

Annual report 2012–13

OUR VISION

- **QUALITY EVALUATION THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE**

OUR MISSION

- **TO STRENGTHEN AND PROMOTE EVALUATION PRACTICE, THEORY AND USE**

OUR VALUES

In December 2000 the AES adopted a Code of Ethics to guide its activities and the behaviour of members. In essence the guiding principle is that:

- **WHEN COMMISSIONING, CONDUCTING OR REPORTING AN EVALUATION, MEMBERS SHOULD STRIVE TO UPHOLD THE ETHICAL PRINCIPLES AND ASSOCIATED PROCEDURES ENDORSED BY THE AES IN THE GUIDELINES FOR THE ETHICAL CONDUCT OF EVALUATIONS.**

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About us

The Australasian Evaluation Society (AES) is a professional organisation for people involved in evaluation including evaluation practitioners, managers, teachers and students of evaluation, and other interested individuals.

It has close to 900 members involved in all aspects of evaluation and performance measurement. The AES is governed by a Board of members and managed by an Executive Officer and staff.

Members represent diverse areas of evaluation practice and sectors and meet regularly through regional networks, committees, and Special Interest Groups. The AES offers professional development through an annual international conference and regular workshops and seminars.

AIMS OF THE AES

The aims of the AES are to improve the theory, practice and the use of evaluation through:

- establishing and promoting ethics and standards in evaluation practice as a service to the community of evaluators and users of evaluations
- encouraging advances in the theory and practice of evaluation by publishing such advances and by recognising outstanding contributions
- providing education and training in matters related to evaluation
- providing forums for networking and the discussion of ideas including society publications, seminars, workshops and conferences
- acting as an advocate for evaluation and encouraging understanding about the use and application of evaluation
- linking members who have similar evaluation interests, and
- other activities consistent with this aim.



MEMBER BENEFITS

Recognition and support

Belonging to the longest established professional evaluation organisation in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand, with a network of more than 1,000 practitioners, commissioners, and academics involved in all aspects of evaluative enquiry and performance measurement.

Professional learning opportunities

Opportunities are available to learn from leading local and international expert evaluators through the annual conferences, professional learning activities. Keep up-to-date through our publications, workshops, seminars, discussion groups and conferences.

Networking

Make contacts with colleagues in evaluation by joining in regional group meetings and other activities for training, networking and discussion of current evaluation topics.

Publications

Receive AES publications, including the *Evaluation Journal of Australasia (EJA)* and the *Guidelines for the Ethical Conduct of Evaluations*.

Members' centre

Have electronic access to information and resources for members only, including the latest issue of the *EJA*, issues of e-news, and access to the Directory of AES members.

AES Awards for Excellence in Evaluation

Submit nominations for the prestigious AES Awards for Excellence in Evaluation.

Consultants' directory

You can profile your evaluation services and consultancy through our online Consultants' directory and receive tender information made available to the AES.

Annual International Evaluation Conference

Stay in touch with the latest trends and issues in evaluation through the annual AES International Conference, for which members receive advance notice and discount registration fees.

International links

Be part of an international network of evaluation societies.

Member discounts

- Benefit from discounts to QSR's highly valued NVivo software and support services as well as opportunities to share accessible online professional learning opportunities.
- Leading insurance broker, Aon, provides AES members a 15% discount off the standard consultants' insurance rate for Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance.

Corporate Governance

How we are governed

The Society is incorporated under the Australian Capital Territory Associations Incorporation Act 1991. A board of management provides overall governance and strategic direction for the Society. The Board is legally responsible for all of the Society's decisions and activities. The Executive Officer has responsibility for implementing the directions and decisions of the Board. Members may participate in various ways to support either the Board strategic decision-making or the Executive Officer.

Accountability of the Board

The Board is accountable to the Society's membership. All members of the Board must adhere to the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act 1991 (Australian Capital Territory) and the provisions set out in the Society's Constitution and Policies.

Appointment of the Board

Following adoption of the new constitution at the Annual General Meeting on 3 September 2009 the Board consists of four named office bearers (President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary) and two ordinary board members all elected by the membership. The Board has the discretion to appoint up to three ordinary board members, taking into account the overall mix of knowledge, skill and attributes of board members.

This new Board structure came into effect at the 2010 Annual General Meeting.

Role of the Board

While the Board has overall management and control of the Society, it is subject to the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 1991 and the AES Constitution, and may delegate certain operational powers to committees and regions. All Board positions are unpaid. However, some of the Board members' direct costs of involvement with the Society in pursuing its aims and objectives are reimbursed.

Indemnity of the Board

In accordance with the Association Incorporations Act 1991 and the Society's own policies, the AES has directors' and officers' insurance and professional indemnity for all Board members.

Incorporation

The move of the Society's office to Victoria means that we are obliged to reconsider our incorporation status. The Board will consult with members about options for our incorporation. Following the consultation, we will hold a General Meeting of members to consider a resolution about our incorporation.

Board and Staff

President: David Roberts

David Roberts has done many jobs including actor, truck driver, barman, youth worker, community advocate and public servant. He now runs his own consultancy company RobertsBrown Pty. Ltd. doing evaluations and research.

He has over 35 years experience in evaluation and research. His experience includes three major, cross-portfolio policy reviews for the Council of Australian Governments. He has particular expertise in qualitative research and in questionnaire development.

David has been appointed or elected to more than 20 Boards of community organisations including: the Board of Trustees for the International Organisation for Cooperation in Evaluation (IOCE); the Management Group for EvalPartners; Inaugural Chair of the ACT Health Advisory Council, President of the ACT Health Care Consumers Association and Vice-President of the Housing and Disability Forum. David's management experience includes: Executive Officer of the Riverland Health and Social Welfare Council; management of five grants programs; and Business Manager for the Product Integrity Animal and Plant Health Group in the Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Australia.

David is currently finishing a Master of Evaluation at Melbourne University examining the psychological processes underlying responses in evaluation interviews.

Vice-president: Anne Markiewicz

Anne Markiewicz is the Director of Anne Markiewicz and Associates, an evaluation consultancy undertaking monitoring and evaluation framework development and designing and implementing evaluations for a range of government and non government clients. Anne has occupied a number of positions within the AES governance structure since 2006, including as Board Secretary and Convenor of the Victorian region. She was elected Vice President in September 2010. During 2010, Anne delivered a national program of training on behalf of the AES in the area of Developing monitoring and evaluation frameworks.

