. The club seemed to be buzzing, helped along by reliable information on events and great meals each week. Big events like club day and finals hosting were also a resounding success thanks to volunteer and social participation of everyone at the club. Our junior and senior presentation nights were also well attended and the formats and venues were excellent.

We were saddened by the loss of one of our greats in 2015 when Dr Graham Webb, Co-Founder of the Eltham Lacrosse Club, passed away in November. There have been some very heart-warming, well deserved tributes for Graham and all who knew him appreciate his lifelong interest and support for lacrosse.

On a much happier note, we were thrilled with the award of the Order of Australia Medal to another of our founders, Bob Russell for his service to Lacrosse and the community. He has worked tirelessly for lacrosse throughout his life, has achieved much but is still a modest, unassuming man to whom the club and community is greatly indebted.

In finishing, I would like to thank and congratulate the 2015 committee on an amazing contribution this year. I would also like to thank our retiring committee members for everything they have done for the club during their time in office; Brendon Hall (Secretary), Caryn Cramp (senior women's director), Brad Nowland (Junior Director), Duncan Hillier (Senior Men's director) and Scott Schenk (Social).

Pauline Maher  
President

## **FOOTSCRAY**

No report submitted

## **MALVERN**

2015 was an incredibly successful year for the Malvern Lacrosse Club, and we are extremely proud to have been recognized equally as ' Club of the Year'.

This recognition was a result of hard work behind the scenes, and whilst it is important to recognize and thank the contributions of the entire Malvern Lacrosse Club committee and family in 2015, a special mention to our President Gary Campbell and his tireless and selfless contribution.

Gary's vision and leadership culminated with a hugely and well admired Grand Final day at the Malvern Town Hall.

All levels of the club functioned well, and the club fielded many teams covering the senior men and women ranks (all of whom made finals), as well our juniors, with the U17's winning the Grand Final.

A special mention to players in both juniors and seniors who represented our club in carnivals, and notably Dave Gal, Brad Currie and Jeff Joy who participated as part of the Aussie Box Team.

In 2015, it was with great pleasure that the club inducted three (3) people as life members.

Stephen Bown

- Brad Currie
- Glenn Meredith

Congratulations on your achievement and recognition for the hard work and passion you all have demonstrated.

With the new committee set, the Malvern Lacrosse Club looks forward to another fantastic season.

Adam Barnes  
Secretary

## MCC

A disappointing season has come to an end for us with none of our senior teams represented in finals. State League Men finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams, B Grade women also finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams. Division 1 and 3 both finished 6<sup>th</sup> out of 9 teams. The highlight of the season was our Under 17 team, who were combined with Malvern, winning the Premiership.

If MCC Lacrosse are going to thrive we must continue to focus on Junior Recruitment because they are the future of this great club. If we can consolidate our numbers in junior teams and work hard to retain these players we will be strong in senior men's and women's in years to come. I would like to express my appreciation to the junior coaches and the junior parents for their efforts this season. I am particularly proud of the juniors who also represented the club in senior teams throughout the year, I can assure you that the older players appreciate the support, and run, that they give us. Congratulations to Jasmine Stout for her efforts at the Under 15 National Tournament. Well done also to our senior players who were selected in the State team and to Daniel Mentiplay who made the Australian Indoor Lacrosse team. It has been another season for individual achievement in this club and for all those that have passed significant game milestones, congratulations; I hope there are many more games in store for you all. I commend all those that received awards at our presentation night.

Thanks to Jamie Buchanan for his efforts as head coach. Thanks also to Kellie Ellingworth and Fran Nichols for the marvellous job they did with the Women's team. Joey Castle and Barry Nugent also need to be recognised for coaching the lower divisions. For 2016 we have appointed Ben Sharpe as a Strength and Conditioning Coach and we have already started preparing for next season.

MCC Lacrosse held their annual Presentation Dinner on Friday October 9<sup>th</sup> in the Members Dining Room. The night was well attended with 108 guests. One of the highlights of the night was Matt Platt being awarded our prestigious bucket award.

The year ended on a sad note and our members were left devastated when one of our members, Ronald (Ronnie) Ricketts was tragically killed in a workplace accident on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Ronnie was a talented lacrosse player who had made a significant impact at a number of clubs and I am sure that we are not the only ones feeling his loss. Our thoughts go out to his family and also all his friends within the lacrosse community.

In 2016, we will take pride in making MCC a great family and ultimately successful club.

Peter Allen  
Chairman

## MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY

The vast majority of Victorian lacrosse clubs experienced another consecutive year of declining player numbers but Melbourne University Lacrosse Club bucked this trend in a spectacular fashion. Our player numbers increased to a total of 98 members across men, women and juniors which represents a 42% increase. The reason for our success is that we deviate from the linear pathway of lacrosse, whereby clubs only recruit new players to the sport at junior level then rely on retention, which in our view does little to stop the decline of the sport. Through our open-minded recruitment of inexperienced players from the university we bring more adult aged players into the sport than any other club.

Although our player numbers were strong, the performance of our teams was sub-optimal with no teams making finals. Our men's Division 3 team narrowly missed a place in finals which is very impressive considering five players on this team were playing their first season of lacrosse. On that same note, our women's team notched up three wins and three draws despite over half the team playing their first season of lacrosse. We feel that we will have strong retention into 2016 so with another year of experience we should see our teams improving their ladder positions. The key challenge for our men's Division 1 team has been the lack of a non-playing coach however we hope to rectify this in 2016.

Duncan McKenzie continued his hard work in our Melbourne High School lacrosse program and was able to add an additional team this year. As a non-geographic based club our work with MHS is our junior lacrosse operations we do have a good representation of MHS alumni in our senior men. Our key focuses for the MHS lacrosse program will continue to be increasing family involvement in our club, improving player retention rates in sport through VCE and increasing player retention from junior lacrosse to senior lacrosse. Duncan has also been putting his efforts into running clinics at local primary schools in the inner north to grow the game.

The highlight for our senior players was Melbourne University winning both intervarsity championship matches against Adelaide University Lacrosse Club. The women's result is particularly noteworthy because this is the first time Melbourne University have won the trophy since before at least 2008 (which as far back as the perpetual trophy extends). The final scores were:

- Women: Melbourne University 10 def. Adelaide University 9
- Men: Melbourne University 17 def. Adelaide University 3

Highlights for our individual members in 2015 were:

- Jake Allan was selected in the Victorian men's team to play in the Senior Men's Nationals in Perth.
- Millie Caddy was awarded the Nell Rawlins award in recognition of her years of hard work in recruiting new women to the sport.

This year the committee made a strategic decision to do what we can to grow lacrosse within other Victorian universities. Whilst this provides no short term benefit to us as a club, the committee believes that this could bring benefits to the sport of lacrosse as a whole and, as the only university club in Victoria, we are in the best position to act in this sphere. In 2015 we successfully hosted the third Australian University Lacrosse Championship which was the first time the competition has been held in Melbourne. The tournament was a 5-a-side, mixed gender modcrosse format and had 74 participants across 10 teams. We will attempt to build on the momentum to establish a more regular university lacrosse competition in 2016.

