

## Annual Report 2024



The MAC.ART "LONGBEACH" Artwork commemorates some 210 individual members aged from 3 to 96 years. The artwork reflects achievements, activities and educational programs that have originated from Chelsea Neighbourhood House (now known as Longbeach PLACE Inc.) The work was directed by ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE Julie Gross-McAdam(MACART)18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST-5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2003.1t now hangs in the reception foyer at Longbeach PLACE, 15 Chelsea Road, Chelsea 3196. Copyright MAC.ART.

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## President's Report-Penny Garrett

2024 was a year of growth, renewal, and community at Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre. We set out with a clear focus for the year – to continue to evolve the services we provide to meet the needs of our community, to strengthen our governance and compliance through our policies and practices, and to position ourselves for strategic growth.

Throughout the year, our fundamental purpose was to provide rich and fulfilling services to all those who came through our doors, whether to learn something new, find support, or simply share time with others. From the first coffee served from our new community cart, the quiet joy of a creative workshop, or a warm conversation at Chatty Café, LLAC continued to offer moments of meaning and belonging.

New initiatives like the Barista training program helped participants build practical skills and confidence. The Nourish Women's Health and Wellbeing series created safe and supportive space for connection. And our End-of-Year BBQ brought the community together in celebration, a great way to close a vibrant year. Our wonderful staff, facilitators, and volunteers continue to offer warmth, energy, and care, they are the reason LLAC remains a place where people feel seen, supported, and part of something bigger. It's through their everyday efforts that real connection is made and that's what keeps people coming back.

2024 saw three different phases of leadership. After Rebekah O'Loughlin's departure mid-year, Bec Harvison stepped in as Acting Manager before Becca Smith was appointed. Later in the year, Bec resumed the Acting role and guided the Centre through to March 2025. We're especially grateful to Bec for her steady leadership, flexibility, and generosity in returning to the role when needed. During this time, the ongoing support of Keiko Casey and Lucinda Nicholson ensured the Centre remained focused, responsive, and communityminded. We were also pleased to welcome David Wheaton as our new Centre Manager in early 2025.









## President's Report (cont'd)

Through this change, our Centre continued to evolve. In addition to strengthening governance, our rebrand was completed, internal systems were upgraded, and we accelerated our community outreach. These improvements reflected LLAC's continued commitment to being visible, accessible, and welcoming.

Financially, LLAC recorded a modest deficit in 2024. This was due to a shift in the timing of funding payments, rather than any structural or ongoing issue. While this affected how the year appeared on paper, the Centre remains financially stable, with strong underlying health. We are deeply grateful to our funders and supporters, particularly the City of Kingston, the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH), and the Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE) Board for their continued support and trust in our work.

To my fellow Committee members: Janine Chalmers, Albert Orlenski, Jane Court, Sandra Wearne, Chris Ewin, Rojer Lieberman, and Linn Miller, thank you for your service and support throughout the year. During 2024, both Rojer Lieberman and Linn Miller stepped down from the Committee before completing their terms. I thank them both for their contribution and generosity. And a very special thank you to Chris Ewin, our former President, who has chosen not to seek re-election. Chris has given so much to LLAC over many years, his leadership, steadiness, and care have made a lasting difference to the centre, and to all of us who have personally benefitted from his contributions.

It's been a year of change, but also one of connection, care, and quiet achievement. I'm extremely proud of what we've created together and the progress we have made across policy, structure and systems. We finished the year with an extremely strong foundation and every ability to propel ourselves to grow, evolve and enrich our community and members even further. It was an honour to serve as President of Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre this year and I am inspired and excited by what we can achieve in 2025 and beyond.





## **Manager's Report-David Wheaton**

Although I commenced as Centre Manager in March 2025, I'm pleased to present this report on the 2024 calendar year, a period that took place before I joined the organisation. This report draws on staff reflections, operational reports, and program data to acknowledge a year of both disruption and dedication.

2024 was a year of management transition at LLAC. I want to acknowledge those who held the role before me and thank them for their work during what was clearly a demanding time. I'm particularly grateful to Bec Harvison for her thoughtful handover and ongoing support, her practical knowledge and steady presence have been invaluable as I've settled into the role.

