

The Spastic Centre
Annual Report
2008



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For people with cerebral palsy

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THE SPASTIC CENTRE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

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The 61st Annual General Meeting of The Spastic Centre will be held at 4:30pm on Wednesday 19 November 2008 at The Spastic Centre Head Office Terrey Hills, 321 Mona Vale Road, Terrey Hills NSW.

All members are entitled to attend and are cordially invited to do so.

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Report by the President and CEO

This year our founder, Neil McLeod, would have celebrated his 100th birthday. Such an anniversary gives us cause to reflect on what Neil McLeod and his wife Audrie would have thought of our focus and achievements today.

We hope that our members, government funders, corporate donors, supporters and volunteers feel that we continue to honour the mission of our pioneering founders. Ever mindful of the responsibility of our stewardship, we present the Annual Report of the activities of the organisation for the financial year 2007-2008.

Our focus in this period has struck a balance between consolidation and strong growth. In December 2007, The Spastic Centre Head Office was destroyed by a devastating fire. Whilst we were fortunate that there was only a limited impact on services to clients and families, our staff and our organisational infrastructure were significantly affected.

Our sincere thanks go to the many loyal supporters and staff who assisted us during this challenging period. We are pleased to report that all Head Office functions are now restored, operating from rented premises in Terrey Hills. Meanwhile, plans for the redevelopment of the site at Allambie Heights are well advanced.

While we put our house back in order, the driving force of our Strategic Plan 2007-2010 continued unabated. We were able to push forward with the upgrading of our facilities. We proudly opened the Mittiga Centre at Kingswood, the culmination of a partnership with the University of Western Sydney. Joey Mittiga and his family are cherished, loyal supporters of The Spastic Centre. Services for families in south east Sydney were enhanced through the opening of our centre at Penshurst. The Hon. Kristina Keneally MP, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services opened our upgraded and extended Stuart Centre and also our Sargents Kids Quarters in Dubbo, serving the Orana/Far West Region. We thank Mr Ian Allen and the Board of Sargents Charitable Foundation for their outstanding support for families in rural NSW.

Many of our new and upgraded facilities provide an enhancement to our therapy services. Balancing a therapeutic focus with the need to address other life goals and interests, we were delighted to launch the Sportfizz Program, made possible through a generous donation from Aristocrat. This exciting program strengthens self-esteem and social connections, as well as muscles. Sportfizz marks the beginning of our expanded reach into sport, recreation and leisure activities for children and adults with disabilities, supporting them to access specialised programs and also to engage in community based activities.

We have also facilitated social connections in the virtual world. Our CP Blogs project has attracted international attention and continues to gather momentum. People with cerebral palsy, their families and friends are coming together to share their stories online.

Quality of life for people with a disability can be much enhanced through facilitating access to mobility and communication equipment. The Macquarie Group Foundation and the NSW State Government together significantly boosted our capacity to meet more of this need. The Macquarie Group Foundation's annual 20/twenty Challenge, which raises funds for children's equipment, boasted a record number of competitors.

Further afield in our International Program, we were delighted to be present for the first graduation of Community Rehabilitation Assistants in Fiji who have received practical and theoretical training from Spastic Centre staff. In a partnership with AusAID, this ground breaking initiative has successfully found local solutions to disability issues. In the future, the Fiji School of Medicine will deliver the program to participants from across the Asia-Pacific Region, ensuring its sustainability.

The confidence of our outward focus has been underpinned by a solid financial performance, recording a surplus of just under \$3 million. Total income for The Centre was almost \$65 million, the highest yet in the history of The Spastic Centre. Expenditure on direct services for children, adults and their families was \$42.1 million compared to \$38.9 million in the previous period.

Government funding increased by \$4.5 million this year, largely due to annual indexation and the receipt of \$3 million from the NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC) funding in advance. Additionally, the Cerebral Palsy Foundation received \$995,000 in donations for the year, with a further \$3,000,000 in pledges for future years. We salute our donors' generosity and for sharing our dream of a future without cerebral palsy.

Fundraising again had a great year with the total income of \$14.8 million being \$1.5 million up on last year. Sargents Charitable Foundation donated \$1.35 million towards our rural programs. Income from bequests was strong with \$1.949 million being received.

The Board has again agreed that \$1.124 million from the surplus be applied to continue to support the initiatives identified in the Strategic Plan. This includes refurbishment of Venee Burges House, increased adult therapy services, increased respite and recreational programs. This \$1.124 million is additional to the approved budget for 2008-2009.

As part of CP Australia, The Spastic Centre commissioned Access Economics to investigate the economic impact of cerebral palsy in Australia. The report was launched by Bill Shorten MP, Federal Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services. The findings of this significant report are critical to the policy and planning strategies of many key stakeholders.

Pioneer, Neil McLeod always kept his vision for a different future for children and adults with cerebral palsy clearly in his sights. He

had a firm conviction that research would find solutions. We believe that he would have given his wholehearted endorsement to our efforts to push the boundaries of our engagement in research through The Cerebral Palsy Foundation and The Cerebral Palsy Institute. We were honoured that The CP Institute was appointed custodian and manager of the Australian CP Register, an important repository of data for furthering international research. Our visionary corporate supporter, the Macquarie Group Foundation has invested in a professorial position of a Macquarie Group Foundation Chair of Cerebral Palsy. We look forward to significant research advances coming from these initiatives. Our International CP Conference in early 2009 will spotlight The Cerebral Palsy Institute as a centre of excellence in global cerebral palsy research.

A driving force behind these research initiatives has been the collective engagement of the Governors of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation, under the able chairmanship of Mr Bill Bartlett. We thank Bill and his Council for their dedication and focused energy.

Special thanks also to our Goodwill Ambassador, The Hon. John Dowd AO and to The Hon. Margaret Reid AO, our ACT patron, for their tireless encouragement and wisdom.

We thank our individual and our corporate supporters whose generosity continues to strengthen our services and extend our reach and diversity. Increasingly our corporate donors enhance their engagement through volunteering, extending the depth of their partnership and their understanding.

To our clients, families and our staff who are at the core of The Spastic Centre community, we express our appreciation for your loyal support on so many levels.

We also thank our government funders, notably, the Australian Federal Government's Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and the NSW State Government's Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care, Department of Health and Department of Education and Training.

In particular, we express appreciation to the NSW Government for its Stronger Together initiative which is bringing tangible benefits to people with a disability and their families across the state.

We also acknowledge the talented Executive Management team of The Centre and their staff, and thank most sincerely our Board of Directors whose committed, voluntary contribution continues to guide our complex, growing and iconic organisation.

Marelle Thornton AM
President

Rob White
Chief Executive Officer

Highlights of 2007-2008

VOLUNTEERING

- Corporate volunteers from Commonwealth Bank, ING, KPMG, GE, Westpac, NAB, American Express, Ernst & Young, Optus, Macquarie Group and PwC significantly enhanced the services and facilities throughout many of our regions.
- KPMG volunteers built a parents' retreat at Prairiewood and organised the Family Picnic Day there. Our Boccia NSW team were invited by KPMG to participate in several team building days at Wisemans Ferry.
- GE volunteers overhauled the gardens at the Ryde site including the donation of park benches and native plants. They followed this by giving the exterior of the Professional Development and Learning building a fresh coat of paint. GE also generously supported the Golden Slipper Pin and Win Program at Rosehill Gardens Racecourse, providing over 50 volunteers to sell pins.
GE volunteers also hosted three State of Origin evenings at the Merrylands, Ashfield and Ryde houses.
- Several groups from American Express, GE and KPMG accompanied clients on outings to the Easter Show, Car Show, Boat Show and other events.
- The ING Mentoring Group of 30 volunteers completed a total of 99 hours in 2007, helping to build the self esteem of teenagers with disabilities.
Volunteers from the ING Foundation helped over 30 families take part in the Family Fun Run, across the Harbour Bridge. ING also absorbed all registration costs and provided a gourmet breakfast at the finish.
Conductive Education children 'buddied' with ING volunteers for lunch and a visit to Taronga Park Zoo.
- The Greater Building Society supported the Ignition Mentoring Program for teenagers in the Hunter region.
- Lend Lease provided 70 volunteers (including their CEO) and dedicated their global community day to assist The Spastic Centre.
- The Macquarie Group Foundation hosted 350 guests at the Children's Christmas Party held at Allambie Heights.
- Energetic volunteers from the Walt Disney Company renovated the new Sportfritz Gym at McLeod House.
- NAB volunteers held a working bee to improve the building and grounds at Raymond Terrace.
- PwC volunteers attended several practice sessions with our Boccia athletes at Avalon.
- GPT, Lend Lease, Bovis and Charlestown Square staff joined forces to give Wallsend House a makeover. All materials used were also generously donated.

