



the spastic centre



ANNUAL REPORT 2005



BUILDING FUTURES FOR PEOPLE WITH CEREBRAL PALSY AND THEIR FAMILIES

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The 58th Annual General Meeting of The Spastic Centre will be held at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, 29 November 2005 at The Spastic Centre's St Ives Community Access Service, 6 Stanley Street, St Ives. All members are entitled to attend and are cordially invited to do so.

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CORE VALUES & MISSION STATEMENT

CORE VALUES

Respect

acknowledging the **worth** of every INDIVIDUAL

Accountability

transparent, ETHICAL, responsible practices

Independence

promoting **self-determination**

Partnership

linking and WORKING with others

Fairness

equitable and accessible services

Innovation

new and creative SOLUTIONS



OUR MISSION

Building
futures ...
for **people** with
cerebral palsy
and their families.

They dared to Dream...

Once upon a time a wonderful couple gave birth to a beautiful baby girl who was named Jennifer.

In the early stages of her life Jennifer was just the same as any other baby. However, as time passed, the couple noticed that their little girl wasn't reaching the same movement milestones as those of other children.

Like any other loving parents, they wanted to know why their little girl wasn't developing in the same way and wanted to find a way to make her better.

After many visits to various doctors Jennifer was diagnosed as a spastic.

Having identified the condition of their child they discovered there were no educational, medical or other specially geared facilities for people with spasticity.

The parents decided that there must be a way to provide their daughter and other youngsters with productive, quality lives.

So, armed with just £32, an inexhaustible supply of hope and a legion of helpers, The Spastic Centre was born.

From those first days where just 14 children were treated, the organisation that had been set up by Jennifer's parents, the McLeods, has taken a remarkable journey.

Spasticity we now know is just one form of a condition called cerebral palsy.

As the first and longest surviving organisation of its kind in the world, and in its 60th year of operation, The Spastic Centre has much to celebrate.

The Spastic Centre now provides essential services to children and adults from over 70 sites across NSW and the ACT.

However, our future relies on our continued ability to positively influence and inform the actions, policies and attitudes of government, business and the community about the needs of people with cerebral palsy.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT



MARELLE THORNTON, AM

President

“WE HAVE HEIGHTS TO CLIMB, WHICH WILL CARRY OUR WORK BEYOND EXISTING LEVELS”

As we celebrate The Spastic Centre's sixtieth birthday, it is time not only to salute our beginnings, reflect on where we have come from and honour the past achievements of our organisation, but it is time to look forward to a future in which we can complete the vision of our founders.

The past twelve months have been momentous for families of children with cerebral palsy and significant and complex needs, especially in rural and regional New South Wales.

RURAL SERVICES IN FOCUS ...

The year has seen the completion of the network of ten Rural Therapy Service Centres with the establishment and full operation of centres at Raymond Terrace, Wagga Wagga and Coffs Harbour. The Sargents Kid Quarters at Nowra was officially opened and once again, the marvellous Sargents Charitable Foundation came forward with a most generous donation, which enabled us to purchase property to give a permanent home to our service programs in Moruya. Our therapy centre in Canberra was officially opened, premises at Wagga Wagga were purchased with the balance of funds from a special purpose Spastic Centre trust account and Armidale celebrated its first birthday.

Our rural “push” has been a real feature of the 2004/2005 year and families residing outside the Sydney metropolis and immediate Hunter region, are thrilled to have their essential services close to home.

Our leadership on the national scene has enabled the CP Register to go Australia wide and the CP Helpline, launched last year in New South Wales, is now a national service and is recording growing numbers of callers from places near and far.

KEY AGENDA ITEMS ...

Key items on the Board's agenda during the year included:

- how risk is managed in an ever widening geographic spread of service sites and staff placements,
- how The Spastic Centre develops its image and profile in the community through the “branding” of service clusters and types,

- how the newly launched Cerebral Palsy (CP) Foundation can add dimension and shape to the organisation's future and research endeavour, and
- how existing property holdings at Croudace Bay and on the Allambie campus can best be managed into the future to ensure maximum benefit for our clients and their families over the longer term.

CONSISTENT BOTTOM LINES ...

Our aim for the financial year 2004/2005 was to achieve a break-even budget whilst at the same time, extending our network of services in the face of the increasing gap between appropriate funding and the cost of wages increases.

I am pleased to report that we have exceeded our financial targets and at June 30th, recorded an operating surplus of \$1.132 million (\$3.124 million: 2003/2004). This better-than-expected result allowed a transfer of \$600,000 to The CP Foundation and realised a further increase in Spastic Centre Members' Equity from \$18,287,468 to \$19,070,187.

These consistent bottom lines provide surety over our future and provide latitude for the organisation to explore new and important avenues beyond essential service programs – to extend its reach, effectiveness and influence in building futures for our clients and their families.

Again, our aim for the financial year 2005/2006 is to maintain a break-even budget and to build the quantum of funds available to The Spastic Centre through the income generated by The CP Foundation.

The good financial health of our organisation over recent years has been achieved as a result of ongoing careful scrutiny and planning by our Chief Executive Officer, Rob White and Senior Management in collaboration with the Finance and Audit Committee chaired by Mark Bryant, Vice President of The Spastic Centre. Mark's tireless work with Senior Management, ready advice and sound direction deserve our gratitude and I know, add valuable dimension to the organisation's financial management policies and practices.



As always, The Spastic Centre extends its sincere gratitude to our many loyal and generous donors, sponsors, supporters and volunteers. Their gifts and their giving not only sustain and energise our every effort but give us the discretion to innovate and lead.

To our key funding bodies goes our deep appreciation for their confidence in our ability to deliver and our capacity to build, extend and enhance service provision in this State.

In particular we acknowledge the Minister, the Hon John Della Bosca MLC and the staff of the NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care as well as the NSW Department of Education and Training, the Commonwealth Departments of Family and Community Services and Education and Training. Together we are making an inestimable contribution not only to people with cerebral palsy and their families, but also to the character and confidence of the community.

EMPLOYER OF CHOICE ...

To achieve the reputation and accolade as an "employer of choice" requires that an organisation is smart, fair, innovative and responsive in its employment practices.

This goal, as articulated in our Strategic Plan, has become a reality through the vision and skilful management of our Chief Executive Officer, Rob White and his Senior Management team.

Their energy and innovative thinking make The Spastic Centre a great place to work and this, in turn, translates into a high level of staff morale, quality service provision and hence, optimal outcomes for our clients and their families.

Congratulations and thanks are extended to Rob and his statewide team yet again for another highly successful year!

We are indebted as always to our Goodwill Ambassador, The Hon. John Dowd AO QC for his wonderful work on our behalf and to The Hon. Margaret Reid AO, our Patron in the Australian Capital Territory. Their advocacy and support of Australians with cerebral palsy are well known and add considerably to the community's perception and understanding of The Spastic Centre's vision and mission.

GOOD GOVERNANCE PRACTICES ...

Your Board of Directors demands that a feature of The Centre's every endeavour is ongoing refinement and improvement of practices and in that, the Board includes itself.

Throughout the year, members of the Board formally evaluated their own effectiveness, conduct and processes, as a group and individually, using both an objective evaluation tool as well as facilitated group discussion and self-assessment. An improved 'Charter for Board Members of The Spastic Centre' resulted.

As well, during the past twelve months, your Directors gave over many hundreds of hours of their own time to undertake study with the Australian Institute of Company Directors to ensure that true value in the execution of their duties and responsibilities continues to be added to the organisation. Board members are cognisant of how critical it is that they keep pace with current legislation as it applies to company directors and keep abreast of the increasing and rapidly changing expectations of the many and varied stakeholders and compliance bodies to whom Spastic Centre Directors are answerable.

Special mention is made of Mark Bryant, Dr Robin Way, Michelle Noort, Peter Whitfield and Brian Williamson who chair our various Board Committees. Their attention to detail

and their partnership with Senior Management ensure that the business of the Board is conducted efficiently and effectively on behalf of our members and clients.

I thank and congratulate your Board for their professionalism, integrity and dedication to the well being and stewardship of this remarkable organisation. Good governance does not "just happen".

HEIGHTS TO CLIMB ...

The next chapters to follow the sixty year story of The Spastic Centre and its people begin with The Cerebral Palsy Foundation and all that it will allow as we strive to complete the vision of our founders.

Neil McLeod ends his account of The Spastic Centre's history (1945-1984) likening cerebral palsy to a mountain range whose foothills had been explored and whose next pass would hopefully reveal "**the clear view of the plain beyond**". He spoke thus of the future, "**... we have heights to climb, which will carry our work beyond existing levels.**" Although it is some twenty years since that pronouncement, it holds true today.

The Spastic Centre has come a long way since 1945 and again, we must continue, intoxicated by the motto "Nothing is Impossible!".



CEO'S REPORT



ROB WHITE

Chief Executive Officer

To think and act anew after sixty years of continuous service requires many things. Creativity is one of them. It is an essential vitality that all organisations need for survival and I have been privileged to witness this on many occasions and at all levels. It has been a hallmark of our success and I believe energises all those associated with The Spastic Centre.

Our rich past has provided us with many opportunities but probably more often than not, confronting challenges. This has made us draw upon our creative strengths to find workable solutions.

Over 2004/2005, much of the organisation's energy and creativity has been directed to extending our reach to address areas of unmet need identified in our Strategic Plan. These have included access to appropriate health services, equipment, accommodation and day programs. This unmet need can only be met by partnerships with other organisations and the support of government. Our ultimate goal is to ensure people with cerebral palsy have access to what they need.

With the launch of The Cerebral Palsy (CP) Foundation this year, we seek not only to continue with optimal service delivery but also ultimately to find a cure for cerebral palsy. This is a tremendous challenge for the creative scientific minds of this world.

The CP Foundation is an international foundation, which will become the principal body for sponsoring research, information and

innovative services directly related to the prevention of cerebral palsy and for improving the quality of life of people with cerebral palsy. The CP Foundation will build on the achievements of the past with the aim of finding a cure.

The target for The CP Foundation is \$50 million dollars. At this point there are \$7 million already in the Foundation. The Foundation will provide funds into perpetuity that will resource five key initiatives:

1. Establish and build The Cerebral Palsy Institute
2. Establish an International Prevention Research Program
3. Continue with an International Development and Exchange Program
4. Support Innovative Practice
5. Promote Community Education and Public Policy

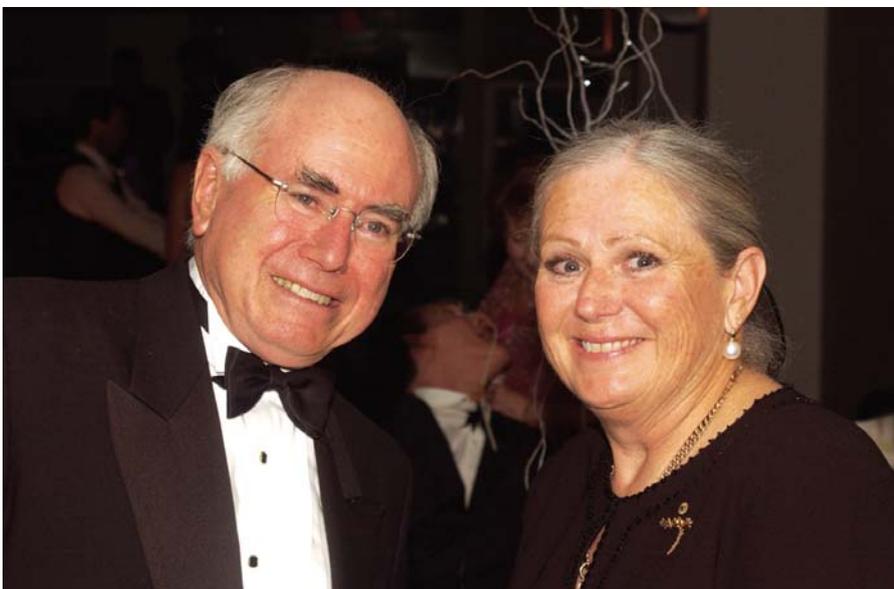
Striking a balance with the pace of change calls upon all the resources of a committed and dedicated professional workforce.

I would like to acknowledge our staff for their outstanding skill and perseverance as our organisation moves quickly to ensure it remains ahead of the issues faced by our sector. I particularly thank my Executive Team for outstanding leadership and sheer talent.

Our Board in particular must be congratulated for providing the strong governance and leadership necessary to steer us ahead. As always, special mention must be made of Marelle Thornton AM, who, as President, continues to lead The Spastic Centre with intellect, passion and boundless energy.

A highlight of 2004 was the opening and naming of The Thornton Centre, in recognition of Marelle's extraordinary vision and commitment over 20 years. I thank Marelle and the Board for the support and wise counsel they offer me.

Lastly, I wish to again express my thanks to our loyal and generous supporters, volunteers and sponsors. Please be assured that your generosity is improving the lives of people with disabilities everyday. Your belief in our organisation and the role that each of you play give me the confidence that we are on the right pathway for another sixty years.



CP FOUNDATION

As the world's first organisation to provide services and support for children and adults with cerebral palsy, it was only appropriate that The Spastic Centre became the driving force behind a CP Foundation – a funding body that will sponsor research, information and innovative services directly related to the prevention of cerebral palsy.

It is hoped that through the assistance of the corporate community, government and private support, The CP Foundation will reach its target of raising \$50 million in five years.

The Spastic Centre's President, Marelle Thornton AM, said, "Until now, there has been no united worldwide initiative to focus on the needs of adults and children with CP.

The CP Foundation will provide the opportunity to unite the resources and knowledge of cerebral palsy organisations worldwide.

The benefits of this centralised effort will ensure that research and technology advances will be shared throughout the world. In addition, The CP Foundation will advise government on the development of public policy to improve the lives of people with CP and their families."

The following initiatives funded by The CP Foundation will ensure that Australia can always provide the most up-to-date and innovative care for children and adults with CP.