Despite this disruption, Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre remained a place of connection and contribution. Programs, workshops, and activities continued to bring people through the doors, supported by a strong team of staff, volunteers, and facilitators. The numbers reported: 3,967 attendances, 3,125 hours of room use, and 1,250 hours of volunteer time, reflect the Centre's resilience and reach.

I've inherited an organisation with deep community roots, a strong sense of purpose, and a capable, caring team. I'm grateful for the foundation laid by those before me, and I'd also like to thank the dedicated staff and the Governance Committee, led by Penny Garrett, for their support and commitment throughout this period of change.







## **Operations Report**

#### **2024 Operations Report**

In a year marked by leadership change and adaptation, the operations of Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre remained steady, purposeful, and community-focused. Day-to-day delivery continued across a wide range of programs, thanks to the commitment of staff, facilitators, and volunteers.



Operationally, the Centre saw major improvements. The successful rollout of Social Planet gave staff better tools for managing enrolments and tracking outcomes.

The Centre's rebrand to Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre was completed, with fresh signage, branded templates, and an updated digital presence giving LLAC a clearer identity. Microsoft 365 was introduced, upgrading internal systems and streamlining staff workflows. Throughout these changes, the Governance Committee provided oversight and support, helping steer the Centre through a challenging but ultimately productive year.





LONGBEACH LEARNING AND ACTIVITY CENTRE



## **Operations Report** (cont'd)



#### Program Delivery & Learning

Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE) performance was particularly strong. The Centre not only met its delivery targets but exceeded them, securing additional contact hours midway through the year. Preaccredited training, especially in digital literacy, foundational skills, and the new Barista program, remained a core strength, with facilitators helping learners build confidence and capability. The Outreach English as an Additional Language (EAL) program at Westall Community Hub also continued to perform strongly, supporting learners beyond LLAC's immediate neighbourhood. Weekly offerings such as Yoga, All Abilities Art & Music, Just Dance, Zumba Gold, and MoveAbility added rhythm and routine to the Centre, keeping people engaged week to week.

#### **Projects & Events**

The Nourish Women's Health and Wellbeing program delivered a series of practical and supportive workshops focused on parenting, mental health, and the overall wellbeing of women. These sessions provided a safe and welcoming space for local women to connect and share. The Centre also hosted and participated in key events including The Biggest Morning Tea, where our Chelbara Singers donated \$1624.37 towards the Cancer Council. Kingston Seniors Festival, Neighbourhood House Week-bringing new faces through the doors and celebrating LLAC's place in the community. Creative workshops like eco-dyeing and terrarium building connected people through hands-on experiences.

### Appeals

Our community came together to help the Mums Supporting Families in Need Christmas Toy Drive and thanks to your kindness, we donated over 50 toys.







## **Operations Report (cont'd)**

### Staff & Culture

2024 saw several phases of management transition at LLAC. Despite the changes in leadership, the Centre remained steady and focused thanks to the consistent efforts of the team. Operations Coordinator Keiko Casey played a key role in ensuring the day-to-day running of the Centre, while Communications Officer Lucinda Nicholson strengthened our visibility and engagement across the community. Their steady presence and behind-the-scenes leadership helped maintain a positive, peoplecentred culture throughout the year.







## Community Engagement & Outreach

LLAC remained a hub for social connection and support. Chatty Café continued to offer friendly, themed sessions focused on wellbeing, access, and inclusion. Topics like RUOK Day, dementia awareness, hearing health, and transport access were featured throughout the year. Outreach and communications were strengthened, with clearer messaging and an increase in social media presence helping LLAC stay visible and responsive to the local community.

Partnerships with AccessCare, Elder Rights Advocacy, and other services enriched the Centre's referral and support pathways. The year concluded with a well-attended End-of-Year event, which brought together regular participants and new faces from across the community—many of whom may not ordinarily interact—creating a shared moment of celebration and connection.

## What Our Programs Meant in 2024

Across more than 3,125 hours of room use and 3,967 annual attendances, LLAC's programs delivered more than skills and services. They created connection, purpose, and joy. Whether it was building confidence in an art class, laughing through Zumba, or quietly renewing in Yoga, these moments mattered. Behind every figure in our 2024 impact is a person: someone who found community, tried something new, returned each week, and left a little stronger. These are some of their voices and the people who helped make it happen.

#### All Abilities Art – Sunny Hayes

"There would be a point in every session where all the participants were lost in their creativity, it was beautiful to witness."