- A large number of volunteers have been recruited to participate in Spastic Centre programs including 'Just Like You!', 'My Time' and 'Sportfritz'.
- Riverview College students participated in a fundraising collection at North Sydney as part of their St Ignatius Day celebrations.

PARTNERSHIPS

- The Spastic Centre was selected to manage the Australian Cerebral Palsy Register; a confidential research database of information about people with cerebral palsy in Australia.
- The Delphi Study was completed, providing a framework for the Cerebral Palsy Institute to set research priorities.
- The Cerebral Palsy Institute awarded \$534,000 in scholarships, six Innovative Research Grants, and two doctoral scholarships co-funded with the National Health and Medical Research Council. The grants program is funded by the Cerebral Palsy Foundation.
- The Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Community Business Partnerships - Large Business Category (NSW winner) recognised our partnership with ING. The breadth and depth of the relationship were highlighted by the judges.
- The Kingswood and Penshurst sites were completed. The Kingswood Centre was established in partnership with the University of Western Sydney and has been named the Mittiga Centre, in honour of Joey Mittiga and his family for their valuable contribution to the work of The Spastic Centre.
- The Spastic Centre hosted staff from five different UCP organisations from across the USA, offering an excellent opportunity to share information and ideas.
- Our partnership with Westfield enabled us to address respite needs of families. The first activity was a pampering day for mothers, with parallel activities for children.
- The Orange Spastic Centre team and the Orange Aboriginal Medical Service signed an agreement engaging The Spastic Centre to provide screening clinics for Aboriginal clients.
- The Yoga Stretch program for children commenced at the V Gym, Sydney.
- Fourteen adult clients attended a week long camp at O'Carrollyn's. The camp provided opportunities for connections between Wallsend residents and people with disabilities living in the community and their families.
- A diversity forum was conducted with Spastic Centre staff in conjunction with the Multicultural Disability Advocacy Association.

- Landcare assessed the Stuart Centre site, recommending ways to make the grounds environmentally sustainable and supportive of native flora and fauna. These recommendations guided the GE volunteers who completed the landscape work during September 2007.

DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDRAISING

- The Hon. Kristina Keneally MP, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, provided a grant of \$220,000 for mobility and communication equipment. The Minister also acknowledged the contribution of Macquarie Group Foundation, and the contribution of their staff towards funding specialised equipment. The Macquarie Group's 20/twenty Challenge raised \$500,000 for equipment for children.
Funding from the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC) enabled the commencement of centre based respite for families at Grevillea Cottage in Sydney's northern beaches.
DADHC also provided a one-off grant of \$155,000 for flexible respite for South West Sydney and \$45,000 for information initiatives for families.
Family Assistance Funds (FAF) of \$208,000 were provided by DADHC, allowing the purchase of goods and services for families facing significant challenges.
Minister Keneally, opened the newly expanded facilities at The Stuart Centre in Newcastle and the new Sargents Kids Quarters in Dubbo.
- Sargents Charitable Foundation generously donated \$1,350,000 to purchase new therapy centres for children in Orange and Maitland.
- Perpetual again funded the Family Care Program with \$50,000, assisting families in developing long term care plans, including legal and financial considerations.
- The donation of \$20,000 from Trust supported Cerebral Palsy Awareness Week activities, including the Perspectives in Print Photographic Exhibition. Trust also purchased equipment following the Head Office fire.
- The City of Sydney (\$10,000) and Clubs NSW (\$10,500) provided funding for the Unlock Your Creativity Program, a 10 week workshop series with 35 participants.
- Orange and District Spastic Centre Council donated \$19,000 to local services.
- ClubsACT (13 Clubs), major sponsor in Canberra, committed to a further three year partnership with funding of \$120,000 per year to support local services. This sponsorship totals \$813,000 as of 1 July, 2008.
- The CFMEU 'Points for Cash' for every home game, which totalled \$30,000, will fund the new 'Life Needs' model programs including 'Hippotherapy' conducted by The Spastic Centre in the ACT.

- John James Memorial Foundation ACT supported the innovative new program 'Talk and Play' with funding of \$25,000.
- Mulwaree Trust Goulburn provided \$20,000 for costly equipment and therapy hours for 'Splash and Play' hydrotherapy and 'Hot Kidz' technology options programs.
- Supabarn Supermarkets sponsored the 'Hot Kidz' program with \$10,000 for the purchase of equipment.
- Funds from the Eric Crawford Estate (\$41,000) were presented by The Hon. Margaret Reid AO to The Spastic Centre in the ACT. Recurrent funding from the Estate will allow a new position for a youth worker to start in 2008.
- AusAid significantly resourced our partnership with the Fiji School of Medicine for the roll out of the CAL Program. CAL training will be offered as a Community Based Rehabilitation certificate course to students from the Asia-Pacific Region. The Spastic Centre will be involved in the development of the curriculum and will play a role in expert consultancy. This development will ensure the future local sustainability of disability support services in the region.
- The Fijian Crippled Children Society (FCCS) Annual Dinner and Golf Day raised over \$75,000 including a \$15,000 donation from the 18 Australian golfers who attended.
- The Might and Power Gala Race Day raised over \$330,000 in support of Spastic Centre rural services.
- The Kick a Goal for Kids Dinner was held at Hornsby RSL Youth Soccer Club, raising a total of \$30,000.
- Col Crawford's 24th Annual Golf Day raised over \$130,000.
- The Italian Affair Committee held their 20th Gala Ball with \$160,000 donated to The Spastic Centre.
- The 5th Mighty Fine Evening, held at Castel D'Oro Fivedock, raised over \$42,000 including a personal donation of \$12,500 from Jeff Fenech.
- Over 130 people attended the McLeod House Reunion.
- The generous donation of \$300,000 from Aristocrat enabled the commencement of the Sportfitz program for metropolitan Sydney.
- Our Boccia team produced the most dominating performance by NSW since Paralympics Boccia was established in Australia. They won five medals, and the Champion State Shield overall award.

- The Jobs@TSC website was launched, enhancing our capacity to attract high quality staff.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

- The Spastic Centre, as part of CP Australia, commissioned Access Economics to investigate the economic impact of cerebral palsy in Australia. The findings of this significant report are critical to the policy and planning strategies of many key stakeholders including government at all levels, non-government service providers, and researchers.
- Dr Robin Way, Spastic Centre Director and daughter of our founders, launched 'Nothing is Impossible' at the Museum of Contemporary Art. This is Neil McLeod's historical account of The Spastic Centre's first 40 years, and is an important reference point for researchers and historians.
- Over 20 seminars on Raising Resilient Children and Behaviour Management were held throughout the state, bringing support and information to many families and service providers.
- 'Elluminate', a virtual classroom/collaboration tool, was introduced to be used for learning and development activities, information sessions, virtual meetings, and research consultations with staff and clients.
- In conjunction with our program in Fiji, we offered a workshop on micro finance and small business for people with disabilities. It received wide media coverage in Fiji, and helped to raise awareness about disability issues.
- The launch of the CP Blogs has provided a place for people with cerebral palsy, their families and friends to come together and share their stories. www.cpblogs.com.au
- Over 100 people attended the Wagga Wagga team's second annual Equipment Expo.
- ChatterCamp, with 50 participants, supported children and families in the use of communication devices.
- The 'Just Like You!' disability awareness program continued to gain momentum with 400 primary school children participating in the program.



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 entity, being the Company and its controlled entities, for the year ended 30 June 2008 and the auditor's report thereon.