The CP Foundation, an initiative of The Spastic Centre received a \$500,000 headstart from the Federal Government when launched by Prime Minister John Howard at The Centre's 60th Anniversary Ball, Starry Starry Night ... a diamond celebration.

The CP Institute – Housing world class professionals experienced in dealing with the issues and needs of people with cerebral palsy. The CP Institute will incorporate a state of the art technology centre, ensuring access to the best technology equipment for people with disabilities. As a centre fostering scientific excellence, The CP Institute with its accumulated knowledge and real solutions will benefit children and adults with cerebral palsy worldwide.

The CP Register – With a CP Register collecting data from families across the country, a framework for research into the causes and intervention for CP will be addressed. The register will be pivotal in identifying the particular needs of families and the type of essential services that can best help the individual with CP.

The CP Helpline – A confidential telephone information and support service provided for families across Australia

International Development and Exchange – The CP Foundation will allow Australian experts in the care and management of CP to pass on their knowledge and skills to our neighbours to ensure local healthcare and education workers are able to develop and establish effective disability services.



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a child is born with cerebral palsy every eighteen hours

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2004-2005 HIGHLIGHTS

- **Brendan O'Reilly**, Director General, NSW Department of Disability, Ageing and Home Care, opened The Spastic Centre's inaugural rural conference "Strengths to Outcomes" in November. The conference hosted 180+ delegates in practical workshops with the aim of supporting the skill base of rural therapists from a range of agencies.



- **At the opening** of the Sargents Kids Quarters in Nowra, the Sargents Charitable Foundation generously provided a further \$500,000 to purchase and renovate an office in Moruya for the Far South Coast Rural Therapy Service.
- **With Telstra Foundation** support of \$100,000 and contributions from all states, The Australian Institute of Health & Welfare commenced its Therapy & Equipment Needs (TEN) project. This national project will be the first of its kind in Australia, and will provide pivotal research into quantifying the unmet need nation wide.



- **The tenth and final** rural therapy service was established in Coffs Harbour and opened in March 2005. This service will support children 0-18 years with a range of disabilities living on the Mid / Far North Coast of NSW.
- **Sixteen (16) papers** were presented by Spastic Centre staff at the Australian Cerebral Palsy Association (ACPA) Conference held in Adelaide.
- **Over 100 guests** attended the naming ceremony held in recognition of twenty years as a Director of The Spastic Centre by its President, Mrs Marelle Thornton AM. The building used by the Lifestyle Community Access Service was officially named The Thornton Centre in December 2004.
- **New government funding** was secured to develop programs for families and carers. NSW Health will be providing \$100,000 annually for next 3 years to provide a Carer Link program statewide and the Department of Family and Community Services will provide \$180,000 over 3 years for expansion of the Parent Link in southeast Sydney
- **The Macquarie Bank** Foundation, a major contributor over the last few years, along with Macquarie Bank and Macquarie Sports supported the 20/Twenty Challenge increasing the second year result from \$130,000 in the first year to a wonderful \$290,000. The Macquarie Foundation also agreed to match money raised at all other events in which their staff participate.
- **The Spastic Centre** also received a matching gift of \$16,000 from Macquarie Bank Foundation following the successful Christmas light display of Edwin Street Fairlight.
- **The inaugural Joey** Mittiga Youth Award was presented to winner, Ms Jenna Roberts, at the 16th Italian Affair Committee Ball in November. Jenna has been an ambassador for young people with disabilities. The Italian Affair Committee and The Spastic Centre had great pleasure in presenting Jenna with the \$5,000 prize money.
- **The Spastic Centre's** Equipment Register was established to track and monitor all funding applications made by therapists on behalf of families. The register has laid the foundation for lobbying to government for a fundamental change to the current equipment funding systems.
- **Premier Morris Iemma** presented The Spastic Centre with a cheque for \$330,000 to purchase much needed equipment for children aged 9 years and under.



- **With the generous** support from Mrs Sandy Parsonage AM, the Castle Hill Children's Respite House commenced its \$300,000 renovation. In addition to this, Mrs Parsonage also funded the purchase of a new bus for the house costing \$70,000.
- **NSW Minister for** Disability Services, the Hon Carmel Tebbutt MLC launched the opening of The Spastic Centre's second Intensive Family Support Options service. Funded via a recurrent grant of \$200,000 from the Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care, this program will widen the spectrum of support services available for families in western Sydney.
- **In April, The** Spastic Centre hosted a visit by Stephen Bennett, President and CEO of United Cerebral Palsy, USA, providing the organisation with a wealth of insights, practical strategies and inspiration.
- **In collaboration with** New Horizons, the pilot funded by the Department of Health & Ageing, continued to support the needs of those who are ageing and have a disability. Eighteen (18) people living in Venee Burges Hostel and the North & East Accommodation Services were assisted as part of this pilot last year.
- **Camp Breakaway 2005** was once again a fantastic experience for St Ives and Lifestyle Community Access Service members and staff, ably assisted by Leisure and Health students from Sydney University.
- **The Spastic Centre** purchased a house as our base for the Riverina / Murray Rural Therapy Service in Wagga Wagga, and secured the premises occupied by the St Ives Community Access Service.
- **Open Employment and** Business Services were again successful in achieving QA certification. Each service also successfully exceeded its annual targets and transitioned to the Cased Based Funding system.
- **The Spastic Centre** awarded scholarships to three Charles Sturt University students with an interest in cerebral palsy and disability, an initiative aimed at future recruitment of rural therapists.
- **With funding support** from the Department of Family & Community Services, the Business Services developed a DVD which celebrates the achievements and employment opportunities for people with disabilities. The DVD is being used for marketing, information and awareness.
- **South and West** Business Services completed their merger with a final move from Girraween to Wetherill Park. The business is now in full swing in a modern factory setting with excellent facilities.
- **Members at Manly** Community Access Services (CAS) joined with representatives from several organisations, including Warringah Council and Sailability, to hold the second Aquatic Festival on Manly Dam.
- **With continued funding** from AusAid, additional training workshops were conducted for over 20 special needs teachers in Fiji.
- **The 2005 National** Boccia titles were organised by Manly CAS and held in Warriewood. Thirty three athletes from across Australia participated with four NSW players selected to join the Australian team to compete in Malaysia.
- **Eight clients were** involved in the piloting of a retirement model of service in southwest Sydney. Retirement activities included involvement in The University of the Third Age, Senior Citizens clubs, Toastmasters and a Writer's Workshop for Seniors.
- **Sydney Employment Development** Service commenced its first outreach service to Prairiewood and Liverpool in 2005, with another to commence in Penrith at the end of the year.
- **2005 marked the** 10th year of The Spastic Centre's South and West Regional Office, The Fairfield City Marconi Centre, in Prairiewood.
- **Funding was received** from Perpetual Trustee to conduct workshops for parents on future care planning for their sons and daughters.



RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Determining solutions to barriers preventing women with disabilities participating in mammography screening.
Dr Ann Polous, The University of Sydney
- Emerging adults with cerebral palsy: the transition from adolescence to young adulthood.
Nicole Sharp, University of Western Sydney
- Family centred practice in early intervention: how do families of young children with special needs experience family-centred practice?
Lorraine Fordham, Macquarie University
- Caregiver burden, quality of life and supportive care needs of informal caregivers of people with cerebral palsy
Genevieve Whitlam, The University of Sydney
- A study on collaboration in service delivery of early childhood intervention to children with intellectual disabilities and their families
Chih Hung Yang, The University of Sydney
- Modified constraint – induced therapy for children with cp
Margaret Wallan, The Children's Hospital at Westmead
- Body experience & identity development in young adults with a physical disability
Dr Rosanne Burton Smith, University of Tasmania
- Can an electronic bidet make life easier for disabled people and their carers?
Cheryl Jones, The Spastic Centre
- Comparison of provider-delivered and home program occupational therapy post-upper limb botulinum toxin for children with CP
Iona Novak, The Spastic Centre
- A Delphi survey of priorities for research in cerebral palsy
Dr Anne Cusick, University of Western Sydney
- Therapy Equipment Needs
Ros Madden, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
- Interactive educational workshops and follow up support: A strategy to facilitate allied health clinicians routine measurement of clinical outcomes
Julia Bowman, University of Western Sydney



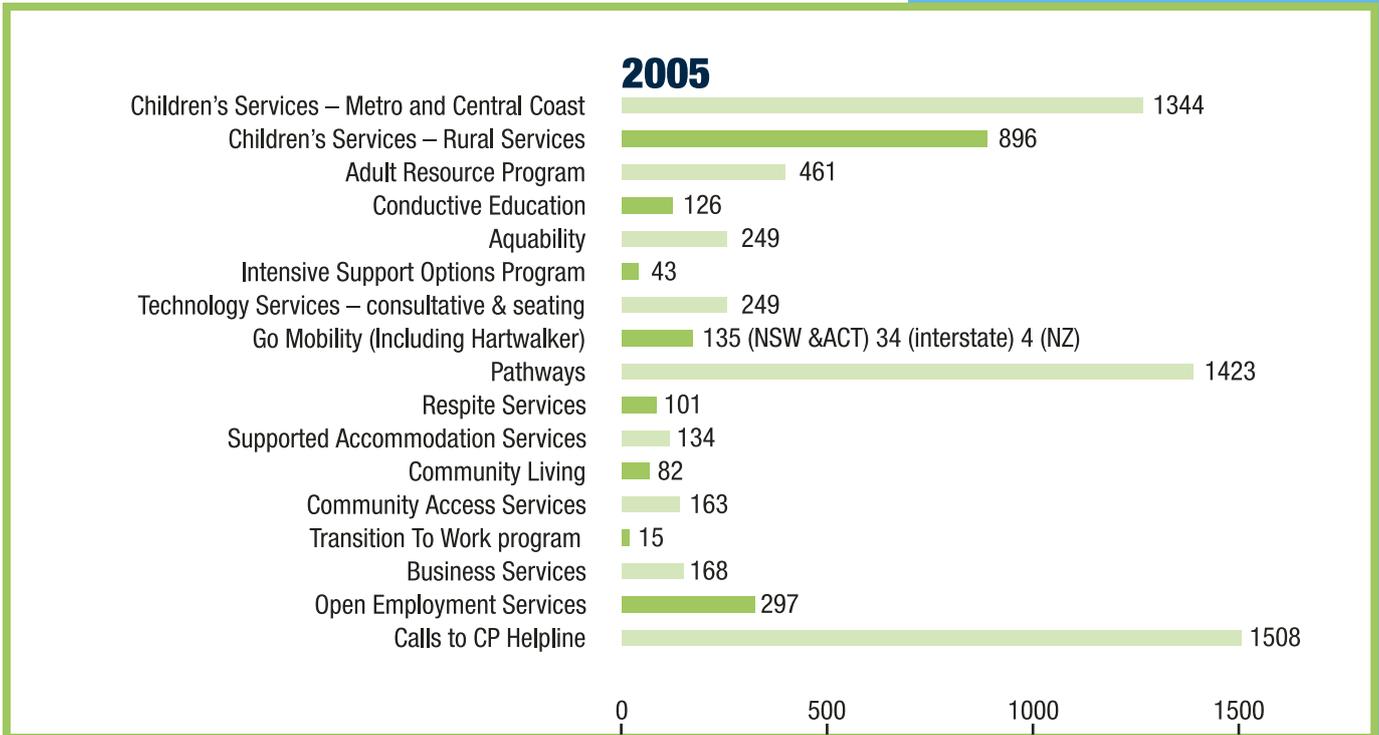
2004-2005 HIGHLIGHTS

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- **A new fully** accessible Spastic Centre website – www.thespasticcentre.com.au – was developed which includes a dynamic section called 'About CP' with links to high quality information on cerebral palsy, an extensive new services section and a clinical resource guide for medical practitioners.
- **The Parent Toolbox** program was launched targeting new families, assisting them to navigate services and the treatment options maze.
- **The CP Helpline** continued to grow throughout Australia. In response to a need identified through the Helpline, an information booklet on accessible health services with interest/expertise in cerebral palsy was compiled.
- **"Follow Your Instincts"** a booklet created by The Spastic Centre that provides honest insights and revelations of parents sharing their experiences of their child's first 5 years, proved a popular resource for many families with requests for copies outstripping supply.
- **In partnership with** the NSW Office of the Minister for Western Sydney, a pre-vocational program was designed to assist potential job seekers to gain the knowledge and skills required to work within the disability sector.
- **Twenty (20) direct** carers from The Spastic Centre graduated in May with either an accredited Cert III in Disability Work or a Statement of Attainment.
- **Specially designed postural** supports produced by TASC Workshop gained registration with the Therapeutic Goods Administration.



SERVICE STATISTICS



- **A new site** for Therapy Services for children in the Lower Hunter and Port Stephens region was opened at Raymond Terrace.
- **Therapy Services for** children on the Central Coast relocated from Bateau Bay to Wyong Council's new purpose designed facilities at Glenning Valley.
- **The first issue** of the Research & Education Newsletter was published. This publication provides families and professionals with a critical analysis of the latest research conducted in the areas of cerebral palsy and treatments.
- **The CP Register** gained wide acceptance and support and collaborative strategies were developed nationally. The NSW CP Register data collection commenced in February 2005 with over 350 registrations collected in the first 6 months of operation.
- **CP Australia**, a national magazine distributed to over 45,000 people celebrates people with cerebral palsy by featuring lifestyle topics, including travel, health and entertainment.



Piecing together the facts on Cerebral Palsy

COMMITTEE REPORTS



The maturity of an organisation is often measured by the degree to which it bases its decisions on evidence, and seeks evidence for decision-making. This year has seen an enormous leap forward for The Spastic Centre in building strong foundations upon which to realise a future informed by evidence.

Over the year we have consolidated the Research & Ethics Committees' structures and processes, in support of the strengthening Research & Education Unit.