Each week, participants arrived excited to discover what they'd be creating. The group was warm, joyful, and open to inspiration, with moments of quiet focus giving way to laughter and connection.

#### All Abilities Music – Sunny Hayes

"We always had a laugh when the pink wig came out. It was a group that knew how to have fun."

This music group was full of humour and heart, with participants and carers alike sharing in the joy. From jokes and costumes to shared rhythms, the sessions were lively, inclusive, and full of laughter.

#### Art Innovations – Craig Roberts & Alex Nemirovski

*"The teacher's confidence in us helps us believe in ourselves."* 

Each week, students grew in both skill and confidence, thanks to Alex's warm, patient approach and generous one-on-one guidance. The class became a space for creative exploration where progress, not perfection, was the focus.















#### Bayside Book Club - Lorraine Harris

"We all value exposure to different opinions and the camaraderie over dinner after each meeting."

Meeting monthly throughout 2024, the Book Club read twelve books across diverse genres. Discussions were rich and thoughtful, revealing varied perspectives and shared experiences. The group remains a cherished space for conversation, connection, and spirited debate.

#### Chair-Based Exercise & Just Dance – Janice Flamer-Caldera

"The ladies are so friendly, and we have a lot of laughs and fun together."

These weekly classes combined fitness and friendship. Participants reported improvements in strength, flexibility, and wellbeing, and the social connections kept everyone coming back. Janice's positive energy created a space where movement and laughter went hand-in-hand.

#### Chelbara Singers – Jan Woodward

"We are very happy at Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre."

The Chelbara Singers brought joy and harmony to LLAC in 2024. With ten dedicated singers and a beloved keyboard player, the group sang together each week, growing in confidence and connection.

#### EAL at Westall - Wilhelm Morgan & Jacinta Jones

"They realised they were starting to understand what they were reading and making sense of it."

For learners from diverse backgrounds, English classes at Westall offered more than language skills, they opened doors. Students supported one another and embraced English as a shared goal, fostering confidence and community.

#### EAL at Longbeach - Svetlana Molodova

*"Some had never studied before. Now they're proudly reading out loud."* 

The EAL class at LLAC thrived in 2024, fostering language growth and community. Students from diverse backgrounds built confidence through realworld English use. A highlight was the Yakult factory visit, blending learning with engagement. Participation in centre activities has been enthusiastic and impactful. This group stands out for its spirit of inclusion, support, and achievement.

#### ICT Programs – Cheryl Ewin & Carrie Ewin

"Helping adults build confidence in a digital world."

Cheryl and Carrie delivered our ACFE funded ICT programs in 2024, helping participants to navigate technology more confidently — from basic computer use to essential online tasks. Their patient teaching style enabled many to overcome tech hesitation and build real-world digital independence.









#### MoveAbility – Deby David

"Our group formed a strong bond through magical moments of dancing, moving, and connecting."

MoveAbility's first year at LLAC was full of inclusive, joyful movement. The class celebrated Christmas with festive hats and a sense of accomplishment. With music, requests, and inclusive choreography, everyone found a way to join in.

#### PC Support Group – Chris Ewin

*"A calm and helpful space where older adults grow their digital confidence together."* 

This long-running peer-led group quietly continued its work in 2024, offering hands-on support, troubleshooting, and encouragement for anyone navigating computers or devices. Participants shared knowledge and solved problems together, building not only skills but also connection and confidence.

#### Yoga – Margot Kirke

"We always leave feeling relaxed and renewed."

Margot's weekly group offered calm, quiet, and continuity, a space to breathe, stretch, and reset. The comfort and cleanliness of the facilities were appreciated just as much as the practice itself.

#### Zumba – Allison Milne

"This class is the best part of my week."

From laughter to sparkly hip scarves, Allison brought energy and joy to dozens of participants. Her upbeat teaching style helped lift moods, build strength, and create lasting friendships.











## **Our Volunteers**

#### Thank You to Our Wonderful Volunteers

The heart of Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre is our dedicated team of volunteers, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your invaluable contributions throughout the year.

In the office, Jan, Maria and Chloe have provided steady, cheerful support that keeps our operations running smoothly. Our garden continues to flourish thanks to the care and commitment of Mei and Tanya. Craig has played a vital role in ensuring the centre is secure after hours—an often unseen but much appreciated contribution.

