



GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON
Local Action Planning Association

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2017-18

Annual Report

20 YEARS 1998-2018



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20 YEARS

20 YEARS OF GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LAP

The formation of Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association began in 1998 with a Steering Committee set up to oversee the development and implementation of a Local ACTION Plan. The committee was supported by the Southern Hills and the Murray Plains Soil Conservation Boards who recognised that the community were best placed to deliver the action needed to address regional land management issues.

The plan was based on considerable work undertaken by community based landcare, catchment and other groups. Ever since the development of the Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan, GWLAP has been delivering the action in the form of on-ground works and has made an important positive impact on the landscape.

The delivery of this action has been undertaken in different ways over the past two decades. For many years, devolved grants were used to stimulate interest and activity in biodiversity conservation and sustainable agriculture. These grants were a valuable way to engage the community and make contact with landholders. Cost benefit analyses undertaken at the time demonstrated that money invested in this way was multiplied several times over for the benefit of the community and the environment. Issues such as salinity, soil erosion and biodiversity loss were tackled by landholders with the assistance of a little funding to get them started. GWLAP managed these devolved grant schemes in such a way as to maximise the benefit, connecting vegetation and properties across the region and are still working with many farmers who were engaged in this way.

The millennium drought was a turning point for many in our area including GWLAP. As the devastating effects of the drought on Lakes Alexandrina and Albert became apparent, the community rallied together to lobby the government to do something. It was a shocking time that brought the community together as only natural disasters can.

As a result of community action, the Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Community Revegetation Project was established and GWLAP engaged to manage the project. The project was designed to build resilience around the lakes, hold soil together, prevent acidity, provide a refuge for animals in a time of drought.

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Over 2 million plants were grown by volunteers through the Community Nurseries Network and planted by thousands of volunteers from over 65 different community groups. It was a large scale effort not seen in South Australia before. This was the project that 'grew GWLAP up'. It was of a massive scale, involved many different partners and millions of dollars.

The diverse plantings are now growing into valuable habitat and have become homes to wildlife and bird species including the critically endangered Mount Lofty Ranges Southern Emu Wren.

During the drought, GWLAP took the lead in monitoring acid sulfate soils, a critical environmental and health issue created by the exposure of the lake bed when the water retreated. Volunteers spent time collecting soil and water samples according to standard methodology at more sites and intervals than could be achieved by scientists. The data collected was recognised as vitally important and of good quality. In fact it was the first community collected data to be verified, accepted and published by the CSIRO.

Alongside these projects GWLAP has attracted funding for long term bushcare work in unique and special areas. The work done on controlling woody weeds such as blackberry in waterways has transformed previously inaccessible areas of bush to near pristine vegetation. Careful planning and the use of highly skilled contractors has seen amazing transformations in areas that could well have been judged as unable to be saved. One landowner is quoted as saying that he had been unable to visit a section of gully near Finniss since he was a child due to the thick blackberry and doubted he would be able to again. He can now access, and care for that area again.

GWLAP's bushland restoration projects have led to the discovery, preservation, management and seed banking of numerous national and state rated flora species such as the critically endangered *Hibbertia tenuis*, *Hibbertia hirsute*, the state vulnerable *Brachyscome graminea* and *Olearia pannosa* subsp. *pannosa*. GWLAP has also contributed to the conservation of *Allocasuarina robusta* and *Eucalyptus paludicola* by working with the SAMDB Threatened Flora Recovery Team.

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Significant achievements have been made in the conservation and management of grassy ecosystems. Critically endangered Peppermint Box (*Eucalyptus odorata*) Grassy Woodland of South Australia, and Iron-grass Natural Temperate Grassland of South Australia have been protected and managed through fencing and weed control.

Other special places that GWLAP have been able to enhance are the Fleurieu Peninsula Swamps. Through collaboration with government, schools, community groups and landholders, GWLAP have assisted in raising the profile of these critically endangered ecosystems as well as protecting and enhancing the swamps and has led to more than 150ha of new swamp areas protected through fencing and weed control.

GWLAP has been proud to be able to contribute to our National Parks system, attracting funds for valuable bushcare and revegetation within our local conservation reserves. Working in national parks created an opportunity to connect local school students with their parks and hundreds of school students have planted trees and learned about local species out in the natural environment.

Collaboration and working with others has contributed greatly to the success of GWLAP. We are often bolstered by the dedication and commitment of others. The GWLAP area is blessed by a number of active landcare, bushcare and coastcare groups that persist through times of drought and funding uncertainty to continue to make our local area a better place. GWLAP has seen government appointed boards and departments come and go and have formed partnerships wherever possible to continue the action detailed in our local action plan. GWLAP has stayed focussed on on-ground works and using every dollar granted to us to improve the state of our natural resources.

Twenty years on, the volunteers and staff of GWLAP are still committed to making our area a better place. In the face of an uncertain climate, we are doing our best to build resilience into the landscape for our food producers, our children and our native plants and animals.

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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Twenty years ago, in 1998, the Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Board was established to develop and implement a Local Action Plan to address local natural resource management issues. Consisting of group of volunteers from across the LAP area with diverse interests and expertise, the Board worked together to form a vision of how the area should look in the future and what needed to be done to achieve it.

GWLAP is still managed by volunteers and it is these volunteers that keep GWLAP focussed on our community. Over the years, 52 community members have volunteered their time to assist and guide the organisation to keep it on track and improve our local environment. Several board members have given more than ten years to the GWLAP Board including current board members Margaret Wilksch, Barry Lincoln, Harry Seager and Derek Fenton, and former member Richard Owen. This level of commitment is greatly appreciated.

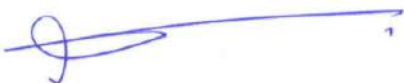
Of course GWLAP could not achieve what it has without talented and dedicated staff. The environment industry is a tricky field to work in. Funding is unpredictable and often tight. Staff work on shoe-string budgets often not knowing where the next source of funding will come from, and if they will have a contract after June 30 each year. Key attributes that make our staff special include resilience, friendships and dedication to a vital cause - and we appreciate them greatly.

During the 2017-18 financial year, GWLAP has continued to do its best in the face of adversity. With reduced funding opportunities, the organisation has focussed on attracting fee-for-service contracts. These contracts contributed to nearly 50% of our income for the year and resulted in valuable on-ground actions. Diversifying income sources for GWLAP continues to be a priority for the longer term.