Treasurer: Bronwyn Rossingh

Bronwyn commenced her career working in chartered accounting firms before channelling her expertise in financial management, research, evaluation and training with Indigenous communities in Western Australia and the Northern Territory. Her research relating to not-for-profit organisations and Indigenous communities have been presented at three international accounting conferences as peer reviewed papers and she has numerous publications

in accounting, accountability and education. A number of recommendations arising from her research initiated changes within the NT Government concerning the funding process relating to Indigenous communities. Bronwyn is a CPA and has a strong business background. She is completing a PhD and working full time as a Senior Research Fellow with Charles Darwin University where she project manages a number of research and other projects. Bronwyn promotes

evaluation within the university and embeds evaluative techniques within projects she is involved in. Bronwyn has been treasurer for the AES for around nine months and in this time has gained a strong strategic and operational knowledge of the AES and has worked solidly with the AES Board and staff to build the AES towards a stronger business model which has enabled encouraging results in a short time.

Board and Staff

Secretary: Mathea Roorda

Mathea is a Director of Evalve Research, an independent evaluation company based in Wellington. Mathea started on the AES Board as a regional representative and has acted as Secretary since 2010. She has 14 years experience in program and policy evaluation. Her first introduction to the AES was the 1999 conference in Perth. Since then she has been active at a regional level, published in the *EJA* and soaked up opportunities for learning, sharing and networking through AES conferences and workshops. Mathea's company was a recipient of the AES Best Evaluation Study award in 2010.

Ordinary members

Scott Bayley (until March 2013)
April Bennett
Delyth Lloyd
Duncan Rintoul

Meeting attendance

Scott Bayley	1/3
April Bennett	8/8
Delyth Lloyd	6/7
Anne Markiewicz	6/8
Duncan Rintoul	7/7
David Roberts	7/8
Mathea Roorda	8/8
Bronwyn Rossingh	6/6

Staff

Executive Officer
Maria Eliadis

Membership & Communications Manager
Bill Wallace

Professional Learning Coordinator (from May 2013)
Pek Toh

Workshop Coordinator (until September 2013)
Anthea Rutter



President's report

Nuts, bolts and investment

This is my first report as President and I wanted to start by saying thank you to all the people who have worked so hard for the AES this year. Many of our members have given up large chunks of time and expertise for the AES this year. Their extremely valuable contributions have been noticed and welcomed by the Board.

I was not the only new face on the Board in 2012–13 and we would have struggled enormously without the help of the more experienced members of the Board. All of the more experienced members of the Board, Anne Markiewicz, Mathea Roorda and April Bennet, are leaving it in 2013–14. I would like to express my appreciation for their work and assistance over the last year. They were towers of strength to me personally and to the Board as a whole. I would also like to mention the sterling work of Delyth Lloyd who came onto the Board in the middle of the year and whose incisive contributions helped shape our thinking.

The AES was very productive in 2013–14. Our membership networks (regional groups, SIGs and the Fellows) were very busy: generating interesting programs and working with other bodies such as Aotearoa

New Zealand Evaluation Association (ANZEA) and the Australian Market and Social Research Society (AMSRS). The Executive Officer, Maria Eliadis, and I have also been working on building relationships with other groups and Government agencies in Australia and New Zealand; and internationally with evaluators in our wider region. The Ethics and Professional Practice Committee revised the Code of Ethics and the Guidelines for the Ethical Conduct of Evaluations; and the Professional Learning Committee developed the Evaluators' Professional Learning Competency Framework. The Membership and Marketing Committee developed and ran the Survey of Evaluators. These three major pieces of work will help us address the challenges of the coming years and shape our workshop program. The Board also needed to clarify and document the complaints process.

We faced some significant challenges in 2012–13 as well.

We had to deal with some important nuts and bolts. Our financial situation was difficult. The creation of ten committees and working groups generated a large volume of work and proved very difficult to coordinate. The Board also struggled with the transition from a largely volunteer-run organisation to a Board whose role is governance and strategic directions. Finally, the move to Melbourne created some unforeseen legal issues.

The financial issues were pressing. We lost almost \$50,000 in 2011–12 and our mid-year projections for 2012–13 were similar. When we reviewed the last few years there was a pattern of marginal surpluses or substantial losses. It was clear we needed to change our financial model to make the AES more sustainable. Fortunately we have reasonable reserves of money and were in a position to invest now for long-term sustainability. Maria developed a three-year Business Plan (see <http://aes.asn.au/aes-business-plan.html>) which aims to increase



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our revenue and turnover and reduce some of our less productive expenses. If the Business Plan is successful our turnover will rise above \$700,000 in 2014–15 and generate reasonable surpluses.

The number of committees and working groups proved overwhelming. There was some wonderful work done by the Committees and working groups but we simply did not have the structures or processes to manage the groups or the work they produced. It was also apparent there were overlaps in function that needed to be resolved. The Board proposes to re-structure the committees along functional lines to reduce the number of committees, clarify reporting lines and help us to be more strategic about working on priority issues. Underneath the proposed structure there is provision for specialist groups and task forces to address immediate priorities. This approach will give us the flexibility to quickly adapt to new challenges and priorities. The underlying details will be worked through at the Leaders Forum and with the new Board.

The new Board and members will also have to address the

legal status of the AES. We are currently incorporated under the ACT Associations Incorporation Act 1991.

However, we have been advised by the Registrar-General and two lawyers that the AES can not maintain its incorporation in the ACT now that it has moved its office to Melbourne. A small working group has researched the options and re-incorporation will be the subject of consultation with members over the next six months. We anticipate a General Meeting in May 2014 to pass a resolution on the matter.

As part of the consultation with members, we also need to explore how we can effectively represent and service our New Zealand members and how we develop our relationship with ANZEA. This consultation is crucial to our decision on how we re-incorporate and is a priority for me personally.

Another priority is for the AES to identify what we can offer current and potential Indigenous evaluators, particularly in Australia. Self-determination is a crucial principle and the AES needs to ask Indigenous peoples about their evaluation interests and priorities.

I expect the new Board will also wish to build on the priorities established in the Business Plan. These include:

- enhancing and strengthening the Evaluation Community of Practice through professional development and networking.
- Strategic Engagement to increase understanding of evaluation and advocate for quality evaluation
- strengthening and advocating for ethical and professional evaluation practice.

The work you the members have done in 2012–13 has put us in a very good place to build and develop the AES. We have a long way to go but we have laid some strong foundations and addressed some outstanding nuts and bolts issues. I look forward to working with you all over the next year.