Our group facilitators: Tamara, Jan Woodward, Craig, Margot, Chris, Cheryl, Carrie, Rojer, Lorraine, Anthony, and Megan have generously shared their time and talents to foster connection, creativity and growth across our programs.

We are also grateful to our Governance Committee: Penny, Janine, Jane, Albert, Sandra, Chris, Rojer, and Linn for their insight, time and steady guidance which helps shape the direction of the Centre.

In total, more than 1,250 hours of volunteer time were contributed this year. Each of you plays a vital role in making LLAC a welcoming and vibrant place for the community. Thank you.



## Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Showcase



## **AGM 2023**









## **Christmas Party**











## LLAC's Impact in 2024 – By the Numbers

## \$937,527

The total value our Centre created for the community last year

## \$563,042

The value of learning programs that helped adults build confidence, skills and purpose



The number of meaningful connections made through weekly classes, groups and gatherings — 76 people a week, every week Every \$1 we received gave back \$3.32 – a powerful return on trust, funding and effort

## LLAC's Impact in 2024 – By the Numbers

## 3,125+

The hours of room use — our spaces shared for learning, support, celebration and care

## 1,250

The number of volunteer hours — time freely given to support others and strengthen community

> Which all equates to one strong community. No one turned away.

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## Treasurer's Report-Albert Orlenski

In 2024, Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre continued to deliver strong community outcomes while carefully managing its finances. While the Centre recorded a modest operating deficit of \$17,543, this was planned and reflects our commitment to keeping programs accessible and supporting staff and services during a period of rising costs. In an environment of cost-of-living pressures, we did not pass additional costs onto participants, helping to keep our programs affordable and accessible to all.

This result also reflects a timing issue with City of Kingston funding. Under the previous arrangement, LLAC received one annual payment late in the year, so the full 2023 grant was recorded then, even though it supported early 2024 operations. In 2024, only half of the new year's funding was received and recorded, contributing to the reported deficit. From 2025, funding will arrive in two instalments (August and February), improving cash flow but still requiring care with calendar-year reporting.

Variation Surplus Credit Pass Tax 40 Bank Cash 10 8 Invoice Eptpos Payment Dollar Debit Compliance



Our auditor, Grant Plozza of GP Business Solutions, issued a clean audit opinion, confirming that our financial reporting complies with all relevant standards and requirements. We thank Grant for his many years of service as LLAC's auditor. His professionalism and care have been deeply valued.

The Centre remains in a stable financial position, with strong equity and retained earnings. We are well placed to invest in improvements that will increase our value and impact for the community in the years ahead.

I would like to thank the LLAC staff and my fellow Committee members for their careful stewardship and commitment throughout the year.

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#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. Independent Audit Report Incorporated Association For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

#### **Auditor Details**

Name Postal Address Business Name Business Postal Address Professional Organisation Professional Membership or Registration Number

#### Incorporated Association Details

Name Australian Business Number (ABN) Address Year of Association Being Reviewed

#### To the members To the members of the Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc.

#### Report on the financial report

We have audited the accompanying annual financial report of the Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre, which comprises the statement of financial position (balance sheet) as of 31 December 2024, the statement of income and expenditure, and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the executive committee assertion statement.

#### Executive Committee Responsibility for the financial report

The Committee of the Association is responsible for the preparation of the annual financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent noted in Note 1 and the Associations Incorporation Act (Victoria). This responsibility 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. Grant Plozza 4/198 Nepean Hwy, Aspendale, VIC, 3195 GP Business Solutions Pty Ltd 4/198 Nepean Hwy, Aspendale, VIC, 3195 Certified Practising Accountants of Australia CPA No: 1415249

Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc 29 756 088 003 15 Chelsea Road, Chelsea Vic 3196 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

#### Auditor's responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. I have conducted my audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members.

#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. Independent Audit Report Incorporated Association For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report, or on the financial statements to which it relates, to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements, and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about 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 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 management'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 of the effectiveness of management's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

#### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

#### Conclusion

Based on our audit, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the annual financial report of Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc does not present fairly, in all material respects, the Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc financial position as of 31 December 2024 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and other pronouncements as contained in note 1.

