



2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Limestone Coast's Community Foundation



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Our Vision

Investing in our community for lasting impact

Our Mission

Growing funds and building relationships for investment in the strength and wellbeing of our Limestone Coast communities.

Encouraging collaborative and community-led initiatives. Helping our communities address their needs.

Our Values



Inclusiveness

Engaging with our community in all its diversity



Collaboration

Facilitating partnerships that add value to Stand Like Stone and the community



Accountability

Being open, transparent and accountable in all aspects of Stand Like Stone's operations; being cost effective and sustainable; adhering to proper corporate governance and funds management principles



Responsiveness

Valuing and respecting our donors, funding partners and applicants, upholding their dignity, and listening actively to their ideas and concerns



Empowerment

Strengthening our community by increasing the capabilities and resilience of individuals, groups and organisations

*Life is mostly froth and bubble,
Two things **stand like stone**,
Kindness in another's trouble,
Courage in your own.*

Adam Lindsay Gordon's poem Ye Wearie Wayfarer was the inspiration for the Foundation's name. The poem encompasses the objectives of the Foundation.

Chair's Report

Our Foundation

In this last year, in excess of \$800,000 has been added to the corpus of Stand Like Stone Foundation (SLSF), which is now the largest capitalised Community Foundation in South Australia. Two remarkable acts of philanthropy have led to our growth in capital funds. Unfortunately, there is still misunderstanding and misinformation about the role of a Community Foundation such as SLSF. It is often difficult to explain our model as a “capital invested” model in which SLSF accumulates funds like a large community bank, invests those funds, and from the income received we distribute funds for scholarships and charitable purposes in our community. Our first goal then is to grow our significant capital base, in perpetuity, for our community. The larger this capital base, the more net income SLSF can distribute to worthy charitable causes within our community.



Bill DeGaris, Chair

Granting

We are starting to see the net effect of investing larger capital funds. More income is becoming available for distribution in our community. Not only is SLSF immensely proud that our capital base is now approximately \$4,000,000, but that investment from this capital, over the last 10 years, has resulted in just short of \$1,000,000 being distributed for charitable purposes in the Limestone Coast community. The millionth \$ will be granted as part of the upcoming grants and scholarships offered in October/November 2017. In the not too distant future, I anticipate SLSF, through its grants and gifting programs will be able to give away close to \$200,000 per annum. This would be an amazing achievement for an organisation that literally started on a “shoestring” just 13 years ago, and has raised all its funds locally, and mainly through its own efforts.

Gifting to SLSF

The importance of philanthropic gifting cannot be emphasised more positively than using the example of the late Lorraine Humphreys, our most generous personal benefactor to date. Lorraine's estate will enrich SLSF's capital base by approximately \$1.5 million, and of itself, this ought to mean funds of approximately \$75,000 will flow towards charitable objects annually from investments earned from this most generous gift.

Fundraising has often been the main focus of the SLSF board in the last 10 years. Whilst it is incredibly important to grow the funds we have in our corpus, the community should not lose sight of our incredibly broad range of gifting for charitable projects and gifting for scholarships for those in need, all of which are highlighted in this report. Without our fundraising investment and earnings, our giving would just not happen.

Events

I wish to congratulate all those who organised the 10th anniversary of the annual “Swinging

with the Stars” event. It was a stunning effort by the committee, the dancers and the fundraisers to have “reached for the stars” with their fundraising. Once again, the net funds from this event will be held in perpetuity for the benefit of the Limestone Coast region. I wish to thank all those involved in all events highlighted in this report.

Executive Support

During a year of upheaval and great change in SLSF, I wish to thank Georgie McKay, our Executive Officer, and her hard-working staff, Sally Bailey and Leonie Fartch. Their patience with me and the Board, and devotion to SLSF is the linchpin to the smooth running of SLSF.

Sponsors

I wish to thank our sponsors, all of whom have been recognised elsewhere in this Annual Report. Without your extremely generous support, which assists to pay the running costs of the foundation, we would have less funds available to distribute to our community.

The Board

Finally I wish to recognise and pay tribute to all the board members of SLSF who give hours of their time each year to guide the Foundation forward. I wish to pay particular tribute to retiring board members Sue Charlton AM, Brian Page & Carol Koch who have all indicated that they will stand down at the AGM and have been dynamic advocates for the Community Foundation movement in Australia. Also I would like to add a personal thanks to Rob Ellerman who, for the last 12 years, has made his office and his staff available fully, pro bono, to prepare the rather complicated accounts for SLSF. Rob has merged his practice. We wish him well for the future and thank him immensely for his contributions to the growth of SLSF.

Thank you everyone for supporting SLSF, your Limestone Coast Community Foundation.

Bill DeGaris

Chair



Left: Limestone Coast students enjoy Canberra thanks to a Stand Like Stone Foundation small grant; Bill DeGaris with scholarship donor Kaye Dalgarno (left) and ac.care Marketing Manager Anne Hinkly-Tyler (right) at the launch of The LE & NC Myers Scholarship.



Executive Officer's Report

We have had another busy year at Stand Like Stone with an ongoing focus on positioning Stand Like Stone to meet community needs for the years ahead and in turn maximise the returns to the Limestone Coast community. This has included the streamlining of systems and processes and I look forward to reaping the benefits of this work in the years to come.

A particular highlight of the year was the 10th Anniversary of Swinging with the Stars held in June. I thank our local community, both individuals and local business, for their generosity in supporting this event. There are so many that give their time, energy and donations to ensure that Swinging with the Stars is a success. The event was a sell out and included the return of our nine previous winners who performed a cameo dance, which set the electric tone for the rest of the evening. I congratulate our winning couple Amanda Flint and Jordan Brennan and also acknowledge the incredible efforts of runners up Samara Greer and Dylan Blacksell. The judges had a terrific job in separating our two top couples! I acknowledge the fundraising efforts of Grant Fensom, who as an individual raised over \$45,000, a truly remarkable effort. Save the date for next year, 23rd June 2018, as this event just gets bigger and better every year!

As I have come to expect with my work at Stand Like Stone, there have been many moments throughout the year that have grounded me and moved my heart. There is still so much need in our local community and to provide a grant or scholarship that has the ability to forever change the lives of the recipient is incredibly humbling. To build a resource of over \$4million for the benefit of our community in perpetuity is remarkable. This money will be held in trust, forever, for this region and the income earned from its investment is available each year to grant back to our local community.