There is one significant future concern for our club, and university lacrosse more broadly, which is the review of the University Rule. As the only remaining university club in Victoria we are underrepresented in the review of a rule which has been unpopular with many of the geographic clubs. We do have reasonable concern that the LV Board does not understand the unique operating environment of a non-geographic club and may act to remove the last support for university lacrosse without alternate affirmative action in place. We hope the LV Board sees strategic significance in continuing to support university lacrosse and we look forward to robust discussions before any decision is made.



Thank you to our committee for all their hard work this year. Success rarely arises by chance, it is usually the hard work of dedicated people working hard in the background. The efforts of our committee this year have put us in good stead for a fantastic 2016.

Nick Anthony  
President

## MORELAND

Wow what a history making season for our Division one team winning the premiership and in such a convincing way playing fast moving .....lacrosse. On the day the lacrosse looked easy but it has taken a lot of work over a number of years to enable this club goal to be fulfilled from the work Kris and Clive put in to start the club 21 years ago, all the senior players especially Symon who have coached the team when we had only 10/11 players in Div 1 a few years ago and has continued in an assistant roll with Stephen, Beana and Mitch and of course Tony who has come into the club 2 years ago as coach and has become a cult figure within the club. Through Tony's management the team has developed better skills and teamwork with everyone working together to achieve. In a history making year some things can get over looked like all the hard work that the Division two players put in both at training and on the field. I realise not all Div 2 player train every week but those that did have improved with some gaining a division 1 game. It is very difficult for division 2 each week to play without a coach and this year they lost their main voice in Angus Angioella after six weeks. During the finals I looked at the division 2 side and thought what an achievement to be playing finals. Since moving up to div2 this team has play in both final series. This team mainly consists of players first year out of or still playing juniors. As a club we need to do better to support this team.

We again assisted with the interschools sports program for the Brunswick District. We are still developing our relationship with these schools and hoping to expend this out to other schools in the area in the next few months.

I would like to congratulate Pius and Luke for making the under 18 Victoria team and Australian under 19's for the world championships. Good Luck boys and keep up the hard work.

A number of our under 15 boys have just started they representative lacrosse competing as Northern Warriors at the under 15 tournament with Michael Lovett as coach and John Walker as manager. We hope the boys and their parents have enjoyed this experience.

We hope the enthusiasm shown by everyone around the club this year continues into the coming seasons and players and parents get involved at all levels to make this club the place that you want it to be.

Anne Lovett  
President

## NEWPORT LADIES

As retiring President, I would like to say that it has been an honour and privilege to serve as President of Newport Ladies Lacrosse Club for the past three years.

It is a position which I have enjoyed, and one that has certainly presented a few challenges on occasions.

However in any position of office, you are not alone. I have been fortunate to have had the support and friendship of some very talented and inspiring women and men during my time as President. Thank you especially to Sue Sofarnos, Hayley Sofarnos, Jason Simpson, Robbie Barlow, Di Smith, Leanne Naylor, Sally Plumb, Eric Jenney, Tina Hussey, Jamie-Lee Selvidge Graham, Erin Gregory, Kate Simpson, Kerryn Quarrier and Jaci White – you have all supported me, given advice and friendship which has made my job so much easier, and I am truly grateful to each and every one of you. Clubs would struggle to survive without committees to run them and Newport is no different. To the committee of 2015, thank you all for volunteering your time to make this club successful and united, we are a community based sports club and we can't run without our volunteers. The hours spent running the club is enormous, so all NLLC members please regularly take the time to thank those who step up and contribute to make your club better for all, or better, step up and give the committee a hand in 2016.

Vice President Hayley Sofarnos, Secretary Erin Gregory, Treasurer Kate Simpson, Sue Sofarnos, Karen Burns, Nicole Walker, Di Smith, Stacey Krbaleski, Kara Lambert, Rachael Kircheimmer, Elaine Matthews, Janet Paton, Kerryn

Quarrier, Nicole Dunham, Murray Russell, and Celeste McDonald. Your commitment is endless. Thank you all for your enthusiasm and tireless work

Our coaches this year, Director of Coaching and State League Coach Sue Sofarnos, Assistant Coach Jason Simpson, U17 Coach Hayley Sofarnos, U15 Coaches Erin Gregory & Rachel Kirchheimer, U13 Coach Kate Simpson and Assistant Rocharne Brady. Thank you for giving your time and knowledge so generously again this season and I know the girls have all continued to develop their skills through your commitment to each girl every week.

Thank you also to Record Secretary Kerryn Quarrier and Sporting Pulse Administrator David Walker, it is a time consuming weekly task that David took on this year. Robbie Barlow, Janet Paton and Chrissie Mellis who ran our bar, and Di Smith for organising our canteen this season with support from the committee, parents and players. Nikki Dunham & Karen Burns for their preparing and applying for all of our grants, as well as Karen's invaluable photography contributions. Kerryn Quarrier who also took on our uniforms, Jason Dunham who has assisted us enormously this year with not only our uniforms, but jackets, hoodies and other supporters clothing as well. On behalf of the club thank you all for your hard work this season, and collectively contributing to Newport's success off the field.

2015 has been a year of transition for everyone, training at a new location, new clubrooms, and sharing facilities with another Lacrosse Club. To everyone at Newport thank you all for making this transition so easy and seamless. At the end of last season, Hobsons Bay Council informed us that Fearon Reserve grounds would be undergoing a complete resurfacing of the grassed oval, at the end of the 2016 season, and all clubs would have to relocate until the grass established for 12

months during the winter in 2017. Furthermore the long term plan for Greenwich Reserve was to turn it into a football oval. During the off season, other venues were looked at, including Digman Reserve. Hobson's Bay Council had no long term plans to rebuild clubrooms which were currently unsuitable, so the committee felt that for our club, the facilities at Altona would better serve our needs.

This has primarily been a trial year, one which we hope you have all found enjoyable and successful, and it would be remiss of me not to thank Altona Lacrosse Club, who I am sure over the coming years will continue to develop the interclub relationship that has commenced this season. I thank Altona Lacrosse Club's President James Bleed and their entire committee for making us welcome into what has traditionally been exclusively their grounds and clubrooms. Looking forward, I am pleased to report that at a recent Hobson's Bay Council facilities meeting I requested that the clubrooms be repaired and painted prior to the commencement of the 2016 season. I have received an email from the Council stating that the restoration of the clubrooms will be completed during the off season, and these works should commence soon. We have also requested more security lighting which Council is looking into. New ground lights to replace old

ones were installed by Hobsons Bay City Council this year, with an additional set of lights installed on the second ground to increase the training area for both clubs. Off the field, in early July we held our Annual Trivia Night. A funny and very entertaining night was well attended by 125 players, families, and friends. Fundraising this year included a movie night, and a Bunnings BBQ which was organised by Nicole Dunham and Karen Burns. Both these events were well supported by our parents, players and committee members.

On field we had a hugely successful year. Newport had five of our six teams playing in finals, with four teams going through to compete in grand finals and Newport's State League team becoming Premiership winners.