The Committees draw membership from the Board, staff, consumers and external experts. They include:

Research Committee

- Ms Michelle Noort (Chair)
- Mr Cain Beckett
- Dr Neroli Best
- Ms Iona Novak
- Ms Sarah McIntyre

Ethics Committee

- Ms Michelle Noort (Chair)
- Mr Cain Beckett
- Mrs Cathy Bertouch
- Mr Danny Butler
- Dr Seeta Durvasula
- Fr John Hill
- Mrs Helen Rohr
- Mr Kevin Worthington – resigned 11/8/05

The generosity of the Sargents Foundation has enabled us to appoint a Research Fellow. Sarah McIntyre commenced employment at The Spastic Centre in October 2004. Her main priority is to develop the Cerebral Palsy Register for NSW/ACT.

RESEARCH & ETHICS COMMITTEES

MICHELLE NOORT, *Chairman*

This includes raising awareness of the register, increasing recruitment from multiple sources, and the daily running of the database. When the register has a substantial number of registrations she will then run annual reports and contribute to and design research off the register.

This position also aims to provide research consultancy for staff at The Spastic Centre and contribute to developing a culture of evidence based practice and using outcome measurement to increase efficiency and effectiveness in services.

The other members of the **Research & Education Unit** are:

- Iona Novak,
Manager Research & Education
- Jane Crowle,
Consultant Physiotherapy
- Julia Salmon,
Consultant Occupational Therapy
- Hayley Smithers-Sheedy,
Consultant Speech Pathology
- Kate Hooke,
Consultant Social Work

As a result of this further development of the committee structures and the Unit, we have seen a 70% increase in the number of projects submitted for consideration by The Spastic Centre. The following provides a snapshot of the range of projects we have been supporting, and a full list can be found on Page 10:

- Determining solutions to barriers preventing women with disabilities participating in mammography screening
- Emerging adults with cerebral palsy: the transition from adolescence to young adulthood
- Family centred practice in early intervention: how do families of young children with special needs experience family-centred practice?

- A study on collaboration in service delivery of early childhood intervention to children with intellectual disabilities and their families.

Whilst it is critically important for an organisation like The Spastic Centre to have a robust research agenda, this agenda must complement and support our organisational goals. In addition the resources allocated to support research must be in balance with our main business, which is to provide services for people with cerebral palsy and their families and carers.

Consequently we are currently conducting a scoping study to identify the top priorities for investment. The results of this study will be published as a Research Plan for the organisation in the coming year.

The Cerebral Palsy Register launched last year will continue to be the cornerstone of our research agenda. Four hundred people have registered with consent in the last 8 months since active recruitment commenced. The national group is very happy with this ascertainment rate.

There is a target of 220 per birth year from 2003 onwards – this is the predicted incidence in NSW/ACT. It is anticipated that approx 14,000 people are presently living with cerebral palsy in NSW and it is the aim of the register to capture as many of these people as possible.

There has been a very positive response from DADHC, the Children's Hospitals, Northcott Society and Neonatal Follow-up groups to support the register. Awareness raising and active recruitment will be the primary focuses for the coming year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the contributors to our efforts towards building a future informed by evidence, and invite you and others to continue on the journey with us over the coming years.



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

MARELLE THORNTON AM, Chairman

In an environment of ever increasing regulation, compliance and competition, fundraising through charitable collections presents interesting challenges.

For The Spastic Centre, generating funds through various programs of giving, events and marketing is crucial to our ongoing ability to maintain and further the current range and quality of service programs to people with cerebral palsy and their families.

Further to this we must ensure that income streams to the organisation from fundraising are steady and predictable and keep pace with our need.

The way in which we present our cause and organisation to the wider community is central to our ability to attract and maintain donors, sponsors, supporters and volunteers. Additionally, the way in which we manage risks associated with our fundraising efforts is critical.

During the financial year under review, the main aspects of the Fundraising Committee's agenda have included:

- agreeing financial targets for the 2005/2006 fundraising budget, approving the programs of fundraising to achieve those targets and recommending the budget for Board approval
- tracking and analysing donor numbers and donor acquisition programs to ensure targets
- reviewing the efficacy, organisational "fit" and ongoing community appeal of "face to face" direct marketing and donor acquisition
- investigating and analysing new fundraising proposals and opportunities through major corporate activity on our behalf
- identifying and monitoring areas of risk as they apply to our fundraising and marketing activities and

- exploring and analysing the impact upon fundraising of the way in which we brand, advertise and market our services to our clients and to the wider community.

Fundraising and marketing are multi-faceted professional activities and require particular levels of skill, flair, creativity and motivation to be successful. Our team at The Centre has all those attributes.

Congratulations are extended to them, not only for their success but also for the understanding and sensitivity they demonstrate in promoting our special cause.

The Committee pays tribute to all who advised and supported its deliberations and specially acknowledges the experience, expertise and valuable contribution of Spastic Centre Director, Prof. Bob Miller.



COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED



SERVICES COMMITTEE

DR ROBIN WAY, Chairman

The Services Committee is the interface between the Board of Directors of The Spastic Centre and the service delivery processes within the organisation.

The focus of the Committee serves to examine in detail those matters which are related to matters of service performance, including client statistics, and those matters which impact on the legislative and cultural environment in which we operate.

This structure enables Directors and Management to explore strategically those particular issues within the service delivery environment which are likely to affect the organisation's capacity to respond effectively to the needs of families and people with cerebral palsy.

The past year has seen an increase in the capacity of the organisation to respond to these needs via a number of mechanisms, namely:

- the continued monitoring of client statistics,
- the maintenance and recording of details within the Equipment and Technology

register used to identify demand, and match such demand with funding and resources,

- the continued exploration around client access to medical and allied health services, and
- a focus on exploring environmental pressures which may impact on the development of future services.

Increased opportunities for the development of support networks for families and young people with disabilities continued to form an important focus for the organisation.

In that regard the Services Committee continues to seek comment and consultation with the membership so as to ensure that service delivery remains relevant and acceptable within the current environmental constraints.

I would like to thank all those who have provided information and material to assist this Committee over the past twelve months.



PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

PETER WHITFIELD, Chairman

The Property & Equipment Committee is especially committed to the bricks and mortar side of "building futures".

The Committee continues to concentrate its efforts on the areas of greatest need and also maximum potential within The Spastic Centre.

Maximising The Centre's assets will help ensure that the needs of people with cerebral palsy and their families are met.

The development of a proposal for the Allambie site is progressing.

The Committee and senior management continue to work with professional and regulatory bodies to secure the best possible outcome for The Centre.

Rob White and the management team are to be commended for their tireless work in progressing development of all possible options.

The subdivision has been completed at Croudace Bay and some land was released for

sale. Reserve prices were not met at auction and as The Spastic Centre is under no pressure to sell immediately, the Committee has decided to wait for market conditions to improve and achieve better sale prices.

To all who worked with the Committee I extend my appreciation.

Special mention goes to Peter McMahon and Natasha Goulden of Clayton Utz who have generously given their time and expert advice pro bono to The Spastic Centre.

Thank you also to Graham Huxley AM for his continued assistance.

A special thank you to Committee member Mark Bryant whose hard work, wisdom and perseverance are invaluable to this Committee and to The Spastic Centre.



HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

BRIAN WILLIAMSON, Chairman

As our employees are so important to the success of The Spastic Centre, human resources management remains one of our key focuses.

The combined efforts of all our employees allow us to deliver a consistent service that meets the needs and expectations of our clients.

To create such an effective team, we need to ensure that The Spastic Centre has effective hiring, training and management practices.

As part of its human resources management activities, The Spastic Centre has to ensure that its Industrial Relations obligations remain up to date and that it is compliant with the latest and ever changing demands of the various Federal and State industrial relations legislation, such as, the OHS Act and the NSW Workers' Compensation Scheme.

In particular, this year has seen the introduction of new OHS laws, the implementation of superannuation fund choice and the possibility of the overhaul of all Australian industrial laws.

The Board's Human Resources

Committee's role is to "monitor and review" strategies and risks, to support the human resources team and to act as a conduit from the team to the Board.

The other role of the Board's Human Resources Committee is to assess and act upon emerging issues for relevance to The Spastic Centre.

Three years ago, The Spastic Centre, in association with the Macquarie University, introduced an annual employee climate survey.

The results of the last employee climate survey show that The Spastic Centre continues to be highly rated by its employees, especially in the areas of ethics, values, equity and diversity, supervision, role clarity, teamwork, job satisfaction and safety.

Rob White has made a terrific contribution and I extend my thanks to him and his dedicated team.

My thanks go also to Board members on the Committee and to the many people who made contributions to the success of the Committee.



FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

MARK BRYANT, Chairman

The Finance & Audit Committee has continued this year to look to the past, present and future.

We deal with the past when we consider our financial statements, particularly the annual statutory accounts. At each meeting, we also look in detail at progress against budget during the year (as does the full Board, but at a higher level).

Our attention to the present centres around controls. What are our financial risks? What procedures do we have in place to address them? Could they be strengthened? Of course! But which changes would be cost-effective?

As to the future, we consider budgets for each coming year.

This does not mean thinking only about money: our spending represents services that are vital to people and spending that supports the priorities of our Strategic Plan, and we pay

particular attention to the choices we can make with those of our funds that do not come to us already tied to specific services.

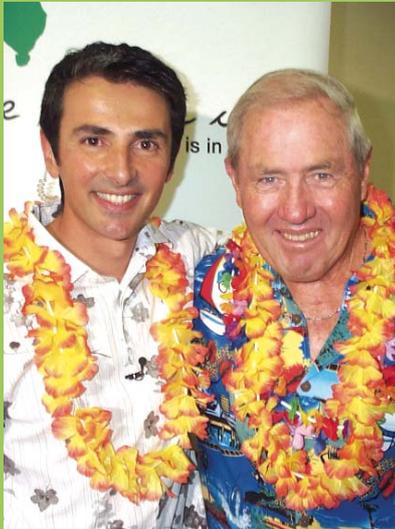
We also consider our long-term investments: those funds which are set aside to ensure that we continue to have steady streams of income to put to activities of our choosing. This involves looking far into the future, but we are comforted when our advisors show us that shares, for example, become less risky the longer the term of the expected investment. But we also follow the timeless wisdom of keeping our eggs in many baskets!

To do all of this, we have invaluable help. Rob and his senior management team are tireless in their work for this Committee.

Our auditors, KPMG, give wise counsel. And in looking at investments, we have benefited greatly from the help of both Centrestone Wealth Advisors and Macquarie Private Portfolio Management.



fundraising activities



COL CRAWFORD GOLF DAY

Congratulations Col on your 21st Birthday!

Hawaiian shirts, pineapples, blow up whales and frangipanis were the order of the day at the 21st Anniversary party of The Col Crawford Golf Day.

Staying in theme, guests donned Hawaiian gear for the day and night event as they putted their way around Cromer Golf Course followed by a spot of some 'coconut bowling'.

Thanks to Col and Pam Crawford and a record 32 teams of generous golfers, The Spastic Centre received more than \$130,000.

GREVILLEA GROUP

The Grevillea Group founded by parent Mrs Sandy Parsonage AM, this year provided outstanding support for The Spastic Centre's respite services located at St Ives, Chester Hill and Castle Hill.

Their support also included a \$300,000 donation towards modifications being made at Castle Hill.

ROTARY CLUB OF SYDNEY

The Rotary Club of Sydney once again hosted the Corporate & Business Leaders' Dinner at the Art Gallery of New South Wales with proceeds from the evening shared by The Spastic Centre and Wesley Mission. The evening was enjoyed by our supporters who were given the chance to view the Archibald Portrait & Sulman and Wynne Portraits.

THE ITALIAN AFFAIR COMMITTEE

Last November, The Italian Affair Committee held their 16th Annual Gala Ball at Club Marconi and from their wonderful efforts raised \$100,000 for children with cerebral palsy. Our thanks to Pat Sergi OAM, Tony Labbozzetta and all the members of the Italian Affair Committee for their ongoing support.

JOEY MITTIGA YOUTH AWARD

The inaugural Joey Mittiga Youth Award was presented to winner, Ms Jenna Roberts, at the 16th Italian Affair Committee Ball. Jenna

has been an ambassador for young people with disabilities and The Italian Affair Committee and The Spastic Centre had great pleasure in presenting her with the \$5,000 prize money.

ING

The ING Foundation has been a major supporter for the last 6 years. The ING Foundation has agreed to sponsor our Conductive Education program over the next two years with a further donation of \$100,000.

EDWIN STREET CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Edwin Street, Fairlight turned on its lights for Christmas and The Spastic Centre, raising \$16,000. With Macquarie Bank matching this donation, a total of \$32,000 was raised for Children's Services over the festive two-week period.

SUN HERALD CITY TO SURF

Stop watches were set as Spastic Centre supporters pounded the pavement in the annual Sun Herald City to Surf to help raise funds of more than \$13,000.

Continuing the family tradition set by his grandfather, Russell Whitmont, Edward Baral again ran under the banner "Running for Russell" to raise close to \$5,500. Leanne Diviney enlisted the support of many family and friends to raise more than \$4,000 on the day.



MACQUARIE LINKS CHARITY CHALLENGE

Many thanks to Gary (Smokey) Dawson OAM who organised the Macquarie Links Charity Challenge to raise funds for The Spastic Centre and Autism Spectrum, Australia. The golf day was followed by The Charity Challenge Gala Dinner held at Star City Casino and raised over \$15,000.

LIVERPOOL COMMUNITY ACCESS SERVICE

Mark Manita (service user), produced a CD entitled "Love Songs of the 70's, 80's and 90's" donating \$7,000 from the proceeds of sales to Liverpool CAS. This success comes on the back of a highly successful community radio program that Mark hosts each week with the aid of Assistive and Adaptive Technology.

CLUBSACT

Mr Jim Shonk officially launched the ClubsACT Children's Clinic in Spence and confirmed the continued partnership between ClubsACT and The Spastic Centre with a commitment of \$122,000 per annum for a further three years.

ClubsACT have already supported with donations amounting to \$340,000 through ACT Club's Community Foundation. This collaboration will result in more frequent and effective clinics for children with cerebral palsy in the ACT.