I thank my small team, consisting of Sally Bailey, Grants and Partnerships Officer and Leonie Fartch, Finance and Administration Officer for their commitment in what has been a year of administrative change. I also thank the Board for their commitment to Stand Like Stone and for their support and confidence in me throughout the year. I look forward to working with the Board and Chair Bill DeGaris to continue to grow this amazing resource for the Limestone Coast community.

Georgie McKay
Executive Officer



Georgie McKay, Executive Officer

Annual Small Grants Given

In response to the continuing low fixed interest rates, the Board of Stand Like Stone again committed to a single small grant round in the 2016-2017 year. Stand Like Stone maintained its focus on Community Wellbeing and where possible spread its support across the Limestone Coast region to a diverse range of charitable projects. Fifteen charitable projects shared in \$25,294 and the successful recipients were as follows:

The Royal Society for the Blind (RSB) received \$1860 for their project “Access to Technology for People who are Blind or Vision Impaired”. This funding allowed the purchase of a Ruby HD7 Electronic Magnifier for use in the region. The magnifier is used by the visually impaired to assist in reading books, the daily paper or correspondence. It is small enough to be taken when shopping or to read a menu in a restaurant. The RSB is seeking to expand the range of technology that is available to clients living in Mt Gambier and the surrounding districts to improve quality of life and the independence of clients.

Grant High School received \$2000 for the “Gateway to Music” project which provides opportunities in music for students at Melaleuca Park and McDonald Park Primary Schools to participate in a music gateway program. The program develops their skills and elementary music knowledge to enable them to transition to and participate in the Grant High School music program. The Gateway to Music program assists the participants to connect immediately and confidently with their High School.

The Class of 8SA Grant High School received \$2000 for their project Boandik Seasonal Cycle. The year 8 students at Grant High School have been learning about the world around them and how it was formed, including the stories that people use to describe this. As part of this learning, the class explored the Boandik perspective on the seasons and how they have been an important part of life for thousands of years. The funding provided for the translation of a poetic verse created by the Class of 8SA into Boandik language and assisted with building relationships and understanding of Boandik culture.

St Martins Kindergarten received \$1000 for the Healthy Bodies and Sustainability project. This project enabled the planting of fruit trees and the installation of a rainwater tank to provide water for the trees. Once fruiting, the growth and harvest will be used in many aspects of the children’s education and extended to educate around the importance of healthy eating. Fruit will be shared with the greater community in an effort to instil a sense of giving back to community.

Padthaway Uniting Church received \$400 for restocking supplies required for their Tuckerbox Padthaway Pantry Service. The Tuckerbox Padthaway Pantry Service provides meals cooked by members of the Church to people in the district during times of need such as, bereavement, sickness, new parents, accidents and hospitalisations.

Millicent High School received \$1870 for the Year 9 Cultural Studies Camp. The funding assisted all year 9 students to have the opportunity to participate in the Year 9 Cultural Studies Camp to Canberra.

Focis on Youth Sub Fund

The Focis on Youth Sub Fund provides grants to projects with educational outcomes. During 2016-2017 the Focis on Youth Sub Fund gave the following grants:

Story Dogs Ltd received \$1981 for their project “Story Dogs Leap ahead in Mount Gambier.” Story Dogs is a reading support program for primary aged school children that are experiencing disadvantage. Community volunteers with suitably accredited dogs go into local primary schools where students experiencing reading difficulties have the opportunity to sit one on one with the dog team and read to a dog each week. A tight bond forms between the dog and the child and assists the child in building confidence and becoming a better reader.

Acacia Kindergarten received \$1230 funding for sensory play equipment. The sensory play equipment will be used to support enrolled children with special education needs including speech and language delays. The equipment will be used to provide specialised sensory activities to assist children to regulate their emotions and energy levels.

Balnaves Family Sub Fund

The Balnaves Family Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region. The following project was funded by the Balnaves Family Sub Fund during 2016-2017:

Tandara Lodge of Penola District Inc received \$2000 for a project to support the restoration of Coombe cottage to provide a social centre for Tandara residents. Restoring the cottage will enable access to the cottage for the elderly residents. The cottage will be used as a social centre where Tandara residents can interact, socialise with peers and family and ensure an ongoing connection with community to assist with their mental health and wellbeing.

Lorry Humphreys Memorial Sub Fund

Lorraine Humphreys left her estate to Stand Like Stone to provide programs and scholarships for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts. The following project was funded by the Lorraine Humphreys Memorial Sub Fund during 2016-2017:

The Mount Gambier Independent Learning Centre (ILC) received \$1500 for the Percy Street Garden Beautification project. The ILC engages learners who require intensive support to reconnect or remain engaged with their learning. This project aims to benefit both the community of Mt Gambier and ILC students via an integrated learning program which has been designed to give students the opportunity to learn work related skills in a “hands on” setting. The students participating in the project will develop practical learning skills and the application of trade-based skills relating to the safe use of hand tools, power tools and garden equipment, whilst beautifying and improving the Percy Street public garden.

Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund

The Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region. The following project was funded by the Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund during 2016-2017:

Penola Primary School received \$1300 for “Food for Thought”, a project that enables access to appropriate nutrition for students in need. The funding assisted with the start up of the program and enabled the purchase of infrastructure items that will assist in the longevity and sustainability of the program.

Agri-Links Sub Fund

The Agri-Links Sub Fund was established to give grants that raise awareness of Mental Health throughout the Limestone Coast. The following project was jointly funded by the Agri-Links Sub Fund in 2016-2017, along with funding from with the Balnaves Family and Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Funds:

The South Australian Country Women’s Association Inc Penola branch received \$1768 for their project “Cooking up a Storm”. The project purchased a replacement stand alone stove and a whirly bird to install into the SACWA building. The stove and whirly bird will enable the SACWA to undertake charitable work for the benefit of the greater community.

Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund

The Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Naracoorte region. The following project was funded by the Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund during 2016-2017:

The Scout Association of Australia (SA Branch) Naracoorte received \$2000 to fund an entrance ramp to the Scout Hall to enable disabled access, as well as access for families with prams and other mobility devices to safely enter the hall. The ramp will also allow an appropriate emergency exit for patrons of the Hall. The Scout Hall is widely used by the greater Naracoorte community and is regularly used and hired by many community groups.

Beachport Community Sub Fund

The Beachport Community Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Beachport region. The following project was funded by the Beachport Community Sub Fund during 2016-2017:

The Centennial Park Working Group care of BDDA Beachport received \$2000 for their project to create a community basketball ring in Centennial Park at Beachport. The establishment of a community Basketball facility will allow a safe and open area for all ages to engage in healthy outdoor activities. It will also enable an area in which the community can access a basketball hoop, as despite many children participating in the sport, there is no access to a community-based facility at which to practice. There is a lack of facilities and activities that target older

youth in Beachport and it is anticipated that the basketball ring will be welcomed by this cohort, providing a safe and healthy environment in which to mingle and interact.