The Board of Directors

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



CAIN BECKETT, BEc, MIntS, GAICD

Mr Beckett has been a member of the Board of Directors since November 2003. Mr Beckett is the Chairman of the Research Committee and the Ethics Committee. He is also a member of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Property and Equipment Committee, the Fundraising Committee and the Services Committee. Mr Beckett is currently employed as the Program Manager for Perpetual Corporate Trust's servicing operations and for over eleven years prior to this was a successful management and technology consultant. Mr Beckett represents Australia in Archery and is the No. 1 Australian on the 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, the Research Committee and the Ethics Committee. Dr Best 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. Mr Bryant is also a Director of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd. Mr Bryant has over thirty years experience in public accounting.



ROBERT (BOB) G. MILLER

Mr Miller has been a member of the Board of Directors since May 1999. Mr Miller is a member of the Fundraising Committee, the Finance and Audit Committee and the Property and Equipment Committee. Mr Miller is presently the Principal 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. Mr Miller teaches postgraduate students in Macquarie University's Economics and Finance Division.



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 six 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. Mr Morgan is the Treasurer of Physical Disability Council of NSW and has an interest in raising awareness of the effects of spinal cord compression on adults with cerebral palsy.



VICTOR NOSSAR, MBBS (UNSW), FRACP, FAFPHM

Associate Professor Nossar has been a member of the Board of Directors since June 2006. Associate Professor Nossar is the Associate Dean of the School of Medicine Sydney at The University of Notre Dame Australia. As a Community Paediatrician, he has more than twenty years experience in implementing community-based services to enhance the health and development of children and young people, in Australia and overseas. Associate Professor Nossar was previously a member of the Board from December 1995 until his relocation to South Australia in December 2002.



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 also President and Chairman of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd. Mrs Thornton is a primary school teacher.

**ROBIN WAY, M Mgt, PhD**

Dr Way has been a member of the Board of Directors since November 1995. Dr Way 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 in home support services to maintain people in their homes wherever possible. She has worked extensively within the disability arena and is a member of the NSW State Committee of National Disability Services (NDS) and a member of the Centre for Australian Community Organisations and Management (CACOM) at UTS.

**PETER WHITFIELD, BSc, MAICD**

Mr Whitfield has been a member of the Board of Directors since November 1997. Mr Whitfield is the Chairman of the Property and Equipment Committee, and a member of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Fundraising Committee 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. Twelve 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 has been a member of the Board of Directors since December 2002. Mr Williamson is the Chairman of the Human Resources Committee and is the Board representative on the Enterprise Risk Management Committee. Mr Williamson 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. Mr Williamson holds a Diploma 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.

These Directors are all in office at the date of this report.

Company Secretary

The company secretary at the end of the financial year is:

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 appointed Company Secretary. He is Company Secretary to all Board Committees.

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 and 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 #	7	6	3	3	1	1	3	3	2	1	3	3	4	4	6	6
Dr N. Best	8	7					3	2					4	4	6	6
Mr M. B. Bryant	8	7	4	4					2	2	3	3				
Mr R. Miller #	6	6	1	1					1	1	0	0				
Mr J. Morgan #	7	7					2	1								
Ass. Prof. Victor Nossar	8	7														
Mrs M. A. Thornton AM	8	8	3	3	2	2	3	3	2	2	3	3				
Dr R. Way	8	6			2	1	3	3								
Mr P. Whitfield	8	6	4	3	2	2			2	2	3	3				
Mr B. Williamson #	7	7			2	2										

Denotes leave of absence approved from Board and Committee duties

Directors' Report (continued)

Board Committees

The Board of The Spastic Centre operates through seven standing committees with delegated authority and 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, or take external advice, 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 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 on the nature and scope of service practice and delivery within The Spastic Centre.

The Committee also consults widely with stakeholders about effective service delivery so that issues of duty of care, legal liability and service quality are brought to the Board's attention.

Fundraising Committee

The Fundraising Committee considers 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 which The Spastic Centre controls.

The Committee evaluates advice about land, buildings or items of equipment used by The Spastic Centre.

Research Committee

The Research Committee considers all submissions regarding research in terms of the effective use of organisational resources, applicability to people with cerebral palsy and the alignment to priorities within its research agenda. Approved research projects are referred to the Ethics Committee for consideration and ethical approval.

Ethics Committee

The Ethics Committee ensures full and appropriate consideration is given to any potential risks, harms and benefits associated with participation in a research study. It may propose changes to the study that will manage/minimise risks and improve the understanding of potential harms and benefits so that participants are able to provide informed consent.

Governance

The Company and its controlled entities operate as companies limited by guarantee with the exception of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd which is a proprietary limited company. The Company is governed by Directors who are elected by the members in a general meeting. Any member of the Company can stand for election to the Board, if correctly nominated. The Articles of Association limit the number of Directors to a minimum of five and a maximum of ten. Half of the Directors retire each year. Resolution requirements for general meetings are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001.

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 services offered. There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the consolidated entity during the year.

Operating and Financial Review

The operating surplus of the consolidated entity for the financial year was \$2,757,522 (2006-2007: \$9,431,265 surplus). The Company is exempt from Income Tax.

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 that are 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. The Board believes that the consolidated entity has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements.

Events Subsequent to Balance Date

Subsequent to 30 June 2008 and as at the date of the authorisation of this financial report, the changes in the market prices of the consolidated entity's investments in listed securities would result in a decrease in the carrying value of those investments by \$437,841. No impairment loss has been recognised in this financial report in respect of the changes referred to above.

Other than the 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 are prohibited by their Constitutions from paying dividends.

Likely Developments

The Directors do not believe it likely 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 (NSW) Act 1991. That authority remains in force until 1 September 2009.

Tax Deductibility of Donations

The Spastic Centre and its controlled entities are deductible gift recipients 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 21 to 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

Since the end of the previous financial year, the Company has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability of any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Company. Since the end of the previous financial year, the Company has paid premiums in respect of directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses' insurance contracts. Such insurance contracts insure against certain liability (subject to specific exclusions) for persons who are or have been directors or executive officers of the Company. The directors have not included details of the nature of the liabilities covered nor the amount of the premium paid in respect of the directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses' insurance contracts, as such disclosure is prohibited under the terms of the contract.

Lead Auditor Independence Declaration

The Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration is set out on page 10 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2008.

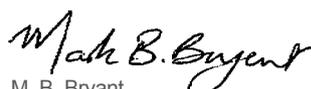
Members

As at 30 June 2008 there were 479 members (2007: 520 members) of the Company.

The Directors' Report was authorised for issue by the Directors dated at Terrey Hills this 15 October 2008.



M. A. Thornton, AM
Director



M. B. Bryant
Director



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Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration

under section 307C of the Corporations 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 2008 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

KPMG
Sydney, 15 October 2008



Kathy Ostin,
Partner



Directors' Declaration

for the year ended 30 June 2008

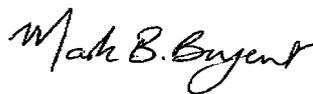
1. In the opinion of the directors of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales (the Company):
 - (a) the financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 14 to 33 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's and the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
 - (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
2. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the group entities identified in note 24 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are or may become subject to by virtue of the Deed of Cross Guarantee between the Company and those group entities pursuant to ASIC Class Order 98/1418.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:



M. A. Thornton, AM
Director

Terrey Hills
15 October 2008



M. B. Bryant
Director

Terrey Hills
15 October 2008

Declaration by

Chief Executive Officer

in respect of fundraising appeals

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

- (a) the financial report gives 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 2008;
- (b) the income statement gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2008;
- (c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with for the financial year ended 30 June 2008; 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.



Rob White
Chief Executive Officer

Terrey Hills
15 October 2008



Independent Audit Report

to the members of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales

We have audited the accompanying financial report of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales ("the Company"), which comprises the balance sheets as at 30 June 2008, and the income statements, statements of changes in equity and cash flow statements for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes 1 to 30 and the directors' declaration set out on page 11 of the Consolidated Entity comprising the Company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Act 2001. This responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

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

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

We performed the procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian

Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Company's financial position and of its performance.

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.