Well done to all our girls in every team, we are all so proud of your commitment, not only to yourselves to keep improving, but also to each other as a team. At Newport we are sociable, and not only did we host regular home game days in 2015 but also a Lacrosse Victoria Gala Day for all clubs at Paisley Park. It was a hugely successful day, one that all clubs enjoyed.

We are Newport Ladies Lacrosse Club, a club who registered 67 playing members this year, 31 Seniors and 36 Juniors, an increase of 11 members at the commencement of the season from 2014, however with season injuries for some of our players, and others who for many reasons couldn't continue this season, our numbers settled shortly into the season back to our 2014 registration numbers of 64.

Pre-season training 2015 was run by our Senior Players, which was also very well attended by many of the Juniors who turned up each week for stick skills and running sessions. It was inspiring to see so many Newport players on the field in February, all keen to get fitter and improve their individual game skills.

We are looking for Sponsors for 2016, and we need private sponsorship to continue to grow this great club of ours. If you have a business, and can sponsor Newport in some way, then please speak to Murray Russell and get on board for season 2016!

And finally, in closing, to all our players, it's important to know it is an honour to wear the Black and Gold uniform. You all have an opportunity to build lifelong friendships at Newport. So make the most of every season's opportunities and continue to grow and develop your game. Make this club your home and your teammates part of your family. Some of you will be here for a few seasons, we hope longer, and for others, a lifetime. We hope it is a lifetime for all of you.

I hope to see you all in 2016.

Roz Lambert  
President

## SURREY PARK

What a great effort from our Women's Senior team to take out the Premiership in the Grand Final against Malvern! Congrat's to Hayley Carlson and all involved. Thanks to Hayley for 'stepping up' at the beginning of the year and offering to Coach the B-grade team. The premiership win for her was a great culmination of her continued efforts to develop women's lacrosse, particularly satisfying to see the junior members that she has coached for a number of years, play such an integral role in the senior side.

Thanks must go out to Nick Speak for 'stepping up' again, ably supported by Gary Tillotson, to take on the Senior Mens Coaching role. Also a huge "thank you" on behalf of the Club must go to the Ham family for hosting Ike & Kyle. The boys thoroughly enjoyed their stay, due mostly to the wonderful hospitality extended by the Hams as well as other families & club members, in particular Danny Whitbourn for once again 'recruiting' the players at the outset and then sourcing work and a vehicle for them. We recommend all club members take the opportunity to host an 'import' when the opportunity arises.

We had some notable performances on-field this season from our senior teams, in particular the strong finals performance from all our Senior teams. On an individual note, River Bradley represented the 'Big V' and from all accounts, was a standout performer included in the 'All-Star Team'. Many of our junior players showed great skills and continued improvement during the season. Our reps at the National championships demonstrated they are among the very best in the State with 6 juniors representing the club at the U15 championships in Melbourne. It was pleasing to see the excitement build for the junior members and their families as they experienced the representative levels of Lacrosse. They also continued to give their very best for SPLC at every opportunity

We fielded a total of 8 junior teams this season and our participation rates saw another sharp incline with 82 kids participating in lacrosse at SPLC. A great result, in fact, that is 50% more juniors than last year !! A fantastic effort by the SPLC community nurturing the kids and families at our great club. The success of our iPlay Lacrosse initiative continued to be a very rewarding experience for all involved. Due to its success we were able to add an additional team into the LV u11 competition midway through the season (only club to do so!).

Due to the overwhelming & forward thinking support from the vast majority of our committee, I was fortunate to be given the opportunity to attend the ALA conference at the beginning of the year, which was a very worthwhile experience. A great opportunity to ensure our club is aligned with the state & national bodies of our sport. It gave clubs (and State associations) a chance to 'share' their experiences, good & bad, and I strongly recommend we continuing supporting these endeavours from ALA. Increasing participation levels has been on top of the priority list for some time and we can proudly state that we've 'done our bit' at SPLC. Participation levels were up this year right across the board, in our Junior section, Seniors, Womens, volunteers etc. Our Friday night games proving to be a great success as they enabled some (junior & senior) players to have a game that otherwise couldn't so we are looking forward to a few more games under lights next year. In 7 short years, we have increased our junior playing numbers from 1 up to more than 2/3's of the Club's members !

I'd like to recognise the off-field efforts from a number of key club contributors. Nick Farley was once again instrumental in continuing the iPlay Lacrosse initiative, schools program as well as coaching the u15 (combined) team on Saturday

mornings. Danny Whitbourn did a great job once again with his overseas recruiting & came up with two more outstanding U.S. players to join us this year. Ashley Davidson took on the role of Secretary and did a great job. Olli managed the Club's finances and assisted Andrew Burrett with merchandise.

I greatly appreciate the efforts from all of the junior parent forum and committee members, coaches, managers, referees, players, sponsors, administrators, cooks & 'behind the scenes' contributors for the roles they have played within the club this year

A big "Thank You" to the contributors from the committee & around the Club for the tremendous support during the year, in particular to the junior parents who performed duties well beyond their parenting role(s) again this year. Our club would struggle to succeed without the consistent efforts of our dedicated members.

I look forward to many more of our members contributing in a positive manner toward the growth of our club & our chosen sport. It's been a fantastic effort by those involved that continue to implement new concepts for improvement. We look forward to further change as we develop into a stronger community that is aligned with the governing bodies of lacrosse, collaborating to pursue a larger participation base for our great game. It was very pleasing to be informed recently that the ALA have been successful in obtaining a large increase in grant funds from the Australian Sports Commission, an increase that has been sought for decades. As we continue to increase the participation, the government bodies will continue to support our game so we can achieve bigger & better outcomes for the entire lacrosse community. Please get involved and 'give back' whenever possible in whatever way you are able. You may be surprised at how rewarding it can be !

All the best for a safe and enjoyable festive season and we look forward to seeing you all again next season for a bigger & better year, further increase in participation - & a few more premiership flags to hang on the walls of our new facilities

Richie Toomey  
President

## **WILLIAMSTOWN**

The 2015 season was another good season for the Williamstown Lacrosse club, all of our teams played finals and we won State League, Division 2, Division 3 and our two under 13 teams played off in the Grand Final. Division 1, under 18 and under 15 were runners up.

Congratulations to all the coaches, managers, scorers and parents for their contribution to our club.

Our junior co-ordinator Darren Gibson and his band of helpers we thank you.

To our Secretary, Jock Garnsworthy, Treasurer, Matt Price and the members of all Committees I thank them for the time and effort you all put in attending meetings and helping with the general running of our great club.

To our bar manager Mick, thanks for looking after the members requirements, and to all the people who worked in the kitchen cooking meals on Saturday nights and at other functions a very big thank you. Bennie Williams for his chicken burgers on Thursday nights to feed the hungry players after training, we thank you.

We thank our Major Sponsor BEN WATSON from Sweeney Estate Agents. To all our other sponsors we thank you, your sponsorship goes a long way to providing equipment for our junior players.