Keith Hospital Future Fund

The Keith Hospital Future Sub Fund, was established by Mig Brookman a tireless supporter of the Keith Hospital who wanted to be sure that it would never close. She poured thousands of hours into the hospital and was the brains and labour behind many of its improvements. Mrs Brookman's legacy to the hospital, was to launch a Future Fund (as a Sub Fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation), "Mig's Vision" to make sure it could sustain itself for future generations.

The fund was launched just four days before Mrs Brookman died and currently has a balance of over \$81,900, the majority of which Mig was instrumental in raising or was donated in her memory. As a result of "Mig's Vision," **a grant of \$2385 was provided to the Keith Hospital** during 2016-2017.

\$75,000 granted to Headspace

In FY16 Stand Like Stone Foundation received a legacy of \$1,180,673.08 from SERDE Inc being the net assets of the South-east Employment Resource Development Enterprise upon voluntary liquidation of the organisation.

The funds were transferred to Stand Like Stone to benefit Limestone Coast communities in perpetuity and as part of the donation the Board of SERDE Inc expressed a preference that \$200,000 be earmarked to resource and retain non-administrative professional services such as counsellors, youth workers, social workers, GPs or other mental health professional services for the region in partnership with Mount Gambier Headspace, the national youth mental health foundation.

Stand Like Stone is pleased to announce that the process of granting these monies commenced in 2017 with \$75,000 paid to Headspace (Uniting Communities) for the provision of outreach personnel who commenced their work in the communities of Millicent and Naracoorte. This funding has enabled the people of Millicent and Naracoorte to access further personnel with expertise in the area of mental health and wellbeing, a much-needed resource for our communities.

OneFortyOne Plantations Community Capacity Building Grants



The OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building grants are made possible through a funding partnership between the Stand Like Stone Foundation and OneFortyOne Plantations. The partnership provides funding of \$20,000 per annum to be granted to charitable projects that build capacity within Limestone Coast communities.

In 2017, the following projects received support via OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building Grants:

The Robe Men's Shed Association Inc was granted **\$10,000** for the construction of a building in which to undertake charitable activities and wellbeing projects/activities. Clear community confidence and in-kind support was demonstrated for the project, which had already secured \$10K of funding via the Barefoot Benefit fundraising committee. The Robe Men's Shed will allow a platform for open conversation, charitable activities and a healing, welcoming place of inclusion. The project will support mental health and community wellbeing, with particular reference to minority groups that have little support available to them.



Shondo participating in the "I Made It" sewing project at the Limestone Coast Migrant Resource Centre, making waistcoats for Mount Gambier City Band.

On the back of \$8,000 support received in 2016, **The Limestone Coast Migrant Resource Centre received a further \$6,700** to continue to build the “I Made It” pilot sewing project for refugees. The project gives women and men from African and Burmese background the opportunity to learn how to produce sewn items for the Australian market. The enterprise assists them to source materials, price items and forge links with networks where the items produced can then be displayed and sold. There has been overwhelming community support for this project and the positive outcomes are widely felt by participants and the greater community. Participants are benefiting from increased self-confidence and learning tools and skills to enable a smoother integration in to life in the Limestone Coast region. It is hoped that a further injection of funding will propel this project to self-sustainability.



Robe Men's Shed founding contributors John Davidson (left), Tony Stevenson and Gary Thomas

The Operation Flinders Foundation Inc received \$3,300 for the “Operation Flinders A Exercises” project, which will enable students at risk to participate in the Operation Flinders Outback intervention program. The Foundation is seeking to enable thirty people from DC Grant and Mt Gambier to undertake the Operation Flinders Program. The program will assist students at risk to achieve life-skills and assist them with becoming engaged and active community members.

The Flinders University of South Australia received \$10,000 for Stage 2 of the “Workforce exclusion in Mount Gambier Project.” This project was first tabled for OneFortyOne funding consideration in 2015, and 2016 saw a partnership of The Wyatt Trust, the Stand Like Stone Foundation, Flinders University, Rural Communities Australia, and Di-Monty Training Solutions to undertake Stage 1 of a community based research project throughout 2016. The project engaged with the phenomenon of workforce exclusion in Mount Gambier, South Australia. The project is known to participants as You're Asking Me (YAM)? With the support of the local community and the National Australia Bank, the project has reached the conclusion of stage 1 (YAM 1). Stage 2 (YAM 2) will involve the deployment of workforce inclusion strategies. YAM 1 enabled three project concepts to be developed for YAM 2 which, in combination, are designed to foster life skills development, work skills development and community (labour market) development. The projects will be developed and deployed throughout 2017.

Educational Scholarships

Stand Like Stone's Educational Scholarship Fund, established in 2007, provides money for scholarships, bursaries or prizes which promote the recipients education in a recognised pre-school, primary, secondary or tertiary course and are awarded on merit or for reasons of equity.

In 2016/17 Stand Like Stone offered its eighth round of scholarships for study to be undertaken in 2017. Scholarships were awarded for: approved curriculum and courses being studied at Australian educational institutions and for related living and boarding costs. Since 2009, 146 students have shared in \$99,615 worth of scholarships.

This year a **total \$20,500** was awarded as follows:

The **L M Woodruff Memorial Scholarship** which provides scholarships to assist young women undertake a nursing career was awarded to **Michaela Roberts** and **Chelsea Bull**.

The **Grant High School Scholarships** are awarded to students attending or enrolling at Grant High School. These scholarships were awarded to the following students:

- **Rebecca McInnes** to study a Bachelor of Pharmacy (IBPH) (jointly funded with the **Stand Like Stone** Scholarship)
- **Caitlin Walters** for the completion of SACE to further her Tertiary studies

The **Focis on Youth Scholarship** provides scholarships to assist people identifying with the Limestone Coast to undertake educational studies at any level - primary, secondary or tertiary courses. The Focis on Youth Scholarships were awarded to:

- **Tiarna Said** to study MBET Bachelor of Primary Education
- **Caitlin Weinberg** to study a Bachelor of Marketing & Communications
- **Renee Brody** to study a Double Degree in Bachelor of Science & Bachelor of Teaching
- **Jack Richman** to study Year 11 open access Economics
- **Sara Turnbull** to study a Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Physiotherapy

The **Kingston Community School Scholarship** provided scholarships to the following students:

- **Chelsie Hutchinson** to assist with secondary study
- **Eliza Wright** to assist with secondary study
- **Josh Troeth** to study Year 8
- **Tahlia Troeth** to study Year 12

The **L T O'Connor Music Scholarship** provides scholarships based on merit in the area of music to students to further their experiences and knowledge in music. The scholarships were awarded to **Jordan Brennan** to study Certificate IV Dance Teaching & Management, **Mitchell Thompson** to study a Bachelor of Arts (Advanced) and **Benjamin Williams**, an avid musician and regular participant in the Limestone Coast Tattoo, to study Bachelor of Viticulture & Oenology.

