

2012 - 2013 Annual Report

Supporting medical research into Veteran health and patient care at the Repatriation General Hospital.



# Healthy Veterans, Healthy Communities

### Our vision

The seen and unseen wounds of war affect Veterans, their families and the broader community. Contemporary Veterans from current operations in the Middle East and elsewhere have unique needs and characteristics.

This 'changing face' of our Veteran population creates new challenges and requires different services to those provided to Veterans of, for example, World War II or the Vietnam conflict.

As such, The Repat Foundation will ensure its research, health support and promotion of Veteran awareness is aligned to contemporary Veterans as well as older Veterans.





Our new branding was introduced in July 2012, and over the last 12 months, the Board of Directors has come together to develop a strong strategic plan which clearly articulates our identity and our mission:

#### Healthy Veterans, Healthy Communities.

The key focus of our support is those areas where there is mutual benefit to both our Veteran and our wider community, and this underpins our three pillars:

- □ Amputee treatment
- □ Mental health and wellbeing
- □ Rehabilitation.

The strategic review has enabled The Repat Foundation to provide greater clarity about our role and to strengthen our position both nationally and within the South Australian community. I am particularly proud to see research sponsored by The Repat Foundation recognized at a national level and to have pilot projects funded by the Foundation leverage national grant status.

Underpinning this direction has been a significant repositioning of our organizational structure in order to build the capacity that will drive our future sustainability, enable us to respond to changes in the environment and meet the demands of ongoing reform in the Not-for-Profit sector. 2012/13 has seen a number of significant changes for The Repat Foundation, as it continues to strengthen its position and grow its capacity.

### A word from the Chairman

It has been a challenging transition, under the leadership of our CEO, Jan Chorley, but the investment into a more capable and accountable organization is already reaping benefits.

There have also been some changes in the health sector and Veterans' sector over the last year, and these have impacted on the Repatriation General Hospital. Throughout this time The Repat Foundation has been a stabilizing influence and we have continued to fund excellent research and support to our Veteran and Repat communities.

In addition, our key events such as the ANZAC Gala Ball and the Remembrance Business Breakfast continue to grow in stature, enabling us to reach into new and more diverse communities. I acknowledge the tireless efforts of the Major Events Committee and their role in providing these opportunities to raise awareness of the unique needs of the community we support and to generate much needed research funding.

I would like to personally recognise the immense efforts of my fellow Directors during the year, particularly for the expertise, experience and wisdom that they bring, and their willingness to give so freely of their valuable time. I would like to thank Mr Bob Willis, former Chairman and Board Member, who stepped down earlier this year.

I also thank the Board Directors who have retired from the Board this year; Ms Jackie Howard, Ms Paula Hackesly and Ms Bronwyn Masters. Each have been General Managers of the Repat and stalwart supporters of the Foundation. We wish each of them well in their new roles.

I would also like to thank all those that have volunteered their time, enthusiasm and effort over the last year, our committee members and our tireless volunteers, along with our sponsors, bequestors and donors. Without your support, we could not continue this work.

The coming years will bring a new set of challenges. As Australia winds down its operations in Afghanistan, we welcome home to South Australia the latest generation of contemporary Veterans. We look forward to continuing to build our donor base and philanthropic partnerships so we can continue to provide research grants, program funding and support to our community.

#### Susan Neuhaus

Chairman 2013

### In Memoriam

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## **Board Members**

A/Prof Susan Neuhaus CSC Chair

Ms Jackie Howard General Manager Repatriation General Hospital

Mr Malcolm Jackman Chief Executive Officer Elders Limited Appointed November 2012

Ms Bronwyn Masters General Manager The Repatriation General Hospital Appointed November 2012

Professor Alexander McFarlane AO Professor of Psychiatry Centre for Traumatic Stress Studies University of Adelaide

**Mr Tim Murton** Director Deloitte Private Appointed Novembe<u>r 2012</u>

Ms Diané Ranck Director Marketing & Communications Flinders University

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### Ambassadors

Hon Alexander Downer Hon Chris Schacht Lieutenant General Peter Leahy AC

MAJGEN John Cantwell AO DSC



The Repat Foundation depends entirely on donations from the general public, patients and former patients, corporate sponsors, bequests and proceeds from our signature events.