ClubsACT have a small team of dedicated staff – Jim Shonk, President of ClubsACT, Bob Samarcq, CEO and his personal assistant Louize Glenn.

We thankfully acknowledge the support of the following clubs in the ClubsACT partnership:

- Belconnen Soccer Club
- Canberra Labor Club Group
- Canberra Southern Cross Club
- Canberra Tradesmen's Union Club
- Eastlake Football Club
- The Burns Club
- The Canberra Club
- The Hellenic Club of Canberra
- The Mawson Club

- The Sports Club Kaleen
- The Weston Club
- Vikings Group
- West Belconnen Leagues Club
- Woden Tradesmen's Union Club

OPEN GARDEN "ROSSLYN" – CROOKWELL

In connection with the Living House Expo last November, Janine and Norman Hannan opened their wonderful garden much to the delight of the public who could share the beauty of the garden and also contribute to raising funds for The Spastic Centre.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Throughout the past 12 months, The Spastic Centre has secured support from a number of community organisations for a host of fundraising initiatives ranging from the purchase of essential equipment to participation in our new mobile phone recycling program.

We are very grateful for the commitment and support from the following organisations:

- Zonta International – Canberra
- Melrose High School – Pearce
- Radford College – Bruce
- Kaleen Primary School – Kaleen
- Anglicare – Charnwood
- Rotary Club – Belconnen
- Lions Club – Belconnen
- Queanbeyan Leagues Club
- Tigers Club – Karabah

SPASTIC CENTRE COUNCILS

We acknowledge the support of all Spastic Centre Councils that have continued to support us with fundraising activities in regional New South Wales since the days of the Miss Australia Quest.

All members are volunteers who give up their valuable time with morning teas, balls, card days, photo exhibitions and golf days.

We thank the following councils located at:

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**MCLEOD WHEEL OF FRIENDS**

Stephen Bennett, CEO of United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) in the USA was guest speaker at the annual McLeod Wheel of Friends cocktail party hosted by Sparke Helmore Lawyers.

The event was an occasion to thank existing supporters and also induct new members to the McLeod Wheel of Friends. The McLeod Wheel of Friends allows us to acknowledge the many generous benefactors who make the decision to leave something in their wills for The Spastic Centre. The Spastic Centre welcomes and thanks all new and existing members for their commitment and generosity.

Members and supporters also attended a pre-Christmas McLeod Wheel of Friends lunch at Allambie and Mrs Joan Ellis shared her story with attendees.

WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING SEMINARS

Once again we wish to acknowledge and thank the following law firms for giving The Spastic Centre their time and expertise at various wills days and estate planning seminars throughout the year:

MC Griffith & Co, Sydney; Tzolakis Solicitors, Maroubra; Hamer & Hamer, Balgowlah; Booth Brown Samuels & Olney Solicitors, Dubbo; Abbott Pardey & Jenkins, Armidale; Penman's Solicitors, Gosford; Baldock, Stacy & Niven, Orange and Robert Locke, Tamworth.

**THE MIGHT AND POWER GALA RACE DAY**

The glamorous Might and Power Gala Race Day was one of the highlights on The Spastic Centre's fundraising calendar.

Hosted by Might & Power Committee Chairman Nick Moraitis AM, the event was attended by approximately 550 guests and raised in excess of \$285,000. This year was the largest Might & Power Gala Race Day ever held.

Notable donations received included The Pratt Foundation (\$20,000) and the National Australia Bank (\$8,000).

Australian fashion icon, Anthea Crawford showcased some of her stunning collection with a gorgeous fashion parade, while milliner to the stars, Neil Grigg wowed guests with his creative designs. Auction items included an Arthur C Easy Private Jewellers pair of pearl earrings and a fabulous holiday to Fiji, courtesy of the Shangri-la Hotel Group.

Fundraising activities CONTINUED



CBD GOLF ESCAPE!

The CBD Golf Escape at Cypress Lakes Resort, Hunter Valley is one of The Centre's must-have tickets.

Promoted to corporate supporters as a family fundraising weekend, more than 92 children were kept entertained by The Crocodile Man and Sparrow Sports whilst parents received tips and coaching from golfing guru Bob Stanton.

Channel Ten's Tim Webster stepped into the role of MC, encouraging guests to dig deep. More than \$250,000 were raised including monies from a Toyota Echo donated by principal sponsor, Sydney City Toyota.

This year, Australian fashion designer, Anthea Crawford travelled to the Hunter and undertook a "Private Salon Showing" of her new season creations.

Special thanks to Ian Mayer who worked tirelessly to produce the highest quality golf experience for everyone attending.



20/TWENTY CHALLENGE 2005

The second 20/Twenty Challenge was a great success and it was great to see so many of last year's participants "meeting the challenge" and entering again. This year we also welcomed some new faces. Age was no barrier this year and it added a nice touch to the event as sons walked with their fathers.

This year the event raised close to \$290,000, which we could not have done without the generous support of the Macquarie Bank Foundation, Macquarie Sports Foundation, Macquarie Bank Property and Macquarie Goodman.

There were many individual sponsors and they also deserve a special thank you.

Congratulations to the 'Fastest Swim Team' – Stephen Girdis, Jason Little, Ross Ellice-Flint and Benny Elias and the overall "Champion Team" – David Wilson, Peter Beaumont, Rob Hattersley and Antony Green.

We wouldn't be able to run this event without the enthusiastic input from our Organising Committee – James Hodgkinson, Ross Ellice-Flint and Gary Dawson OAM.

Special thanks also to our patrons, Jason Little, Richard Harry and David Wilson.

All funds raised will go to purchasing new equipment and technology for children with cerebral palsy.



marketing activities

SOCCER MATCH

The Spastic Centre's inaugural Celebrity Soccer Game for CP Week got off to a great start with the participation of Australia's National CP Squad vs. the talents of the celebrity team led by former international Aussie star, Robbie Slater.

The match was hosted by long time supporter Susie Elelman with Australian Idol contestant Anthony Sumbati cheering on both sides.

MEDIA SUPPORT

CP Week 2004 got extra exposure in the Sydney CBD as huge promotional flags sponsored by the Lifestyle Channel fluttered up and down Martin Place, Macquarie & Elizabeth Streets and other key positions around the city.

Motorists got an 'eyeful' with our colourful and very large banner that was seen on the M4 Freeway throughout CP Week.

The sign was provided to The Spastic Centre, courtesy of EyeCorp.

Throughout the year, The Spastic Centre and cerebral palsy received substantial coverage and exposure in media outlets across the state.

A total value for this coverage that includes radio, newspapers, magazines and television is approximately \$7,845,619.20.

The industry guidelines for valuing editorial media exposure are anywhere from 3-12 times the cost of purchasing advertising space. We conservatively value at 3 times.

TECHNOLOGY HAS A FACE

Channel Seven's Sunrise weatherman, Grant Denyer has agreed to be the official 'face' of The Spastic Centre's Technology Department.

Grant's high profile and support will greatly help raise awareness of the pivotal role of technology for people with cerebral palsy.

BUSINESS SERVICES BUS

The Business Services Bus received a very bright facelift – now painted in the colours of our logo. The Business Services Unit is sure to gain attention as the bus transports employees to and from work each day.

The bus will be a great way in communicating our key messages and promoting the Business Services Unit to the wider community.



NATIONAL CP AWARENESS WEEK

On August 16, their Excellencies Governor-General Michael Jeffery and Mrs Jeffery opened the doors of Government House, Yarralumla to launch National Cerebral Palsy Awareness Week 2004.

Attended by CP associations from across the country as well as parents, long-time supporters, dignitaries and celebrities, the event was a great start to what turned out to be a fantastic week.



CP AUSTRALIA MAGAZINE

Australia's first national glossy magazine to feature a combination of articles about Celebrating People with cerebral palsy was also launched by the Governor-General at Government House on August 16.

The magazine, with a circulation of 45,000 copies covers lifestyle topics including travel, entertainment and cooking.



marketing activities CONTINUED



PERSPECTIVES IN PRINT

Renowned Australian photographer Ken Duncan and The Spastic Centre invited children from across NSW to participate in the second annual "Perspectives In Print" photography exhibition to showcase the talents of children with cerebral palsy and other disabilities.

To enter, children with cerebral palsy between the ages of 5 – 18 years were asked to submit a photo that would give us a glimpse into their world as seen through their eyes – a picture from any part of their life that they found interesting, beautiful, fun, amusing, thought-provoking or even weird.

Supported by 2GB's morning announcer Ray Hadley, "Perspectives In Print" was promoted throughout NSW and received entries featuring a diverse range of subjects that were then displayed at a public exhibition at Sydney's Luna Park.



SINGING SANTAS

To celebrate Christmas 2004 and raise much needed funds for The Spastic Centre's Technology Centre, a host of celebrities got into the Christmas spirit and headed to Martin Place for the Singing Santa's Day.

Channel Seven's weather man, Grant Denyer, Santa – aka Australian Idol favourite Anthony Sumbati and his celebrity helpers entertained workers in the Martin Place CBD area to raise more than \$10,000 for technology equipment.

Musician Jon Stevens, football legend Ben Elias and Manly Sea Eagles' Michael Monaghan also got behind the campaign to raise awareness through mainstream press coverage, which also saw baby reindeer, fill Martin Place.

Channel 7 Sunrise covered the event

during the morning weather crosses from 6am through to 9am.

HOME & AWAY FILMING / NEIGHBOURS ADVERTISEMENT

Popular TV show, Home & Away recently filmed a storyline focusing on Bec Cartwright's character and the possibility of her child being born with cerebral palsy.

It was a great opportunity for The Spastic Centre to raise awareness about CP to a young audience who would otherwise be unaware or have had little experience of cerebral palsy.

Network Ten also showed its support with key members from the Neighbours cast taking time out from Ramsay Street to record a Community Service Announcement, which went to air throughout National Cerebral Palsy Awareness Week.



MCLEOD HOUSE OPEN DAY

Celebrity supporters including former Australian Cricket Captain Steve Waugh, Channel 10's Tim Bailey and a host of furry stars from the Taronga Zoo's Zoo Mobile joined us for the first McLeod House Open Day as part of the CP Week celebrations.



HISTORICAL PHOTOS

As part of our Diamond Anniversary celebrations, a selection of photographs depicting the growth and development of The Spastic Centre over the past 60 years is now on display in the reception area of Head Office, Allambie Heights.

Featuring images from our beginnings at Mosman through to the heyday of the Miss Australia Quest, this historical array of pictures is a permanent exhibition that we hope will instil nostalgia, reflection and pride for everyone who views the photographs.



DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY ... Starry, Starry Night



The Spastic Centre's

Starry Starry Night –

A Diamond Celebration was held in the Grand Ballroom at Luna Park to thank nearly 400 supporters for their invaluable contribution towards building futures for children and adults with cerebral palsy over the past 60 years.

Starting on a very patriotic note, the Australian Youth Choir welcomed The Hon John Howard MP, Prime Minister of Australia, and Mrs Janette Howard, who were guests of honour to launch Australia's first foundation that will sponsor research, information and innovative services directly related to the prevention of cerebral palsy.

The night also proved to be a double celebration as the Prime Minister pledged a generous \$500,000 to go towards The Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

Principal sponsor, Mondial Neuman – The Diamond Specialists added more than a little sparkle to the evening by providing more than \$1,000,000 worth of extraordinary diamond jewellery worn by some very gorgeous and glamorous ladies.

MC Susie Elelman, former Miss Australia's Lea Wilson, Mary-Ann Lewis & Miss Australia in 'Perpetuity', Sherree Primmer-Dell along with elite athletes Layne Beachley, Shelley Taylor-Smith, Melinda Gainsford-Taylor, Debbie Watson and Nici Andronicus were dripping in diamonds all evening and were dressed



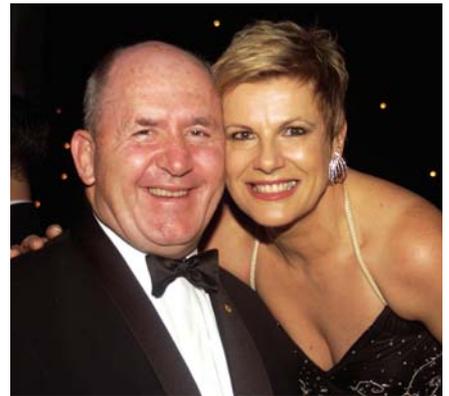
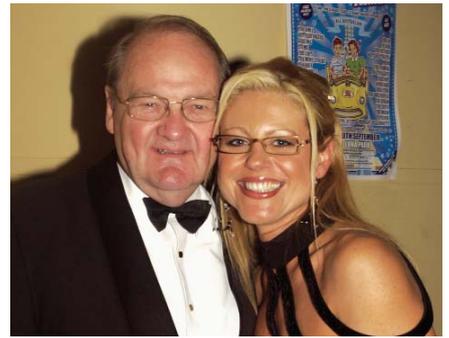
exclusively by Charlie Brown in her Princess Charlotte collection.

Australian rock legend Jimmy Barnes, who has a young daughter Elly-May who has cerebral palsy, was also there in spirit.

Elly-May who attended with the rest of her family, performed on the evening – a song she sings with her father on his latest number one album, "Double Happiness".

With official activities over, renowned Australian entertainer Monica Trapaga and the Mumbo Mooches soon had the crowd hitting the dance floor.

The Starry Starry Night – A Diamond Celebration was truly a celebration of the pioneering spirit of those early parents who paved the way for The Spastic Centre to be where it is today.