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

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

Auditor's opinion pursuant to the Corporations Act 2001

In our opinion, 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 and the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - ii. complying Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for qualified auditor's opinion pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991

Fundraising is a source of revenue for The Spastic Centre of New South Wales. As a result of the loss of documentation in the fire on 21 December 2007, we are unable to test the controls over the collection of the fundraising revenue prior to its entry into the financial records throughout the full year. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from some of 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 for the current financial year 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 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 2008;
- b) the financial report has been properly drawn up, and the associated records have been properly kept for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008, 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 2007 to 30 June 2008 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

KPMG

Kathy Ostin

Kathy Ostin
Partner

Sydney
15 October 2008

Balance Sheets

as at 30 June 2008

	NOTE	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2008 \$	2007 \$	2008 \$	2007 \$
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	8	12,926,569	9,910,611	12,819,795	9,823,709
Trade and other receivables	9	3,175,490	2,061,266	3,554,492	2,128,779
Inventories	10	412,229	421,388	412,229	421,388
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		16,514,288	12,393,265	16,786,516	12,373,876
NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Other investments	11	15,308,580	18,383,717	7,108,016	9,618,931
Property, plant and equipment	12	11,622,994	11,371,074	11,622,994	11,371,074
Intangible assets	13	315,190	-	315,190	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		27,246,764	29,754,791	19,046,200	20,990,005
TOTAL ASSETS		43,761,052	42,148,056	35,832,716	33,363,881
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Trade and other payables	14	6,909,821	6,536,256	14,091,617	9,446,542
Employee benefits	15	4,505,401	4,055,911	1,781,211	1,555,073
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		11,415,222	10,592,167	15,872,828	11,001,615
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Employee benefits	16	814,391	784,712	375,708	362,135
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		814,391	784,712	375,708	362,135
TOTAL LIABILITIES		12,229,613	11,376,879	16,248,536	11,363,750
NET ASSETS		31,531,439	30,771,177	19,584,180	22,000,131
EQUITY					
General funds		32,150,992	29,393,470	19,822,129	21,372,456
Asset revaluation reserve	17	(619,553)	1,377,707	(237,949)	627,675
TOTAL EQUITY		31,531,439	30,771,177	19,584,180	22,000,131

The balance sheets are to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 18 to 33.

Income Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2008

	NOTE	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2008 \$	2007 \$	2008 \$	2007 \$
Revenue from government funding	5	41,167,227	36,682,482	41,167,227	36,682,482
Revenue from fundraising and bequests		14,796,475	13,345,362	14,796,475	13,345,362
Revenue from rendering of services		3,616,164	5,019,981	3,616,164	5,019,981
Revenue from sale of goods		678,399	789,276	678,399	789,276
Other Income		-	-	450,966	479,989
Insurance claim received - fire	30	1,792,529	-	1,792,529	-
Financial income - interest		1,076,870	463,005	950,533	429,280
Financial income - distributions from trusts and dividends		1,177,247	1,319,561	566,659	547,022
Rental income		154,852	289,100	154,852	289,100
Gain on sale of assets held for resale		-	2,354,096	-	2,354,096
Gain on sale of other investments		-	984,619	-	494,959
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment		128,242	232,061	128,242	232,061
Total revenue and other income		64,588,005	61,479,543	64,302,046	60,663,608
Accommodation expenses		14,324,967	13,032,566	14,324,967	13,032,566
Individual and family support expenses		16,172,707	14,376,836	16,172,707	14,215,109
Employment services expenses		5,314,498	5,176,081	5,314,498	5,176,081
Community access service expenses		4,641,576	4,647,629	4,641,576	4,647,629
Fundraising expenses		3,789,433	3,496,492	3,789,433	3,496,492
Community education and information		2,744,072	2,531,942	2,744,072	2,531,942
Technical services expenses		1,638,621	1,610,690	1,638,621	1,610,690
Cost of goods sold		383,120	541,308	383,120	541,308
Realised loss on sale of other investments		1,117,584	-	560,180	-
Impairment loss on other investments		2,338,536	-	1,171,557	-
Financial expenses	7	7,347	6,715	7,347	6,715
Administration expenses		7,499,071	6,628,019	7,429,832	6,563,222
Donation to The Cerebral Palsy Foundation	7	-	-	5,815,512	-
Fire expenses	30	1,533,745	-	1,533,745	-
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	30	325,206	-	325,206	-
Total expenses	7	61,830,483	52,048,278	65,852,373	51,821,754
Operating surplus/(deficit) for the year before income tax		2,757,522	9,431,265	(1,550,327)	8,841,854
Income tax expense	2(m)	-	-	-	-
Operating surplus/(deficit) for the year after income tax		2,757,522	9,431,265	(1,550,327)	8,841,854

The income statements are to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 18 to 33.

Statements of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2008

	CONSOLIDATED			THE COMPANY		
	General Funds	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Total Equity	General Funds	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Total Equity
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2006	19,962,205	510,306	20,472,511	12,530,602	229,708	12,760,310
Net change in fair value of other investments	-	867,401	867,401	-	397,967	397,967
Total income and expense recognised directly in equity	-	867,401	867,401	-	397,967	397,967
Operating surplus for the year	9,431,265	-	9,431,265	8,841,854	-	8,841,854
Total recognised income & expense	9,431,265	867,401	10,298,666	8,841,854	397,967	9,239,821
Balance at 30 June 2007	29,393,470	1,377,707	30,771,177	21,372,456	627,675	22,000,131
Balance at 1 July 2007	29,393,470	1,377,707	30,771,177	21,372,456	627,675	22,000,131
Net change in fair value of other investments	-	(1,997,260)	(1,997,260)	-	(865,624)	(865,624)
Total income and expense recognised directly in equity	-	(1,997,260)	(1,997,260)	-	(865,624)	(865,624)
Operating surplus/(deficit) for the year	2,757,522	-	2,757,522	(1,550,327)	-	(1,550,327)
Total recognised income and expense	2,757,522	(1,997,260)	760,262	(1,550,327)	(865,624)	(2,415,951)
Balance at 30 June 2008	32,150,992	(619,553)	31,531,439	19,822,129	(237,949)	19,584,180

The statements of changes in equity are to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 18 to 33.

Cash Flow Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2008

	NOTE	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
		2008 \$	2007 \$	2008 \$	2007 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash receipts in the course of operations		68,738,803	59,814,029	68,738,803	59,772,779
Cash payments to suppliers and employees		(63,721,311)	(52,698,165)	(65,296,055)	(52,459,176)
Net cash from operating activities	26	5,017,492	7,115,864	3,442,748	7,313,603
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Interest received		1,076,870	463,005	950,533	429,280
Distributions from trusts and dividends		1,177,247	1,319,561	566,659	547,022
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	12	(2,474,895)	(2,692,339)	(2,474,895)	(2,692,339)
Acquisition of intangible assets	13	(315,190)	-	(315,190)	-
Net (purchase) / sale of other investments		(2,378,243)	(3,468,662)	(86,446)	(2,879,310)
Acquisition of developed property held for resale		-	(48,421)	-	(48,421)
Proceeds from assets held for sale		-	3,300,587	-	3,300,587
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		920,024	1,574,030	920,024	1,574,030
Net cash from/(to) investing activities		(1,994,187)	447,761	(439,315)	230,849
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Financing costs		(7,347)	(6,715)	(7,347)	(6,715)
Net cash used in financing activities		(7,347)	(6,715)	(7,347)	(6,715)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		3,015,958	7,556,910	2,996,086	7,537,737
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		9,910,611	2,353,701	9,823,709	2,285,972
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	8	12,926,569	9,910,611	12,819,795	9,823,709

The cash flow statements are to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 18 to 33.

Financial Notes

Notes to and forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2008

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1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

Reporting entity

The Spastic Centre of New South Wales ("the Company") is a company domiciled in Australia. The address of the Company's registered office is 321 Mona Vale Road, Terrey Hills, NSW 2084. The consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2008 comprise the Company and its controlled entities (together referred to as the 'consolidated entity'). The principal activities of the consolidated entity 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 services offered.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 15 October 2008.

a) Statement of compliance

The financial report is a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (AASBs) (including Australian interpretations) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Corporations Act 2001. 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 of the income statements are not appropriate. The words "Operating Surplus/(Deficit)" have been substituted for the terms "Net Profit/(Loss)" in the prescribed format of the income statements.

b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for available for sale financial assets which are measured at fair value. The methods used to measure fair values are discussed further in note 3.

c) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company's and the consolidated entity's functional currency.

d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from the estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate was revised and in any future periods affected.