The **de Nys Family Memorial Scholarship** was awarded to **Ali Hassan** to study a Bachelor of Science & Bachelor of Electronics Engineering and **Sarah AlFraij** to study a Certificate IV in Youth Work at TAFE. The de Nys Family Memorial Scholarships are awarded for reasons of equity to primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Mount Gambier area.

The **Mount Gambier High School Student Scholarships** are awarded to students attending or enrolling at MGHS. These scholarships were awarded to:

- **Hayley Wakefield** to support her schooling at MGHS
- **Emma Greenfield** to study a Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery
- **Jake Blackwell** to study a Bachelor of Commerce

The **Keith Area School (KAS) Student Scholarships** are awarded to students attending or enrolling at KAS. These scholarships were awarded to:

- **Chloe Jones** to study a Bachelor of Education (Primary R-7) / Bachelor of Arts
- **Taresa Cooper** to support her schooling at KAS

The **Keith RSL “Hardships of War” Scholarships** are awarded to Year 7 students at Keith Area School. In 2005 Keith RLS Sub Branch in consultation with the then Keith Area School Principal, created a scholarship for year 7 students using a \$10,000 bequest from a member’s estate. The idea was for students to research family histories, and was later expanded and named the “Hardships of War” scholarship. This proved to be very successful with winning students research works ranging from close family tragedies, through to local service people, migrants, boat people, to the horses of World War 1. In 2015 the Keith RSL approached Stand Like Stone to hold the monies in trust for this purpose and provide for these scholarships in perpetuity. The funds are managed as part of the Keith Area School Sub Fund and Stand Like Stone works with the Keith RSL each year to determine the level of funding available to grant. This year the Sub Fund granted \$300 towards the “Hardships of War” scholarships, which were presented at the Keith Area School Valedictory service.

Stand Like Stone Scholarships provide scholarships to assist people identifying with the Limestone Coast to undertake educational studies at any level - primary, secondary or tertiary courses. The Stand Like Stone Scholarships were awarded to:

- **Maneka Thorogood** to study a Bachelor of Education (Primary)
- **Alexandra Reilly** to study Creative Industry/Information Technology or Variation of Creative Industry or Photography
- **Joel Moore** to study a Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours)
- **Janae Fox** to study a Bachelor of Education (Primary)

The **SARWG Scholarship** was established to provide scholarships to benefit rural women identifying with the Limestone Coast in the pursuit of their educational goals. The recipient was **Lily Thornley** to study an Undergraduate Bachelor of Laws & International Studies.

The **Cornerstone Scholarship** was established to provide scholarships for reasons of equity or merit to benefit kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Bordertown area. The scholarships were offered to **Georgina Gogel** to undertake a Bachelor of Education (Primary), **Ross Pike** to assist with his Year 12 studies and **Hannah Patterson** to undertake a Bachelor of the Arts.

The **Vititec Scholarship** which supports students with a connection to the greater Penola/Coonawarra area was awarded to **Ben Casey** to study a Bachelor of Education (Primary).

The **Lucindale Area School (LAS) Student Scholarships** are awarded to students attending or enrolling at Lucindale Area School. These scholarships were awarded to:

- **Connor Eastwood** to support his schooling at LAS
- **Elinor Leake** to support her schooling at LAS

The **Lorry Humphreys Memorial Scholarship** was established to provide scholarships to assist students seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts. The inaugural scholarships were offered the following students:

- **Alexandra Reilly** to undertake Creative Industry, Information Technology or Photography
- **Karen Cahir** to undertake a Diploma of Counselling.

The **Balnaves Foundation Educational Scholarship** was established to support young people, the disadvantaged and indigenous communities. The scholarship has a focus on students with an interest in the region and the indigenous history of the area. The inaugural Balnaves Foundation scholarships were offered the following students:

- **Bianca Carson** to undertake a Bachelor of Social Work
- **Amie Brant** to undertake the Indigenous Participation Pathways (IPP) program

Arbonne Charitable Foundation Grants

In 2017, the Stand Like Stone Foundation auspiced flow-through grants from the Arbonne Charitable Foundation to support a Youth Mental Health Forum held in Naracoorte, run by the Naracoorte Independent Learning Centre (ILC). The funding from Arbonne Charitable Foundation to date has totalled just under \$24,000 which has enabled mental health initiatives to be run by the ILC, spearheaded by Tammy Schinckel.

Tammy identified a need to do something three years ago, after tragic events in the local community. She decided to speak up about mental health and began working towards breaking down the stigma often associated with mental health issues. The ILC hosted a Youth Mental Health Festival in June. The Festival included inspirational speakers, workshops and a community family fun day. All the activities were widely attended by youth from across the Limestone Coast, with over 1400 youth benefiting from the activities.



The Life & Works of Lorry Humphreys 1930 – 2015

Artist Lorraine (Lorry) Humphreys, who left her Estate to Stand Like Stone to benefit the Limestone Coast region, was honoured posthumously in an exhibition held at The Riddoch Art Gallery. The exhibition was part of the Mount Gambier Fringe Festival program and celebrated Lorry's life and extensive collection of bold and colourful works.

Lorraine Humphreys passed away at the age of 84 in October 2015. Her estate valued at over \$1.4million will be used to provide scholarships and programs for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts. "Lorry's estate is the largest individual donation received to date by Stand Like Stone," said Stand Like Stone Foundation Chair Bill DeGaris. "We are incredibly grateful to receive this generous bequest and the immense benefits that it will bring to our community will ensure that Lorry won't be forgotten."

Lorry's house was full of art, her own and the work of others. These works were featured in the exhibition, which showcased her work over many decades and illustrated the significant progression in her work as she experimented with form, colour, and materials. Lorry had expressed a desire for her works to be retained together for at least one final exhibition. "The Stand Like Stone Foundation was privileged to carry out Lorry's final wishes and present her cherished art collection for the community to enjoy," Bill DeGaris said.