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COMMITTEES

The following Committees are greatly acknowledged for their generous contribution and success:



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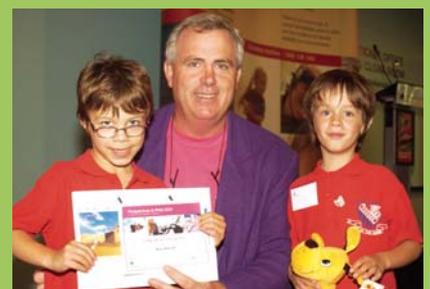
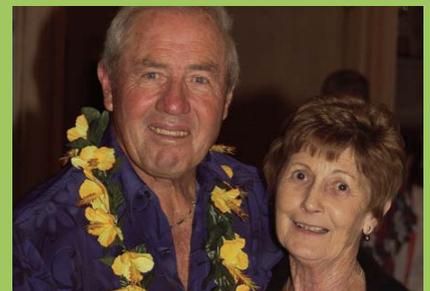
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The Spastic Centre of New South Wales ABN 45 000 062 288
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Financial Year Ended 30 June 2005

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors present their report together with the financial report of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales ("the Company") and the consolidated financial report of the consolidated entity, being the Company and its controlled entities, for the year ended 30 June 2005 and the auditor's report thereon.

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The Directors of the Company who held a position at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

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Mr Beckett has been a member of the Board of Directors since November 2003.

Mr Beckett is a member of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Property and Equipment Committee, the Human Resources Committee, the Services Committee, the Research Committee and the Ethics Committee.

Mr Beckett is a technology and management consultant with expertise in facilitation, project management and business process architecture.

Mr Beckett represents Australia in Archery and is the No. 1 Australian on current Men's Paralympic Archery World Ranking.

NEROLI BEST, MBBS, FANZCA, MAICD

Dr Best has been a member of the Board of Directors since June 1994.

Dr Best is a member of the Services Committee and the Research Committee.

She is a medical practitioner specialising in anaesthesiology and holds appointments at Royal North Shore, Mater Misericordiae, and North Shore Private Hospitals.

MARK BRYANT, MA, FCA, MAICD

Mr Bryant has been a member of the Board of Directors since December 1997.

Mr Bryant is Vice President of The Spastic Centre, Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee and a member of the Fundraising

Committee and the Property and Equipment Committee.

He has over 25 years experience in public accounting, and is a partner in the firm Ernst & Young.

ROBERT (BOB) G. MILLER

Prof. Miller has been a member of the Board of Directors since May 1999.

He is a member of the Fundraising Committee, the Finance and Audit Committee and the Property and Equipment Committee.

He is presently the Managing Director of Australia Street Consulting Pty Ltd where he advises the automotive industry, advertising agencies, telecommunications companies and others on Marketing. He was previously General Manager - Marketing, Toyota Australia for fifteen years.

Professor Miller is renowned as a keynote speaker at corporate training/seminar events.

JOHN MORGAN

Mr Morgan has been a member of the Board of Directors since November 1991.

Mr Morgan is a member of the Services Committee. Mr Morgan has been employed at The Spastic Centre for the past forty-four years. He is an adviser to the Warringah Council Access Committee.

Mr Morgan has served on management committees of outside organisations, including the Disability & Ageing Reference Group and the Physical Disability Council of NSW. Mr Morgan has a keen interest in the area of ageing and its impact on people with a disability.

MICHELLE NOORT, MHS, RN CPSPM, CCC, MAICD

Ms Noort joined the Board of Directors in July 2003. Ms Noort is Chairman of the Research Committee and the Ethics Committee, and a member of the Services Committee.

Ms Noort has over twenty-eight years experience in the NSW Health system. She began her career nursing in the acute hospital environment and continued through middle management, policy advisory, and senior

executive roles in both the acute and community sector.

Ms Noort has also served on an Area Health Service Board. She is currently the Project Director, Health Services Improvement Branch.

MARELLE THORNTON, AM, DIP TEACH, MAICD

Mrs Thornton has been a member of the Board of Directors since October 1983.

Mrs Thornton is President of The Spastic Centre, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chairman of the Fundraising Committee and a member of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Property and Equipment Committee, the Human Resources Committee and the Services Committee.

Mrs Thornton is a primary school teacher.

ROBIN WAY, M MGT, PHD

Dr Way has been a member of the Board of Directors since 1995.

She is Chairman of the Services Committee and a member of the Human Resources Committee. She is the Board's representative on CP Australia, a peak body for organisations in Australia providing services to people with cerebral palsy.

Dr Way is CEO of Community Connections Australia – a non-government organisation providing a range of human services including a disability specific service. She has an extensive history in the disability service delivery arena and is a past Chair of ACROD NSW (the peak organisation for disability service providers).

In the role of Chair of the Accommodation Sub Committee of ACROD NSW she remains involved in consultation and policy development in issues confronting the disability sector.

PETER WHITFIELD, BSC, MAICD

Mr Whitfield has been a member of the Board of Directors since November 1997. He is Chairman of the Property and Equipment Committee and a member of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Fundraising Committee



The Board of Directors

Standing: Mrs Marelle Thornton AM, Dr Neroli Best, Professor Bob Miller, Mr Peter Whitfield, Ms Michelle Noort – Inset: Dr Robin Way
Seated: Mr Cain Beckett, Mr Mark Bryant, Mr John Morgan, Mr Brian Williamson

and the Human Resources Committee.

Mr Whitfield initiated the introduction of the Hart Walker to Australia and was instrumental in promoting the Hart Walker program at The Spastic Centre. Mr Whitfield holds a degree in Maths and Physics and spent eight years as a money market trader.

Nine years ago Mr Whitfield left the finance industry to pursue his own business interests. He currently owns a publishing company of quality children's books.

BRIAN WILLIAMSON,
DIP LAW (SAB), M. COM (DEAKIN),
ACCREDITED SPECIALIST IN EMPLOYMENT &
INDUSTRIAL LAW (LAW SOC OF NSW), MAICD

Mr Williamson joined the Board in December 2002 and is the Chairman of the Human Resources Committee and is the Board representative on the Enterprise Risk Management Committee.

Mr Williamson is a Workplace Relations Lawyer and is the founder and co-owner of

the specialist law firm "Workplace Law", which deals with all aspects of workplace law and specialises in acting for employers. He holds a Diploma in Law (SAB, 1981) and a Masters Degree in Commerce, (Deakin 1992).

In 1994, Mr Williamson was one of the first five solicitors in NSW to become an Accredited Specialist in Employment & Industrial Law with the Law Society of NSW.

Company Secretary

The following person held the position of company secretary at the end of the financial year:

ANTHONY CANNON
BA (Econ), FCIS, CPA, MAICD, M. Mgt,
M. Bus Law

Mr Cannon has been employed by The Spastic Centre since 1988 as General Manager – Corporate Services.

In 1996 Mr Cannon was also appointed Company Secretary. He is also Secretary to all Board Committees.

The Directors in office at the date of this report are:

Mr C. Beckett
Dr N. Best
Mr M. B. Bryant
Prof. R. Miller
Mr J. Morgan
Ms M. Noort
Mrs M. A. Thornton AM
Dr R. Way
Mr P. Whitfield
Mr B. Williamson

DIRECTORS' REPORT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The number of Directors' meetings (including meetings of Committees of Directors) and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the financial year are:

Board Members	Board of Directors' Meetings		Finance & Audit Committee Meetings		Human Resources Committee Meetings		Services Committee Meetings		Fundraising Committee Meetings		Property & Equipment Committee Meetings		Research Committee Meetings		Ethics Committee Meetings ***	
	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended	Number Eligible to attend	Number attended
Mr C. Beckett *	10	9	3	2	2	2	3	1			3	2	2	2		
Dr N. Best **	10	7					3	1					2	2		
Mr M. B. Bryant	10	9	3	3					2	2	3	3				
Prof. R. Miller #	9	7	2	2					2	2	2	1				
Mr J. Morgan #	8	6					3	2								
Ms M. Noort	10	8					3	2					3	2	1	1
Mrs M.A. Thornton AM	10	10	3	3	2	2	3	3	2	2	3	3				
Dr R. Way #	5	5			1	1	3	3								
Mr P. Whitfield	10	9	3	3	2	2			2	2	3	3				
Mr B. Williamson	10	9			2	2										

* Elected to the Research Committee and Ethics Committee from 8 December 2004

** Elected to the Research Committee from 8 December 2004

Denotes approved leave of absence from Board and Committee duties

*** The business of the Ethics Committee is conducted predominantly by email. Details of such "electronic meetings" are not shown.

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

The Board of The Spastic Centre operates through seven standing committees with delegated authority and defined terms of reference. The Committees meet throughout the year as the business of each Committee necessitates.

The agenda for Committee meetings is prepared in conjunction with the Chairman of the relevant Committee. Papers and submissions are distributed to Committee members in advance and each Committee is free to invite members of management or others to attend meetings and take external advice, as and when considered appropriate.

The purpose and function of these Committees are described below.

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Finance and Audit Committee enhances the credibility, objectivity and accountability of The Spastic Centre by assisting the Board in discharging its responsibilities in relation to financial management, monitoring and controlling risk, internal control systems and reporting financial information.

The Committee also provides a forum for communication between the Board, senior financial management and the external auditors.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The Human Resources Committee advises and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on the appointment and remuneration of senior management.

The Committee also advises management

in the development, implementation and review of policies in the Human Resources and Industrial Relations areas, including any references from the Board in respect of Human Resources management and Industrial Relations.

SERVICES COMMITTEE

The Services Committee reviews, advises and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on the nature and scope of service practice and delivery within The Spastic Centre. The Committee also consults widely with stakeholders with regard to effective service delivery with a view to ensuring that the Board of Directors has a mechanism which can ensure that issues surrounding duty of care, legal liability and service quality concerns are brought to its attention.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Fundraising Committee identifies potential opportunities for increasing funds from both existing and new fundraising programs.

The Committee also advises and makes recommendations on the financial viability, ethics and legal aspects of existing and proposed fundraising programs.

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

The Property and Equipment Committee oversees the effective management of the use, and potential use, of the land, buildings and equipment for which The Spastic Centre has title and/or trusteeship. The Committee also provides a mechanism whereby advice and representations in respect of land, buildings and items of equipment used by The Spastic Centre can be evaluated prior to recommendation to the Board.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The Research Committee reviews all initiatives in respect of soliciting appropriate research proposals, particularly in areas approved by the Board to have a high priority. The Committee also considers all submissions regarding appropriate research and makes recommendation for approval, where appropriate, to the Ethics Committee.

ETHICS COMMITTEE

The Ethics Committee provides independent scrutiny of all research proposals in order to ensure that the designated procedures satisfy the requirements of ethical treatment of participants.

The Committee makes recommendation to the Board on all research proposals.

GOVERNANCE

The Company and its controlled entities operate as Companies limited by guarantee. The consolidated entity is governed by Directors who must be members and who are elected by the members in a general meeting. The Articles of Association limit the number of Directors to a minimum of five and a maximum of ten. Half of the Directors retires each year. Resolution requirements for general meetings are in accordance with Corporations Act 2001. Any member of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales can stand for election if correctly nominated.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the Company and its controlled entities are to provide access to a range of services and facilities to children and adults with cerebral palsy and their families in NSW and the ACT and, where applicable, to people with other disabilities who can benefit from the type of services offered. There were no significant changes in

the nature of the activities of the consolidated entity during the year.

REVIEW AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The operating surplus of the consolidated entity for the financial year was \$1,131,949 (2003/2004 \$3,124,041).

STATE OF AFFAIRS

In the opinion of the Directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the consolidated entity that occurred during the financial year under review not otherwise disclosed in this report or the financial statements.

ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

The consolidated entity's operations are not subject to any significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth or State legislation. However, the Board believes that the consolidated entity has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements and is not aware of any breach of those environmental requirements as they apply to the consolidated entity.

EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

For reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2005, the consolidated entity must comply with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) as issued by the Australian Accounting Board. The implementation plan and potential impact of adopting AIFRS are detailed in Note 34 to the financial statements.

Other than the matters discussed above, there has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the consolidated entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity, in future financial years.

DIVIDENDS

The Company and its controlled entities being companies limited by guarantee are prohibited by their Memorandum of Associations from paying dividends.

LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS

The Directors do not believe that there will be any material changes in the operations of the consolidated entity for the next twelve months.

AUTHORITY TO FUNDRAISE (CFN 10943)

The Spastic Centre of New South Wales has been granted authority to raise funds under the provisions of section 16 of the Charitable Fundraising Act, 1991. That authority remains

in force until 1 September 2009.

TAX DEDUCTIBILITY OF DONATIONS

The Spastic Centre and its controlled entities are public benevolent institutions as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act. Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible in Australia.

DIRECTORS' BENEFITS

The remuneration of Directors is disclosed in Note 25 in the Financial Statements. One Director, Mr J. Morgan, receives remuneration in his capacity as an employee of the Company. Since the end of the previous financial year no other Director received or became entitled to receive remuneration. The Board members of The Spastic Centre provide their time and expertise on an entirely voluntary basis and receive no fees, salaries or benefits for the work they undertake on behalf of the Board.

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The Company has paid a premium in respect of a contract insuring the directors, officers, company secretary and employees. The Directors have not disclosed the terms of the policy under which the said premium was paid, or the identity of the insurer of any limit of liability as such disclosure is prohibited under the terms of the insurance contract.

AUDITOR

KPMG continues in office in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001.

MEMBERS

As at 30 June 2005 there were 540 members (2004: 630 members) of the Company.

LEAD AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration required by Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, is set out on page 34 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2005.

Dated at Sydney this 4 October 2005.
Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



M. A. Thornton, AM – Director



M. B. Bryant – Director

LEAD AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATION ACT 2001

To: The Directors of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2005 there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



KPMG R. M. Amos – Partner
Sydney Date: 4 October, 2005

DIRECTORS' REPORT

DECLARATION BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN RESPECT OF FUNDRAISING APPEALS



Rob White

Chief Executive Officer, The Spastic Centre

I, **Rob White**, Chief Executive Officer of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales, declare in my opinion:

- (a) the financial statements give a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2005;
- (b) the statement of financial position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2005;
- (c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with during the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005; and
- (d) the internal controls exercised by The Spastic Centre of New South Wales are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from any fundraising appeals.

Dated at Sydney this 4 October 2005.