In particular, information about significant areas of estimation uncertainty and critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amount recognised in the financial statements are described in the following notes:

- note 15 and 16 - employee benefits provisions; and
- note 25 - financial instruments

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements and by all entities comprised within the consolidated entity.

a) New standards and interpretations issued but not effective

The following standards, amendments to standards and interpretations have been identified as those which may impact the consolidated entity in the period of initial application. These are available for early adoption at 30 June 2008 but have not been applied in preparing this financial report.

- Revised AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements (September 2007) which introduces as a financial statement (formerly "primary" statement) the "statement of comprehensive

income". The revised standard does not change the recognition, measurement or disclosure of transactions and events that are required by other AASBs. The revised AASB 101 will become mandatory for the consolidated entity's 30 June 2010 financial statements. The consolidated entity has not yet determined the potential effect of the revised standard on its disclosures.

b) Basis of consolidation

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Company. Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. In assessing control, potential voting rights that presently are exercisable or convertible are taken into account. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. In the Company's financial statements, investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost.

Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intragroup balances and any unrealised gains and losses or income and expenses arising from intragroup transactions are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

c) Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise investments in listed equity securities, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and trade and other payables.

Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value plus, for instruments not at fair value through profit or loss, any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below.

A financial instrument is recognised if the consolidated entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognised if the consolidated entity's contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or if the consolidated entity transfers the financial asset to another party without retaining control or substantially all risks and rewards of the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the consolidated entity's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the consolidated entity's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the statement of cash flows.

Accounting for finance income and expense is discussed in note 2(h) and 2(l) respectively.

Available for sale financial assets

The consolidated entity's investments in listed equity securities are classified as available-for-sale financial assets. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are measured at fair value and changes therein, other than impairment losses (see note 2(k)) are recognised as a separate component of equity. When an investment is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss in equity is transferred to profit or loss.

Other

Other non-derivative financial instruments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

d) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, with net realisable value being the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and selling expenses. Cost is based on the first-in first-out principle and includes expenditure incurred in bringing them to their present condition and location.

e) Property, plant and equipment

Owned assets

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes

expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

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 forms the deemed cost of such donated assets.

Gains and losses on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds of disposal with the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment.

Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the consolidated entity and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Depreciation and amortisation

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

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

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

	2008	2007
Buildings	4%	4%
Crown Land Improvements	4%	4%
Plant and Equipment	15-25%	15-25%
Motor Vehicles	15-20%	15-20%

The residual value, the useful life and the depreciation method applied to an asset are reassessed at the reporting date.

Land and buildings are independently valued every three years (see note 12).

f) Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired by the consolidated entity that have infinite useful lives are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Amortisation

Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of the intangible assets from the date they are available for use. The estimated useful life of computer software for the current and comparative periods is 3 years.

g) Employee benefits

Defined contribution superannuation funds

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution

plans are recognised as a personnel expense in profit or loss when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in future payments is available.

Short-term benefits

Liabilities for employee benefits for wages, salaries, annual leave and sick leave represent present obligations resulting from employees' services provided to reporting date and are 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, such as workers' compensation insurance and superannuation. Non-accumulating non-monetary benefits, such as medical care, housing, cars and free or subsidised goods and services, are expensed based on the net marginal cost to the consolidated entity as the benefits are taken by the employees.

Long-term service benefits

The consolidated entity's net obligation in respect of long-term service benefits is the amount of future benefits that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using expected future increases in wages and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates.

h) Revenue and Income

Total revenue is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Government funding

Income from non reciprocal grants is recognised when the consolidated entity obtains control of the grant or the right to receive the grant; it is probable that the economic benefits comprising the grant will flow to the consolidated entity; and the amount of grant can be measured reliably. Income from such grants is therefore recognised on receipt as the revenue recognition criteria are met when the consolidated entity receives those grants.

Government grants which are reciprocal in nature, i.e. those grants which are received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled and have to be returned if the consolidated entity fails to meet the attached conditions, are initially recognised as deferred revenue (liability) with revenue recognised as the services are performed or conditions are fulfilled.

Fundraising and bequests

Income from non reciprocal donations is recognised when the consolidated entity obtains control of the donation or the right to receive the donation; it is probable that the economic benefits comprising the donation will flow to the consolidated entity; and the amount of donation can be measured reliably. Income from such donations is therefore recognised on receipt as the revenue recognition criteria are met when the consolidated entity receives those donations.

Donations which are reciprocal in nature, i.e. those donations which are received on the condition that specified services are delivered, or conditions are fulfilled and have to be returned if the consolidated entity fails to meet the attached conditions, are initially recognised as deferred revenue (liability) with revenue recognised as the services are performed or conditions are fulfilled.

Revenue from legacies comprising bequests of shares or other property is recognised at fair value, being the market value of the asset received at the date on which the consolidated entity becomes legally entitled to the asset.

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 transaction.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, recovery of the consideration is probable, the associated costs and possible return of goods can be estimated reliably, there

is no continuing management involvement, and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably.

Financial income

Interest income is recognised as it accrues. Dividend income is recognised on the date the consolidated entity's right to receive payments is established, which in the case of equity investments is the ex-dividend date.

Financial income is separately recognised in the income statement.

Rental income

Rental income is recognised in the income statement on a straight line basis over the life of the lease.

i) Volunteer workers

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

j) 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 balance sheet.

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 are classified as operating cash flows.

k) Impairment

Financial assets

A financial asset is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is considered to be impaired if objective evidence indicates that one or more events have had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount, and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. An impairment loss in respect of an available-for-sale financial asset is calculated by reference to its fair value.

Individually significant financial assets are tested for impairment on an individual basis. The remaining financial assets are assessed collectively in groups that share similar credit risk characteristics.

All impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any cumulative loss in respect of an available-for-sale financial asset recognised previously in equity is transferred to profit or loss.

An impairment loss is reversed if the reversal can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised. For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the reversal is recognised in profit or loss. For available-for-sale financial assets that are equity securities, the reversal is recognised directly in equity.

Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the consolidated entity's non-financial assets, other than inventories, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. For intangible assets that have indefinite lives or that are not yet available for use, recoverable amount is estimated at each reporting date.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash flows that largely are independent from other assets and groups. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating

units are allocated to reduce the carrying amount of assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

l) Expenses

Operating lease payments

The consolidated entity has entered into leases of properties, motor vehicles and office equipment as disclosed in note 19. Management has determined that all the risks and rewards of ownership of these premises, vehicles and equipment remain with the lessor and has therefore classified the leases as operating leases.

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the income statement on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Financial expenses

Financial expenses represent interest relating to interest-bearing liabilities and bank overdraft fees. Financial expenses are recognised using the effective interest rate method.

m) 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. The Spastic Centre and its controlled entities are deductible gift recipients as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act.

3. DETERMINATION OF FAIR VALUES

A number of the consolidated entity's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. Fair values have been determined for measurement and/or disclosure purposes based on the following methods. When applicable, further information about the assumptions made in determining fair values is disclosed in the notes specific to that asset or liability.

Property

The fair value of property disclosed in the financial report is based on market values. The market value of property is the estimated amount for which a property could be exchanged on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion.

Investments in equity and debt securities

The fair value of available-for-sale financial assets is determined by reference to their quoted bid price at the reporting date.

Non-derivative financial liabilities

Fair value, which is determined for disclosure purposes, is calculated based on the present value of future principal and interest cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest at the reporting date.

4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Overview

The Company and the consolidated entity have exposure to the following risks from their use of financial instruments:

- credit risk
- liquidity risk
- market risk

This note presents information about the Company's and the consolidated entity's exposure to each of the above risks, their objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout this financial report.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the risk management framework. The Board has established the Finance and Audit Committee, which is responsible for developing and monitoring risk management policies. The Committee reports regularly to the Board on its activities.

Risk management policies have been established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Company and consolidated entity, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Company's and consolidated entity's activities. The Company and the consolidated entity, through their training and management standards and procedures, aim to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company or consolidated entity if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Company's and consolidated entity's receivables from customers. For the Company, this risk also arises from receivables due from subsidiaries.

Exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by individual characteristics of each customer and there are no significant concentrations of credit risk. The Risk Management Committee has established a policy under which each new customer is analysed for creditworthiness before the consolidated entity's standard payment terms and conditions are offered. In monitoring customer credit risk, customers are grouped according to their credit characteristics.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company and the consolidated entity will not be able to meet their financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's and the consolidated entity's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that they will always have sufficient liquidity to meet their obligations, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the consolidated entity's reputation.

The consolidated entity ensures that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses for a period of 60 days. This excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted. In addition, the consolidated entity maintains the following lines of credit (refer note 18 and 20 for details).

- \$500,000 overdraft facility; and
- Bank guarantee facility, which has a maximum limit of \$1,590,000.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices will affect the Company's or consolidated entity's income or the value of their holdings of financial instruments. Both the Company and the consolidated entity are not exposed to significant currency and interest rate risk. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

Equity price risk

The primary goal of the Company's and consolidated entity's investment strategy is to maximise investment returns in order to partially meet the Company's and consolidated entity's unfunded expenditure; management is assisted by external advisors in this regard. All of the consolidated entity's investments are listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
	\$	\$	\$	\$
5. GOVERNMENT FUNDING				
The following Government support is included under Government funding:				
Commonwealth Government				
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	3,189,858	2,946,218	3,189,858	2,946,218
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	1,482,096	1,707,289	1,482,096	1,707,289
Department of Innovation, Science and Research	170,487	700,403	170,487	700,403
	4,842,441	5,353,910	4,842,441	5,353,910
NSW Government				
Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care	35,294,707	30,357,149	35,294,707	30,357,149
Health Department	637,086	581,454	637,086	581,454
Department of Education and Training	392,993	389,969	392,993	389,969
	36,324,786	31,328,572	36,324,786	31,328,572
Total Government funding	41,167,227	36,682,482	41,167,227	36,682,482

6. REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS

Audit services:

Auditors of the Company - KPMG Australia

Audit of the financial report	148,500	79,700	148,500	79,700
Other regulatory audit services	20,500	12,800	20,500	12,800
	169,000	92,500	169,000	92,500

KPMG Australia did not render any non-audit services to the Company or to any other company in the consolidated entity in the current or the prior year.

7. EXPENSES

Expenses include the following items:

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,105,987	1,094,259	1,105,987	1,094,259
Impairment of trade and other receivables	11,902	21,466	11,902	21,466
Employee benefits expense (includes payments to defined contribution superannuation funds of \$2,711,446 (2007 \$2,467,682))	5,875,236	5,217,667	5,875,236	1,533,425
Rental expense on operating leases	1,495,635	1,754,188	1,495,635	1,754,188
Financial expenses - Interest and fee expense	7,347	6,715	7,347	6,715
Donation to The Cerebral Palsy Foundation	-	-	5,815,512	-

The Cerebral Palsy Foundation is wholly controlled by The Spastic Centre of New South Wales.

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
	\$	\$	\$	\$
8. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS				
Cash at bank and in hand	4,963,662	3,348,381	4,856,888	3,261,479
Short-term bank deposits	7,962,907	6,562,230	7,962,907	6,562,230
	12,926,569	9,910,611	12,819,795	9,823,709

9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES - CURRENT				
Trade receivables	698,360	753,004	698,360	753,004
Other receivables	2,071,215	876,142	1,928,115	733,493
Prepaid Insurance	405,915	432,120	405,915	432,120
Receivables from wholly-owned subsidiaries	-	-	522,102	210,162
	3,175,490	2,061,266	3,554,492	2,128,779

Trade receivables are shown net of impairment losses of \$52,656 (2007: \$40,754).

Other receivables in the Company include franking credits recoverable from the ATO amounting to \$121,233 (2007: \$163,976).

10. INVENTORIES				
Non-manufacturing stores	412,229	421,388	412,229	421,388

11. OTHER INVESTMENTS				
Listed equity securities available for sale	15,308,580	18,383,717	7,108,014	9,618,929
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-	2	2
	15,308,580	18,383,717	7,108,016	9,618,931

Listed equity securities available for sale are carried at fair value being the quoted market price at reporting date. Macquarie Private Portfolio Management Limited invests funds on behalf of the consolidated entity in Australian shares, property trusts and investment trusts.

Sensitivity analysis - equity price risk

At the reporting date, there is a significant concentration of credit risk in relation to listed equity securities as all such securities of the consolidated entity and the Company are listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.

An increase of 100 basis points in Australian Securities Exchange at the reporting date would have increased equity by \$153,085 (2007: \$183,837) and \$71,080 (2007: \$96,189) in the consolidated entity and the Company respectively. A decrease of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have decreased equity by the same amount.

	CONSOLIDATED AND THE COMPANY						
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Freehold Land	Buildings	Improvements to Crown Land	Plant and Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Capital Works in Progress	Total
12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT							
Cost							
At 1 July 2006	3,009,893	5,908,364	3,165,182	646,631	3,477,547	704,993	16,912,610
Acquisitions	-	388,788	-	-	2,303,551	-	2,692,339
Transfers	-	704,993	-	-	-	(704,993)	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(2,077,216)	-	(2,077,216)
At 30 June 2007	3,009,893	7,002,145	3,165,182	646,631	3,703,882	-	17,527,733
At 1 July 2007	3,009,893	7,002,145	3,165,182	646,631	3,703,882	-	17,527,733
Acquisitions	-	-	-	738,425	1,736,470	-	2,474,895
Disposals	-	-	(1,906,232)	(353,609)	(1,256,545)	-	(3,516,386)
At 30 June 2008	3,009,893	7,002,145	1,258,950	1,031,447	4,183,807	-	16,486,242
Depreciation and impairment losses							
At 1 July 2006	-	1,888,434	2,405,538	605,895	897,780	-	5,797,647
Depreciation charge for the year	-	236,335	126,606	14,131	717,187	-	1,094,259
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(735,247)	-	(735,247)
At 30 June 2007	-	2,124,769	2,532,144	620,026	879,720	-	6,156,659
At 1 July 2007	-	2,124,769	2,532,144	620,026	879,720	-	6,156,659
Depreciation charge for the year	-	280,086	126,607	14,290	685,004	-	1,105,987
Disposals	-	-	(1,601,235)	(333,400)	(464,763)	-	(2,399,398)
At 30 June 2008	-	2,404,855	1,057,516	300,916	1,099,961	-	4,863,248
Carrying amounts							
At 1 July 2006	3,009,893	4,019,930	759,644	40,736	2,579,767	704,993	11,114,963
At 30 June 2007	3,009,893	4,877,376	633,038	26,605	2,824,162	-	11,371,074
At 1 July 2007	3,009,893	4,877,376	633,038	26,605	2,824,162	-	11,371,074
At 30 June 2008	3,009,893	4,597,290	201,434	730,531	3,083,846	-	11,622,994

The head office of the Company, including its contents, was destroyed by fire on 16 December 2007. It is believed that the Company is adequately covered by insurance.

Details of the impairment loss on property, plant and equipment are provided in note 30 and these losses are included within disposals shown above.

12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Independent valuations in 2008, 2007 and 2006 of land and buildings were carried out on the basis of current and future usage.

The 2008 land and building valuations were carried out by the following independent valuers, Jones Lang LaSalle (NSW) Pty Ltd (Wallsend and Croudace Bay), Terry Hanrahan (Valuations) (Moruya) and Kenny & Good Pty Ltd (Prairiewood).

The 2007 land and building valuations were carried out by the following independent valuers, Geoff Fitzsimmons & Associates Pty Ltd who valued the properties at Wagga, Nowra, Sefton, Brookvale, Chester Hill and St Ives - 6 Stanley Street. Land and building valuations for 2006 were carried out by Kenny and Good Pty Ltd with the exception of Dubbo which was carried out by Benchmark Property Advisory.