Thanks to LEE DAVIS for all his umpiring during the year and to all the others who helped out.

From me and all my family I would like to thank the Club for their expressions of sympathy and support at the passing of my father Ken Speakman at the age of 97. Ken was a player, coach, Vice President and life member who started his career at our club in 1930 at the age of 12.

To all our Members and supporters I hope you have great Christmas and a safe holiday period and we look forward to seeing you all in 2016

Robert Speakman  
President

### **WILLIAMSTOWN WOMEN**

The Williamstown Women's Lacrosse Club had a very exciting year in 2015 with our junior numbers continuing to be the backbone of our club and our future. We fielded teams in all grades: Under 13 x 2, Under 15 x 2, Under 17, B Grade, A Grade and State League.

We had many teams play in finals, Under 13 Blue, Under 15 Blue & Gold, Under 17, and B Grade & a Grade! Our Under 15 Gold team won the Premiership medal and we are very proud of these girls who have played so well over so many years. We look forward to seeing them develop even more next year.

This year we became co-tenants of the Williamstown Lacrosse Clubrooms and enjoyed many social events including regular food nights at training where players and their families get together.

Thanks to all of the volunteers, coaches and umpires for their efforts in making this another great year for the club.

Sarah Nobbs  
President

### **ALRA**

Welcome to the Presidents Report for ALRA Victoria for 2015.

As this is my first ( and maybe last) President's Report I feel it should be full of exciting and interesting information about the year just past, however I am worried it may be quite short.. Let's see what I can recall?

Stepping into the role of President for 2015 was a difficult one for me, time commitments and work pressures were always going to make the job a challenge, but with ALRAV in a degree of turmoil, someone needed to sit in the seat.

At the 2014 AGM it was clear that there was a desire and a united front from members to address our issues and do whatever was needed to get the Association back to the positive and successful track of the last few years. As a result I was happy to recognize the memberships desire to address some of the discontent and I agreed to take on the role.

Although when considering what to write to sum up this year I have I feel that we have not achieved what we set out to do, I may be just being hard on the Executive and the Association, as the short list of things I want to include in the report is growing.

Of course my first task within this report is to thank you the Members for your support this year. Since last year's AGM even though some conversations at meetings have been 'robust', as they always will be, as a group we have worked together to get ALRAV back on the right path and more importantly you have committed to your refereeing duties week in week out in all weathers out to ensure we put bodies on the field.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank those members of the Executive who assisted and supported me in learning about some of the ALRAV history, precedents and processes and in particular those members who took on administrative functions. Our Treasurer John Sedgeway, ( with very capable book keeper support), Secretary Kelvin

Minerds (and assistant Secretary, not an official position but valued nonetheless – Steve Green), Vice President Don Lovett who covered for me ( and probably did a better job – now there, is a Pres in waiting) when I was unavailable, the Allocations Officers Alan Frost and Sedgie who had to deal with a variable start to the season with teams changing course all over the shop and last but not least Chief Referee, Sedgie again - and Deputy CR Neville Balfour who were a little press ganged into their roles but have done a sterling job.

It is important also to not forget our Web Coordinator Brett Cope who has finally got us a social media presence that I am sure will grow, and will add value to the Association.

As a refereeing cohort, the year was probably quiet in comparison to some in our recent history as occasional low numbers, some injuries and some unavailability's have continued to present challenges to the allocations crew however there were some notable positive achievements during the year.

In 2015 we had Referees and Assessors attending all the Australian National Championships, the Asia Pacific Championships in Thailand, the ANZAC test and the World Indoor Lacrosse Championships. We were also able to support the other Eastern States in Queensland and NSW by sending referees to their Annual tournament.

In our domestic season we provided referees each week for the key State League, Division 3 and when possible other games culminating in a great Finals series and a good days work at the Malvern club at the beginning of September.

It was great to see a number of Club referees again step up and engage in running finals games and we will continue to work on getting these referees over into the ALRA ranks.

Our assessing team also worked hard this year and were regularly seen at a variety of games. Maybe a little too regularly at my games especially early season – just saying - gentlemen!

For the Senior Nationals at Subiaco in Perth, I was fortunate enough to be able to travel to my first Senior event with Steve Green and Alan Chiron and Graham Sharpe as Assessors.

The U18 Nationals saw Kelvin Minerds and Alan Frost travel to Adelaide whilst closer to home in Melbourne we were represented at the U15 Nationals by Alan Black, Brendan Pinkerton and two of our future? ALRA members Chris Lewis and Lee Davis, as well as John Sedgeway, RIC for the tournament supported by Neville Balfour and Alan Chiron.

Although it is technically last year 2014 was also the Victorians turn to host the Indoor Nationals and Jason Lawrence, Kelvin Minerds and myself ran in the tournament at Puckhandlers venue in Preston in early November whilst the 2015 event scheduled for late November has currently been cancelled by ALA.

One disappointment this year with the Nationals system was ALRA WA pulling out of the ALRA National accommodation policy leaving SA and Vic to continue negotiations around this subject and ALRAV members again experienced problems with early and appropriate notifications for accommodation at National tournaments. It is disappointing that referees do often get forgotten at Nationals even though we are an essential and important partner in the events.

Brendan Pinkerton represented ALRAV with his selection to attend the ASPAC's in Thailand whilst Alan Black who had a great year running, made a hop across the ditch to referee the second ANZAC match up.

Next up was the World Indoor Lacrosse Championships in Syracuse, NY USA in September where Jason Lawrence built on his performance at last year's Indoor Nationals and a series of practice games in Toronto, to run a fantastic tournament culminating in a couple of blue division games, including Australia v England which was a surprise to no-one but Jason.

I was also fortunate enough to be able to step out of refereeing and was a late call up to manage the Australian team at these Worlds. The Australians performed admirably in the tournament with two Victorian players being named All World selections, and it allowed me to gain the experience of a lifetime supporting the Green and Gold machine on the indigenous Haudenosonee lands.

Finally on the representative front Brendan and Sedgie travelled to Sydney to support our neighbours and referee Queensland v NSW in their annual tournament.

On an operational front ALRAV continued to build on their relationship with LV and although we did not meet with them as often as we would have liked this year, we were able to finalise our Statement of Understanding with LV and we supported them through a reorganisation of how they do business.

Although not representing ALRAV, Jason and Don started the year as a part of the LV Technical Committee and John and I finished it as a part of their Technical Advisory Group which is chaired by Liz Balfour in her LV Board role. Referees were also engaged in supporting LV as members of a number of LV Sub Committees and Advisory Groups and Neville, Kelvin, and myself did work with these committees.

It is at this point that I should acknowledge Steve Green, Alan Frost and Sedgie who showed us that old dogs can learn new tricks as they established an ALRA presence on SCHEDULA an electronic allocations management tool. This trio also supported and formulated the introduction of On Line accreditation for Club Referees, which although still being in its early days looks to have been a success.

On the meeting front we have reviewed the meeting format and will continue to do so as we attempt to keep our monthly meetings relevant, timely and welcoming to new members. As an important part of this it is important and I would like to thank all our meeting venue hosts this year. This is not always an easy task yet members continue to volunteer their homes (and Chris Brown – who wasn't refereeing this year even provided his offices). Thank you.