Unfortunately we have farewelled some staff members during the year. Caroline Holloway, John Gitsham, Jodie Sommerville and most recently, Sherie Bain have moved on from GWLAP. They have all made terrific contributions to the organisation and will remain part of the GWLAP family.

Board member Jo McPhee resigned from the Board at the last AGM to focus on her many other commitments. I thank her for the time and effort she has given to GWLAP.

In this Annual Report and at our Annual General Meeting we will celebrate sound planning, community contribution, consistent effort and on-ground achievements. Congratulations to all of our supporters on reaching this 200-year milestone.



Keith Parkes
Chair, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

It has been another dynamic and very active year for Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association (GWLAP) during 2017-18. Around 42 separate projects, some continuing, were successfully delivered – about the same amount as in 2016-17. The number of fee-for-service projects continues to increase relative to grant funded projects, highlighting that we are diversifying our revenue sources and also that government agencies are procuring services to a greater extent rather than providing as much funding via grant programs. We have again drawn upon all of our resources – staff, board, partners, contractors and community members – in order to successfully deliver these projects. Everyone involved has made a significant, valued contribution.

The excellent efforts by GWLAP staff members in ensuring that all of these projects were coordinated and delivered efficiently and effectively is to be commended, particularly as we have needed to respond to the challenges of short-term projects and the expectations of clients and project partners. Everyone's teamwork and willingness to adapt to changes is much appreciated. I'd like to again thank our contractors and the Community Nurseries Network for working with us to ensure a great result under tight and increasingly tightening funding arrangements.

We have supported a total of ten Green Army teams since this program commenced in 2014 and the final two teams concluded in June 2018. The achievements both on-ground and in training and development for young people have been significant and we thank all involved including the federal government for funding the teams. The winding up of the Green Army program nationally will leave significant gaps in capacity and training opportunities that we hope will be filled in the near future by similar new initiatives along with increased funding for on-ground, scientific and educational environmental projects.

Some exciting new projects have commenced this year. We are pleased to be assisting Nature Foundation SA with the delivery of environmental water to key wetlands in the SA Murray Darling Basin through their Water for Nature initiative as well as providing office space for the NFSA Water for Nature Program Manager. Another new water-related project is the Flows for the Future initiative that we are assisting Natural Resources SA Murray Darling Basin to deliver in our region. This project is providing devices and support to landholders to facilitate naturally occurring small flow events to maintain catchment health in the Eastern Mount Lofty Ranges.

Our continued efforts to submit worthy project proposals, to actively tender and quote for fee-for-service work, and to build strong partnerships and credibility has again proven to be fruitful in 2017-18. We remain confident that this approach will continue to give us the best chance of future success but at the same time hopeful that the level of investment of public funds for conservation and land management will increase. Funding for Natural Resource Management is currently very limited and GWLAP will continue to advocate for greater investment of funds and more opportunities to support community-based landcare.

I would like to thank the GWLAP Board for their continued support and again acknowledge our great staff, contractors, community, project and funding partners for their efforts, achievements and willingness to adapt and respond to the challenges we face. I hope that you enjoy reading this report which highlights some of what we have achieved together in 2017-18 and that these achievements help inspire you to continue to work with us to plan, secure funding and deliver more great projects in the coming years.

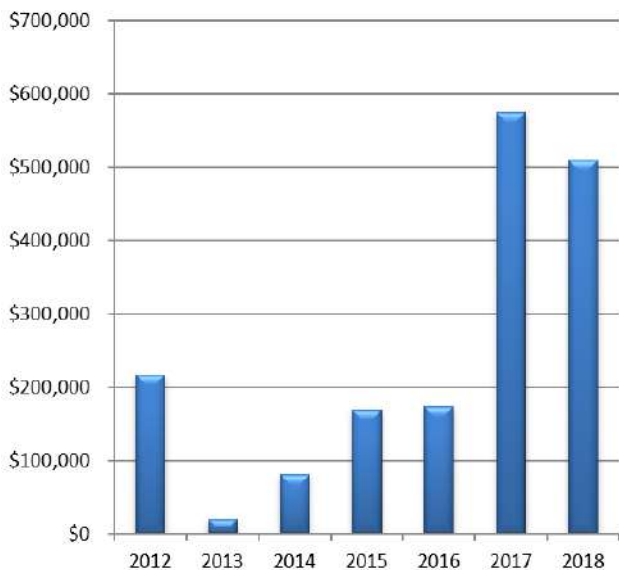
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Ross Oke
General Manager, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association Inc.

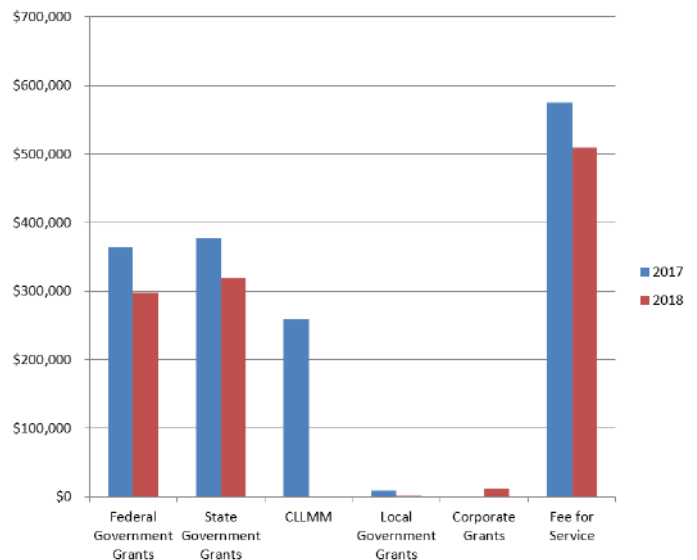
TREASURER'S REPORT

During 2017-18 GWLAP further established its fee-for-service social enterprise activities which contributed in excess of \$508,000 (44.6%) to total revenue for the year. Major fee-for-service contracts undertaken included the two ongoing large scale 20 Million Trees projects in conjunction with Landcare Australia Ltd.; the 'Flows for the Future' project for the Department of Environment and Water; 'Water for Nature' environmental watering contract held with Nature Foundation SA and ongoing fee-for-service projects run with the District Council of Mount Barker.

Income from Fee for Service activities



Sources of funding in 2017-18



Annual turnover for 2017-18 was \$1.178 million which was a decrease of approximately \$444,000 from the previous financial year. This was predominantly due to the completion of the Mount Compass to Meadows project funded via grants from the Australian Government's Biodiversity Fund along with the completion 6-year Coorong Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Vegetation Program. Ongoing changes within the State and Federal Natural Resource sector, coupled with a gradual decrease in the availability of grant funding have further contributed to this reduction in revenue.