Rob White
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION



Marelle Thornton AM

President of the The Spastic Centre & Chairman of the Board

1. In the opinion of the Directors of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales:
 - a. the financial statements and notes, set out on pages 37 to 56, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the financial position of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales and consolidated entity as at 30 June 2005 and of their performance, as represented by the results of their operations and their cash flows, for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
 - b. there are reasonable grounds to believe that The Spastic Centre of New South Wales will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
2. There are reasonable grounds to believe that The Spastic Centre of New South Wales and the subsidiaries identified in Note 33 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are or may become subject by virtue of the Deed of Cross Guarantee between The Spastic Centre of New South Wales and those subsidiaries pursuant to ASIC Class Order 98/1418.

Dated at Sydney this 4 October 2005.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



Mark Bryant

Vice President & Director of the The Spastic Centre

M. A. Thornton, AM
DIRECTOR

M. B. Bryant
DIRECTOR

AUDIT REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SPASTIC CENTRE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Pursuant to the Corporations Act 2001 and Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991 and Regulations

SCOPE

We have audited the financial report of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales for the financial year ended 30 June 2005, consisting of the statements of financial performance, statements of financial position, statements of cash flows, accompanying notes 1 to 35 and the directors' declaration set out on pages 37 to 56. The financial report includes the consolidated financial statements of the consolidated entity, comprising the Company and the entities it controlled at the end of the year and from time to time during the financial year. The company's directors are responsible for the financial report. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the Company.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report pursuant to the Corporations Act 2001 has been formed on the above basis.

ADDITIONAL SCOPE PURSUANT TO THE CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING (NSW) ACT 1991

In addition, our audit report has also been prepared for the members of the Company in accordance with Section 24(2) of the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991. Accordingly we have performed additional work beyond that which is performed in our capacity as auditors pursuant to the Corporations Act 2001. These additional

procedures included obtaining an understanding of the internal control structure for fundraising appeal activities and examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting compliance with the accounting and associated record keeping requirements for fundraising appeal activities pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991 and Regulations.

It should be noted that the accounting records and data relied upon for reporting on fundraising appeal activities are not continuously audited and do not necessarily reflect after the event accounting adjustments and the normal year end financial adjustments for such matters as accruals, prepayments, provisioning and valuations necessary for year end financial report preparation.

The performance of our statutory audit included a review of internal controls for the purpose of determining the appropriate audit procedures to enable an opinion to be expressed on the financial report. This review is not a comprehensive review of all those systems or of the system taken as a whole and is not designed to uncover all weaknesses in those systems.

The audit opinion expressed in this report pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991 has been formed on the above basis.

QUALIFICATION

Fundraising appeals are a significant source of revenue for The Spastic Centre of New South Wales. The Spastic Centre of New South Wales has determined that it is impracticable to establish controls over the collection of fundraising revenue prior to entry into its financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to fundraising revenue had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. We therefore are unable to express an opinion whether the fundraising revenue The Spastic Centre of New South Wales obtained is complete.

In respect of the qualification however, based on our understanding of the internal controls, nothing has come to our attention which would cause us to believe that the internal controls over revenue from fundraising appeal activities by the Company are not appropriate given the size and nature of the Company.

QUALIFIED AUDIT OPINION PURSUANT TO THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been required had the limitation referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales is in accordance with:

- (a) The Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2005 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

QUALIFIED AUDIT OPINION PURSUANT TO THE CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING (NSW) ACT 1991

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been required had the limitation referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed:

- (a) the financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial result of fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2005;
- (b) the financial report has been properly drawn up, and the associated records have been properly kept for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005, in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991 and Regulations;
- (c) money received as a result of fundraising appeal activities conducted during the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005 has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991 and Regulations; and
- (d) there are reasonable grounds to believe that The Spastic Centre of New South Wales will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

KPMG
Sydney

R. M. Amos – Partner
Date: 4 October, 2005

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2005

	NOTES	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2005	2004	2005	2004
		\$	\$	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash assets	8	1,453,823	4,012,513	1,402,594	1,876,083
Receivables	9	603,640	552,423	603,640	552,423
Inventories	10	332,171	279,737	332,171	279,737
Other financial assets	11	909,875	1,512,062	888,665	1,464,641
Developed property held for resale	12	855,887	–	855,887	–
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		4,155,396	6,356,735	4,082,957	4,172,884
NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Investments	13	11,784,312	8,372,691	5,527,665	5,272,531
Property, plant and equipment	14	10,806,500	10,745,497	10,806,500	10,745,497
Other financial assets	15	–	–	2	2
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		22,590,812	19,118,188	16,334,167	16,018,030
TOTAL ASSETS		26,746,208	25,474,923	20,417,124	20,190,914
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Payables	16	3,483,505	3,313,961	6,003,084	5,659,425
Provisions	17	3,515,499	3,272,385	1,429,402	1,383,537
		6,999,004	6,586,346	7,432,486	7,042,962
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Provisions	19	677,017	601,109	240,283	124,282
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		677,017	601,109	240,283	124,282
TOTAL LIABILITIES		7,676,021	7,187,455	7,672,769	7,167,244
NET ASSETS		19,070,187	18,287,468	12,744,355	13,023,670
MEMBERS' EQUITY					
General funds	20	18,877,737	17,745,788	12,671,705	12,582,150
Asset revaluation reserve	21	192,450	541,680	72,650	441,520
TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITY		19,070,187	18,287,468	12,744,355	13,023,670

The STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION are to be read in conjunction with the NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS set out on pages 40 to 56.

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2005

	NOTES	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2005	2004	2005	2004
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue from government funding	5	31,663,247	30,506,334	31,663,247	30,506,334
Revenue from fundraising and bequests	5	7,975,261	10,612,354	7,975,261	10,612,354
Revenue from rendering of services	5	3,336,078	3,725,850	3,308,110	3,725,850
Revenue from sale of non-current investments	5	8,667,677	–	5,444,797	–
Revenue from sale of goods	5	655,849	731,180	655,849	731,180
Revenue from investments	5	713,852	692,915	463,950	533,025
Other revenues from ordinary activities	5	3,419,259	3,935,037	3,419,259	3,935,037
Total revenue	5	56,431,223	50,203,670	52,930,473	50,043,780
Accommodation expenses		(12,537,384)	(12,182,335)	(12,537,384)	(12,182,335)
Individual and family support expenses		(11,264,567)	(10,666,656)	(11,264,567)	(10,666,656)
Employment services expenses		(4,943,855)	(4,694,697)	(4,943,855)	(4,694,697)
Community access service expenses		(4,561,066)	(4,626,565)	(4,561,066)	(4,626,565)
Fundraising expenses		(2,371,771)	(2,850,687)	(2,371,771)	(2,850,687)
Community education and information		(1,689,370)	(1,904,871)	(1,689,370)	(1,904,871)
Technical services expenses		(1,651,595)	(1,511,573)	(1,651,595)	(1,511,573)
Cost of goods sold		(505,416)	(517,976)	(505,416)	(517,976)
Borrowing costs		(6,472)	(29,717)	(6,472)	(29,717)
Administration expenses		(5,263,563)	(5,028,124)	(5,235,034)	(5,028,124)
Carrying value of non-current investments sold		(7,901,414)	–	(4,871,587)	–
Cost of sales of property, plant and equipment		(2,602,801)	(3,066,428)	(2,602,801)	(3,066,428)
Other expenses	7	–	–	(600,000)	(2,000,000)
Operating surplus		1,131,949	3,124,041	89,555	964,151
(Decrease)/Increase in asset revaluation reserve	21	(349,230)	541,680	(368,870)	441,520
Total changes in members' equity		782,719	3,665,721	(279,315)	1,405,671

The STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE are to be read in conjunction with the NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS set out on pages 40 to 56.

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2005

	NOTES	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2005	2004	2005	2004
		\$	\$	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash receipts in the course of operations		48,160,639	48,550,988	48,135,526	48,550,988
Cash payments in the course of operations		(46,811,859)	(47,803,794)	(47,366,373)	(49,808,820)
Net cash provided by operating activities	31(b)	1,348,780	747,194	769,153	(1,257,832)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Interest received and distributions from trusts		817,698	654,921	538,732	538,704
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(3,753,607)	(4,784,063)	(3,753,607)	(4,784,063)
Payments for non-current investments		(11,662,265)	(3,000,000)	(5,495,591)	–
Payments for developed property held for resale		(855,887)	–	(855,887)	–
Proceeds from sale of non-current investments		8,667,677	–	5,444,797	–
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets		2,885,386	3,399,564	2,885,386	3,399,564
Net cash used in investing activities		(3,900,998)	(3,729,578)	(1,236,170)	(845,795)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Repayment of borrowings		–	(400,000)	–	(400,000)
Borrowing costs	7	(6,472)	(29,717)	(6,472)	(29,717)
Net cash used in financing activities		(6,472)	(429,717)	(6,472)	(429,717)
Net decrease in cash held		(2,558,690)	(3,412,101)	(473,489)	(2,533,344)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		4,012,513	7,424,614	1,876,083	4,409,427
Cash at the end of the financial year	31(a)	1,453,823	4,012,513	1,402,594	1,876,083

The STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS are to be read in conjunction with the NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS set out on pages 40 to 56.

FINANCIAL NOTES

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1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report are:

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001.

The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical costs and, except where stated, does not take into account changing money values or fair values of non-current assets.

In the opinion of the Directors, having regard to the not-for-profit nature of the consolidated entity's business, the terms used in the prescribed format are not appropriate.

The words "Operating Surplus/(Deficit)" have been substituted for the terms "Net Profit/(Loss)" in the prescribed statements of financial performance.

These accounting policies have been consistently applied and, except where there is a change in accounting policy, are consistent with those of the previous year.

(b) Principles of consolidation

Transactions eliminated on consolidation

The balances, and effects of transactions, between controlled entities included in the consolidated financial statements have been eliminated.

Controlled entities

Outside interests in the equity and results of the entities that are controlled by the Company are shown as a separate item in the consolidated financial statements.

The financial statements of controlled entities are included from the date control commenced or up to the date control ceased.

The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd acts as trustee for The Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

(c) Non-current assets

Non-current assets are initially recorded

in the balance sheet at cost. The value of in-kind donations is determined by independent valuation at the time of the donation of land and on completion of building works. This independent valuation is considered to be the deemed cost of such donated assets.

The carrying value of all non-current assets is reviewed by the Directors annually. If the carrying value exceeds the remaining service potential the asset is written down to the lower amount. The service potential is primarily related to the provision of goods and services to adults and children with cerebral palsy and their families within New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.

Certain non current assets have been revalued. Refer note 1(g) for the revaluation policy on land and buildings and note 1(m) for the policy on investments.

(d) Revenue recognition

Revenues are recognised at the fair value of the consideration received net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Government grants

Grant revenue is matched against expenditure as it is incurred unless it relates to specific items of capital expenditure in which case it is recognised on receipt.

Fundraising and bequests

Donations and bequests are accounted for on a cash basis. Capitalised in-kind donations are recognised at replacement value at time of receipt.

Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering of services is recognised in the period in which the service is provided, having regard to the stage of completion of the contract.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised (net of returns, discounts and allowances) when control passes to the customer.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised as it accrues.

Asset sale

The gross proceeds of asset sales not originally purchased for the intention of resale are included as revenue at the

date an unconditional contract of sale is signed. The gain or loss on disposal is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset at the time of disposal and the net proceeds on disposal.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised at time of receipt.

(e) Inventory

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is based on the first-in first-out principle and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their present condition and location.

(f) Acquisitions of assets

All assets acquired including property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at their cost of acquisition at the date of acquisition, being the fair value of the consideration provided plus incidental costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

Expenditure is only recognised as an asset when the entity controls future economic benefits as a result of costs incurred; it is probable that those future economic benefits will eventuate and the costs can be measured reliably.

Costs incurred on assets subsequent to initial acquisition are capitalised when it is probable that future economic benefits in excess of the originally assessed performance of the asset will flow to the consolidated entity in future years. Costs that do not meet the criteria for capitalisation are expensed as incurred.

(g) Recoverable amount of non-current assets valued on cost basis

The carrying amounts of non-current assets valued on the cost basis are reviewed to determine whether they are in excess of their recoverable amount at balance date. If the carrying amount of a non-current asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is written down to the lower amount.

The write-down is recognised as an expense in the net surplus or deficit in the reporting period in which it occurs.

In assessing recoverable amounts of non-current assets the relevant cash flows have not been discounted to their

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present value, except where specifically stated.

Land and buildings are independently valued every three years. Assets are recorded at cost. Where the carrying amount exceeds valuation the excess is taken as a charge to the statement of financial performance.

(h) Depreciation and amortisation

Items of property, plant and equipment, including buildings, leasehold improvements and motor vehicles, but excluding freehold land, are depreciated/amortised over their estimated useful lives using the straight line method. Assets are depreciated/amortised from the date of acquisition.

In respect of assets under construction depreciation/amortisation commences from the date the asset is ready for use.

Depreciation/amortisation rates used for each class of asset, for the current and previous years, are as follows:

Property, plant and equipment

	2005	2004
Buildings	4%	4%
Crown Land Improvements	4%	4%
Plant and equipment	15-25%	15-25%
Motor Vehicles	15-20%	15-20%

Depreciation/amortisation rates and methods are reviewed annually for appropriateness.

(i) Leased assets

Leases under which the Company or its controlled entities assume substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership are classified as finance leases. Other leases are classified as operating leases.

Payments made under operating leases are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the lease term except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased property.

(j) Employee entitlements

Wages, salaries and annual leave

Liabilities for employee benefits for wages, salaries and annual leave expected to be settled within 12 months of the year-end, represent present obligations resulting from employees' services provided to reporting date, calculated at undiscounted amounts

based on remuneration wage and salary rates that the consolidated entity expects to pay as at reporting date including related on-costs.