David Roberts
President

Treasurer's report

Encouraging results for 2012–13

Early in the 2012–13 financial year the AES Board implemented a series of changes to governance and management, budgeting and financial reporting. This provided a closer look at the business of the AES for all board members towards building an indicative budget for the next three years which included a focus on staffing changes to achieve the goals in accordance with the revised budget. These changes contributed to a significant increase in income resulting in a small loss for the year of \$8,090. This turnaround from the previous financial year's loss is a great achievement by the board and in particular the staff of the AES.

Financial analysis

Balance sheet analysis against previous financial year

- Cash and Cash Equivalents are still in a strong position at \$216,356.
- Total Assets situation has improved by \$31,496.
- Liabilities increased by \$39,586 including accrued expenses.
- Net Assets reduction of \$8,090.

Profit and Loss analysis against previous financial year

- Income overall increased by \$76,769.
- Memberships increased by \$19,454.
- Conference Income increased by \$31,495.
- Workshops Income down by \$5,014.
- Expenditure overall increase of \$35,290.

The increase in memberships is the key result that underpins the future of the AES. This result equates to the hard work of the AES staff and the regions and their members who assist in many ways to add value to the professional activities. The flow-on effect increases the demand for and numbers of participants for workshops and the annual conference.

Budget for 2013–14

A budget loss of \$14,376 is anticipated for 2013–14. This loss situation is part of the further building of sustainable and professional activities that the AES Board and staff are planning to create a stronger and viable future for the society.

Bronwyn Rossingh CPA
Treasurer

Executive Officer's report

Clear plans together with strong and stable foundations are essential, no matter what you are constructing. In 2012–13, the AES focused on establishing clear business plans and solid governance and structural foundations to ensure we build strong pillars to support our priorities.

AES Business Plan

The 2013–2016 AES Business Plan is a blueprint of the AES priorities for the coming three years. The Plan outlines the business and operational priorities which focus the work of the AES to achieve its mission and objects for the period 2013–2016.

The focus for 2012–13 has been: to grow membership and member value; strengthen organisational capacity and broaden member participation; align the financial and reporting systems; develop partnerships and undertake advocacy work.

Membership and member value

Membership numbers and interest in AES membership was very strong in 2012–13. Overall member numbers grew by around 5% and a new category of association was launched for organisations in the not for profit, academic and government sectors. Member value was also enhanced in 2012–13 with the partnership

formed with QSR, the provider of N-Vivo software, a leading qualitative data management software.

Organisational capacity

The committees and working groups, established in June 2012, have furthered several major strategic and operational objectives including; the development of a Evaluators Competency Framework, the AES members/evaluation sector survey, a 'map' of key strategic stakeholders, a review and update of the AES Code of Ethics and Guidelines for the Ethical Conduct of Evaluation, the enhancement of the quality and reach of EJA. Other initiatives under development include: a mentor program, the Exemplar program and a cultural inclusion and diversity strategy.

The capacity of the AES Office was also enhanced with the increase in working hours of existing staff and the employment of a full-time Professional Learning Coordinator. This increase in resourcing underpins the AES objective to increase its professional learning offer and manage the annual conference in-house.

Finance and reporting

Financial management and reporting structures have been aligned to core business areas: membership, professional

learning, annual conference and publications. It is intended that by 2016 operations will be fully transitioned to an in-house management model with more accurate apportionment of resources across business areas.

Partnerships and advocacy

The AES strengthened its role in the international evaluation community by accepting the invitation to join the management group of EvalPartners, an initiative of the IOCE. The AES also contributed a case study to the Unicef, EvalPartners and IOCE publication, 'Voluntary Organizations for Professional Evaluation (VOPEs): learning from Africa, Americas, Asia, Australasia, Europe and Middle East'.

Interest in evaluation from across sectors was clearly evident in 2012–13. Government officials in both Australia and New Zealand reported a strong interest in evaluation, performance measurement and accountability. These meetings have also provided insight into the barriers, challenges and threats facing evaluation. This information will help guide the AES advocacy work in the coming three years.

Partnerships and alliances have been central to the activity of the AES in 2012–13. Partnerships and alliances have been developed with several



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2012–13 highlights

- My visit to New Zealand to meet with members, senior government officers, IPANZ, the NZ School of Government and anzea.
- Membership growth for 2012–13 at 5%.
- Introduction of the Organisational Membership category.
- Launching the new AES Award for Excellence in Public Sector Evaluation.
- The history of the AES being published in *Voluntary Organizations for Professional Evaluation, 2013*.
- Representation of AES on the EvalPartners Committee of Management.
- Successful piloting of a three-day Intensive Workshop Program and a joint event with AMSRS.
- Partnership with QSR to provide a 10% discount for N-Vivo products to AES members.
- Development of a framework for evaluator competencies for professional development.
- Preparation for the inaugural evaluation sector survey (members survey).
- Updating of the Code of Ethics and Guidelines for Ethical Conduct of Evaluation.
- Establishment of the regular AES Alert to promote AES activities.
- Updated organisational branding and materials.
- Alignment of the AES financial reporting to business units.
- Strategic alliances with academic institutions, other associations and professional bodies.
- Commenced undertaking advocacy work.

organisations and associations in the social research, academic, government and training sectors.

Acknowledgements

The AES achievements are supported by significant and generous contributions of time, energy and expertise of its members. I would like to acknowledge the significant and untiring volunteer contributions of AES members, in particular the chairs and convenors of the AES committees, working groups as well as local networks and SIGs.

I, together with my staff, am committed to strengthening the foundations and building the pillars that will realise member value and the AES vision.

Maria Eliadis
Executive Officer

The year's highlights

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The AES 2012 International Conference was held in Adelaide, Australia from 29 to 31 August.

Addressing the theme **'Evaluation in a changing world'** the three-day conference program featured four international keynote speakers and one national keynote speaker.

Keynote speakers included:

- Dr Michael Quinn Patton, reknown international evaluation consultant
- Professor Terry Buss, Distinguished Professor in Public Policy, Carnegie Mellon University
- Professor Trish Greenhalgh, Professor of Primary Health Care and Director of the Healthcare Innovation and Policy Unit in the Centre for Health Sciences at Barts and the London School of Medicine and Dentistry
- Jim Rugh, Coordinator of the EvalPartners initiative and the IOCE
- Nicoletta Stame, Associate editor of *Evaluation*.