Funding in 2017-18 was provided through the following major funding sources:

Landcare Australia Ltd – just over \$162,000 via the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme for the Catchment to Coast and Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat Large Scale 20 Million Trees projects and Department for Environment and Energy (Federal Govt) - \$144,000 for three small scale 20 Million trees projects valued at \$300,000 over three years, plus \$154,000 for the 20 Million trees River Murray Lower Lakes Restoration project, valued at \$200,000 over three years. In total, these projects will see an investment of almost \$1,100,000 over the term of the programs in the planting of 415 Hectares of native vegetation, using a combination of direct seeding and tubestock plantings, across Currency Creek, Finniss, Point Sturt, Hindmarsh Island, Goolwa, River Murray Lower Lakes region, Mulgundawa, Kanmantoo, Wattle Flat and Kyeema Conservation Park areas.

Department of Environment and Water (DEW) (State Govt) –\$106,000 Fee for Service contract for Flows for the Future, total 2017-18 contract value of just over \$125,000. This project is part of a \$13.48 million joint Commonwealth and State Government program investing in infrastructure such as low flow devices in order to return low water flows back in to water courses within the Eastern Mount Lofty Ranges Water Resource Plan area. The aim of this program is to ‘re-establish more natural flow patterns across catchment areas, maintaining a balance between production and the environment’.

A further \$68,000 SEB grant was received through the Native Vegetation Council for restoration of Red Gum Woodlands in the Finnis River catchment area. This project will provide a total of \$259,000 over three years, funding the restoration of approximately 1,534ha of high value remnant vegetation.

Natural Resources SA Murray-Darling Basin (SAMDB NRM) Board (State Govt) – continued to provide significant support to GWLAP of just under \$238,000 in the form of multiple Connecting Communities grants and other grants enabling the engagement of our local community through projects such as connecting schools with local community groups; citizen science projects; redressing threats in Fleurieu swamps; coastal, wetlands and bird monitoring programs; fostering sustainable gardening practices in Mt Barker with additional Mt Barker Council funds; and the management of the Strathalbyn Natural Resource Centre. In addition to this another \$20,000 was provided to restore the Murrundi Wetlands.

Landcare Australia SA (LASA) - \$85,000 for a continued collaborative relationship with GWLAP hosting LASA’s Executive Officer, Glenn Gale, and providing financial and HR management to the association.

Trees for Life - \$59,080 for the delivery of components of the Paddock Trees Project which saw the the planting and guarding of up to 2,000 paddock trees at multiple sites in the GWLAP region.

Angas Bremer Water Management Committee – over \$11,000 for the provision of a Project Officer as well as Secretarial/Finance services to deliver on the Committee’s existing grants, annual irrigation reporting requirements and provide support to the Committee.

Mount Barker District Council – over \$10,000 in the delivery of plants, revegetation and habitat creation at the Springs Wetland at other sites.

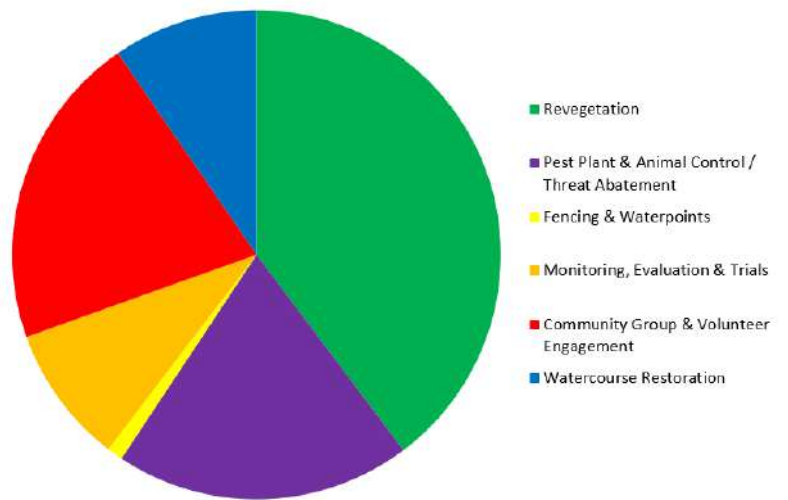
Nature Foundation SA – just over \$10,000 for environmental watering associated with the Water for Nature project.

GWLAP has maintained its fee for service agreement with **Terramin Australia Ltd** in providing secretarial services to the Strathalbyn Community Consultative Committee.

In-kind finance and administration support was provided to the **Angas River Catchment Group, Prospect Hill Bushcare Group, Friends of Kyeema Conservation Park, Goolwa Coastcare Group, Point Sturt and Districts Landcare Group, Signal Point Riverine Environment Group, Macclesfield Bushcare Group** and the **Milang and Districts Historical Society**.

Operating expenditure for 2017-18 was just over \$1.2 million in the management of 56 major budget lines resulting in a net deficit of just under \$58,000. This is due to the timing of income and expenditure for individual projects, which can occur over consecutive financial years. ie. project funding may be received in one financial year and expended in the following one. The following graph shows a breakdown of how the 2017-18 aggregated funding was spent across each category.

On ground works in 2017-18



Project Officer salaries have been included and were allocated according to the time spent on each activity. The majority of funds received during 2017-18 were spent on revegetation (\$337.8k). Community engagement (\$177.4k) and pest plant and animal control / threat abatement (\$166.6k) continue to be a core focus of GWLAP, followed by monitoring and evaluation (\$78k) and watercourse restoration (\$81.6k).

Barry Lincoln
Treasurer
Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association

OUR BOARD AND STAFF 2017-18

GWLAP Board:

Keith Parkes (Chair)
Bruce Brooks (Vice Chair)
Barry Lincoln (Treasurer)
Merri Tothill (Secretary)
Derek Fenton (Public Officer)
Harry Seager
Margaret Wilksch
Anne Welsh
Paul Johnston
Ian Grosser
Tom Bradman

GWLAP Staff:

Ross Oke (General Manager)
Will Miles (Operations Manager)
Ben Simon (Senior Project Officer, Eastern Hills and Plains)
Sherie Bain (Eastern Hills and Plains Project Officer)
Regina Durbridge (Lower Lakes and Coorong Project Officer)
Leah Hunter (Project Officer)
Jacqui Wilson (Community Engagement Officer)
Keren Stagg (Finance and Administration Manager)
John Gitsham (Project Officer)
Jodie Sommerville (Project Officer)
Caroline Holloway (Finance and Administration Officer)

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Calhan Bateman Moore
Alan Bateman
Daniel Grindley
Joseph Harvey
Andrew Kirkley
Dylan Oke
Oliver Roberts
Alyssa Rorlach
William Sheridan



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

During 2017-18 GWLAP delivered a number projects supported by the SA Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program and NRM Levies.