The Riddoch Art Gallery Foundation purchased a body of her work and associated ephemera and the general public had the opportunity to purchase the remaining pieces. The exhibition was an extraordinary success with many pieces of the collection being sold. Lorraine Humphreys Memorial Sub Funds have been established in the Open Fund and Educational Scholarship Fund to ensure that Ms Humphreys final wishes are honoured. Scholarships and grant funding has been made available to support the development of careers in the Arts and Trades and the inaugural grants will be made in the upcoming financial year.



FRRR Back to School Program



Local families received back to school relief thanks to an initiative delivered by the Stand Like Stone Foundation. To help reduce the burden of costs associated with the commencement of a new school year, 555 fifty dollar vouchers were distributed, in partnership with local schools.

The schools allocate vouchers in the most appropriate way to assist families and children with the greatest need. The program is unique, in that recipient families can choose what they actually need for their children.

This was the thirteenth year Stand Like Stone issued vouchers, through the Back to School Program, to help students with the purchase of uniforms, books or other equipment needed to get students back to school. Over twelve years 7711 students have been given vouchers throughout our region, resulting in a cash boost of \$385,550 supporting education.

This program makes an enormous difference to the lives of many children around our region. This is much more than a \$50 gift, it is about social inclusion, fitting in and building morale in children at the start of a school year. Stories from schools show that families are very appreciative of this helping hand and that the gift can make a real difference to their children.

Funds from FRRR provided a grant of 325 vouchers to Stand Like Stone, while funds for an extra 230 vouchers were received from the Mount Gambier and District Community Bank, private donors and funds raised from Swinging with the Stars, 2016.



Stay at School Program



Thanks to a partnership between Stand Like Stone, The Wyatt Trust and three Independent Learning Centres in the Limestone Coast, sixty students received \$500 gifts to help them complete their SACE. The gifts were distributed through Stand Like Stone's Stay at School Program which is funded by **The Wyatt Trust**.

The Stay at School Program assists students studying the SACE at the Independent Learning Centres. The aim of the gift is to help the students stay at school by alleviating some of the financial pressure associated with studying.

To receive a gift students must be attending the Independent Learning Centre in year 11 or 12 and be in receipt of independent status conferred by Centrelink or of low income. With the support of the Independent Learning Centres, Stand Like Stone representatives met with recipients to explain the program, to discuss with them how they will use the gift to help them stay at school and to let them know that there are people in the community who care and have a desire to help them complete their education.

The program is in its seventh year and thanks to The Wyatt Trust, the Stay at School program has supported over 405 students and has injected \$212,500 towards supporting Limestone Coast students to achieve their SACE.



Swinging with the Stars



Swinging with the Stars

A sell out crowd packed The Barn in June to witness eight incredible locals and their partners break records at the hugely anticipated 10th Anniversary of Swinging with the Stars.

2017 participants included White Ribbon Ambassador Peter Zeitz with partner Rebecca Hann, Lucindale netballer and community advocate Nicole Hocking dancing with Cody Smith, Port Macdonnell's Grant Fensom partnered with Katherine Miller, Penola Coonawarra entrant Amanda Flint with partner Jordan Brennan, To Go Sandwich & Espresso Bar maître d' Beck Laurenson dancing with James Brennan, Inters Soccer Club A Grade Captain, Christian Cella partnered with Keana Soper, Mount Gambier High School's representative Samara Greer with partner Dylan Blacksell and Robe's Jack "Chipper" Kelly, dancing with Paris Ackland.

In a hotly contested final Amanda Flint and Jordan Brennan were crowned the 2017 winners. Amanda was raising funds for the Penola/Coonawarra Wellbeing Fund and said that "It was a privilege to represent Penola Coonawarra for the Stand Like Stone Foundation" and she thanked the community for their outstanding support.

All couples danced the Swing, the Modern Waltz, a sizzling Tango and a show-stopping Hip Hop, from which four couples were then shortlisted to dance a final "Swing". Amanda Flint and Jordan Brennan were then selected to dance a further Hip Hop against Mount Gambier High School's representative Samara Greer and Dylan Blacksell. Judges, Joanna Hodges, Steven Speck and Kahlia Prelc had an extremely difficult job in selecting the winning couple and requested an additional Hip Hop to finalise their decision. "We were blown away by the outstanding standard of dance. What was a really fun role, also turned out to be the hardest," said Joanna Hodges who led the judging panel. "Amanda and Jordan were deserving winners on the evening. An amazing job by all dancers and the crowd loved the entertainment and colour!"

Kim Cella from Hype Dance trained the stars and was excited to be a part of the 10th Anniversary celebrations. "Every year they keep raising the bar that little bit higher," Ms Cella said.

People's Choice winner (awarded to the Star who raises the most funds for Stand Like Stone) was awarded to Grant Fensom, whose individual fundraising total was \$44,788, more than doubling the previous record. Mr Fensom's fundraising will be attributed to the Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation, which was established in memory of Mr Steven Noble who died tragically in a car accident in 2013. The Sub Fund was established to support the local communities of Port MacDonnell, Allendale East and Kongorong and will enable the purchase of a community bus to be made available to local groups for charitable purposes and to create awareness around driver and road safety. Grant was overwhelmed by the local support in his fundraising endeavours. "It has been an honour and a humbling experience to have been involved in the 10th year of Swinging with the Stars. Our fundraising goal to complete the Steve Noble memorial has been achieved and this has been able to happen because of the hard work and generosity of the greater Port MacDonnell community and beyond. We now are able to give back by having an asset that community groups can use to be safer on the road," Mr Fensom said.

The combined fundraising total for all eight stars was over \$127K, surpassing last year's total by over \$48K. Combined with the income from the silent auction and ticket sales Swinging with the Stars raised over \$146,000 for the local community.





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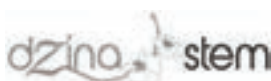
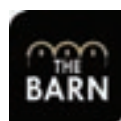


10th Anniversary Cameo



The 10th Anniversary celebrations included the return of the nine previous winners who opened the evening's celebrations with a cameo performance choreographed by Kim Cella, Hype Dance.

Many previous participants sent in video messages of congratulations and well wishes for the 2017 participants, including one from the now internationally acclaimed Euan Doidge, who partnered 2010 Winner Lisa McCormick and is currently performing in the Sydney season of "Kinky Boots." We thank the previous winners and their partners for their involvement in the night and for their ongoing support of Stand Like Stone. It was fantastic to see them all back on the dance floor at The Barn!