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 2008	Fair Value	Date of Valuation
Freehold Land			
Dee Why - 14 South Creek Road	175,000	500,000	2006
Dubbo -140 Gipps Street	110,000	110,000	2006
Wagga - 38 Murray Street	115,000	180,000	2007
Nowra - 51 Plunkett Street	98,400	200,000	2007
Sefton - 1 Iris Street	260,000	330,000	2007
Brookvale - 43 Carter Street	515,500	880,000	2007
St Ives - 6 Stanley Street	924,993	1,880,000	2007
Prairiewood - 224 to 244 Restwell Road	525,000	1,820,000	2008
Wallsend - 9 Iranda Grove	60,000	220,000	2008
Wallsend - 11 Iranda Grove	60,000	230,000	2008
Moruya - 2809 Princes Highway	140,000	125,000	2008
Croudace Bay - 61 Parklea Avenue	26,000	815,000	2008
	3,009,893	7,290,000	

	Written Down Value 30 June 2008	Fair Value	Date of Valuation
Buildings			
Dee Why - 14 South Creek Road	69,520	250,000	2006
St Ives - 349 Mona Vale Road	140,000	300,000	2006
The Thornton Centre (VB Lifestyles)	241,131	520,000	2006
Dubbo -140 Gipps Street	563,007	167,500	2006
Wagga - 38 Murray Street	255,376	260,000	2007
Nowra - 51 Plunkett Street	268,609	240,000	2007
Sefton - 1 Iris Street	146,173	195,000	2007
Brookvale - 43 Carter Street	309,697	480,000	2007
Chester Hill - 161 Waldron Road	120,000	560,000	2007
St Ives - 6 Stanley Street	52,472	120,000	2007
Moruya - 2809 Princes Highway	357,176	355,000	2008
Prairiewood - 224 to 244 Restwell Road	1,036,306	3,080,000	2008
Wallsend - 9 Iranda Grove	130,148	205,000	2008
Wallsend - 11 Iranda Grove	130,149	195,000	2008
Croudace Bay - 61 Parklea Avenue	777,526	1,005,000	2008
	4,597,290	7,932,500	

The written down value recorded for the Dubbo building includes renovations at cost of \$425,945, not included in the 2006 year's valuation.

Improvements to Crown Land	201,434	2,180,000	2006
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Improvements to Crown land are buildings at Allambie which include McLeod House, Venee Burges House, cottages and Hydrotherapy Pool. The 2006 valuation has been adjusted for the buildings destroyed in the fire.

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 understood that it is not their present intention to seek a refund of their interest in those assets. In the event of a sale of these properties, repayment of grants is not required, provided the funds are used in a way approved by them. It is the Directors' intention that such funds be used in such a way.

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
	\$	\$	\$	\$
13. INTANGIBLE ASSET				
Computer software fully in use (cost and carrying amount)	145,090	-	145,090	-
Computer software acquired during the year not yet in use	170,100	-	170,100	-
	315,190	-	315,190	-

No amortisation or impairment loss was recognised during the year in respect of the computer software fully in use.

14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES - CURRENT

Trade payables	2,216,672	1,072,815	2,216,672	1,072,815
Government funding received in advance	1,971,542	2,782,710	1,971,542	2,782,710
Other creditors and accruals	1,556,693	1,438,936	1,467,905	1,411,595
Deferred revenue	1,164,914	1,241,795	1,164,914	1,241,795
Other payables to wholly-owned entities	-	-	7,270,584	2,937,627
	6,909,821	6,536,256	14,091,617	9,446,542

Payables to wholly-owned entities are non interest bearing and are repayable on demand.

15. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - CURRENT

Salaries and wages accrued	210,363	147,112	70,517	45,283
Liability for long service leave	1,831,681	1,673,866	870,082	755,535
Liability for annual leave	2,463,357	2,234,933	840,612	754,255
	4,505,401	4,055,911	1,781,211	1,555,073

16. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - NON-CURRENT

Liability for long service leave	814,391	784,712	375,708	362,135
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17. ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE

The asset revaluation reserve records the cumulative net changes in the fair value of listed equity securities available-for-sale until the investment is derecognised. However, impairment losses in respect of these securities are recognised in profit or loss.

18. FINANCING FACILITIES

The consolidated entity has access to the following lines of credit at balance date (all unused):

Bank overdraft	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
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The bank overdraft facility is secured by a floating charge over the assets of the consolidated entity.

19. OPERATING LEASES

Leases as lessee

Future operating lease commitments not provided for in the financial statements and payable:

- not later than one year	1,275,958	1,358,274	1,275,958	1,358,274
- later than one year but not later than five years	1,259,335	1,827,077	1,259,335	1,827,077
- later than five years	16,060	16,425	16,060	16,425
	2,551,353	3,201,776	2,551,353	3,201,776

The consolidated entity leases a number of properties, wheel-chair accessible motor vehicles and IT equipment. None of these leases included contingent rentals. Details are as follows:

Type	Term	Option to Renew	Future Increments
Properties	0 - 24 Months	Yes	Annually (CPI)
Land	50 Years	Yes	None
Motor Vehicles	36 Months	Yes	None
IT Equipment	36 - 60 Months	Yes	None

CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
2008	2007	2008	2007
\$	\$	\$	\$

20. 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 of the opinion that provisions are not required in respect of these matters, as it is not probable that a future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required or the amount is not capable of reliable measurement.

Commonwealth Bank of Australia - Autopay Facility	1,088,000	1,055,877	1,088,000	1,055,877
Permanent Trustee Australia - Spring St Chatswood	17,027	17,027	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
	1,177,149	1,145,026	1,177,149	1,145,026

The consolidated entity's bank guarantee facility has a maximum limit of \$1,590,000 (2007: \$1,150,000) of which \$1,177,149 (2007: \$1,145,026) was used as at balance date.

21. RELATED PARTY INFORMATION

Transactions with related parties

The ultimate parent entity provides administration services for controlled entities, for which it is not reimbursed.

During the financial year, the ultimate parent entity received grants of \$251,564 (2007: \$479,989) from The Cerebral Palsy Foundation, an entity wholly-controlled by The Spastic Centre of NSW, to contribute to the funding of research, work on the CP Register and the International Development Program. The Cerebral Palsy Foundation also made grants of \$170,227 (2007: \$161,727) to The Cerebral Palsy Institute, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

In the current financial year, the ultimate parent entity donated \$5,815,512 (2007: \$nil) to The Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

Wholly-owned subsidiaries charge 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 receivable/payable to entities wholly owned controlled by the Company at balance date are:

Receivables	-	-	522,102	210,162
Payables	-	-	7,270,584	2,937,627

Directors' compensation

One director received compensation during the year of \$6,412 (2007: \$3,540) in his capacity as an employee. The directors act in an honorary capacity and received no compensation for their services as Directors.

Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel compensation is as follows:

Short-term benefits	1,209,530	1,048,445	1,209,530	1,048,445
Long-term benefits	24,410	23,335	24,410	23,335
	1,233,940	1,071,780	1,233,940	1,071,780

22. MEMBERS' 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 2008 there were 479 members (2007: 520).

23. 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" with the exception of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd.

24. CONSOLIDATED ENTITIES

Particulars in relation to controlled entities all of which are incorporated in Australia

	CONSOLIDATED INTEREST HELD	
	2008	2007
Ultimate parent entity	%	%
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales		
Subsidiaries 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
The Cerebral Palsy Institute	100	100
The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd	100	100

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

Refer to note 28 for details of Deed of Cross Guarantee.

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Exposure to credit, impairment losses, liquidity risks and interest rate risks arise in the normal course of the Company and the consolidated entity's business.

Credit risk

Management has a credit policy in place and the exposure to credit risk is monitored on an ongoing basis. Credit evaluations are performed on all customers requiring credit over a certain amount. The Company and the consolidated entity do not normally require collateral in respect of financial assets.

As at the balance date there are no significant concentrations of credit risk (2007: none).

Exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of the consolidated entity's and the Company's financial assets represent the maximum credit exposure. The consolidated entity's and the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was:

	Note	CONSOLIDATED Carrying Amount		THE COMPANY Carrying Amount	
		2008	2007	2008	2007
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	8	12,926,569	9,910,611	12,819,795	9,823,709
Trade and other receivables	9	3,175,490	2,061,266	3,554,492	2,128,779
Other investments	11	15,308,580	18,383,717	7,108,016	9,618,931
		31,410,639	30,355,594	23,482,303	21,571,419

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)**Impairment losses**

The ageing of the consolidated entity's and the Company's trade receivables at the reporting date was:

	Gross 2008 \$	Impairment 2008 \$	Gross 2007 \$	Impairment 2007 \$
Not past due	400,271	-	429,462	-
Past due 31-90 days	194,605	2,765	169,439	-
More than 90 days	156,140	49,891	194,857	40,754
	751,016	52,656	793,758	40,754

The movement in the allowance for impairment for both the consolidated entity and the Company in respect of trade receivables during the year was as follows:

	CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY	
	2008 \$	2007 \$	2008 \$	2007 \$
Balance at 1 July	40,754	19,288	40,754	19,288
Impairment loss recognised	11,902	21,466	11,902	21,466
Balance at 30 June	52,656	40,754	52,656	40,754

Based on historic default rates, the directors believe that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of receivables not past due.