Through these projects we held 9 workshops, 13 school and community planting days, 12 walks, 8 monitoring events and involved 7 schools. Over 400 community members were involved in GWLAP community engagement activities during the year. Volunteers collected data on bird species, water quality, local bats and revegetation survivorship. All of this data contributes to the management of our local natural resources.



SUSTAINABLE LIVING MOUNT BARKER

Sustainable Living Mount Barker was a partnership project between the Mount Barker District Council and GWLAP and supported by the SA Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program and NRM Levies.

Project Aims

- Raise awareness of local environmental issues
- inform about choices that will have a positive impact on the local environment.
- Encourage the use of local native species in gardens in Mount Barker.

Project Activities

- Bird ID walks
- Water monitoring
- Subsidised local plant sale
- Plant propagation workshop
- Garden design workshop
- Meetings with urban developers
- Dedicated Facebook Page
- Newspaper articles
- Stalls at local events

5000 local native garden plants were distributed to Mount Barker residents.

Garden design workshops were very popular indicating there is a strong interest in habitat gardening



SPECIAL OFFER!
For residents of Mount Barker District Council



order now for autumn 2018!



OUR PLACE

Our Place is based on scientific evidence that childhood exposure to nature raises interest in environmental stewardship and leads to careers and hobbies connected with nature and the environment.

"OUR PLACE - CONNECTING SCHOOLS WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS IN THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT"



Schools find it hard to get students out of the classroom and into the environment due to a number of factors including:

- Cost of bus hire.
- Extra supervision required.
- Time required to plan excursions.

Our Place provided the resources needed to connect students with the environment and the people who care for it.

Our Place has involved schools for the past 3 years. This year the project involved four schools and offered an in-class education session and an excursion once per term. During the excursions the students were joined by members of local community groups caring for the site and together they would weed, plant seedlings, take nature walks and learn about the plants and animals that lived there. The project has been going long enough for some students to form deep attachments with their special place.

The project involved four schools and five community groups:

Eastern Fleurieu School, Ashbourne Campus
Eastern Fleurieu School, Strathalbyn R-6
Mount Compass Area School
Investigator College, Goolwa

Angas River Catchment Group
Goolwa Coastcare
Friends of Cox Scrub
Macclesfield Bushcare Group
Clayton Bay Nursery and Environment Group

Our Place Highlights

- The whole Ashbourne school were involved in Our Place for the full three years and have formed a special bond with Bullock Hill Conservation park. A highlight was hearing the students describe their knowledge of their special place. Ashbourne school has a high number of students with special needs. Our Place was able to be adapted to include all of the students in the school and give them memories, knowledge and a connection with the environment.
- A senior student at Investigator College started volunteering with Goolwa Coastcare at the Alexandrina Nursery after a visit there on an Our Place excursion.
- Classes participated in catchment tours to see how their special site fitted into the whole catchment and how actions in different parts of the catchment affects their site.
- Many students who planted seedlings at Bullock Hill Conservation Park returned a year later to see how they have grown and watch the changes happening within the park.



Students visiting Bullock Hill Conservation Park

GAZANIA FREE GOOLWA

Gazania Free Goolwa was a trial project run in partnership with Alexandrina Council, Goolwa Coastcare and Alexandrina Community Nursery. It was based on a social marketing approach to encourage sustainable behaviour change by addressing barriers to change and incentives to make the change with a 'touch of neighbourly peer-pressure'.



100 households were involved - 51% were previously unaware that gazanias were a weed

Gazania FREE Goolwa Plant Swap

STEP 1: Remove Gazanias from your garden and roadside verge

STEP 2: Dispose of your Gazanias in the collection bins available at Alexandrina Community Nursery

STEP 3: Receive 10 free plants for your garden



10 cubic metres of gazanias removed and dumped and replaced with 2000+ native garden plants

Trade-in your weeds
 Gazanias are declared weeds that threaten the health of Goolwa's urban biodiversity. Weed control in biodiversity reserves (such as the Goolwa Dunes) will be more successful if seed sources in private gardens are also removed.
 You can make a difference by removing Gazanias from your garden and roadside verge and replacing them with local native plants.

My garden is...

Gazania FREE

Is your garden already gazania-free?

Collect a "My Garden is Gazania Free" sticker from the Goolwa Council Office, 11 Cadell St. Goolwa and display it on your green bin to let your neighbours know that Gazanias are a no-go.

Great Gazania Grow

Sunday, 22 April 2018

10am-12pm @ Goolwa Beach carpark

Food Prizes Games

Come down to the dunes for a fun family day out

Goolwa Primary School became a Gazania Free School



Gazania (South African Daisy) is a declared weed that threatens local dune systems, native vegetation and farmland - they are also a popular garden plant. The project encouraged removing gazanias to replace with local native plants and included demonstration sites, dedicated Facebook page, school activities, presentations to service groups, bin stickers 'My Garden is Gazania Free', and a Gazania Free Garden competition. The key incentive was a plant swap - residents could trade in their weeds at the Alexandrina Community Nursery in return for 10 free local plants.

RED GUM WOODLANDS

Critical Red gum remnants in the Finniss River Catchment is a project funded by the Native Vegetation Council Significant Environmental Benefit program. The project will run until the end of 2020. The project will help restore more than 260 Ha of Red-gum woodland and a further 590 Ha of priority vegetation in the Finniss River Catchment using bushcare and exclusion of stock via fencing.

Highlights so far include the inclusion of a 40 Ha block of good quality of *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* grassy woodland at Ashbourne. This patch contains more than 65 native plant species and support numerous rare and threatened flora and fauna species.

Works here are involving control of olive, rose and a number of bulbous, grassy and broad-leaf weed species. This woodland also supports Brown tree-creepers, Robins, White-browed babblers and various other woodland bird species.

Large sections of the Finniss River containing *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* tall open forest are receiving bushcare works to improve the habitat value and health of the sites. These habitat areas support perched Fleurieu swamps that house high plant species diversity and feed water to permanent pools containing Southern Pygmy Perch.