- Jase Scheidl
- Peter Brookman
- Alexander Cameron Suites
- Chapman's Newsagency
- Coonawarra Vignerons
- It's a Celebration
- Tania and Paul Von Stanke
- Steven Speck
- Salts of the Earth
- The Jackson Family
- Willo Designs
- The Ryan Family
- Harvey Norman
- Henry & Rose

- The Motor City 7 Band
- Commonwealth Bank
- Steve Mullan Sound and Lighting
- Melbas Chocolates
- Craig Maria
- Baxter Hire
- Joanna Hodges
- Kahlia Prelc
- Mini Jumbuk
- Keith Butcher
- Wepar Nominees
- Studio Elan
- The Hender Family
- Majestic Minima Hotel



Limestone Coast Tattoo

A renewed executive team brought new life to the Limestone Coast Tattoo, which again delivered excitement and fanfare at Mount Gambier's Ice House Basketball Stadium.

The theme was "100 Years of War and Peace" and highlighted the excitement and energy of bygone eras from the Boer War through to today.

A jam-packed program featuring some of our favourite bands and dance groups including the Mount Gambier City Band, RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band, Mount Gambier City Concert Band, Cockatoo Valley Song Group, UMOJA, SE Show Band, Ardlair Dancers, North Primary School, 3rd Light Horse, Maryke Dance and new participants Portland Citizen Brass Band, Portland Calisthenics Group, Naracoorte Highland Pipe Band, City of Horsham Pipe Band, Mt Gambier Rock n Roll Group and Phoenix Music Studio.



The Tattoo began with an impressive Massed Band Opening and Fanfare that had the audience on their toes. The Boer War Era featured the RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band accompanied by Ardlair Dancers performed Waltzing Matilda and Blue Bells of Scotland.

The Portland Citizen brass Band and Portland Calisthenics Group performed pieces representing WW1, followed by the Interwar Era including performances by Cockatoo Valley Song Group and 3rd Light Horse, as well as the RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band and Ardlair Dancers. The Mt Gambier City Band and North Primary School performances represented WW2. The Cold War Era was represented by performances from Mount Gambier City Concert Band and dancers from the Mt Gambier Rock n Roll Group. The SE Show Band accompanied by Maryke Dance to perform pieces that represented the Vietnam War. The 70's through to present times included performances from Umoja, Rapper, Razio Dope'kid and Phoenix Music Studio.

The finale featured a recital by RSL President Bob Sandow of "In Flanders Fields" and was led by the RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band performing various tunes including Valour in Kandahar, Auld Lang Syne, Gundagai, Black Bear and Scotland the Brave. Lone Piper, Robyn Badman of the RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band brought the stadium to a standstill with his rendition of "Dark Island".

The Centacare Catholic Family Services trophy for the "Best Community Entertainment" item was awarded to the RSL Blue Lake Highland Pipe Band and Ardlair Dancers. The act captivated the entire audience and were very worthy recipients.

The Tattoo is set up and run for the charitable purpose of providing educational scholarships in the area of music through the L T O'Connor Music Scholarship, a sub fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation.

The Tattoo is sponsored by DeGaris Lawyers and key contributors volunteer their time to maximise the amount raised for the scholarship. We thank Graham Gill who volunteered his expertise as compere for the event and recognise the generous contributions of Jason Flint, Beth Searle and Baxter Hire.

Just under 400 people attended the tattoo and over \$5,500 was raised at the event, which has been added to the L T O'Connor Music Scholarship.

Thankyou 2016 Limestone Coast Tattoo Sponsor:



Koonara Wines Platinum Marquee

For the fifth year running Koonara Wines named Stand Like Stone as their charity partner for funds raised at the Platinum Marquee at the Mount Gambier Gold Cup Carnival.

The marquee was a fabulous success with patrons being treated to delicious food, stunning wines and a fantastic day at the races. The day raised over \$2150 for the Foundation, bringing the total raised through this event to just over \$31,700.

We are grateful to Dru and Nicole Reschke and the professional team at Koonara Wines for their ongoing support and incredible hospitality.



Open Garden at The Barn

On Saturday February 18 and Sunday February 19, Marianne Cleves opened her stunning gardens at The Barn, 747 Glenelg River Road, O.B. Flat (via Mount Gambier) for the benefit of Stand Like Stone Foundation.

The stunning gardens are home to over 2000 roses including David Austins, Delbards and heritage varieties. There are mass plantings of Delphiniums, salvias and daylilies, with borders of white hydrangeas and rugosa, as well as other pretty perennials add to the rich and diverse planting scheme.

The garden is framed with 100-year-old trees, including ginkgo, tulip tree, white horse chestnut, linden, turkey oak, dogwoods and an avenue of plane trees. A wooded area containing some 200 silver birch trees presents a simplistic yet stunning outlook.

A feature of the garden is the organic kitchen garden of over 2 hectares, which provides The Barn Restaurant with fresh seasonal vegetables, garnishes and herbs. The annual harvest of tomatoes and quinces makes a year's supply of relish and quince paste.

Afternoon tea was offered over the weekend, prepared by the Grant High School Hospitality Students. All funds raised from the morning tea were attributed to the Grant High School Student Scholarship Sub Fund of Stand Like Stone. We thank Josh Praolini and the Grant High School students for the delicious fresh scones, jam and cream.

A scrumptious gourmet lunch was provided on Sunday by Bernadette Kentish of St Bees Catering + Events. All the produce was donated by local business and the fare included a mouth watering wine baked chicken and peach salad and a gourmet brunch wrap. We acknowledge She's Apples and Badenoch's Bay Road Butchers for their generosity in providing the fresh produce free of charge for the lunch. We also thank Bernadette Kentish of St Bees Catering + Events for her generosity in preparing and serving a delicious lunch for the visitors to the garden.

Funds raised from the event were donated to Stand Like Stone. We thank the many volunteers who contributed to the day, and in particular thank Marianne Cleves and the team at The Barn for a wonderful weekend.

*“No act of kindness,
no matter how small,
is ever wasted.”*

Aesop

In Memoriam Donations & Bequests

Families can choose to recognise their loved ones through the support of the Stand Like Stone Foundation. Stand Like Stone is able to facilitate donations in memoriam and in consultation with the Foundation, families can choose how they would like their loved ones recognised.

A bequest to the Stand Like Stone Foundation is a meaningful way that an individual can benefit the Limestone Coast Community. After providing for loved ones in a will, an individual may choose to make a gift of money, stock or property to the Foundation. Bequests will be carefully managed by the Board to benefit the Limestone Coast's communities in perpetuity.

If you are considering making a donation in memorium or a bequest to the Stand Like Stone Foundation, we recommend you contact the Foundation in the first instance.