Finally it would be good to acknowledge Alan Chiron as he steps down from his role at the ALA as Australia's Referee in Chief. Politics may mean this job moves to another State but let's hope, soon if not this time, we get another Victorian in the Chief role. Well I suppose in the end that wasn't that bad a list we managed to get through quite a bit this year and we have established a good base for the Committee to work from next year. 2016 should be a good year. Bring it on!

Adrian Burns  
President

## STATE TEAMS AND RESULTS- MEN

### Australian Senior Men's Championship

Perth – Thursday 4th June, to Sunday 7th June 2015

2015 SENIOR MEN'S VICTORIAN TEAM	RESULTS
Jake Allen	Day 1 - Thursday 4th June Victoria 15 v New Zealand 4
Greg Allis	
Miles Blair	
River Bradley	Day 2- Friday 5th June Western Australia 13 v Victoria 6
Jason Brammall	
Jesse Cox	
David Gal	
Sam Green	
Will Lettieri	Day 3 - Saturday 6th June Victoria 14 v South Australia 3
Campbell MacKinnon	
Alex Mercier	
Chris Moffatt	3 <sup>rd</sup> v 4 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June Gold Medal Game Western Australia 17 def Victoria 9
Chris Plumb	
Steven Stojkos	
Aidan Turner	
Jeremy Waite	
Dennis Whelan	ALL STARS TEAM MEMBERS:
	Miles Blair
	River Bradley
Greg Mollison-Coach	Chris Plumb
Sean Handley Asst-Coach	
Sally Plumb- Manager	

### Australian Senior Mens Indoor Championships

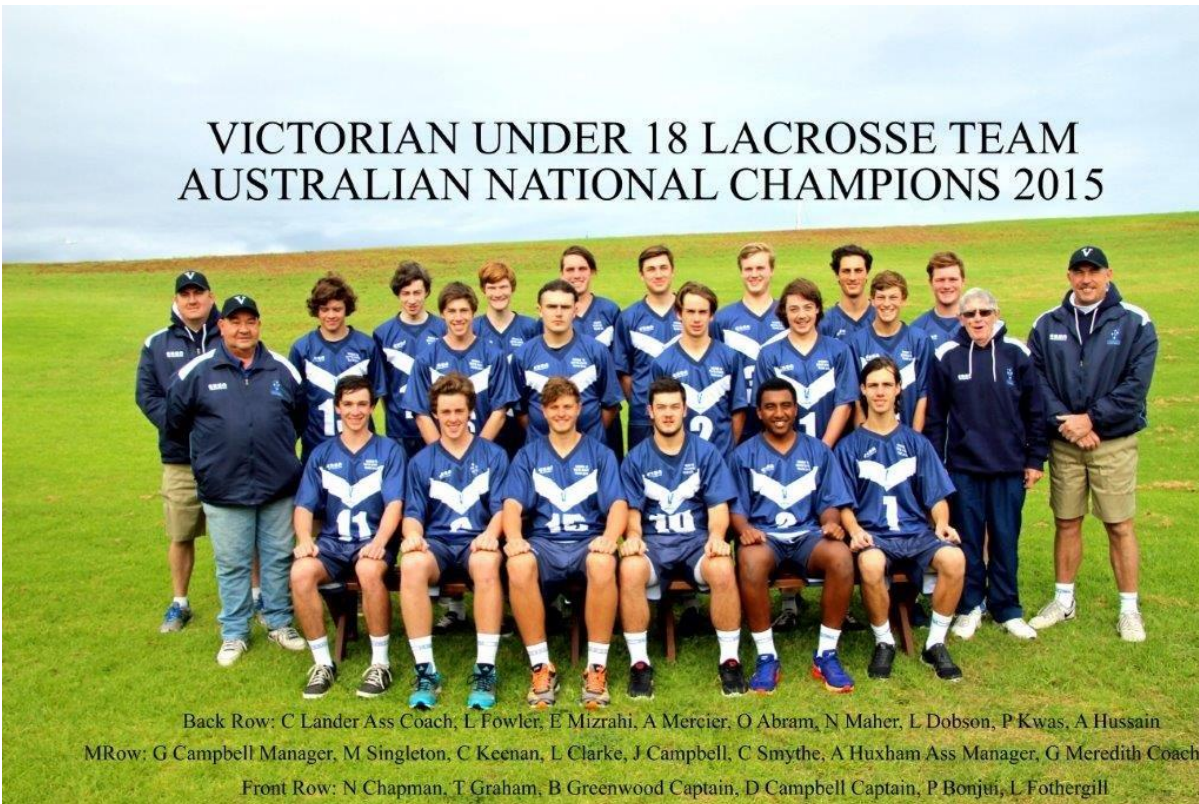
Not played in 2015



**2015 Senior Men's Victorian Team**



**2015 Under 18 Boy's State Team**



## Australian U18 Men's Championship

Adelaide Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015

### 2015 Under 18 Boy's Victorian Team

Jordan Campbell  
Liam Clarke  
Pius Bonjui

Day 1 - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April  
Victoria 14 def Western Australia 8  
MVP Darcy Campbell

Callum Smythe  
Nicholas Maher  
Tim Graham

Day 2 – Thursday 16th April  
Victoria 30 def. New Zealand 0  
MVP Tim Graham

Liam Fothergill  
Cameron Keenan  
Peter Kwas

Day 3 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April  
Victoria 14 def South Australia 4  
MVP: Nic Chapman

Darcy Campbell (Captain)  
Nicholas Chapman  
Eddy Mizrahi

Day 4 – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April  
Grand Final  
Victoria 17 def Western Australia 5  
MVP: Peter Kwas

Lennon Fowler

Alexander Mercier

Ben Greenwood ( Captain)

Matthew Singleton

Oscar Abrams

Aaron Hussain

Luke Dobson

Angus Thompson-Pritchard

Head Coach – Glenn Meredith

Asst Coach- Clinton Lander

Manager- Gary Campbell

#### ALL STARS TEAM MEMBERS:

Nic Chapman

Tim Graham

Peter Kwas

Ben Greenwood

Championship Best & Fairest Player

Peter Kwas

**Under 15 Boy's National Tournament** Melbourne – Saturday 26th September – Friday 2nd October **2015**

**Under 15 Boy's Regional Teams**

<b>Southern Crosse</b>	<b>Western Metros</b>	<b>Northern Warriors</b>
Ethan Hausler	Lachlan Warren	Kieran Ng
Mitchell Baker	Haydon Parsons	Zachary Heck Horst
Lachlan Bown	Jacob Poole	Xavier Wick
Alexander Rubins	Harry Gibson	Hamish Larkin
Liam Harari	Will Olver	Riley Sunderland
Ben Chapman	Kieran McMahon	Miguel Burayag
Elias Seyd	Jarrod Parsons	Tom Smith
Ethan Boyd	Lewis Perso	Cooper Davy
Fionn Barritt	Michael Mravlek	Mitchell Shaw
Ryan Godber	Brock Gourlay	Noah Mead
Harrison Ross	Griffin Nicholas	Monty Selwood-Thomas
Jamie Hobbs	Jackson Marsh	Jacob Walker
Finn Lane	Joel Kukucka	Marcus Dorfstatter
Jack Stewart	William McDonald	Connor Hodge
Joseph Pagliaro	Blake Watson	Merric Auty
Sam Boontjes	Henry Murphy	Dylan Ing
Blake Thornton	Jasper Hanna- Roberts	Coach- Michael Lovett
Coach – Steve Bown	Coach – Darren Nicholas	Asst Coaches- Brian Bach
Asst Coach –Clinton Lander	Asst Coach- Darren Gibson	Angus Thompson-Pritchard
Manager – Gabrielle Kennedy	Manager – Chris Marsh	Coach Asst: Pius Bonjui
		Manager- John Walker