Yellow footed Antechinus, Elegant parrot, Yellow tail black cockatoos, Robins, Laughing Kookaburra, Diamond firetail finch, Rosenberg's goanna, Crested Shrike tits, Yellow-bellied skinks, Echidnas and Brush-tailed possums and are some of the many fauna species known to these sites.

Hibbertia hirsuta (CE) is found on one of the project sites and is only found in one other known location on mainland Australia. This project will assist in protecting this population and the habitat it is found within.

Other plant species of significance that will benefit from this project include *Allocasuarina robusta*, *Coronidium rutidolepis*, *Thelymitra cyanapicta*, *Dianella longifolia* var. *grandis*, *Lepidium pseudohyssopifolium*, *Veronica derwentiana* ssp. *homalodonta*, *Montia australasica* ssp., *Mentha diamenica*, *Mentha australis*, *Diuris brevifolia*, *Diuris behrii* and *Calocephalus citreus*.

Many other rare and threatened fauna and flora species are found within the project sites. A guided walk through some redgum sites will occur in 2019.



COASTAL WORKS

GWLAP undertakes a range of coastal works through funding from Natural Resources, SA Murray-Darling Basin as part of a long standing partnership. Project Officer time contributes to planning, coordinating and delivering a range of activities and programs for the coastal and marine environment. Significant in-kind work by the Goolwa Coastcare Group contributes to this project..

8 Goolwa Coastcare working bees on 30 Ha of coastal remnant vegetation - more 120 volunteer hours. Provided technical support to local government and assisted with plant selection for coastal revegetation. Attracted \$15,000 from Landcare Australia and Coca-Cola to reduce marine debris entering the ocean between the Murray Mouth and Middleton.



Students from various Fleurieu schools were hosted through GWLAP's Our Place program. GWLAP and Goolwa Coastcare took more than 60 students on a walking tour of the Goolwa coastal area where local conservation issues were discussed including:

- Pyp grass invasion and effects on dune health
- Cultural significance and acknowledgement of traditional owners
- Ngarrindjeri involvement with coastal erosion works in past projects and why this is important
- Introduction to various coastal native plants including bush-tucker plants
- Nursery visit to learn about best practice approaches to propagation
- Erosion and fencing
- Gazania and other common weeds and their effect on coastal environments
- Seed collection
- Weeding in natural areas.

Other achievements:

Family planting event held with more than 20 volunteers assisting in the planting of more than 800 seedlings and learning about our coastal habitats.

Talked to various coastal stakeholders at Encounter Beaches meeting at Port Elliot.

Sourced funding for 2 new garden sheds at the Alexandrina Community Nursery.

Provided input into local coastal reserves management and protection.

Supported one local secondary student to complete community volunteering component of their school studies.

Held a corporate planting event with more than 500 Bunnings employees on a long term coastal site.

20 MILLION TREES

GWLAP have been delivering a number of revegetation projects as part of the Federal Government' 20 Million Trees Program.

Three Small Scale projects were recently completed, two large scale projects are nearing completion and an election commitment project focusing on the Lower Lakes (west side) is under way.

Small Scale projects include Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat (2 sites), High Rainfall - Kyeema Conservation Park (2 sites), Catchment to Coast (4 sites).

On the Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat sites 10,454 seedlings were planted over 5 Ha in 2017-18 with the help of over 325 volunteers including schools, Youth Environment Leaders, Friends of Cox Scrub, and 4WD clubs.

At Kyeema Conservation Park 13,552 seedlings were established over 15 Ha by 50+ volunteers to re-establish local plant communities including swamp gum and candlebark woodland.

At the Catchment to Coast sites 4,432 plants were established over 8 hectares.



The Election commitment project planted 24,260 plants over 6 sites (40 hectares) with 100+ volunteers including Bunnings, schools, Coastcare, and Hindmarsh Island Landcare Group.

For the Large Scale 20MT projects, 2,660 plants were established at Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat sites and 2,200 seedlings were planted by 30+ Volunteers at Watchalunga.

Amazing growth and survival rates of the community plantings, especially at Jakem Farm have been a highlight of this revegetation project, especially following a very dry summer.



FLAWS FOR THE FUTURE

In 2017-18 GWLAP provided external field officer support to Natural Resources, SA Murray-Darling Basin to assist in delivering an exciting initiative to improve water catchment health in the Eastern Mount Lofty Ranges.

The Flows for the Future Program provides landholders with the opportunity to access funds and expertise to enable naturally occurring small flow events or 'low flows' to be passed on downstream. In doing so, catchment health will be improved by maintaining natural ecological processes such as keeping refuge pools wet and supporting fish breeding. Water quality will also be improved by flushing salts and pollutants that accumulate during dry months.

GWLAP project officers are providing assistance to landholders in the Angas/Bremer catchment by making contact with them, explaining the benefits and details of the program and obtaining field data about dams or watercourse diversions. This information is then used by technical experts to design low flow devices or modifications to structures that are then installed as part of the program.

Over \$13 million is being invested by the Australian and South Australian Governments into the Flows for the Future Program.

WATER FOR NATURE

In 2017-18 GWLAP started working with Natural Foundation SA to provide operational support to the Water for Nature initiative. Water for Nature is an initiative of Nature Foundation SA that is helping to redress the loss and stress to the ecosystems and habitats of the River Murray caused by river regulation and drought.

Water for Nature provides environmental water to priority wetland and floodplain sites throughout the SA Murray Darling Basin. Nature Foundation SA enters into agreements with the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder to plan, schedule and deliver water to these sites via community-driven projects and then monitor the results.

GWLAP is providing operational support to the Water for Nature initiative by storing, maintaining, organising and setting up pumping equipment at a number of sites as well as liaising with community-based volunteers to support the delivery of water at each site and communicating with local residents about the work.

A complementary element to this arrangement is the provision of office space at the Strathalbyn Natural Resource Centre for the Water for Nature manager, Natalie Stalenberg. It has been great to work with Natalie on this project that adds another element to our growing number of fee-for-service projects.