“A person’s true wealth is the good he or she does in the world.”

Mohammed

In Memoriam

Matteo (Matt) Zema

17/3/1960 – 23/7/2016

Matteo (Matt) Zema passed away suddenly on Saturday 23 July 2016 at his home in Melbourne aged 56 years.



Matt was a founder and owner of Zema Estate Wines in Coonawarra South Australia, along with his parents Demetrio and Francesca and his brother Nick. The Zema family brought their proud Italian heritage to Coonawarra in the 1950's going on to establish Zema Estate Wines in 1982.

Whilst Matt moved away to undertake studies in Electrical and Computer Systems Engineering, Matt was continually engaged and involved in the operations of Zema Estate. Along with his wife and son, Matt returned to Coonawarra on a frequent basis to help grow, shape and form Zema Estate into the successful family run business it remains today.

In partnership with his brother Nick, Matt was very hands on at Zema Estate, a tradition and passion he maintained until his passing.

The Zema family worked very closely together in developing one of Australia's much-loved small family wineries. The Zema family deservedly take great pride in their achievements they have never lost sight of their original philosophies – Estate grown, hand pruned, minimally irrigated, hand crafted, attention to detail – consistently produced exceptional wines.

Matt and his wife Teresa have one son, Demetrio Jnr. Matt was enormously proud of his family's achievements and wanted to build on this legacy for future generations. The Zema family will continue to build on this legacy for future generations.

In addition to his family and wine interests, Matt was appointed inaugural MD and CEO of AEMO in 2009, leading the transformation of the newly established entity, and building its reputation as a trusted, respected, independent resource for a broad range of stakeholders. Matt was proud to be appointed by the Federal Government to the independent expert panel review of the Renewable Energy Target in 2014.

In November 2015, Matt was recognised for his expertise in energy market design and operations, and power systems planning and management, and was appointed Vice President of GO15, a voluntary initiative of the world's largest power grid operators, representing more than 70 per cent of the world's electricity demand.

Also in late 2015, Mr Zema oversaw the transition of the Wholesale Electricity Market and South West Interconnected System in Western Australia to AEMO. Matt was renowned and respected globally for his expertise and knowledge in the energy industry.

Matt was a much loved and respected member of the Australian wine and energy communities and he will be deeply missed. The Zema family would like to thank everyone for their condolences.

In keeping with the wishes of the Zema Family, donations received in Matt's memory were attributed to the Vititec Penola Coonawarra Community Scholarship Sub Fund. Matt's family indicated that he would be very pleased and honoured for the funds to be used in helping local youth further their education.

National Community Foundation Awards

Stand Like Stone Director Sue Charlton AM and Executive Officer Georgie McKay were the recipients of national awards at the National Community Foundations Forum held at the RACV Inverloch, Victoria from 11-13 October 2016.

Sue was the inaugural recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award which honours individuals who, throughout their lifetime, have made a significant commitment and contribution to enriching and growing the community foundation movement in Australia.

Georgie was the recipient of the Award for Excellence and Achievement which is awarded for outstanding achievement and contribution to philanthropy through the community foundation movement. As the recipient of the award, Georgie was inducted into the Community Foundations Hall of Fame.



RY Ellerman Contribution

The Board of Stand Like Stone would like to recognise the outstanding philanthropic contribution of Mr Robin Ellerman through his accounting firm RY Ellerman & Co. Rob commenced as a Director of Stand Like Stone Foundation Ltd in July 2005 and at that time agreed to provide accounting services for the Stand Like Stone Foundation Ltd at no charge.

This generous arrangement has continued uninterrupted for the past 12 years, up until June 2017 when Rob merged his practice with Sinclair Wilson. Rob's contribution via his practice represents a significant philanthropic act and represents the largest in-kind donation received by Stand Like Stone to date.

Stand Like Stone will continue to have access to Rob's expertise and advice as consultant with Sinclair Wilson and as a continuing Director of Stand Like Stone.

“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

Winston S. Churchill

Trust Funds Growth

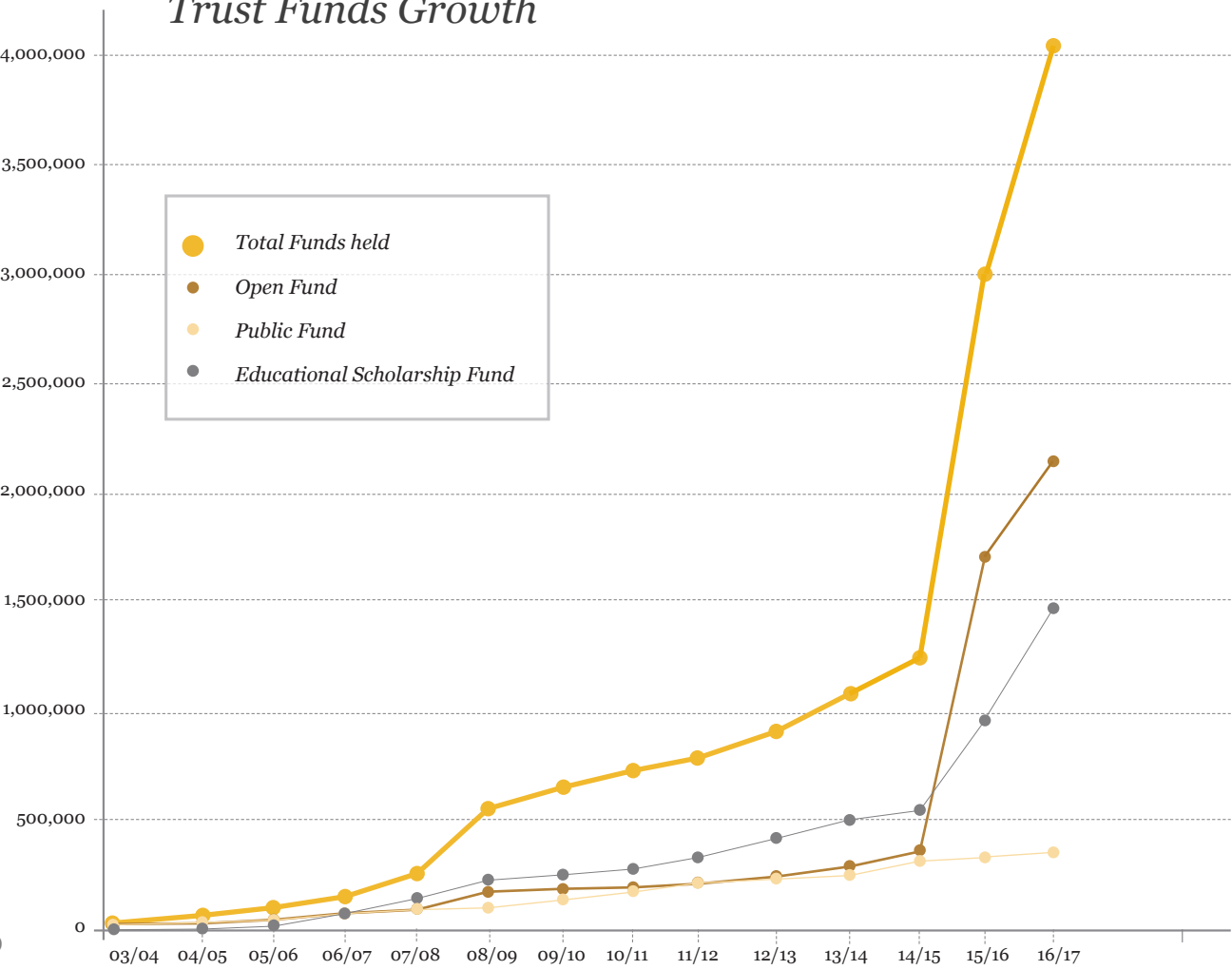
Stand Like Stone’s goal continues to be to build substantial permanent funds from which grants are made to local charitable projects and educational scholarships are given. These funds function like a permanent community savings account (the corpus) which distributes the earnings back to the community. Stand Like Stone has three trust funds: the Public Fund, the Open Fund and the Educational Scholarship Fund where gifts to Stand Like Stone are held.