2015 Under 15 Southern Crosse Team

## 2015 ALA U15 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT



# SOUTHERN CROSSE



### VICTORIA



**Back Row:** Asst Coach: Clinton Lander, Joseph Pagliaro, Fionn Barritt, Sam Boontjes, Elias Seyd, Ethan Hausler, Harrison Ross, Ben Chapman, Jack Stewart, Liam Harari, Blake Thornton **Head Coach:** Stephen Bown  
**Front Row:** Ryan Godber, Ethan Boyd, Mitchell Baker, Alexander Rubins, Finn Lane, Jamie Hobbs, Lachlan Bown

2015 Under 15 Western Metros Team

## 2015 ALA U15 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT



# WESTERN METRO

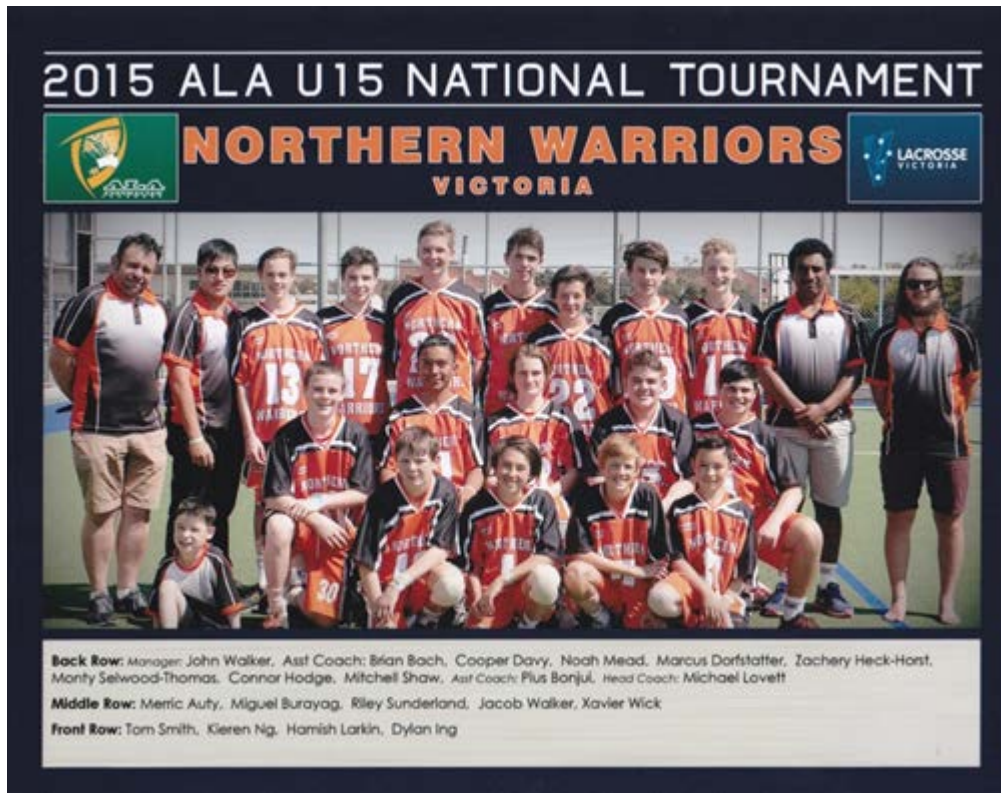


### VICTORIA



**Back Row:** Head Coach: Darren Nicholas, Jasper Hanna-Roberts, Griffin Nicholas, Hayden Parsons, Jacob Poole, Lewis Perso, Brock Gourly, Michael Mravlek, Blake Watson, Kieran McMahon, Asst Coach: Darren Gibson  
**Front Row:** Lachlan Warren, Henry Murphy, Jarrod Parsons, Will Olver, William McDonald, Jackson Marsh, Joel Kukucka, Henry Gibson

## 2015 Under 15 Northern Warriors



### Results;

#### Day 1- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Southern Crosse 15 def Northern Thunder 3. MVP Blake Thornton

Western Metros 8 def Southern Braves 6 MVP Jacob Poole

Western Reds 18 def Northern Warriors 3 MVP Merric Auty

#### Day 2- Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Southern Crosse 15 def Eastern Reds 1. MVP:

Western Metros 8 def Western Reds 3. MVP: Blake Watson

Southern Braves 22 def Northern Warriors 1. MVP: Xavier Wick

#### Day 3- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September

Southern Crosse 19 def Presidents 1. MVP

Western Metros 17 def Northern Warriors 1. MVP: Michael Mravlek (WM), Cooper Davy (NW)

#### Day 4- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September

Southern Crosse 20 def Southern Braves 2. MVP: Jack Stewart

Western Metros 13 def Eastern Reds 5. MVP:

Northern Thunder 14 def Northern Warriors 1. MVP: Connor Hodge

#### Day 5- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Rest Day

#### Day 6- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October- Semi – Finals :

Eastern Reds 23 def Northern Warriors 1. MVP: Mitchell Shaw

Western Metros 9 def Northern Thunder 4. MVP: Jackson Marsh

Southern Crosse 9 def Western Reds 8. MVP: Lachlan Bown

#### Day 7- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

7<sup>th</sup> v 8<sup>th</sup> Presidents 9 def Northern Warriors 8,. MVP: Marcus Dorfstatter & Riley Sunderland

#### Grand Final (1 v 2) Southern Crosse 6 def Western Metros 5.

MVP's Harrison Ross (SC) , Brock Gourlay (WM)