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	NOTE	2018		2017	
		\$	\$	\$	\$
INCOME					
Grants					
Grants (C'wealth) Op-Non Rec	3	0.00		214,300.00	
20MT Grant R2-78	4	48,000.00		50,000.00	
20MT Grant R2-82		48,000.00		50,000.00	
20MT Grant R2-84		48,000.00		50,000.00	
20MT Grant LLEC		154,100.00		0.00	
Grants (State) Op-Non Rec		318,995.99		637,295.19	
Grants (Local) Op-Non Rec		1,500.00		9,725.00	
Grants Other		12,000.00			
<i>Total Grants</i>			630,595.99		1,011,320.19
Fundraising-Gifts					
Donations Received	5	1,028.15		1,721.54	
<i>Total Fundraising-Gifts</i>			1,028.15		1,721.54
Trading/Operating Activities					
Sales of Goods		22,862.50		10,074.08	
Fees & Charges-Unrestricted		508,905.88		574,992.19	
<i>Total Trading/Operating Activities</i>			531,768.38		585,066.27
Interest-Unrestricted			14,501.66		16,809.89
Novated Lease Income			0.00		7,624.47
Other Income			500.00		0.00
<i>Total Income</i>			1,178,394.18		1,622,542.36
COST OF GOODS SOLD					
Purchases					
Books		0.00		0.00	
Equipment		0.00		145.44	
Plants		0.00		979.80	
			0.00		1,125.24
Gross Surplus / (Deficit)			1,178,394.18		1,621,417.12
EXPENSES					
Accounting Fees			1,325.00		0.00
Advertising & Promotion			1,676.81		558.56
Assets Purchased			11,006.99		1,794.64
Audit Fees			6,311.49		5,500.00
Bank Charges			160.62		144.00
Cleaning & Pest Control			260.91		1,023.63
Client Support Services					
CSS Community Engagement		25,785.24		33,595.78	
CSS Fencing		3,200.99		40,120.00	
CSS Monitoring & Evaluation		3,245.68		5,308.14	
CSS Project Co-ord/Manag		(4,871.63)		1,971.49	
CSS Revegetation		180,418.25		271,190.68	
CSS Seed Expenses		11,670.84		38,181.05	
CSS Threat Abatement		<u>71,556.82</u>		291,718.19	
<i>Total Client Support Services</i>			291,006.19		682,085.33

Computer Expenses		2,900.45		3,694.00
Depreciation - Motor Vehicle		2,802.49		934.16
Donations Paid		0.00		20.00
Equipment Hire		2,678.90		4,671.21
Fees & Permits		48.00		612.53
Health & Safety		1,469.19		3,752.59
Insurance-Building & Contents		513.06		1,010.41
Insurance-Public Liability		4,170.39		3,700.21
Insurance-Professional Indem		1,189.84		1,189.84
Insurance-Directors & Officers		2,495.81		2,471.81
Meetings Expense		2,403.59		3,164.95
Membership Fees Paid		45.45		90.90
Motor Vehicle Expenses				
MV Fuel & Oil	16,028.68		17,897.77	
MV Repairs & Maintenance	4,607.25		10,633.30	
MV Insurance	2,472.08		2,492.48	
MV Registration	3,412.05		2,601.13	
MV Lease Payments	49,401.59		70,193.35	
MV Provision Expense	11,380.00		1,493.33	
MV Other	541.66		3,279.46	
<i>Total Motor Vehicle Expenses</i>		87,843.31		108,590.82
Novated Lease Expense		0.00		7,624.47
Postage, Freight & Courier		898.12		385.32
Printing & Stationery		5,940.82		8,850.92
Publications & Information Res		1,829.90		470.40
Rates & Taxes		1,295.05		1,495.33
Rent		17,893.48		33,427.87
Repairs & Maintenance		5,479.93		9,259.77
Salaries & Wages				
S&W Annual Leave Expense	46,916.75		53,234.53	
S&W Fringe Benefits Tax	235.15		341.47	
S&W Long Service Leave Expense	8,290.31		7,190.34	
S&W Staff Recruitment	306.00			
S&W Sick Leave Expense	22,177.31		10,052.66	
S&W Superannuation	65,719.52		66,321.71	
S&W Salaries & Wages	603,387.90		657,919.21	
S&W OHS Expenses	282.45		297.30	
S&W WorkCover Levy	12,300.58		11,635.00	
S&W Maternity Leave Expense	goal		(30,327.13)	
S&W Travel Allowance	1,789.73		2,118.86	
<i>Total Salaries & Wages</i>		761,405.70		778,783.95
Security		169.39		148.54
Staff Amenities		412.67		1,174.53
Sundry Expenses		1,517.65		1,118.90
Telephone, Fax & Internet Exp		8,973.18		10,110.48
Training & Development (Staff)		1,327.28		6,567.54
Travel & Accommodation		2,258.55		5,060.11
Utilities		6,392.11		4,575.99
<i>Total Expenses</i>		1,236,102.32		1,694,063.71
Operating Net Income		(57,708.14)		(72,646.59)
Other Expenses				
Refund Unspent Project Funds	0.00		0.00	
<i>Total Other Expenses</i>		0.00		0.00
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	6	(57,708.14)		(72,646.59)

GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	NOTE	2018	2017
CURRENT ASSETS		\$	\$
Cash at Bank (Unrestricted)		891,582.59	822,618.63
Accounts Receivable	2	<u>66,866.43</u>	<u>190,063.47</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>958,449.02</u>	<u>1,012,682.10</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Motor Vehicles		33,629.91	33,629.91
Less Acc Dep on Motor Vehicles		<u>(3,736.65)</u>	<u>(934.16)</u>
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>29,893.26</u>	<u>32,695.75</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>988,342.28</u>	<u>1,045,377.85</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable		3,238.36	26,325.10
Loans Payable		3,265.38	274.91
Payables - Other		54,340.04	17,029.26
GST Payable		26,701.83	33,307.83
Less GST Receivable		(14,493.30)	(23,322.35)
PAYG Withholding Payable		11,193.80	13,732.18
Superannuation Payable		5,974.83	0.00
WorkCover Payable/(Receivable)		<u>(1,338.25)</u>	<u>(2,003.50)</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>88,882.69</u>	<u>65,343.43</u>
PROVISIONS			
Motor Vehicle Provision		12,381.60	1,493.33
Technology Provision		10,010.94	10,510.94
Employee Provisions		<u>112,227.60</u>	<u>145,482.56</u>
TOTAL PROVISIONS		<u>134,620.14</u>	<u>157,486.83</u>
Less TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>223,502.83</u>	<u>222,830.26</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>764,839.45</u>	<u>822,547.59</u>
EQUITY			
Unexpended Funds as at July 1, 2017		822,547.59	895,194.18
Current Year Surplus (Deficit)		<u>(57,708.14)</u>	<u>(72,646.59)</u>
Unexpended Funds as at June 30, 2018		<u>764,839.45</u>	<u>822,547.59</u>

GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	(57,708.14)	(72,646.59)
Accounts Receivable	123,197.04	(94,300.47)
Motor Vehicles	2,802.49	(32,695.75)
Accounts Payable	(23,086.74)	(248,404.78)
Loans Payable	2,990.47	(3,092.81)
Payables - Other	37,310.78	1,862.32
GST Payable	(6,606.00)	(69,353.47)
GST Receivable	8,829.05	30,949.49
PAYG Withholding Payable	(2,538.38)	(754.00)
Superannuation Payable	5,974.83	(7,602.00)
WorkCover Payable	665.25	(1,056.90)
Motor Vehicle Provision	10,888.27	1,493.33
Technology Provision	(500.00)	(6,889.06)
Employee Provisions	(33,254.96)	(5,883.67)
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>68,963.96</u>	<u>(508,374.36)</u>
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH FOR THE PERIOD	68,963.96	(508,374.36)
Cash at the beginning of the period	<u>822,618.63</u>	<u>1,330,992.99</u>
Cash at the end of the period	<u><u>891,582.59</u></u>	<u><u>822,618.63</u></u>

GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC.

PROJECT INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Project Name	Balance at June 30, 2017	Total Income	Total Expenses	Balance at June 30, 2018
20MT Large Scale Catchment to Coast	26,565.77	55,306.36	92,026.20	-10,154.07
20MT Large Scale Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat	120,286.91	106,942.73	159,778.38	67,451.26
20MT River Murray Lower Lakes Restoration project	0.00	154,100.00	101,818.11	52,281.89
20MT Small Scale Catchment to Coast	5,008.81	48,120.00	53,128.81	0.00
20MT Small Scale Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat	11,692.04	48,000.00	59,692.04	0.00
20MT Small Scale SE Mt Lofty Ranges	4,368.54	48,000.00	52,368.54	0.00
Agriculture Knowledge Grant 2018 - Organic Farming Workshop	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Angas Bremer Water Management Committee PO FY18	0.00	11,094.75	11,094.75	0.00
Provision for Audit and AGM Costs	0.00	0.00	4,411.49	-4,411.49
Auspiced Goolwa Coastcare Grant - Managing Marine Debris	0.00	12,000.00	140.45	11,859.55
Auspiced Goolwa Coastcare Grant - Managing Local Reserves	0.00	1,300.00	0.00	1,300.00
Auspiced Prospect Hill Bushland Group Grant	1,357.77	0.00	1,357.77	0.00
Auspiced Prospect Hill Bushland Group Grant 2018	0.00	1,454.55	0.00	1,454.55
Auspiced Prospect Hill Bushland Group Volunteer Small Grant	1,000.00	0.00	916.13	83.87
Banishing Broom South East of Mount Barker	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
District Council of Mt Barker Emerald Quarry project	1,600.00	0.00	1,600.00	0.00
District Council of Mt Barker Springs Wetland project	0.00	4,920.00	7,398.84	-2,478.84
DPTI Goolwa Precinct	1,074.05	0.00	1,074.05	0.00
Flows for the Future	0.00	106,532.03	110,789.26	-4,257.23
Gazania Free Goolwa	0.00	1,000.00	829.07	170.93
GWLAP Alexandrina Community Nursery	-498.92	46,453.48	34,335.09	11,619.47
GWLAP Gift Fund	1,721.72	21.00	0.00	1,742.72
GWLAP Project Funds	351,750.51	30,431.39	30,997.77	351,184.13
Landcare Association Executive Officer Hosting 2018	0.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	0.00
Landholder Fee for Service Projects	0.00	2,019.50	2,019.50	0.00
Macclesfield Bush Care Group Ash and Willow control	0.00	363.64	363.64	0.00
Mega Murray-Darling Microbat project	0.00	3,300.00	3,900.00	-600.00
Milang Wetland Maintenance	0.00	1,727.44	1,727.44	0.00
Mount Barker Big Green Project	1,000.00	0.00	1,510.98	-510.98
Nature Foundation Water for Nature	0.00	10,075.92	10,075.92	0.00
Non Project Funds	178,221.28	14,501.66	10,926.78	181,796.16
NR AMLR Pushing Back Priority Pyp Grass Patches	4,940.00	0.00	4,940.00	0.00
NR AMLR Supporting Community to Continue Coastal Revegetation	2,010.00	0.00	2,010.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Alexandrina Community Nursery Protective Equipment	960.00	0.00	960.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Alexandrina Community Nursery - Shade protection	0.00	995.00	592.36	402.64
NR SA MDB Bird Monitoring	4,750.00	4,750.00	9,500.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Citizen Science Project	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Coastal and Wetlands Project 2018	11,332.73	1,500.00	12,832.73	0.00
NR SA MDB Collaborative Farming Investigation	1,912.72	0.00	1,912.72	0.00
NR SA MDB Community Engagement 2018	0.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Environmental Water Protection Works	1,774.61	0.00	0.00	1,774.61
NR SA MDB Fleurieu Swamp Recovery 2018	27,000.00	6,750.00	33,750.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Connecting schools and community in the GWLAP area	0.00	37,371.50	37,371.50	0.00
NR SA MDB Community engagement through the SNRC	0.00	36,371.50	36,371.50	0.00
NR SA MDB SNRC Meeting Space Improvement	0.00	1,476.00	1,467.23	8.77
NR SA MDB Supporting Volunteers in the GWLAP area	428.22	0.00	428.22	0.00
NR SA MDB Sustainable Living Mount Barker	0.00	23,891.14	23,891.14	0.00
NR SA MDB Tolderol Project	10,140.43	0.00	3,900.00	6,240.43
NR SA MDB Wetlands 2018	3,723.00	5,000.00	8,723.00	0.00
NR SA MDB Wyndgate Tall Wheat Grass control project	1,977.80	0.00	1,977.80	0.00
Red Gum Woodland Restoration	0.00	68,044.55	50,431.50	17,613.05
Murrundi Reserve Wetland Works	0.00	20,000.00	17,219.18	2,780.82
Riverland Landcare Roadshow	0.00	1,158.00	1,158.00	0.00
Seed Bank (GWLAP)	2,023.48	0.00	-24,532.38	26,555.86
SNRC Management Committee	11,863.37	0.00	1,013.60	10,849.77
Staff Salaries 2019	0.00	0.00	-3,052.19	3,052.19
Strathalbyn Natural Resource Centre ARCG Funds	4,859.04	500.00	5,359.04	0.00
Sustainable Living in Mount Barker	0.00	2,918.18	0.00	2,918.18
Terramin Strathalbyn Community Consultative Committee	0.00	2,423.86	2,423.86	0.00
Trees for Life Paddock Tree Planting Project	296.41	59,080.00	59,376.41	0.00
Wages Provision	27,407.30	0.00	-2,002.91	29,410.21
Goolwa Waste Depot Direct Seeding 2018	0.00	0.00	229.05	-229.05
Wetland Monitoring 2018	0.00	5,000.00	69.95	4,930.05
Totals	822,547.59	1,178,394.18	1,236,102.32	764,839.45

GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

NOTE 1: STATEMENT 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 Incorporation Act 1985 (SA) and the ACNC Act 2012 (Div. 60 – Reporting).