Long service leave

The provision for employee benefits to long service leave represents the present value of estimated future cash outflows to be made resulting from employees' services provided to reporting date.

The provision is calculated using expected future increases in wages and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates based on turnover history.

(k) Receivables

Trade debtors to be settled within 30 days are carried at amounts due. The collectability of debts is assessed at balance date.

A provision is made for any doubtful debts based on a review of all outstanding amounts at year-end. Bad debts are written off during the period in which they are identified.

(l) Payables

Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received.

Trade creditors are normally settled within normal trading terms.

(m) Non-current investments

Non-current investments are shown at fair value, being quoted market prices at reporting date.

Where the market value is higher than the cost of the investment the difference is recorded in the Asset Revaluation Reserve. Any subsequent decrease in the market valuation of the non-current investment is applied to the Asset Revaluation Reserve to the extent that it reverses the original increment.

Additional decrements are taken to the statement of financial performance.

(n) Volunteer workers

No monetary value has been attributed to the valuable services provided by the many volunteer workers.

(o) Government capital subsidies/ Donations for specific capital expenditure

All government grants of a capital nature

are taken up in the statement of financial performance when the consolidated entity gains control of the contribution.

(p) Goods and services tax

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

In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is classified as operating cash flows.

(q) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs represent interest relating to interest-bearing liabilities and bank overdraft. Borrowing costs are expensed as incurred.

(r) Interest-bearing liability

Loans are recognised at their principal amount. Interest is expensed at the contracted rate and paid in accordance with the loan agreement.

2. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICY

There have been no changes in accounting policies during the year.

3. SEGMENT REPORTING

The consolidated entity operates predominantly in one industry. The principal activities are to provide access to a range of services and facilities to children and adults with cerebral palsy and their families in NSW and the ACT and, where applicable, to other people with disabilities who can benefit from the type of services offered.

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
4. INCOME TAX				
No income tax is payable by the consolidated entity as Section 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 exempts recognised Charitable Institutions from income tax.				
5. REVENUE				
Revenue from operating activities				
Government grants and subsidies	31,663,247	30,506,334	31,663,247	30,506,334
Fundraising and bequests	7,975,261	10,612,354	7,975,261	10,612,354
Rendering of Services	3,336,078	3,725,850	3,308,110	3,725,850
Sale of goods	655,849	731,180	655,849	731,180
Interest received or receivable and distributions from trusts	713,852	692,915	463,950	533,025
Total revenue from operating activities	44,344,287	46,268,633	44,066,417	46,108,743
Revenue from sale of non-current investments				
Proceeds from sale of non-current investments	8,667,677	–	5,444,797	–
Other revenue				
Rental Income	533,873	535,474	533,873	535,474
Gross proceeds from sale of non-current assets	2,885,386	3,399,563	2,885,386	3,399,563
Total other revenue	3,419,259	3,935,037	3,419,259	3,935,037
TOTAL REVENUE	56,431,223	50,203,670	52,930,473	50,043,780
Significant revenues and expenses				
The following significant items are relevant in explaining the financial position:				
Proceeds from sale of non-current investments	8,667,677	–	5,444,797	–
Carrying value of non-current investments sold	(7,901,414)	–	(4,871,587)	–
Net gain on disposal	766,263	–	573,210	–
The following Government support is included under Government grants and subsidies:				
Commonwealth Government				
Department of Family and Community Services	4,578,266	4,435,004	4,578,266	4,435,004
NSW Government				
Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care	26,198,844	25,300,320	26,198,844	25,300,320
Health Department	490,295	462,951	490,295	462,951
Department of Education and Training	395,842	308,059	395,842	308,059
	27,084,981	26,071,330	27,084,981	26,071,330
Total Government support	31,663,247	30,506,334	31,663,247	30,506,334

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	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
6. REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS				
Audit services:				
Auditors of the Company – KPMG Australia				
Audit and review of the financial report	50,200	44,500	50,200	44,500
Other audit services	20,200	16,400	20,200	16,400
	70,400	60,900	70,400	60,900
Other services	–	3,775	–	3,775
	70,400	64,675	70,400	64,675
7. SURPLUS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES				
Surplus from ordinary activities has been arrived at after charging/(crediting) the following items:				
Amortisation and depreciation of:				
Property, plant and equipment	1,089,803	1,015,227	1,089,803	1,015,227
Bad and doubtful debts	24,175	7,282	24,175	7,282
Net expense from movements in provision for:				
Employee benefits	2,463,741	2,318,642	742,928	675,936
Doubtful debts	2,723	1,397	2,723	1,397
Rental expense on operating leases	1,691,753	1,565,286	1,691,753	1,565,286
Borrowing costs	6,472	29,717	6,472	29,717
Profit on sale of property, plant and equipment	(282,585)	(333,136)	(282,585)	(333,136)
Capital gain on sale of non-current investments	(766,263)	–	(573,210)	–
Donation to Foundation	–	–	600,000	2,000,000
During the year The Spastic Centre made a donation to The Cerebral Palsy Foundation of \$600,000 (2004:\$2,000,000).				
The Cerebral Palsy Foundation is wholly controlled by The Spastic Centre of New South Wales, and acts as a fundraising vehicle to support the activities of The Centre.				
CURRENT ASSETS				
8. CASH ASSETS				
Cash	180,871	655,967	177,594	576,083
Bank short-term deposits at call and paying interest at a weighted average interest rate of 5.08% (2004: 4.78%).	1,272,952	3,356,546	1,225,000	1,300,000
	1,453,823	4,012,513	1,402,594	1,876,083

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
9. RECEIVABLES				
Trade debtors	647,120	593,180	647,120	593,180
Doubtful debts	(43,480)	(40,757)	(43,480)	(40,757)
	603,640	552,423	603,640	552,423
10. INVENTORIES				
Non-manufacturing stores	332,171	279,737	332,171	279,737
11. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS				
Other debtors and prepayments	863,153	1,361,494	860,300	1,361,494
Accrued interest receivable	46,722	150,568	28,365	103,147
	909,875	1,512,062	888,665	1,464,641
12. DEVELOPED PROPERTY HELD FOR RESALE				
Developed property held for resale	855,887	–	855,887	–
NON-CURRENT ASSETS				
13. INVESTMENTS				
BT Wholesale Conservative Outlook Fund	–	1,563,141	–	1,563,141
ING Wholesale Capital Stable Trust	–	1,450,990	–	1,450,990
Credit Suisse Capital Stable Fund	–	1,527,164	–	1,527,164
Zurich Investments Capital Stable Blended	–	731,236	–	731,236
Perpetual Wholesale Funds	–	451,050	–	–
Dimensional Australia Limited	–	1,495,391	–	–
Vanguard Investments	–	1,153,719	–	–
Macquarie Private Portfolio Management Limited	11,784,312	–	5,527,665	–
	11,784,312	8,372,691	5,527,665	5,272,531

Investments are carried at market value as determined and confirmed by the above financial institutions as at 30 June. Macquarie Private Portfolio Management Limited invests funds on behalf of the consolidated entity in Australian shares, property trusts and investment trusts.

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	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT				
Freehold land – at cost	2,899,893	2,759,893	2,899,893	2,759,893
	2,899,893	2,759,893	2,899,893	2,759,893
Buildings – at cost	5,275,916	5,275,916	5,275,916	5,275,916
Accumulated depreciation	(1,677,397)	(1,466,360)	(1,677,397)	(1,466,360)
	3,598,519	3,809,556	3,598,519	3,809,556
Improvements to Crown land – at cost	3,165,182	3,165,182	3,165,182	3,165,182
Accumulated amortisation	(2,278,931)	(2,152,324)	(2,278,931)	(2,152,324)
	886,251	1,012,858	886,251	1,012,858
Plant and equipment – at cost	731,668	1,004,510	731,668	1,004,510
Accumulated depreciation	(655,305)	(909,731)	(655,305)	(909,731)
	76,363	94,779	76,363	94,779
Motor vehicles – at cost	3,722,167	3,541,697	3,722,167	3,541,697
Accumulated depreciation	(692,933)	(473,286)	(692,933)	(473,286)
	3,029,234	3,068,411	3,029,234	3,068,411
Capital works in progress - buildings at cost	316,240	–	316,240	–
TOTAL WRITTEN DOWN VALUE	10,806,500	10,745,497	10,806,500	10,745,497
Reconciliations				
Reconciliations of the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment are set out below:				
Freehold land				
Carrying amount at beginning of year	2,759,893	2,759,893	2,759,893	2,759,893
Additions	140,000	–	140,000	–
Carrying amount at end of year	2,899,893	2,759,893	2,899,893	2,759,893
Buildings				
Carrying amount at beginning of year	3,809,556	3,459,230	3,809,556	3,459,230
Additions	–	539,772	–	539,772
Depreciation	(211,037)	(189,446)	(211,037)	(189,446)
Carrying amount at end of year	3,598,519	3,809,556	3,598,519	3,809,556

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)				
Improvements to Crown Land				
Carrying amount at beginning of year	1,012,858	1,139,466	1,012,858	1,139,466
Amortisation	(126,607)	(126,608)	(126,607)	(126,608)
Carrying amount at end of year	886,251	1,012,858	886,251	1,012,858
Plant and equipment				
Carrying amount at beginning of year	94,779	64,079	94,779	64,079
Additions	22,534	56,244	22,534	56,244
Disposals	(5,904)	–	(5,904)	–
Depreciation	(35,046)	(25,544)	(35,046)	(25,544)
Carrying amount at end of year	76,363	94,779	76,363	94,779
Motor vehicles				
Carrying amount at beginning of year	3,068,411	2,833,821	3,068,411	2,833,821
Additions	3,274,834	3,974,647	3,274,834	3,974,647
Disposals	(2,596,898)	(3,066,428)	(2,596,898)	(3,066,428)
Depreciation	(717,113)	(673,629)	(717,113)	(673,629)
Carrying amount at end of year	3,029,234	3,068,411	3,029,234	3,068,411
Capital works in progress – Buildings				
Carrying amount at beginning of year	–	–	–	–
Carrying amount at end of year	316,240	–	316,240	–

Independent valuations in 2005, 2004 and 2003 of land and buildings were carried out by G. G. Fitzsimmons FAPI of Geoff Fitzsimmons & Associates Pty Ltd on the basis of current and future usage.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

The following table lists all land and buildings owned by the consolidated entity and the date of the most recent valuation. As land and buildings are recorded at cost the valuations have not been brought to account.

	Carrying Amount 30 JUNE 2005	Market Value	Date of Valuation
Freehold Land			
Prairiewood	525,000	1,050,000	2005
Wallsend – 9 Iranda Grove	60,000	175,000	2005
Wallsend – 11 Iranda Grove	60,000	175,000	2005
Moruya	140,000	140,000	2005
Newcastle	26,000	190,000	2005
Wagga	115,000	115,000	2004
Nowra	98,400	98,400	2004
Sefton	260,000	320,000	2004
Brookvale	515,500	860,000	2004
St Ives 6 Stanley Street	924,993	1,900,000	2004
Dee Why	175,000	500,000	2003
	<u>2,899,893</u>		
	Written Down Value 30 June 2005	Market Value	Date of Valuation
Buildings			
Prairiewood	1,288,307	3,675,000	2005
Wallsend – 9 Iranda Grove	160,183	265,000	2005
Wallsend – 11 Iranda Grove	160,183	265,000	2005
Newcastle	183,053	910,000	2005
Wagga	211,200	220,000	2004
Nowra	306,981	319,772	2004
Sefton	169,910	180,000	2004
Brookvale	367,172	600,000	2004
Chester Hill	150,000	490,000	2004
St Ives 6 Stanley Street	61,731	100,000	2004
Dee Why	88,480	250,000	2003
St Ives 349 Mona Vale Road	170,000	350,000	2003
The Thornton Centre (VB Lifestyles)	281,319	634,000	2003
	<u>3,598,519</u>		
Improvements to Crown Land			
Improvements to Crown Land	<u>886,251</u>	3,455,000	2003

Improvements to Crown Land are buildings at Allambie which include McLeod House, Venee Burges House, cottages, Hydrotherapy Pool, workshop and garage and renovations at WC Allen.

The State and Commonwealth Governments have interests in particular properties held by the consolidated entity for which they have made grants to assist acquisition. It is not their present intention to seek a refund of their interest in those assets in the event of a sale provided the funds are utilised in a way approved by them. It is the Directors' intention that such funds be utilised in a way approved by the State or Commonwealth Government.

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
15. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS				
Investments in controlled entities	–	–	2	2
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
16. PAYABLES				
Trade creditors	1,703,031	2,194,640	1,703,031	2,194,640
Government funding received in advance	98,644	18,215	98,644	18,215
Other creditors and accruals	1,681,830	1,101,106	1,482,331	1,131,216
Loans to controlled entities	–	–	2,719,078	2,315,354
	3,483,505	3,313,961	6,003,084	5,659,425
17. PROVISIONS				
Employee benefits	3,515,499	3,272,385	1,429,402	1,383,537
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES				
18. INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES				
Financing arrangements				
The consolidated entity has access to the following lines of credit:				
Total facilities available:				
Bank overdraft	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Facilities utilised at balance date				
Bank overdraft	–	–	–	–
	–	–	–	–
Facilities not utilised at balance date				
Bank overdraft	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
The bank overdraft facility is secured by a floating charge over the assets of the consolidated entity. The weighted average interest rate for the overdraft as at 30 June 2005 is 9.28% (2004: 8.95%).				
19. PROVISIONS				
Employee benefits	677,017	601,109	240,283	124,282
20. GENERAL FUNDS				
General funds at beginning of year	17,745,788	14,621,747	12,582,150	11,617,999
Operating surplus for the year	1,131,949	3,124,041	89,555	964,151
General funds at end of year	18,877,737	17,745,788	12,671,705	12,582,150

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	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
21. ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE				
Revaluation of non-current investments	192,450	541,680	72,650	441,520
Movements during the year				
Balance at beginning of year	541,680	–	441,520	–
Revaluation increment/(decrement) on non-current investments	192,450	541,680	72,650	441,520
Less:				
Prior year revaluation increment realised on redemption of non-current investments	(541,680)	–	(441,520)	–
	192,450	541,680	72,650	441,520
Non-current investments have been revalued to current market value at 30 June 2005. (Refer note 13).				
22. CAPITAL AND LEASING COMMITMENTS				
Non-cancellable operating lease expense commitments				
Future operating lease commitments not provided for in the financial statements and payable:				
– not later than one year	1,269,103	1,461,762	1,269,103	1,461,762
– later than one year but not later than five years	1,095,574	1,833,160	1,095,574	1,833,160
	2,364,677	3,294,922	2,364,677	3,294,922
23. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES				
The details and estimated maximum amounts of contingent liabilities, classified according to the party from whom the contingent liability arises, are set out below. The Directors are not aware of any circumstance or information which would lead them to believe that these liabilities will crystallise and consequently no provisions are included in the financial statements in respect of these matters.				
Autopay Facility	1,055,877	1,055,877	1,055,877	1,055,877
Permanent Trustee Australia – Spring St Chatswood	17,027	–	17,027	–
Australian Postal Corporation	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Jode Pty Ltd ATF Wetherill Park Unit Trust	32,122	32,122	32,122	32,122
	1,145,026	1,127,999	1,145,026	1,127,999
The consolidated entity's bank guarantee facility has a maximum limit of \$1,150,000 (2004: \$1,150,000) of which \$1,145,026 (2004: \$1,127,999) was utilised.				