Signature Grant Plozza Certified Practising Accountant No 1415249

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Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025



#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. ABN 29 756 088 003

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023
		\$	\$
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and bank deposits and investments	Note 8	257,761	318,369
Receivables and prepayments	_	3,748	1,713
Total Current Assets		261,509	320,082
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property plant and equipment	Note 7	11,076	9,161
Total Non-Current Assets	Note /	11,076	9,161
Total Non-Current Assets	-	11,078	9,101
Total Assets		272,586	329,242
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Payroll, GST and other payables		(4,061)	7,045
Funding Received in Advance		-	-
Employee Provisions	Note 6	17,831	45,839
Total Current Liabilities	_	13,770	52,884
Non Current Liabilities:			
Provision for Redundancy	Note 6	3 <b>.</b>	
Total Non Current Liabilities		तज्ञ है	-
Total Liabilities		13,770	52,884
NET ASSETS	-	258,815	276,358
EQUITY			
Retained Earnings		276,358	246,106
Depreciation adjustment from 2022		in <u>en</u>	(2,300)
Current Year Earnings		17,543	32,552
Total Equity	_	258,815	276,358

#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. ABN 29 756 088 003

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023
		\$	\$
INCOME	Notes		
Grant Income	2	174,974	231,356
Fee Income		23,006	18,735
Donations		7	
Promotional Activities			17.
Interest Received		1,144	678
Rental Operations		45,338	31,471
Government Covid Support & Subsidies		<del></del> 8	-
Other/Sundry Income		100	198
TOTAL INCOME		244,569	282,438
EXPENDITURE	Notes		
Adult is to Alien Descent & Office	2	20.202	40.500

For The Year Ended 31 December		- 17,543	32,552
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)			
TOTAL EXPENSES		262,112	249,886
Adjustment to redundancy provision		(5,460)	
Employer Superannuation		16,343	13,553
Employee entitlements & provision		(29,084)	320
Salaries and Wages		150,149	129,140
Depreciation	5	1,656	1,635
Consulting/Legal		15,804	
Education, Project & Training	4	73,312	58,672
Administration, Property & Office	3	39,392	46,566



#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. ABN 29 756 088 003

#### CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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		2024	2023
		\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM THE OPERATING ACTIVITIES	Note 9		
Receipts from customers & clients		242,534	287,714
Interest received		1,144	678
Payments to Suppliers and Employees		(305,558)	(240,742)
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities	_	(61,880)	47,650
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for assets		1,272	÷
Receipts for sale of assets		=	-
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities	_	1,272.00	
Net increase / (decrease) in cash held	-	(60,608)	47,650
Cash at beginning of financial year		318,369	270,719
Cash at end of financial year	1	257,761	318,369
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#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. ABN 29 756 088 003 NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Amendment Act 2012, and Australian Accounting Standards,

The Committee of Management has determined that Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not consider changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and in accordance with the disclosure requirements of AASB 1060, General Purpose Financial Statements -Simplified Disclosures for Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities to the extent applicable as required by the ACNC Regulations 2023.

The association has adopted all new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

In the application of the association's accounting policies, the members of the committee are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The association has elected not to recognise volunteer services as either revenue or other form of contribution received. As such, any related consumption or capitalisation of such resources received is also not recognised,

The following material accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements and consistently applied to all periods covered.

#### **PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

Items of property, plant and equipment are carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment loss. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income and expenditure statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Gains and losses on disposal of an item of property, plant & equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount and are recognised net within other income in the income and expenditure statement.

#### EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the incorporated association association's operations, the results of those operations, or the incorporated association's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is calculated on the depreciable amount of all fixed assets over their useful lives commencing from time the asset is held ready for use. The depreciation rates used in the Financial Statements are predominately over 3 to 10 years and use the prime cost method in most instances.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted if appropriate.

## Operating leases do not transfer substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to ownership of an asset.

Payments made under an operating lease are recognised in the expenditure statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. The leased assets are not recognised in the balance sheet of the association. The photocopy and printing operating lease for 2024 was \$5,211 (2023 \$4,065).

#### EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date, and recognised when the Association has a legal and constructive obligation. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs.

#### INCOME TAX

The Association has been granted an income tax exemption by the Australian Taxation Office.

#### 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. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense. Receivables and payables are stated with amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable or payable to the Australian Taxation Office is included as a current asset or liability in the balance sheet.

#### **REVENUE RECOGNITION**

#### Grant Income

Revenue from Grants is recognised when it has been earned and this is generally according to a schedule of payments received from the Client organisation.