Adelaide saw the introduction of video conferencing technology as Dr Quinn Patton presented live from the USA through video conference.

The conference attracted a total of 440 delegates from academia, state and

commonwealth government, non-government and the private sector. Delegates came from a wide range of local, interstate and overseas locations. While over 80% of delegates were from Australia and New Zealand, the conference also attracted international delegates from the USA, Papua New Guinea, Canada, Cook Islands, Finland, Indonesia, Malaysia, the People's Republic of China, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Taiwan, Thailand, United Kingdom, Vanuatu and Vietnam.

The conference program featured 112 sessions, as oral, mini workshop, symposium, linked and roundtable presentations, as well as a world cafe style session which was well received by delegates. Another feature was a video linkup with Presidents from other evaluation societies across the globe, speaking about challenges and developments in their domains.

The program featured a broad variety of streams that attracted delegates from diverse sectors such as government, education, health, international development, and justice and community welfare. The program also explored the use of cross cutting themes, such as wicked social problems and indigenous issues, which provided popular.

Networking is an important part of AES conferences and this year's social program featured dinner buddies, a social networking innovation and first for AES, with delegates mixing together in the evening over a meal with welcome drinks held in several North Terrace venues. The feature of the social program is always the AES Awards dinner, which was held in the grandeur of the Adelaide Town Hall and featured the presentation of the AES Awards for Excellence in Evaluation presented in recognition of outstanding service in the field of evaluation. As the evening progressed, some enthusiastic delegates took to the dance floor to enjoy the night, entertained by a local Aboriginal musician, Nancy Bates and her colleague.

The conference was supported by significant sponsorship. Sponsoring organisations included:

- Government of South Australia
- The Allen Consulting Group
- Coffey International Development Pty Ltd
- Grosvenor Management Consulting
- Clear Horizon
- FaHSCIA
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Ipsos Social Research Institute
- Sustineo.

The conference was preceded by two days of pre-conference workshops on Monday 27 and Tuesday 28 August. The pre-conference workshops featured 13 sessions. Over 160 attendees registered for a pre-conference workshop, attracted by popular presenters such as Michael Quinn Patton, Patricia Rogers, Trisha Greenhalgh and Jane Davidson.

CONFERENCE SUPPORT GRANTS PROGRAM

Every year the AES makes available a limited number of grants to support emerging Indigenous evaluators from Australia, Aotearoa New Zealand, the Pacific Islands and Timor Leste to attend the AES International Conferences. Grants are awarded on the basis of applications complying with submission requirements and extent of achievement against the assessment criteria.

Six grants were awarded for the 2012 AES International Conference:

Otto Campion

Peter Djigurr

Simone Douglas

James Heimuli

Seini Jensen

Christina Newport

The AES would like to acknowledge the sponsors whose generous and consistent support makes it possible to offer this program:

- Roberts Evaluation
- Your Source
- ARTD
- The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Selection panel 2013

Amohia Boulton

Silvia Cosier (Convenor)

June Lennie



(L-R) James Heimuli, Christina Newport, Seini Jensen, Simone Baker

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

The AES Awards for Excellence in Evaluation are awarded annually and recognise exemplary evaluation practice, evaluation systems or evaluation capacity building in Australasia (Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Pacifica). Awarded annually, the awards provide significant peer recognition for leading evaluators, leading evaluations and evaluation best practice. The award recipients represent best-in-class for each Award category.

2012 Awards Committee members:

April Bennett

Dana Cross

Jessica Kenway

David McDonald

David Roberts (Chair)

Ellen Vasiliauskas

Yoland Wadsworth

Jerry Winston

Receiving the 2012 Community Development Award from David Roberts (AES President), (L-R) Narelle Calma (Past Chair of the Palmerston Local Communities for Children Committee), Joan Meredith (Australian Red Cross NT Division) and Nea Harrison (Pandanus Evaluation & Planning Services).

2012 Awards for Excellence recipients

→ Emerging New Talent Award: Delyth Lloyd

Ms Lloyd's achievements as a new talent is recognised by her client work, her contribution to the body of evaluation knowledge through journal articles and conferences. The Award judges noted her creativity and passion for evaluation e.g. through problem solving connecting with end-user/service-beneficiaries.

→ Community Development Award

for the 'Palmerston/Tiwi Island Communities for Children (C4C) Participatory Evaluation' conducted by the Communities for Children (C4C) Local Committee, Pandanus Evaluation & Planning Services (Nea Harrison) and the Australian Red Cross (Rachel Dunne)

The Award judges noted that the work was well-thought through, extremely thorough and comprehensive. A local committee, the elders and young women were all actively involved in the project in a strong collaboration with the facilitator of the evaluation. The nomination indicated an understanding of how an evaluation design contributes to community development goals and how the use of community development processes enables the accomplishment of the evaluation.

→ Best Evaluation Policy and Systems Award

for the 'Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, Mongolia Australia Scholarship Program' developed by Ian Patrick and Associates – Dr Ian Patrick, AusAID Scholarships Section – Ms Amy Haddad and Coffey International Development

The judges noted that the framework was comprehensive without being too complex to implement and in the words of a referee 'provided a strong basis for ... [the client] to collect data and to verify performance for the entire program.'



Members

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGS)

The AES encourages its members to network around areas of mutual interest and to establish Special Interest Groups (SIGs). The SIGs contribute to the development of the AES conference program, offer specialist events, share interesting updates and explore topical debates.

Over 200 members subscribe to one or more of the five AES SIGs:

- Performance Measurement
- Realist Evaluation and Realist Synthesis
- Eval-Tech
- International Development
- Indigenous Evaluation.

Convenors:

Performance Measurement
Graham Smith

Realist Evaluation and Realist Synthesis
Emma Williams
Margaret McDonald

Eval-Tech
Sandra Stopher
Delyth Lloyd

International Development
Currently inactive

Indigenous Evaluation
Currently inactive

REGIONAL NETWORKS

An important pillar of the work of the AES is the activity generated by networks of dedicated and generous members. Across Aotearoa New Zealand and Australia over 1,800 members and professionals with an interest in Evaluation attended over 60 diverse, exciting and topical range of events providing networking, information sharing and capacity development opportunities for AES members and the wider evaluation community.

While the popular regional seminar programs featured again this year members were also offered diversity such as Canberra's popular Evaluation Book Club and the joint forum with the Statistical Society of Australia.