Liquidity risk

The following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments and excluding the impact of netting arrangements.

	Consolidated 2008			
	Note	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less
Non-derivative financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	14	6,909,821	6,909,821	6,909,821

	Consolidated 2007			
	Note	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less
Non-derivative financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	14	6,536,256	6,536,256	6,536,256

	Company 2008			
	Note	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less
Non-derivative financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	14	14,091,617	14,091,617	14,091,617

	Company 2007			
	Note	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less
Non-derivative financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	14	9,446,542	9,446,542	9,446,542

Interest rate risk

At the reporting date, cash and cash equivalents \$12,926,596 (2007:\$9,910,611) in the consolidated entity and \$12,819,795 (2007: \$9,823,709) in the Company) were the only interest bearing variable rate financial instruments. There were no fixed rate instruments as at the end of the current year and the prior year.

During the year cash assets were deposited with recognised financial institutions. The weighted average interest rate during the year was 6.72% (2007: 5.89%). There is no other material interest rate risk on assets and liabilities.

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

An increase of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased profit or loss by \$129,266 (2007: \$99,106) and \$128,198 (2007: \$98,237) in the consolidated entity and the Company. A decrease of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have decreased profit or loss by the same amount.

Net fair values of financial assets and liabilities

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

26. RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Reconciliation of Cash

For the purposes of the cash flows statements, cash includes cash on hand and at bank and short-term deposits at call, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash does not include investments in unit trusts. Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the cash flows statements is the same as shown on the balance sheets.

Reconciliation of operating surplus from ordinary activities to net cash from operating activities:		CONSOLIDATED		THE COMPANY		
		Note	2008 \$	2007 \$	2008 \$	2007 \$
			2,757,522	9,431,265	(1,550,327)	8,841,854
Operating surplus / (deficit)						
Add / (Less) items classified as investing/ financing activities:						
			1,117,584	(984,619)	560,180	(494,959)
			(128,242)	(232,061)	(128,242)	(232,061)
			-	(2,354,096)	-	(2,354,096)
			(1,076,870)	(463,005)	(950,533)	(429,280)
			(1,177,247)	(1,319,561)	(566,659)	(547,022)
			7,347	6,715	7,347	6,715
Add non-cash items:						
	7,12		1,105,987	1,094,259	1,105,987	1,094,259
	30		2,338,536	-	1,171,557	-
			325,206	-	325,206	-
Change in assets and liabilities:						
	9		(1,114,224)	(266,528)	(1,425,713)	(525,091)
	10		9,159	(24,256)	9,159	(24,256)
	14		1,143,857	(565,315)	1,143,857	(565,316)
	14		(811,168)	1,909,794	(811,168)	1,909,794
	14		117,757	(31,863)	56,310	164,127
	14		(76,881)	642,460	(76,881)	642,460
	14		-	-	4,332,957	(313,688)
	15,16		479,169	272,675	239,711	140,163
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			5,017,492	7,115,864	3,442,748	7,313,603
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Net cash from operating activities						

27. 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	CONSOLIDATED	
	2008	2007
	\$	\$
a) Gross proceeds from fundraising appeals	14,796,475	13,345,362
Less: Direct costs of fundraising appeals	3,789,433	3,496,492
Net surplus obtained from fundraising appeals	11,007,042	9,848,870
b) Application of net surplus obtained from fundraising appeals		
Distributions (expenditure on direct services)	47,797,907	39,391,825
Administration expenses	7,499,071	6,628,019
Community education and information	2,744,072	2,531,942
Operating surplus	2,757,522	9,431,265
	60,798,572	57,983,051
c) The difference of \$49,791,530 (2007 \$48,134,181) between the \$11,007,042 net surplus (2007: \$9,848,870) available from fundraising appeals conducted and total direct expenditure of \$60,798,572 (2007: \$57,983,051) was provided from the following sources.		
Government grants and subsidies	41,167,227	36,682,482
Rendering of services	3,616,164	5,019,981
Sale of goods	678,399	789,276
Interest received or receivable	1,076,870	463,005
Insurance income received : Fire	1,792,529	-
Distributions from trusts and dividends	1,177,247	1,319,561
Rental income	154,852	289,100
Gain on sale of assets held for resale	-	2,354,096
Gain on sale of other financial assets	-	984,619
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	128,242	232,061
	49,791,530	48,134,181

	2008	2008	2007	2007
	\$	%	\$	%
Total cost of fundraising / gross revenue from fundraising	3,789,433 / 14,796,475		3,496,492 / 13,345,362	26
Net surplus from fundraising / gross revenue from fundraising	11,007,042 / 14,796,475	74	9,848,870 / 13,345,362	74
Total cost of services / total direct expenditure	47,797,907 / 58,041,050	82	39,391,825 / 48,551,786	81
Total cost of services / total income received	47,797,907 / 64,588,005	74	39,391,825 / 61,479,543	64

28. 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.

On 27 June 2008, The Cerebral Palsy Institute and The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Limited become parties to the cross guarantee.

The subsidiaries subject to the Deed as at the balance date are:	The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Community Access Service
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-Venee Burges House
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Accommodation Hunter	The Cerebral Palsy Institute
The Spastic Centre of New South Wales-Therapy Services	The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd

The consolidated income statement and consolidated balance sheet, 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 2008 are set out below.

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
(i) Summarised income statement and retained general funds		
Operating (deficit) / surplus	(1,550,327)	8,841,854
General funds at beginning of the year	21,372,456	12,530,602
General Funds relating to The Cerebral Palsy Institute and The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Limited on the date on which they became parties to the Deed of Cross Guarantee	12,328,863	-
General funds at end of the year	32,150,992	21,372,456
(ii) Balance sheet		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	12,926,569	9,823,709
Trade and other receivables	3,175,490	2,128,779
Inventories	412,229	421,388
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	16,514,288	12,373,876
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Other financial assets	15,308,580	9,618,931
Property, plant and equipment	11,622,994	11,371,074
Intangible assets	315,190	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	27,246,764	20,990,005
TOTAL ASSETS	43,761,052	33,363,881
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	6,909,821	9,446,542
Employee benefits	4,505,401	1,555,073
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	11,415,222	11,001,615
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Employee benefits	814,391	362,135
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	814,391	362,135
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,229,613	11,363,750
NET ASSETS	31,531,439	22,000,131
EQUITY		
General funds	32,150,992	21,372,456
Asset revaluation reserve	(619,553)	627,675
TOTAL EQUITY	31,531,439	22,000,131

29. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

Subsequent to 30 June 2008 and as at the date of the authorisation of this financial report, the changes in the market prices of the consolidated entity's investments in listed securities would result in a decrease in the carrying value of those investments by \$437,841. No impairment loss has been recognised in this financial report in respect of the changes referred to above.

Other than the 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.

30. FIRE AND INSURANCE CLAIM

The head office of The Spastic Centre of New South Wales, including its contents, was destroyed by fire on 16 December 2007. It is believed that The Centre is adequately covered by insurance.

The head office has been relocated to Terrey Hills pending rebuilding.

As the insurance claim has yet to be finalised, future amounts receivable from the insurers have been brought to account at their estimated receivable value. It is anticipated that the insurance claim will be finalised during the year ending 30 June 2009. Amounts which have been spent by the Company net of an "on account" receipt of \$725,000 have been classified under note 9 as other receivables.

The following amounts have been recognised in the Income Statements for 2008.

Income

Insurance income received	725,000
Insurance income receivable	1,067,529
Total Insurance Claim	1,792,529

Expense

Written down value of buildings destroyed	304,997
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	20,209
Total impairment losses	325,206
Fire Expenses (buildings, contents, debris removal, site security etc.)	1,533,745
Total Insurance Expense	1,858,951

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