#### Interest Income

Interest Income is recognised as it accrues.

#### **Management Fees and Rental Operations**

Course and Rental Fees represent revenue earned from charges for the provision of services by the Association.

#### COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

When required by Accounting Standards, comparatives have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current year.

#### Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc. ABN 29 756 088 003 NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2 Grant Income	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Dept of Human services -DFFH_NHCP	98,612	94,485
ACFE	40,362	49,422
City of Kingston	36,000	87,449
Other grants/adjustments		-
	174,974	231,356

	3 Administrative Expenses	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Advertising	2,989	500
Amenities	-	-
House Supplies	2,208	
Insurance	610	
Organisation Costs	900	1,648
Office Expenses	7,938	14,739
Utilities –Power and phones	5,296	6,155
Travel	600	
General Operating Expenses	12,061	10,135
Property Expenses	6,025	12,670
Bank Charges	765	719
	39,392	46,566

4 Training and	Education	Related	Costs

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Computer Expenses	10,331	4,441
Course Costs	9,055	3,347
Materials and Equipment	2,208	3,654
Membership Fees and Registrations	5,800	3,933
Professional Development	1,897	325
Tutors & Project Worker Costs	31,852	27,825
Grant Expenditure -Cost of Sales	12,169	15,148
	73,312	58,672

	5 Movement in Provisions	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Depreciation of Property Plant and Equipment	1,656	1,635
	1,656	1,635

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	6 Employee Provisions	
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Long Service Leave	2,501	12,075
Annual Leave	15,330	33,764
Redundancy	(5,460)	-
	12,371	45,839

r riant a Equipment	
2024	2023
\$	\$
10,380	5,880
(5,682)	(5,657)
4,698.00	223.00
2024	2023
\$	\$
15,024	18,252
(8,646)	(9,314)
6,378	8,938
11,076	9,161
	2024 \$ 10,380 (5,682) 4,698.00 2024 \$ 15,024 (8,646) 6,378

#### 8 Cash & Bank Deposits and Investments

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at bank –NAB Operating Account	141,233	102,692
NAB -Employee Entitlement	48,219	47,952
Bendigo bank cash management	48,564	146,797
Bendigo Bank	1,000	1,000
Petty cash & Debit card	(365)	1,686
Bendigo bank term deposit	19,110	18,242
	257,761	318,369

#### 9 CASH FLOW STATEMENT NOTES

2024	2023
\$	\$
(17,543)	32,552
(889)	1,635
(29,524)	(1,512)
(2,035)	5,954
(11,889)	9,021
(61,880)	47,650
	\$ (17,543) (889) (29,524) (2,035) (11,889)

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#### Committee's Report For the year ended 31 December 2024

Your committee members submit the financial accounts of the Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

#### **Committee Members**

The names of committee members at the date of this report are Penny Garrett (President), Janine Chalmers (Vice President), Jane Court (Secretary), Albert Orienski (Treasurer), Chris Ewin, Sandra Wearne.

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were to provide a diversified and balanced range of educational and skills development programs to the community.

#### **Significant Changes**

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

#### **Operating Result**

The surplus/ (deficit) from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to for the year ended 31 December 2024 \$(17,543); 2023: \$32,552

Penny Garrett - President

Jane Court -Secretary

Albert Orienski -Treasurer

Dated 29 May 2005

#### Statement by Members of the Committee For the year ended 31 December 2024

The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special Purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Committee the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre Inc as of 31 December 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date.

2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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

**Penny Garrett - President** 

Jane Court -Secretary

Albert Orienski - Treasurer

Dated 29 May 2005

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## Our Governance Committee 2024

#### Penny Garrett - President

Penny Garrett is a local resident to Chelsea, moving here to raise her 3 young boys in this wonderful community! Penny brings with her a wealth of experience leading large teams across ANZ and international, from large multinational corporations to Education and Public Sector. Passionate about training, social welfare and strong governance, she has a degree in Psychology and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA). Penny is energised and committed to supporting LLAC in achieving their strategic and growth-based objectives.