### From the Chief Executive Officer

We also rely heavily on volunteers to support our day to day operations and events. We extend our sincerest appreciation for every hour given to us through the generosity of our volunteers. In the last twelve months, we have grown our volunteer base to include assistance with office duties and administration, editing, project coordination, marketing, promotion and providing information to the general public.

"I think the RGH has given so much to my family it is the least I can do to give something back" from Bronnie, a volunteer.

Our very existence is to enhance the lives of current and future Veterans and this is evidenced by the vital medical research that we fund into conditions which affect Veterans' health and wellbeing.

As the Repatriation General Hospital diversifies its provision of services, our Foundation is well situated to respond to the changing needs of the population that it aims to serve. We therefore also fund specialised equipment and amenities to support all functions of the hospital.

Overall we were able to disburse \$153,974.80 to our grant recipients this year.

In 2012 we established a Grants Review Committee chaired by Dr Robert Black (AM RFD) (Retd) and includes Professor Kristine Gebby (BSN RN MN DrPH) Professor Michael Reade, Ms Janet Surma and Professor Steve Wesselingh. Together, they rigorously examine all applications and make recommendations to The Repat Foundation Board. We are very grateful for the dedicated work of this Committee.

The feedback from grant recipients is always positive and includes:

"My team were fortunate to have received funding for a study of the role of clonazepam, a benzodiazepine, in chronic refractory breathlessness. This pilot study was carried out in its entirety at the **Repatriation General Hospital** and underpinned the application that was recently successful with the National Health and Medical Research Council for that study to go forward in a fully-fledged phase 3 study. ...without the support of The Repat Foundation we would never have been successful", Professor David Currow, Discipline of Palliative and Supportive Services.

This year, The Repat Foundation was fortunate to receive a grant of \$30k from the Australian Hotels Association (AHA) for Electro cardiac equipment for our Veterans' Heart Clinic.

Funding of \$100k was also generously donated by the RGH Staff Specialist Fund. This has been used to establish the Prabha Seshadri Grant, dedicated in memory of the late Dr Prabha Seshadri who was a highly respected medical practitioner who worked at the RGH. This fund has enabled a significant body of research to be undertaken at the hospital.

We also received a \$15k contribution from Australian Executor Trustees. As a result of this allocation, we have disbursed these monies towards our research projects.

This year, we were privileged to have Air Chief Marshal Angus Houston address our Research Paper Day in August 2012. He also provided an address to an audience at the Naval, Military and Air Force Club. As part of his visit, he commended the work of our researchers and suggested that we continue to grow our research capacity and to provide greater visibility to this work on the national stage.

MAJGEN John Cantwell (author of Exit Wounds) was also an enormous asset and has acted as an Ambassador for our organisation. He has provided several key note addresses to packed venues at the Adelaide Town Hall and Entertainment Centre including the 2012 Remembrance Business Breakfast and ANZAC Gala Ball in 2013. He also filled the hospital's SPF Hall while addressing many RGH health professionals during Veterans' Health Week.

He has spoken at forums with POWs, distinguished service men and women and ADF personnel. His take home message is 'Intervene early and seek help' for anyone who may be experiencing the adverse effects from having served or been exposed to trauma in conflict situations during their service to the nation.

Ward 17 and research into Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) has been a key focus of our fundraising efforts for 2012-13. During this period we have been working in partnership with the Southern Adelaide Local Health Network to begin to address some of the long term needs of this facility and to determine where the Foundation can provide ongoing assistance.

Each event is proudly endorsed with the generous support of our corporate partners and sponsors. During this financial year we have grown our corporate sponsorships by forging relationships with new sponsors who have embraced our work.

Without their very generous support we could not have undertaken such ambitious public fundraising events.