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
24. EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENTS				
Aggregate liability for employee entitlements, including on-costs				
Current	3,515,499	3,272,385	1,429,402	1,383,537
Non-current	677,017	601,109	240,283	124,282
	<u>4,192,516</u>	<u>3,873,494</u>	<u>1,669,685</u>	<u>1,507,819</u>
Assumed rate of increase in wage and salary rates	3%	4%	3%	4%
Number of employees				
Number of employees at year-end	870	857	336	342

Superannuation Commitments

The Company and certain controlled entities contribute to two defined contribution employee superannuation plans (AMP CustomSuper and HESTA). The Company and its controlled entities have a legally enforceable obligation to contribute to the plans.

25. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**Directors**

The names of each person holding the position of Director of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales during the financial year are Mr C. Beckett, Dr N. Best, Mr M. B. Bryant, Professor R. Miller, Mr J. Morgan, Ms M. Noort, Mrs M. A. Thornton AM, Dr R. Way, Mr P. Whitfield and Mr B. Williamson.

Directors' Income

The number of Directors whose income from the Company or any related entity falls within the following bands:

\$0	9	9	9	9
\$10,000-\$19,999	1	1	1	1
Total income paid or payable, or otherwise made available, to all Directors of the Company and its controlled entities from the Company or any related party.	<u>15,654</u>	<u>15,684</u>	<u>15,654</u>	<u>15,684</u>

Non-director related parties

The only class of non-director related parties are wholly-owned controlled entities – See Note 28.

Transactions

All transactions with non-director related parties are on normal terms and conditions. The wholly-owned controlled entities charge a management fee to the Company for salaries and wages incurred and paid as part of their normal operations.

Balances with entities within the wholly-owned group

The aggregate amounts payable to wholly-owned controlled entities by the Company at balance date are:

Other Payable			2,719,078	2,315,354
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Ultimate parent entity

The immediate parent entity and ultimate parent entity of the consolidated group is The Spastic Centre of New South Wales, a Company incorporated in New South Wales.

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26. MEMBERS' GUARANTEE

As a Company limited by guarantee in accordance with the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association each member of the Company has a maximum liability of \$20 in the event of the Company being unable to meet its obligations as and when they fall due. As at 30 June 2005 there were 540 members (2004 : 630).

27. COMPANY NAME

The Spastic Centre of New South Wales and its controlled entities are incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The companies are limited by guarantee and exempted under Section 150 (1) of the Corporations Act 2001 from using the word "Limited". The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd has no such exemption.

28. CONTROLLED ENTITIES

Particulars in relation to controlled entities

Name	CONSOLIDATED INTEREST HELD	
	2005	2004
Parent entity	%	%
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales		
Controlled entities subject to Cross Guarantee		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Accommodation South	100	100
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Accommodation North	100	100
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Accommodation Hunter	100	100
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Therapy Services	100	100
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Community Access Service	100	100
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Venee Burges House	100	100
Controlled entities not subject to Cross Guarantee		
The Cerebral Palsy Institute	100	-
The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd	100	100

The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd acts as trustee for The Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

The directors of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd during the year were Mrs M. A. Thornton AM and Mr M. B. Bryant.

Refer Note 33 for details of Deed of Cross Guarantee.

29. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The consolidated entity receives a significant portion of its operating revenue in the form of grants and tax concessions/exemptions from the Commonwealth and State Governments.

30. ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS DISCLOSURE

The consolidated entity is exposed to changes in interest rates and credit risks from its activities. The material financial instruments to which the consolidated entity has exposure are:

- i) cash assets
- ii) trade debtors;
- iii) non-current investments.

Interest rate risk

During the year cash assets were deposited with recognised financial institutions. The weighted average interest receivable for the year was 5.08% (2004: 4.78%).

Credit risk

Credit risk represents the loss that would be recognised if counterparties failed to perform as contracted. The credit risk on trade debtors which has been recognised in the statements of financial position, is the carrying amount, net of any provision for doubtful debts.

Non-current investments include term deposits with recognised financial institutions and funds under external management by reputable organisations.

Net fair values of financial assets and liabilities

The balances of financial assets and liabilities have been stated at their net fair value.

	NOTES	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2005	2004	2005	2004
		\$	\$	\$	\$
31. NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS					
(a) Reconciliation of Cash					
For the purposes of the Statements of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and at bank and short-term deposits at call, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash does not include non-current investments. Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statements of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statements of Financial Position as follows:					
Cash assets	8	1,453,823	4,012,513	1,402,594	1,876,083
Cash at the end of the financial year		1,453,823	4,012,513	1,402,594	1,876,083
(b) Reconciliation of Operating surplus from ordinary Activities to net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities:					
Operating surplus		1,131,949	3,124,041	89,555	964,151
Add/(Less) items classified as investing/financing activities:					
Profit on sale of non-current assets	7	(282,585)	(333,136)	(282,585)	(333,136)
Capital gain from sale of non-current investments	7	(766,263)	–	(573,210)	–
Interest received and distributions from trusts	5	(713,852)	(692,915)	(463,950)	(533,025)
Interest paid	7	6,472	29,717	6,472	29,717
Add non-cash items:					
Amortisation and depreciation	7	1,089,803	1,015,227	1,089,803	1,015,227
Change in assets and liabilities:					
(Increase)/Decrease in trade debtors	9	(51,217)	(99,203)	(51,217)	(99,203)
(Increase)/Decrease in inventories	10	(52,434)	(123,513)	(52,434)	(123,513)
(Increase)/Decrease in other financial assets	11	498,341	(78,097)	501,194	(78,097)
Increase/(Decrease) in payables	16	(491,609)	(149,827)	(491,609)	(149,827)
Increase/(Decrease) in government funding received in advance	16	80,429	(530,448)	80,429	(530,448)
Increase/(Decrease) in other creditors and accruals	16	580,724	(1,753,604)	754,839	(1,440,141)
Increase/(Decrease) in employee provisions	17,19	319,022	338,952	161,866	20,463
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		1,348,780	747,194	769,153	(1,257,832)

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	CONSOLIDATED	
	2005	2004
	\$	\$
32. FUNDRAISING APPEALS CONDUCTED DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR		
Information to be furnished under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991		
Fundraising appeals conducted during the financial year included mail appeals, telephone appeals, lotteries, money box collections, and various other fundraising projects and receiving of indirectly solicited donations and unsolicited bequests.		
Results of fundraising appeals		
a) Gross proceeds from fundraising appeals	7,975,261	10,612,354
Less: Direct costs of fundraising appeals	2,371,771	2,850,687
Net surplus obtained from fundraising appeals	5,603,490	7,761,667
b) Application of net surplus obtained from fundraising appeals		
Distributions (expenditure on direct services)	38,073,156	37,295,947
Administration expenses	5,263,563	5,028,124
Community education and information	1,689,370	1,904,871
	45,026,089	44,228,942
Carrying value of non-current investments sold	7,901,414	–
	52,927,503	44,228,942
c) The difference of \$39,422,599 between the \$5,603,490 surplus available from fundraising appeals conducted and total expenditure of \$45,026,089 was provided from the following sources.		
Government grants and subsidies	31,663,247	30,506,334
Rendering of Services	3,336,078	3,725,850
Sale of goods	655,849	731,180
Interest received or receivable	713,852	692,915
Rental Income	533,873	535,474
Other revenues from ordinary activities	2,519,700	275,522
	39,422,599	36,467,275

	2005		2005	2004		2004
	\$	/	%	\$	/	%
Total cost of fundraising/	2,371,771	/		2,850,687	/	
gross income from fundraising	7,975,261		30	10,612,354		27
Net surplus from fundraising/	5,603,490	/		7,761,667	/	
gross income from fundraising	7,975,261		70	10,612,354		73
Total cost of services/	38,073,156	/		37,295,947	/	
total expenditure	45,026,089		85	44,228,942		84
Total cost of services/	38,073,156	/		37,295,947	/	
total income received	45,391,775		84	47,352,983		79

Prior to 1 July 2005 the Company classified expenses for "community education and information" within "fundraising". During 2005, the Company has reviewed and altered its practices and is now classifying expenditures separately for "fundraising" and "community education and information". Comparative figures for 2004 have been restated to be consistent with the 2005 classification.

	2005	2004
	\$	\$
33. DEED OF CROSS GUARANTEE		
Pursuant to ASIC Class Order 98/1418 (as amended) dated 13 August 1998 the wholly-owned subsidiaries listed below are relieved from the Corporations Act 2001 requirements for preparation, audit, and lodgement of financial reports, and Directors' report.		
It is a condition of the Class Order that the Company and each of the subsidiaries enter into a Deed Of Cross Guarantee. The effect of the Deed is that the Company guarantees to each creditor payment in full of any debt in the event of winding up any of the subsidiaries under certain provisions of the Corporations Act 2001. If a winding up occurs under other provisions of the Act, the Company will only be liable in the event that after six months any creditor has not been paid in full. The subsidiaries have also been given similar guarantees in the event that the Company is wound up.		
The subsidiaries subject to the Deed are:		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales – Accommodation South		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales – Accommodation North		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales – Accommodation Hunter		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales – Therapy Services		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales – Community Access Service		
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales – Venee Burges House		
The consolidated statement of financial performance and consolidated statement of financial position, comprising the Company and subsidiaries that are party to the Deed, after eliminating all transactions between parties to the Deed of Cross Guarantee, at 30 June 2005 is set out below.		
(i) Summarised statement of financial performance		
Operating surplus	89,555	964,151
General funds at beginning of the year	12,582,150	11,617,999
General funds at end of the year	12,671,705	12,582,150
(ii) Statement of financial position		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	1,405,848	1,896,296
Receivables	603,640	552,423
Inventories	332,171	279,737
Other	888,665	1,464,641
Land held for resale	855,887	–
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	4,086,211	4,193,097
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Investments	5,527,665	5,272,531
Property, plant and equipment	10,806,500	10,745,497
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	16,334,165	16,018,028
TOTAL ASSETS	20,420,376	20,211,125
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Payables	3,483,505	3,313,961
Provisions	3,515,499	3,272,385
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	6,999,004	6,586,346
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provisions	677,017	601,109
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	677,017	601,109
TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,676,021	7,187,455
NET ASSETS	12,744,355	13,023,670
MEMBERS' EQUITY		
General funds	12,671,705	12,582,150
Asset revaluation reserve	72,650	441,520
TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITY	12,744,355	13,023,670

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34. IMPACT OF ADOPTING AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The consolidated entity must comply with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) for the reporting period commencing on or after 1 January 2005.

This financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian accounting standards and other financial reporting requirements applicable for the reporting period ended 30 June 2005.

The expected impact of adopting AIFRS discussed in the note is based on work-in-progress of the AIFRS project team and may be subject to change. In addition, certain choices of accounting policies and elections under AIFRS are still being analysed to determine the most appropriate policy for the Company and consolidated entity. Further impacts of transition to AIFRS may be identified as the AIFRS project team conclude the implementation project. Accordingly, the potential impacts discussed below should not be regarded as a complete list of changes in accounting policies that will result from the transition to AIFRS. There can be no assurances that all significant impacts of the transition to AIFRS have been identified. The AIFRS project has not been finalised but is expected to be finalised by 30 June 2006.

The Company has allocated internal resources to isolate key areas that will be impacted by the transition to AIFRS. Priority has been given to considering the preparation of an opening balance sheet in accordance with AASB equivalents to AIFRS in the future and is required when the Company prepares its first fully AIFRS compliant financial report for the year ended 30 June 2006.

Set out below are the key areas where accounting policies will change and may have an impact on the financial report of the Company.

- financial instruments must be recognised in the statements of financial position and most financial assets must be carried at fair value. Assets such as trade debtors fall within the definition of financial instruments. At the date of this financial report, AIFRS are not expected to have a material difference on the valuation of the financial instruments in this report.
- changes in accounting policies will be recognised by restating comparatives rather than making current year adjustments with note disclosure of prior year effects.

AIFRS requires that entities complying with AIFRS for the first time also restate their comparative financial statements using all AIFRS except for IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation, IAS 39 Financial Instruments; Recognition and Measurement. This means that the Company's opening AIFRS balance sheet will be a restated comparative balance sheet dated 1 July 2004. Most adjustments required on transition to IFRS will be made, retrospectively, against general funds on 1 July 2004; however transitional adjustments relating to those standards where comparatives are not required will only be made at 1 July 2005.

35. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the consolidated entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity, in future financial years.