#### Janine Chalmers – Vice President

Janine has lived and raised her family within the City of Kingston most of her life. She recently retired from 27 years in business and previously had over 25 years as a nurse and midwife throughout Melbourne. Over the years, Janine has enjoyed contributing to the local community in several organisations throughout the area. She discovered LLAC through attending a course and joined the Governance committee in November 2022. Janine is passionate about bringing out the best in people and believes that LLAC can make an even bigger impact in our local community. Utilising her background in the caring professions of nursing, combined with an extensive business background, Janine is eager and excited to see LLAC flourish as a local centre, having a positive impact in the local community.







#### Jane Court – Secretary

Jane Court (nee Woodhead) is a near-lifetime Chelsea resident, born Chelsea Bush Nursing Hospital, schooled at Bonbeach State and High Schools, and lives on land once owned by her Great Grandparents in Edithvale. Jane volunteered, taught, and worked at the Chelsea Neighbourhood House on Broadway and through the move to LLAC on Chelsea Road. She then worked in Training and Assessment, and staff development at Chisholm and studied post-graduate degrees in adult learning. She loves her dogs, sons, SciFi and theatre. On retirement, she was thrilled to join the Longbeach Governance Committee to give back to the community that gave so much to her.









Albert, who has a degree in Banking and Finance from Monash University, comes from a Funds Management background with a proven track record in financial analysis, operations, and a profound commitment to contributing to not-for-profit organisations. As a local resident, Albert is eager to put his skills and past experience to use for the benefit of the local community.

#### Chris Ewin – General Member

Chris has completed a PhD in Computer Science. He is currently an Associate Lecturer in Computing Information Systems at the University of Melbourne and runs an IT business, Enhance Computer Services. He is also a volunteer facilitator at the Chelsea PC Support Group, which he has helped coordinate for over 20 years. Chris joined the Governance Committee in mid-2018.

## Rojer Liberman - General Member (Vacated - Dec 2024)

Rojer moved to Chelsea in 2001 and started the Chelsea PC Support Group on the first Saturday of May 2002, located in Broadway Chelsea. Rojer has previously been in business for over 20 years and is an active participant in the Chelsea community.

#### Sandra Wearne – General Member



Sandra was born and raised in Edithvale, where she worked in her parents' hairdressing and tobacconist shop. After marrying and moving to Seaford, she raised three children and taught swimming for 10 years. She later worked as a sales representative for various smallgoods companies before retiring. Now living at the Lifestyle Village in Chelsea Heights, Sandra served as Social Club President for four years. A member of LLAC for 17 years, she is also part of the computer club and looks forward to contributing to the Governance Committee.



Linn Miller – General Member (Vacated - May 2024) Linn Miller is a recent import from Tasmania so as to be closer to her grandchildren who live in Chelsea. After a career as an academic lecturing in Philosophy and Aboriginal Studies, Linn now works as a facilitator and tutor. She maintains her passion for education and the communication of ideas as well as her strong commitment to Indigenous self-determination and truth-telling.



## People of Longbeach Learning and Activity Centre

#### Life Members

Marie Sullivan (1995) George Arnold (1995) Lee Whelan (1995) George Haigh (2004) Dawn Watson (2004) Doris Grinlington (2004) Frank Field (2004) Lyn Varley (2011) Craig Roberts (2011) Beverley Gilchrist (2011) Lorna Stevenson (2016) Gary Rogers (2017) Rachel Mangalsinghe (2022) Rojer Liberman (2022)

#### **Honorary Members**

Lyn Field (1995) Terry Prescott (1995)

#### **Partners in Residence**

Al-Anon Australian Shareholders Chelsea Bonbeach Train Station Group Chelsea First Five Chapters AA City of Kingston Neighbourhood Yoga Oakwood School Port Phillip Conservation Council The Local Line Up Dance United Workers Union

#### Auditor

Grant Plozza CPA

#### **Teachers/Facilitators**

Cheryl Ewin Chris Ewin Carrie Ewin Janice Flamer-Caldera Tamara Galla **Lorraine Harris** Sunny Haves Jacinta Jones Margot Kirke Rojer Liberman Svetlana Molodova Wilhelm Morgan Allison Milne Alex Nemirovsky **Craig Roberts** Jan Woodward

#### Volunteers

Megan Baker Maria Bartone Chloe Borja Jan Coleman Tatiana Dudarev Anthony Forster Mei Mah Rachel Mangalasinghe Craig Roberts

#### Staff

Cat Beed Keiko Casey Rebecca Harvison Lucinda Nicholson Rebekah O'Loughlin Becca Smith



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