While Western Australia continued its strong partnership

with IPAA-WA with an essential evaluation skills series of workshops, NSW worked with AMSRS to offer the first AES/AMSRS joint event, the symposium developed with the AMSRS NSW Social Research Network attracted over 130 participants.

In Wellington a seminar by internationally renowned evaluator Professor Bob Picciotti was a particular highlight.

The Northern Territory members not only offered a strong program of seminars and networking events but they have also managed to widen accessibility to these events through teleconferencing, video-conferencing, and Skype.

Members in Queensland enjoyed extensive and diverse program events, no mean

Members

REGIONAL NETWORKS

feat in the same year they are planning for the annual conference! A focus for Queensland was to extend the reach of the AES into the not for profit and academic sectors.

The members in Victoria continued their strong tradition of monthly seminars throughout 2012–13 and were treated to an opportunity to enjoy dinner and discuss Decision Trees with Dr Rick Davies.

Our local networks also received generous support from local organisations. The AES would like to acknowledge and thank the following organisations who provide support to our local networks:

- URBIS for providing the venue for the NSW seminars
- VicHealth the long-time supporter of the Victorian seminar series
- My Community Directory for their assistance to the Queensland members with a seminar venue and administrative support
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade for their support of the visit of Bob Picciotti to New Zealand.

For more information about the seminars and other events offered across Aotearoa New Zealand and Australia please visit the www.aes.asn.au/regions.

Canberra

Lisa Barney
Scott Bayley
Greg Bowen
Julie Elliott (Deputy Convenor)
Susan Garner
Kim Grey
Stephen Horn
Nicki Mazur
Helen Lilley
Mira Lose
Margaret McDonald
Shan Short
David Slattery
John Stoney (Deputy Convenor)
Emma Williams (Convenor)

New South Wales

Ben Barnes

NT Committee

Alicia Boyle
Julie Fraser (Co-convenor)
Liz McDonald
Jenny Roberts
Alison Rogers (Co-convenor)
Dagmar Schmitt
Samantha Togni

Queensland

Peter Allen
Silvia Cosier
Jo Durham
Rachel Eberhard
Catriona Flavel
June Lennie
Linda Newman
Marion Norton (Convenor)

Queensland (cont)

Brentyn Parkin
Catherine Ryan
Sarah Stamp

Victoria

Tracey Delaney
Farida Fleming (Joint Regional Convenor)
Stefan Kaufman
Euan Lockie
Lee-Anne Molony (Joint Regional Convenor)
Jo Norman
Ian Patrick
Emma Pritchard
Julie Richmond
Anthea Rutter
Kari Sann
Jia Zhen

Wellington

Anne Alkema (Convenor & AES Regional Representative)
Sally Faisandier
Brett Lineham
Jenny Neale
Mathea Roorda
Liz Smith
David Turner

Western Australia

Sarah Butler
Carina Calzoni (Convenor)
Rick Cummings
Brigitte Lacey
Dorothy Lucks
Nolan Stephenson
Ruhamah Stewart

AES COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

Membership and Marketing Committee (MMC)

The MMC advises on matters of member engagement and value, with a key focus being retaining existing members attracting new members.

In 2012–13 the committee successfully coordinated the developing the first AES member and evaluation sector survey. The findings of the survey will inform forward planning and service development for the AES in 2013–14 and beyond.

Committee members:

Eve Barbosa
Carina Calzoni
Chris Cooper
Susan Garner (Chair)
Nea Harrison
Duncan Rintoul

Journal and Publications Working Group (JPWG)

This past year has involved the establishment of the JPWG to determine an immediate direction for the group and the *EJA*. This immediate direction involved the working group to:

- consider the interests of each of the party members
- ensure the *EJA* was prepared to meet the appropriate time parameters for publication of two issues per year
- extend the working group to include representation from New Zealand, and

- discuss the future direction of the paper based *EJA* in a digital age. The JPWG was successful in meeting these immediate needs and is well placed to now consider strategic direction for the *EJA* and more broadly for other types of publications over the coming years.

The working group is working to move the *EJA* from a paper based self-publication to begin negotiations with a third party publisher and publish the journal in an online format. This move to online is one element of a three-year strategic plan for the journal. Under strategic consideration is:

- an increase in the frequency of annual issues to three in 2014 and four in 2015
- to capitalise on the full papers submitted for the AES conference through peer review and mentoring to publication standard
- realise that while the journal acceptance rate sits at fifty percent, there are a number of practice articles that are worthy of publication but sit outside the scope of the journal, consider dedicating one issue per year to practice papers in evaluation, and
- promote broader discussion on other types of publications.

Committee members:

Lyn Alderman (Chair and *EJA* Co-Editor)
Sarah Appleton
Paul Burton
Janet Clinton (*EJA* Co-Editor)
Rick Cummings
Liz Gould
Graeme Harvey (*EJA* Co-Editor)
Ian Patrick

The Strategic Engagement Committee (SEC)

The SEC has been very active since forming in June 2012 meeting monthly by teleconference. The Committee has progressed the following items over the past 12 months:

An AES Stakeholder Map with the aim being to develop an integrated data base of key stakeholders with an interest in evaluation across Australia to inform and direct strategic engagement activity.

Responding to a range of international initiatives generated by EvalPartners including submitting for a Peer-to Peer Grant which was successful in awarding a US\$5,000 to the Papua New Guinea Association of Professional Evaluators in support of their inaugural evaluation conference in 2013.

The SEC supported the writing of a chapter to be included in the Eval Partners publication *Voluntary*

Members

AES COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

Organisations for Professional Evaluation (VOPEs) Learning from Africa, Americas, Asia, Australasia, Europe and the Middle East' which is available at http://mymande.org/sites/default/files/files/UNICEF%20NY_ECS_Book2_Web.pdf.

The committee also produced a publication on 'Value for Money' which was distributed for comment to other AES committees and working groups. This paper highlighted the potential value of such papers as resources for AES members.

The committee also monitored government policy developments of significance such as the recent Federal Government legislation on Performance and Accountability.

Committee members:

Andrew Anderson
Julie Elliot
Farida Fleming
Susan Garner
Dorothy Lucks
Anne Markiewicz (Chair)
Liz Neville

Professional Learning Committee (PLC)

The PLC focussed on three key areas of work in 2012–13. The main area of work was the development of the AES Evaluators Competency Framework. After extensive research the committee drafted a framework that was felt to be relevant and useful for the

AES. Following consultation a version was finalised and will be presented to the Board in July and the membership in September. Other achievements of the PLC included; working with the EO to pilot an intensive workshop program based on a summer school model. This proved very successful being oversubscribed and well received. The committee also focused on ways to engage the membership in professional learning which manifested in a series of activities proposed for the 2013 AES conference. These activities include; a professional learning journey mural, a breakfast meeting for delegates new to the conference and evaluation as well as the development of an evaluation learning guide.