As a not for profit entity, we are grappling with an environment of ongoing economic uncertainty, contracting of government monies and corporate belt-tightening. Despite all of these factors, our team work tirelessly to prepare for these realities and to meet the challenges head on and with confidence. Our staff recognise that we are in a period of revitalisation and we remain steadfast in our responsiveness to market changes. I wish to thank our dedicated team sincerely for their commitment to supporting our Veterans and community members at the RGH.

I also wish to thank our Board and Committee Members for their guidance and valuable support. The organisation has in place good governance to ensure its future success and to enable the business to grow.

Jan Chorley CEO



# **Financial Report**

Statement of comprehensive income of The Repat Foundation for the financial year ended 30 June, 2013

	2013	2012
Revenues from ordinary activities:		
Revenues and other income	927,070	567,724
Interest	497	1,092
Total revenues from ordinary activities	927,567	568,816
Expenses from ordinary activities:		
Depreciation and Amortisation Expense	813	9,855
Employee Expenses	306,689	222,040
Finance Expenses	1,489	1,998
Grant Expenses	156,248	121,200
Supplies and Services	413,595	298,148
Total expenses from ordinary activities	878,834	653,241
Profit (loss) for the year		
attributable to members	48,733	(84, 425)
Other Comprehensive Income:		
Net gain (loss) on revaluation of		
financial assets – Movements in Market		
Value of Investment portfolio	69,763	(58, 934)
Other comprehensive income for the year	69,763	(58,934)
Total comprehensive income (loss)		
for the year Attributable to members		
of the Association	118,496	(143,359)
Retained Earnings at the beginning		
of Financial Year	780,602	923,961
Retained Earnings at the End		
of Financial Year	899,098	\$780,602

Statement of	f financial	position as	s at 30 Ju	ne 2013

	2013 \$	2012 \$	
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	191,238	23,512	
Trade and other receivables	37,026	9,826	
Inventories	5,288	5,288	
Other Current Assets	5,125	2,635	
Total Current Assets	238,677	41,261	
Non-Current Assets			
Financial Assets	789,761	830,818	
Property Plant and Equipment	1,787	-	
Intangible Assets	-	400	
Total Non-Current Assets	791,548	831,218	
Total Assets	1,030,225	872,479	
Liabilities:			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	122,022	84,921	
Short Term Provisions	9,105	6,234	
Total Current Liabilities	131,127	91,155	
Non-Current Liabilities			
Long term provisions	-	722	
Total Non-Current Liabilities	-	722	
Total Liabilities	131,127	91,877	
Net Assets	\$899,098	\$780,602	
Equity			
Retained earnings	\$899,098	780,602	

Statement of cash flows for the financial year ended 30 June 2012

Statement of in equity for the year ended 30 June 2013

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#### Cash flows from operating activities:

Cash receipts from operations		
Donations – General and Bequests	529,508	216,167
Trading Activities	358,816	293,264
Interest received	13,722	4,015
Other	36,921	79,342
GST Received (Net)	(15,342)	9,188
Payments		
Wages and salaries and salary related charges	(293,672)	(230, 430)
Suppliers	(569,358)	(481,196)
Interest and bank charges	(1,489)	(1,998)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	59,106	(111,648)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Payments for intangible assets		-
Proceeds from (payments for)		
investments (net)	110,820	76,452
Payments for property plant and equipment	(2,200)	-
Net cash (used in) investing activities	108,620	76,452
Profit (loss) for the year		
attributable to members:	48,733	(84, 425)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Loan advances	-	-
Repayment of Loans	-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) by financing act	ivities -	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	167,726	(35,196)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	23,512	58,708
Cash at the end of the financial year	191,238	\$23,512

	Retained Earnings	Total Equity
Balance at 30 June 2012:	\$780,602	\$780,602
Comprehensive income for 2013 year	\$118,496	\$118,496
Balance at 30 June 2013:	\$899,098	\$899,098



# **Thank you** to our Supporters and Event Sponsors

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