The Members of the Board have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

This financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1985 (SA) and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

- AASB 101 - Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 107 - Statement of Cash Flows
- AASB 108 - Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- AASB 110 - Events after the Reporting Period
- AASB 1031 - Materiality
- AASB 1048 - Interpretation of Standards

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

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

- a) **Accounting Method** - Accrual Accounting
- b) **Currency** - All values are presented in Australian Dollars
- c) **Measurement Basis** - The financial report is based on historical costs. It does not take into account changing money values, or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets
- d) **Income Tax** - The Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association has Income Tax Exemption status with the Australian Taxation Office
- e) **Goods & Services Tax** - Revenue and expenses are recognised exclusive of the amount of GST
- f) **Employee Entitlements** - Provision is made in respect of the statutory legal liability arising from services rendered by employees to balance date.

NOTE 2: RECEIVABLES

	2018	2017
Alexandrina Council	0.00	245.19
Angas Bremer Water Management Committee	0.00	5,291.74
Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources	0.00	13,686.64
Department for Environment and Water	495.00	0.00
Hindmarsh Island Land Care Group	400.00	0.00
Landcare Australia Limited	41,524.00	105,200.00
Mount Barker District Council	0.00	10,806.40
Native Vegetation Council	11,000.00	0.00
Port Elliott Primary School	159.00	0.00
SA MDB NRM Board	2,200.00	35,530.00
Terramin Australia Ltd	933.75	427.50
Trees for Life	0.00	18,876.00
Workskil Australia	10,154.68	0.00
Total	\$66,866.43	\$190,063.47

NOTE 3: OPERATING GRANTS - CONDITIONS OF FUNDING

Grants for the projects that the GWLAP is currently undertaking were provided predominantly by: Department of the Environment, Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources, Natural Resources SA MDB NRM and the Native Vegetation Council. A condition of this funding is that these funds be applied for the purposes of meeting project targets within the time frames specified. Any unspent funds are required to be reimbursed on completion of these projects. Some grants have been provided through Corporate and Business Sources. Other Project funds have been provided as part of third party fee for service agreements which require reports on completion addressing the meeting of project targets using the funds available. Any unexpended funds from these funding sources are applied to other non-funded projects in the GWLAP Region.

NOTE 4: 20MT Grants

Funding for the 20Million Trees Grants has been provided by the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme.

20MT R2-78	Connecting Catchment to Coast
20MT R2-82	Reconstructing priority ecosystems in a SE Mt Lofty Ranges biodiversity hotspot
20MT R2-84	Kanmantoo to Wattle Flat - connecting endangered Peppermint Box Woodlands sites
20MT EC16-02	River Murray Lower Lakes Restoration Project (Westside)

NOTE 5: DEDUCTIBLE GIFT RECIPIENT STATUS

GWLAP was endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient under Subdivision 30-BA of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 on April 27th 2016.

NOTE 6: NET SURPLUS/DEFICIT

When interpreting the Net Surplus/Deficit for the financial year, consideration should be given to the timing of income and expenditure for individual projects, which can occur over consecutive financial years. ie. project funding may be received in one financial year and expended against in the following one.

NOTE 7: ORGANISATIONAL BACKGROUND

The Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan Steering Committee and then Board (incorporated in February 1998) was created to get a more integrated approach to identify the extent and severity of the major "landcare" or natural resource management issues of this part of the SA Murray Darling Basin and develop strategies to address these issues. The Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Board Incorporated resolved to change its name on October 10th 2007 to Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association Incorporated.

**STATEMENT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF
GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC.**

In accordance with Section 35(2)(c) of the Associations Incorporations Act 1985, it is the opinion of the Members of the Board that,

- (a) The accompanying Statement of Financial Performance is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the operations of the Association for the year ended 30/6/18;
- (b) The accompanying Statement of Financial Position is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 30/6/18;
- (c) At the date of this Statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board.

Date: 12/9/18

Date: 12/9/18

Member: 

Member: 

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF

GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC.

In accordance with section 35 (5) of the Associations Incorporations Act, 1985 the Board hereby states that during the financial year ended June 30, 2018:

- (a) (1) no officer of the association;
- (2) no firm of which an officer is a member; and
- (3) no body corporate in which an officer has a substantial interest,

has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and the association.

- (b) no officer of the association has received directly or indirectly from the association any payment or other benefit of a pecuniary nature.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board.

Date: 12/9/18

Member: R. Johnston

Date: 12/9/18

Member: B. [Signature]

Directors:
Michael W.J. Perrey CPA CTA
Paula F. Bozzetti FIPA CTA

Associate:
Peter G. Canaway FCA CTA
Philip D. Coates FCA CTA
Registered Company Auditor

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GOOLWA TO WELLINGTON LOCAL ACTION PLANNING ASSOCIATION INC. (THE ASSOCIATION)

Report of the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of The Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association Inc. (The Association), which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2018, the Statement of Financial Performance, Notes to the Financial Statements and the Statement and Report by members of the Management Committee.

Committee's Responsibility and those charged with Governance for the Financial Report

The committee of The Association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act SA 1985 and the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission Act 2012 (Part 3-2 Div. 60 – Reporting) and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also included establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

In preparing the financial report, the committee is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing 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 risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risks assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporation Act SA 1985 and the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission Act 2012 (Part 3-2 Div. 60 – Reporting). We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for 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.

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

Independence

We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Boards APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the Financial Statements of The Association presents fairly in all material respects the financial position of The Association as of 30 June 2018 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.



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Michael W.J. Perrey CPA
Perrey Bozzetti & Associates
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MURRAY BRIDGE SA 5253

Dated this 18th day of September 2018