# STATE TEAMS AND RESULTS

## WOMEN

Senior Women- Perth- W A- Thursday 4th June, to Sunday 7th June 2015

2015 SENIOR WOMEN'S VICTORIAN TEAM	RESULTS
Lauren Hunter	Day 1-Thursday 4th June
Hayley Sofarnos	Victoria 16 def South Australia 10 MYP Danelle Mollison
Rachel Kirchheimer (Captain)	
Sarah Mollison (Captain)	Day 2- Friday 5th June
Sarah Smith	Victoria 21 def Australian Under 19 8 MVP Lauren Hunter
Verity Clough	
Abbie Burgess	Day 3- Saturday 6th June
Emily Zaborski	Victoria 19 def Western Australia 7 MVP: Hayley Sofarnos
Hikari Takano	
Stella Justice-Allen	Day 4- Sunday 7th June
Sue McSolvin	Championship Game- 1 <sup>st</sup> v 2 <sup>nd</sup> Victoria 18 def South Australia 8
Hayley Barlow	MVP Rachel Kirchheimer
Bree Hussey	ALL STARS TEAM MEMBER:
Vicki Ryan	Verity Clough
Danelle Mollison	Lauren Hunter
Olga Neofotistos	Sarah Mollison
Coach- Sue Sofarnos	Danelle Mollison
	Abbie Burgess
	Hayley Sofarnos
	Coach- Sue Sofarnos
Asst Coach Meredith Carre	CHAMPIONSHIP BEST PLAYERS
Manager- Kate Simpson	Hayley Sofarnos and Danelle Mollison

2015 SENIOR WOMEN'S VICTORIAN TEAM



2015 Under 18 Girls State Team



## Australian U18 Girl's Championship

Adelaide Wednesday 15th April – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015

2015 Under 18 Girl's Victorian Team	RESULTS
Olivia Basile	Day 1- Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
Audrey Fithall	Victoria 28 def Presidents 0 MVP: Sarah Smith
Ursula Fithall	Day 2 Thursday 16th April
Charlotte Gemmell	Victoria 8 def South Australia 7 MVP : Stella Spracken-Holl
Bridget Hogan	Day 3 – Friday 17th April
Laura Hulley	Victoria 14 v Western Australia 1 MVP : Steph Kelly
Stephanie Kelly	Day 4- Saturday 18th April
Esther Lavelle	Championship Game Victoria 10 def South Australia 8
Georgia Meredith	
Jessica Pham	
Sasha Pollnitz	
Emily Prentice	
Madeleine Russell	
Sarah Smith	
Stella Spracken-Holl	
Hannah Walker	
Coach –Sarah Mollison	ALL STARS TEAM MEMBERS:
Manager- Colleen Hunter	Esther Lavelle
Manager – Helen Fithall	Audrey Fithall
	Steph Kelly



**U15 Girl's National Tournament-** Melbourne – Saturday 26th September – Friday 2nd October

**2015 Under 15 Girl's Representative Teams**

Fire		Ice
Ruby Barnes		Grace Kennedy (Co-Captain)
Zea Klemm		Olivia Walker
Matilda McHugh		Tia Walsh
Emma Davie		Taylah Comeadow Co-Captain)
Ally McVeigh		Dayna Cannon
Jemma Hunter (Co-Captain)		Sarah Davie
Gabrielle Zmijarevic		Laura Braakhuis
Brooke Reid		Zo-Ellen Stannus
Sarah Goucher (Co-Captain)		Hannah Smith
Olivia Coghlan		Breahna Kukucka
Jessica Strudwick		Isabella Murphy
Jennifer Kilsby		Tara Whitmore
Abbey O'Mahony		Molly Dunham
Lauren McMahan		Brooke Halak
Bonnie Yu		Cassandra White
Jasmine Stout		Georgia Latch
Lauren Hunter	Head Coach	Katelyn O'Callaghan
Rachel Jurgens	Asst Coach	Emily Prentice
Melinda McVeigh	Team Manager	Bianca Stringer

## Results

Day 1 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Fire 10 def Storm 6. MVP: Ruby Barnes  
Ice 14 def Stars 11. MVP: Georgia Latch

Day 2- Sunday 27th September

Ice 8 def Waikato 7. MVP: Molly Dunham  
Fire 13 def Comets 5. MVP: Bonnie Yu

Day 3 – Monday 28th September

Fire 17 def Flames 3 MVP: Jemma Hunter  
Ice 8 def Lightning 7 (OT) . MVP: Tia Walsh

Day 4 – Tuesday 29th September

Ice 8 def Flames 3. MVP: Taylah Comeadow  
Fire 11 def Lightning 7. MVP: Abbie O’Mahony

Day 5- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September- Rest Day

Day 6- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October- Semi-Finals

Fire 13 def Stars 6. MVP: Gabrielle Zmijarevic  
Storm 7 def Ice 6. MVP Sarah Davie

Day 7 – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October- Finals

3<sup>rd</sup> v 4<sup>th</sup> –Ice 7 def Stars 5. MVP: Molly Dunham

Tournament Final - 1<sup>st</sup> v 2<sup>nd</sup>

Fire 11 def Storm 7 . MVP: Jemma Hunter

Under 15 Girl's Fire Representative Team- Fire

**2015 ALA U15 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT**

**FIRE**  
VICTORIA

**Back Row:** Manager: Melinda McVeigh, Gabrielle Zmijarevic, Abbey O'Mahony, Ally McVeigh, Ruby Barnes, Jemma Hunter, Matilda McHugh, Olivia Coghlan, Zea Klemm, Jennifer Kilsby, Asst Coach: Rachel Jurgens

**Middle Row:** Brooke Reid, Bonnie Yu, Jasmine Stout, Lauren McMahon, Jessica Strudwick, Head Coach: Lauren Hunter

**Front Row:** Emma Davie, Sarah Goucher

Under 15 Girl's Ice Representative Team- Ice

**2015 ALA U15 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT**

**ICE**  
VICTORIA

**Back Row:** Asst Coach: Emily Prentice, Manager: Bianca Stringer, Grace Kennedy, Tia Walsh, Laura Braakhuis, Hannah Smith, Dayna Cannon, Tara Whitmore, Taylah Comeadow, Olivia Walker, Head Coach: Katelyn O'Callaghan

**Front Row:** Molly Dunham, Isabella Murphy, Cassandra White, Breahna Kukucka, Sarah Davie, Zo-Ellen Stannus, Georgia Latch, Brooke Halak

# Victorian Lacrosse Foundation

## Annual Report 2015

The Victorian Lacrosse Foundation is a joint initiative of the previous parent bodies, Victorian Lacrosse Association and the Women's Lacrosse Victoria. The Foundation was established to support the sport of lacrosse in Victoria, specifically in the areas of junior development, administration and publicity and promotion of the game.

The Foundation, which commenced in May 1999, is charged with the responsibility of raising, holding and administering a trust fund, which has an initial target of \$1 million. Recent changes to the Trust Deed permit some distributions from the Foundation prior to the Fund reaching the target. Once the target is reached, the fund earnings will be fully available to support projects in the above areas.

Audited accounts for the Victorian Lacrosse Foundation for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 have been completed and lodged with the appropriate bodies including Lacrosse Victoria Inc. Thanks are due to our Treasurer John Nolan, and Auditors Noel Melville & Associates for the preparation and oversight of the Annual Accounts.

The Accounts show accumulated funds at 30 June 2015 of \$150,374.54, (30 June 2014 was \$ 144,476.36). This amount has increased to approximately \$155,254 at the current time.

During the year the Foundation continued its support of the Lacrosse Victoria Quik Stix program which was promoted by a number of Lacrosse Clubs, and has had particular success in the Wyndham area.