Committee members:

Eve Barbosa
Rick Cumming
Jo Durham
Amy Gullickson
Dianne Hardy (Chair)
Catherine Hurley
Dorothy Lucks
Delyth Lloyd
Margaret McDonald
Heather Nunn

Ethics and Professional Practice Committee (EPPC)

Over the past year, the EPPC has concentrated largely on reviewing and updating the AES Code of Ethics and the Guidelines for Ethical

Conduct of Evaluation. Both these documents were fully reviewed and revised. The revised documents will feature online versions that integrate links to related material online. The revised Code and Guidelines will be discussed at an open forum at the 2013 AES conference, to provide an opportunity for AES members to comment on the new versions and how they are to be used. The Committee also developed a pilot workshop on Ethics in Evaluation Practice and have been considering the development of a mentoring program for emerging evaluators.

Committee members:

April Bennett
Naomi Berman
Delyth Lloyd
Tyron Morrissey
Waris Mughal
Elisabeth Poppelwell
Penny Taylor
Will Tregoning
David Turner (Chair)
Emma Williams

Indigenous Strategy Committee (ISC)

A key focus of the ISC has been working with the Board to clarify the committees relation to the Board, regarding the provision of advice on issues to do with evaluation for, with and by Indigenous peoples; and how this committee might best work with the Board to advance



the needs of Indigenous evaluators and the Indigenous communities who participate in evaluation activity.

Core to the success of working in a strengths-based manner in the Indigenous evaluation space is recognising the fundamental need to nurture and support Indigenous capacity and capability. Whilst we are aware of a strong and vibrant cohort of Māori evaluators with varying degrees of expertise who are willing and able to support the work of the AES, a concern of this committee has been the need to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people's involvement in the work of this organisation – not only for the benefit of the AES but for the sector more generally. To that end, the ISC explored appropriate approaches to recruitment aimed at attracting Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander evaluators to committee membership.

The Committee was pleased to welcome one Indigenous evaluator.

Committee members have contributed to the work of other AES committees, including providing input to the review of AES Code of Ethics and the consultation on the Evaluators Professional Learning Competency Framework. Additionally, the Committee has provided advice to the Adelaide and Brisbane conference organisers on strategies to ensure that conference attendance, for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous delegates, is a positive and rewarding intercultural experience. The committee also responded to a draft proposal from AES Northern Territory Branch on a process aimed at improving the quality of evaluation conducted in and with Indigenous communities ahead of the 2014 conference.

Committee members:

Amohia Boulton (Chair)
 Silvia Cosier (Convenor,
 Conference Support Grants)
 Linda Ford
 Georgina Kerr (resigned)
 June Lennie (Secretary)
 Moira McCreesh
 Aliitasi Su'a Tavila
 Emma Williams (resigned)
 Jerome Winston

Members

AES LIFE MEMBERS AND FELLOWS

The AES is fortunate to have long standing and dedicated members who have contributed to its longevity and the development of the field of evaluation more broadly. Such members are recognised as Fellows of the AES.

Fellows undertake two key functions for the AES: the formal Fellows Selection Committee manages the nominations of Fellows, while the AES Fellows Group plans Fellow activities.

Fellows Selection Committee

No new nominations for Fellows were received in 2012.

Life Members

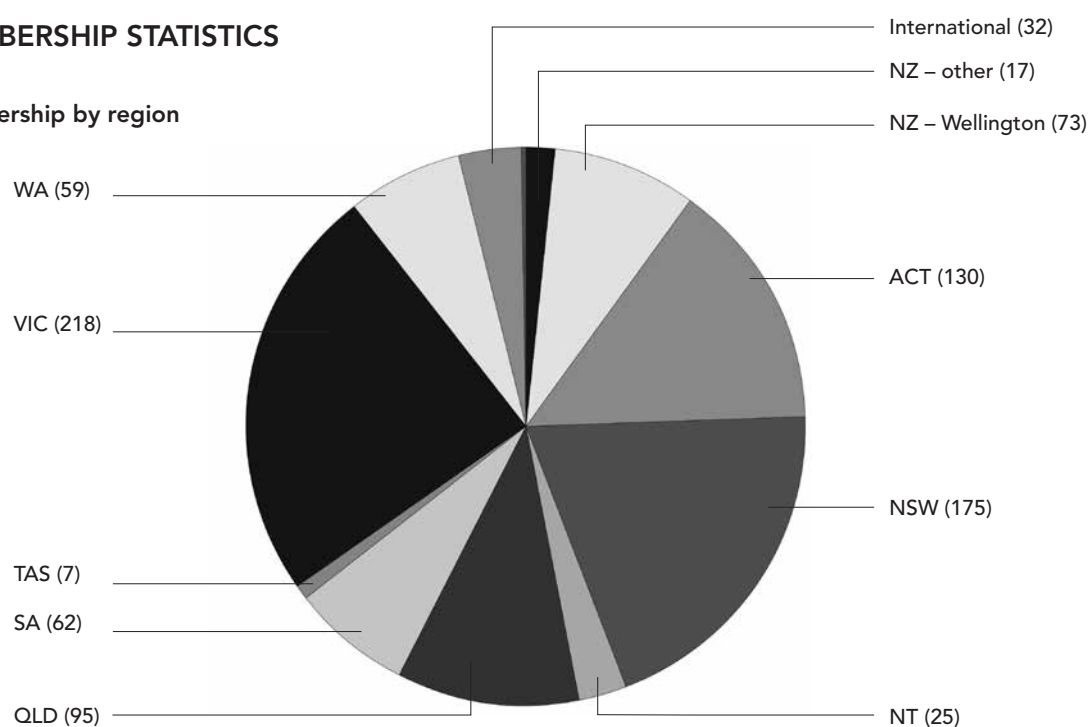
Anona Armstrong
Ian Trotman

AES Fellows

Anona Armstrong	Victoria
Darrel Caulley	Victoria
Sue Funnell	New South Wales
Penny Hawkins	Wellington
Chris Milne	New South Wales
John Owen	Victoria
Colin Sharp	South Australia
Ralph Straton	Western Australia
Ian Trotman	Wellington
Yoland Wadsworth	Victoria
Jerome Winston	Victoria

AES MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

2013 Membership by region



Region	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08*	09*	10*	11*	12	13
NZ – other	23	24	26	29	33	31	34	28	35	25	27	20	14	17
NZ – Wellington	75	80	84	84	97	108	116	114	145	118	125	125	84	73
ACT	71	64	72	65	50	75	85	121	86	113	145	144	135	130
NSW	107	94	100	104	92	103	106	111	132	142	161	170	164	175
NT	29	19	16	15	21	13	11	16	19	24	20	25	25	25
QLD	70	63	74	83	87	87	94	88	126	133	125	132	97	95
SA	63	52	51	55	56	71	82	67	50	82	103	75	70	62
TAS	13	7	7	10	14	12	9	7	8	10	12	13	8	7
VIC	129	109	125	124	127	138	151	165	202	205	240	247	194	218
WA	67	62	66	72	58	71	56	59	64	93	70	62	46	59
International	18	18	20	17	17	19	20	18	35	23	25	27	15	32
Reciprocal	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	666	592	642	659	652	729	765	795	903 ^{1*}	969*	1054	1041	853	894
New members	48	89	134	151	142	209	174	230	300	295	299	251	227	281
Non renewals	76	163	102	134	149	132	138	200	192	229	214	264	415	240

* 2008-2011 figures include members whose subscription has expired but are within the three month membership grace period.

Finances

The AES Board presents the the budget for the 2013–14 financial year and the audited financial reports for the year ended 30 June 2013.

BUDGET 2013–14

	2013–14
	\$
INCOME	
Workshops	180,000
Conference	307,000
Memberships	180,000
Publications	42,200
Other Income	18,020
Total Income	727,220
EXPENDITURE	
Workshops	80,000
Conference	265,000
Memberships	28,200
Publications	24,000
Administration	294,896
Governance	49,500
Total Expenditure	741,596
Profit/Loss	(14,376)

Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	Note	2013	2012
		\$	\$
Revenue	2	358,733	281,964
Depreciation and Amortisation		5,198	2,127
Other Expenses		361,625	329,406
Loss before Income Tax	3	(8,090)	(49,569)
Total Comprehensive Income		(8,090)	(49,569)

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	Note	2013	2012
		\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	5	216,356	222,692
Trade and Other Receivables	7	25,962	–
Other Current Assets	8	13,547	3,954
Total Current Assets		255,865	226,646
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment	9	598	1,793
Intangible Assets	10	8,017	4,545
Total Non-Current Assets		8,615	6,338
TOTAL ASSETS		264,480	232,984
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	11	47,180	11,033
Other	12	42,861	39,422
Total Current Liabilities		90,041	50,455
TOTAL LIABILITIES		90,041	50,455
NET ASSETS		174,439	182,529
Equity			
Retained Profits		174,439	182,529
TOTAL EQUITY		174,439	182,529

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These financial statements have not been subject to audit or review and should be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Retained Earnings		
Balance at 1 July 2012	182,529	232,098
Profit Attributable to Members	(8,090)	(49,569)
Balance at 30 June 2013	174,439	182,529

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Publications Sales	22,268	8,334
Special Project Income (N-Vivo offer)	17,532	
Workshops Income	138,738	143,752
Conferences Income	45,150	13,655
Membership Fees	131,231	111,777
Interest Received	3,814	4,446
	358,733	281,964
Expenditure		
Administration & Governance	215,086	188,071
Conference Evaluation Costs	5,000	
Cost of Publications	21,348	25,289
Depreciation	5,198	2,127
Membership Services	7,418	8,978
Special Projects (includes CSG and N-Vivo offer)	36,373	22,737
Workshops	76,400	84,331
	366,823	331,533
Loss before Income Tax	(8,090)	(49,569)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements cover Australasian Evaluation Society Inc. as an individual entity. Australasian Evaluation Society Inc. is an association incorporated in Australian Capital Territory under the Associations Incorporation Act.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Associations Incorporations Act. The association is a not-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

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

(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment

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

Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment is measured on the cost basis and is therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. In the event the carrying amount of plant and equipment is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, the carrying amount is written down immediately to its estimated recoverable amount. A formal assessment

of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present (refer to Accounting Policy note - Impairment).

The cost of fixed assets constructed by the association includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of comprehensive income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation

The depreciation method and useful life used for items of property, plant and equipment (excluding freehold land) reflects the pattern in which their future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by the association. Depreciation commences from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. The depreciation method and useful life of assets is reviewed annually to ensure they are still appropriate.

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

Office Equipment 66.60 %
Website Costs 33.30 %

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

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

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income.

When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

(c) Trade and Other Receivables

Trade receivables are recognised initially at the transaction price (i.e. cost) and are subsequently measured at cost less provision for impairment. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

At the end of each reporting period, the carrying amount of trade and other receivables are reviewed to determine

whether there is any objective evidence that the amounts are not recoverable. If so, an impairment loss is recognised immediately in statement of comprehensive income.

(d) Revenue and Other Income

Membership Subscriptions

Membership fees are payable annually in advance and are due on the Anniversary of the month of joining. Membership fees are treated as income when the subscription is received except when the membership exceeds on year. Income received in respect of memberships exceeding one year are carried forward as income in advance (current liability) and recognised in the subsequent period. Fees received from new members whose membership has not been approved prior to year end are brought to account as income in advance (current liability) and carried forward to the year in which the membership is approved. Australasian Evaluation Society Inc.

Conference and seminar income expenditure

Events income and expenditure are recognised in the year that the event is held. Events income and expenditure which is received or expended prior to year end, but which relates to an event to be held after year end, is recognised as income in advance (current liability) and conference prepaid (current or non current asset) and is carried forward to the year in which the event is held.

Where conference administration is outsourced, income received and expenditure incurred by the conference organiser prior to year end, but which relates to a conference to be held after year end, have not been recognised.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised when it is received. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(e) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association that remain unpaid.

(f) 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. Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

(g) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been made in the financial report, as the Society has received advice from the Australian Taxation Office that the Association is considered a tax exempt entity.

(h) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year. Where the association has retrospectively applied an accounting policy, made a retrospective restatement of items in the financial statements or reclassified items in its financial statements, an

additional statement of financial position as at the beginning of the earliest comparative period will be disclosed.

(i) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The committee members evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information.