We were saddened during the year to record the unfortunate passing of one of our Trustees, and major supporter of the Foundation, Mr Bill Taylor. Bill put in many years of sterling support to our great game as administrator and referee, and generously contributed funds to the Foundation both in his own name, and through the account in the name of "The Family of the Late I.J ( Ike) Taylor" his father. Bill will be sorely missed by his many friends, and by lacrosse supporters around the country.

The Trustees would like to extend thanks to all those lacrosse devotees who provide ongoing support to the Foundation, and specifically to those who contributed with donations during the 2015 financial year.

The attached Schedule of Donations includes these additions, and lists Supporters to date.

**For the Trustees'**  
**Fergus Stewart**  
**Mach 2016**

## **Victorian Lacrosse Foundation**

*A Joint Initiative of the VLA and WLV, now Lacrosse Victoria Inc.*

Schedule of Donations *At 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015*

### ***Patrons***

*(\$ 100,000 and over)*

### **Fellows**

*(\$65,000 and over)*

### **Benefactors**

*(\$ 40,000 and over)*

### **Major Donors**

*(\$ 20,000 and over)*

***Family of the Late I.J (Ike) Taylor***

***Victorian Lacrosse Association***

### **Platinum Supporters**

*(\$ 10,000 and over)*

***LV Golf Day***

### **Gold Supporters**

*(\$ 5,000 and over)*

***Fergus & Libby Stewart***

***Keith Jackson***

***Bill Taylor***

### **Silver Supporters**

*(\$ 2,500 and over)*

***Noel McDonald***

***Surrey Park Lacrosse Club***

### **Bronze Supporters**

*(\$ 1,000 and over)*

***Ken Read***

***Graeme Ross***

***Colwyn (Pud) Martin***

***Chris Brown***

***Alan & Yvonne Rolley***

***Tony Schneider***

***Eric & Ann Nicholls***

***Camberwell Lacrosse Club***

***John Harris***

### **Supporters**

*(\$ 100 and over)*

***Danny Nolan, John Nolan, Graham Hobbs, Graeme Fox,***

***Jim Stewart, Doug Fox, Ron Twomey, Ken Read, William Gray,***

***Richard Morgan, Ken Stewart, Geoff Spicer, Graeme Reddaway,***

***Robert Pettit, Leighton Beamsley, Lloyd Holmes Commemorative***

***Game, Noel Jeffrey, The Speakman Family, Women's Lacrosse***

***Victoria, "The Surrey Boys"***

**Donations to the Victorian Lacrosse Foundation accumulate in a Trust Fund, which has a target of \$ 1.0 million. Once the target is achieved, interest earned on this Fund will be spent on junior development, publicity, and administration, in perpetuity.**

**Individuals donations are accumulated and the total recognized as above.**

**Auditing services have been provided to the Foundation on an Honorary basis by N.R.Melville & Assoc. from inception**

# VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

**VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION**  
**COMPILATION REPORT**  
**TO VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION**

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Victorian Lacrosse Foundation, as set out on pages 3 to 5. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is to provide information relating to the performance and financial position of the foundation that satisfies the information needs of the owner.

*The Responsibility of Trustees*

The trustees are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements and has determined that the basis of accounting adopted is appropriate to meet their needs.

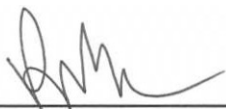
*Our Responsibility*

On the basis of information provided by the trustee's, we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting adopted and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the trustee's provided, in compiling the financial statements. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the trustees of Victorian Lacrosse Foundation. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

**NOEL MELVILLE & ASSOCIATES PTY LTO**  
**Chartered Accountant**  
**37 SUNHILL ROAD**  
**MOUNT WAVERLEY, VIC, 3149**



**Partner: Ross Melville**

**MOUNT WAVERLEY**

**6th October 2015**

**VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>INCOME</b>			
ASF donations		4,064.60	1,695.00
Golf day income		370.00	2,430.00
Interest received	2	<u>3,964.58</u>	<u>7,679.90</u>
		<u>8,399.18</u>	<u>11,804.90</u>
<b>LESS EXPENDITURE</b>			
Grant to Lacrosse Victoria		2,500.00	2,500.00
Bank charges and sundry expenses		<u>1.00</u>	<u>70.00</u>
		<u>2,501.00</u>	<u>2,570.00</u>
<b>NET OPERATING SURPLUS</b>		<u>5,898.18</u>	<u>9,234.90</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



**VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 30 JUNE 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		9,673.12	7,736.89
Term deposit	3	<u>140,701.42</u>	<u>136,739.47</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>150,374.54</u>	<u>144,476.36</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><b>150,374.54</b></u>	<u><b>144,476.36</b></u>
<b>FOUNDATION FUNDS</b>			
Foundation funds - opening balance		144,476.36	135,241.46
Add:			
Surplus for the year		<u>5,898.18</u>	<u>9,234.90</u>
<b>TOTAL FOUNDATION FUNDS</b>		<u><b>150,374.54</b></u>	<u><b>144,476.36</b></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

**VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	\$	\$
<b>1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies</b>		
<p>The financial statements are a special purpose report prepared for use by the trustee's. The trustees have determined that the business is not a reporting entity.</p> <p>The statements are prepared on an accruals basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.</p> <p>No Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been intentionally applied.</p>		
<b>2 Interest Received</b>		
Term deposit	3,961.95	7,678.23
Bank accounts	<u>2.63</u>	<u>1.67</u>
	<u>3,964.58</u>	<u>7,679.90</u>
<b>3 Term Deposit</b>	<u>140,701.42</u>	<u>136,739.47</u>

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

VICTORIAN LACROSSE FOUNDATION

**Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Victorian Lacrosse Foundation which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2015 and the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the Trustee's Declaration.

*Foundation's Responsibility for the Financial Report*

The foundation is responsible for the preparation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the foundation. The foundation's responsibility also includes such internal control as the foundation determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free of material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

*Auditor's Responsibility*

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

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks or material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, 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 evaluation the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the proprietor, as well as evaluation the overall presentation of the financial report

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the foundation for the purpose of fulfilling the foundation's financial reporting obligations. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the foundation, or for any purpose other than for which it was prepared.

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

*Independence*

In conducting our audit, we complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements


*Auditor's Opinion*

In our opinion the financial report presents fairly in all material respects the financial position of Victorian Lacrosse Foundation as at 30 June 2015 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial report.

*Basis of Accounting*

Without modifying our opinion, 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 foundation's financial reporting responsibilities. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Ross Melville  
Chartered Accountant  
37 SUNHILL ROAD  
MOUNT WAVERLEY, VIC, 3149



**h October 2015**

**VICTORIAN LACROSSE**

**FOUNDATION**

**TRUSTEE'S DECLARATION**

I declare that the foundation is not a reporting entity and that these special purpose financial statements should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

I declare  
that:

1. the financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 1 to 5, present fairly the Trust's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and
2. in my opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the trust will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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

Trustee \_\_\_\_\_  
Victorian Lacrosse Foundation



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