Key Estimates – Impairment

The association assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluation of conditions and events specific to the association that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts

of relevant assets may require incorporation of various key assumptions. No impairment indicators were present at 30 June 2013.

(j) New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

The AASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The association has decided not to early adopt any of new and amended pronouncements and that it would not have any material effect on the association's financial statements.

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
2. REVENUE		
Sales Revenue		
Rendering Services	354,919	277,518
	354,919	277,518
Other Income		
Interest Received	3,814	4,446
	3,814	4,446
	358,733	281,964
3. PROFIT		
Expenses		
Depreciation and Amortisation Expenses	5,198	2,127
Other Expenses	361,625	329,406
	366,823	331,533
4. PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		
Profit before income tax expense from continuing operations includes the following specific expenses:		
Charging as Expense		
Movements in Provisions		
Depreciation		
– Depreciation of Property, Plant and Equipment	5,198	2,127
Net Expenses Resulting from Movement in Provisions	5,198	2,127
Crediting as Income:		
Interest from:		
– Interest received – bank account	3,814	4,446
Total Interest Revenue	3,814	4,446

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These financial statements have not been subject to audit or review and should be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash at Bank	34,822	41,158
Anz V2 Bank Account	181,534	181,534
	216,356	222,692
Reconciliation of Cash		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	216,356	222,692
	216,356	222,692
6. CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit after Income Tax		
Loss after Income Tax	(8,090)	(49,569)
Adjustments for Non-Cash Components in Losses:		
Depreciation	5,198	2,127
Changes in Assets and Liabilities		
Receivables	(25,962)	15,527
Other Assets	(9,593)	29,603
Non Current Assets	(7,475)	(8,465)
Payables	36,147	(9,902)
Unearned Revenue	3,439	9,005
Net Cash Decrease in Cash Held	(6,336)	(11,674)
7. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Current		
Trade Debtors	25,962	–
	25,962	–
Total Trade and Other Receivables	25,962	–
8. OTHER ASSETS		
Current		
Prepayments	13,547	3,954
	13,547	3,954

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	2013	2012
	\$	\$
9. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and Equipment		
Office Furniture & Equipment	3,920	3,920
Less Accumulated Depreciation & Impairment	3,322	2,127
	598	1,793
Total Plant and Equipment	598	1,793
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	598	1,793
10. INTANGIBLE ASSETS		
Non-Current		
Website Development	12,020	4,545
Less Accumulated Impairment	4,003	–
	8,017	4,545
Total Intangible Assets	20,037	9,090
11. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
Current		
Sundry Creditors	3,977	2,490
Trade Creditors	26,365	–
Anz Visa Card	2,700	1,135
Payg Tax Withholding accrued	7,220	3,810
Provision for GST	6,918	3,598
	47,180	11,033
Total Trade and Other Payables	47,180	11,033
12. OTHER		
Current		
Income in Advance	42,861	39,422
	42,861	39,422

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These financial statements have not been subject to audit or review and should be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

13. ASSOCIATION DETAILS

The registered office of the company is:

Australasian Evaluation
Society Inc.
Level 6 100 Leicester Street
Carlton Vic. 3053

The principal place of business is:

Australasian Evaluation
Society Inc.
Level 6 100 Leicester Street
Carlton Vic. 3053

The Society is an association incorporated under the associations incorporations Act 1991 of the Australian Capital Territory. The aim of the Society is to establish and promote ethics and standards in evaluation practice within Australia and New Zealand.

14. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

Board Members of the Australasian Evaluation Society are:

Mr. David Roberts
(President)

Ms Anne Markiewicz
(Vice- President)

Ms Mathea Roorda
(Secretary)

Ms Bronwyn Rossingh
(Treasurer)

Ms April Bennett

Ms Delyth Lloyd

Mr Duncan Rintoul

The Board Members did not receive remuneration directly or indirectly from the Society or any related body corporate for management of the Society, other than reimbursements of expenses incurred on behalf of the Society or workshop fees charged at rates as determined by the Australasian Evaluation Society Board.

STATEMENT BY BOARD MEMBERS

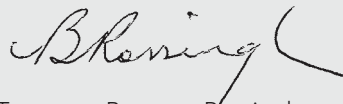
In the opinion of the Board Members as set out in the accompanying financial statements:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Australasian Evaluation Society Inc. as at 30 June 2013 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Australasian Evaluation Society Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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



President: David Roberts



Treasurer: Bronwyn Rossingh

Dated 20 August 2013

FIXED ASSET AND DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

Office Equipment	Purchase Date	Cost Price	Opening WDV	Rate Dim.	Depre- ciation	Accum Dep. 30/06/13	Closing WDV 30/06/13
Samsung Computer	07/09/11	\$3,743	\$1,707	66.60%	\$1,137	\$3,173	\$570
Computer Printer	26/09/11	\$178	\$87	66.60%	\$58	\$149	\$29
		\$3,921	\$1,794		\$1,195		\$599

Intangible Assets	Purchase Date	Cost Price	Opening WDV	Rate P.C.	Depre- ciation	Accum Dep. 30/06/13	Closing WDV 30/06/13
Website Development costs	21/08/12	\$12,020		33.30%	\$4,003	\$4,003	\$8,017
		\$12,020	\$0		\$4,003		\$8,017

The notes should be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report.

Australasian Evaluation Society Inc.
Compilation Report To Australasian Evaluation Society Inc.

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Australasian Evaluation Society Inc., which comprise the attached income and expenditure statement for the year ended 30 June 2013. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is to provide financial information to the Board Members.

The Responsibility of the Board Members.

The Board Members 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 the needs of the Board Members for the purpose of complying with the Association's Constitution.

Our Responsibility

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

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the Board Members 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 Board Members. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

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29 July 2013

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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALASIAN EVALUATION SOCIETY INC**

Scope

The financial report and committee members' responsibility

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position, statement of financial performance, statement of cash flows, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the committee members' declaration for Australasian Evaluation Society Inc, for the year ended 30 June 2013.

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee members' financial reporting requirements under the Associations Incorporations Act [Victoria]. We disclaim any assumptions of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Audit approach

We conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion to the members of the association. Our audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgment, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the association's financial position, and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used and described in Note 1, are appropriate to the needs of the members.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts



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- and disclosures in the financial report; and
- assessing reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional accounting bodies.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents a true and fair view in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements the financial position of Australasian Evaluation Society Inc as at 30 June 2013 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

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Dated: *19th August 2013*

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