The Educational Scholarship Fund has net assets of \$1,422,304.00 and provides money for scholarships, bursaries or prizes which promote the recipients education in a pre-school, primary, secondary or tertiary course and is awarded on merit or for reasons of equity. Donations to the Educational Scholarship Fund receive a tax deduction.

The Public Fund has net assets of \$351,161.92 and gives grants to organisations that have deductible gift recipient status (DGR) for example hospitals, health promotion charities and cultural organisations. Donations to the Public Fund receive a tax deduction.

Gifts not requiring a tax deductible receipt are invested in the Open Fund which has net assets of \$2,275,672.43. Grants from the Open Fund are given to charitable projects and can be given to a wider number of organisations, not just those with deductible gift recipient status. The following graph shows trust fund growth:

Trust Funds Growth



Financial Report

Abridged Financial Report year ending 30/6/17

	ADMIN A/C	PUBLIC	OPEN	EDUCTL SF	TOTALS	TOTALS 30/6/17
Stand Like Stone Foundation Earned						
Events Income	81,986.54	-	-	-	81,987.00	63,218.00
Administration Fee	69,775.98	-	-	-	69,776.00	61,115.00
Interest	2,118.83	3,788.14	22,015.51	8,642.86	36,565.00	37,366.00
Sponsorship	11,280.00	-	-	-	11,280.00	11,000.00
Council	11,000.00	-	-	-	11,000.00	11,000.00
Grants Received	-	-	-	-	-	18,950.00
Reimbursed Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	225.00
Distributions Received	-	560.65	11,372.74	10,062.23	21,996.00	2,254.00
Dividends Received	-	11,502.56	49,471.06	24,963.69	85,937.00	31,385.00
Franking Credits Refunded (2015)	-	2,174.00	4,227.00	5,909.00	12,310.00	6,762.00
	176,161.35	18,025.35	87,086.31	49,577.78	330,851.00	243,275.00
Gifts & Donations Received	12,156.85	22,707.30	581,995.54	421,456.69	1,038,316.00	1,876,209.00
Less Loss on Disposal of Assets	-	5,207.93	6,493.72	6,422.20	18,124.00	-
Less Administration Costs	175,819.69	6,770.98	38,979.57	24,298.89	245,869.00	213,391.00
Surplus Before Grants	12,498.51	28,753.74	623,608.56	440,313.38	1,105,174.00	1,906,093.00
Grants & Scholarships Paid	-	18,697.57	170,025.25	19,500.00	208,223.00	99,722.00
Surplus	12,498.51	10,056.17	453,583.31	420,813.38	896,951.00	1,806,371.00
Property, Plant & Equipment	1,951.27	-	-	-	1,951.00	2,557.00
Cash & Short Term Deposits	137,534.88	147,644.02	825,779.29	419,655.08	1,530,613.00	1,368,531.00
Sundry Debtors & Other Receivables	1,026.00	-	7,400.44	391.79	8,818.00	6,739.00
Shares in Listed Companies Market Value	-	178,479.30	1,124,299.76	642,797.71	1,945,577.00	1,833,666.00
Units in Listed Companies Market Value	-	37,010.41	106,994.00	113,397.52	257,402.00	185,669.00
Units in Managed Funds Market Value	-	-	383,413.53	280,107.69	663,521.00	185,669.00
What we Own	140,512.15	363,133.73	2,447,887.02	1,456,349.79	4,407,883.00	3,397,163.00
What we Owe	27,644.95	11,331.70	152,030.93	26,947.33	217,955.00	259,525.00
Net Assets (including Administration Account)	112,867.20	351,802.03	2,295,856.09	1,429,402.46	4,189,928.00	3,137,639.00

Community Awareness

Website

Our website is a powerful and important tool in raising community awareness of the work of Stand Like Stone Foundation. We continue to invest in our website and are grateful for the ongoing support and generosity of helloFriday in hosting and maintaining this resource for Stand Like Stone.

UNIQUE WEBSITE VISITS (JULY - JUNE) 20,055

Social Media

Stand Like Stone continues to interact with the community on social media. Social media provides a platform to extend our reach into the community and allows a responsive and current platform to engage with many community groups, as well as younger stakeholders. Our Facebook community has grown to 2236 people and we interact with them on a regular basis, posting messages of community interest and updates on our events, grants and scholarship programs. In the week following *Swinging with the Stars*, our posts had an extended reach of over 75,000 users, as the sharing of photographs and comments from the event reached an all-time high. Video views were over 40,000 and post engagements reached a record high of 50,000. Twitter has been a useful tool in keeping abreast of philanthropic action in the sector and increasing our reach around the region.

FACEBOOK LIKES 2236

TWITTER FOLLOWERS 491

Public Relations: Media

Over the past 12 months Stand Like Stone featured in 54 print media stories. Images accompanied the majority of these stories making the stories more likely to be read. We appreciate the support given by local radio and print media in providing a solid foundation to increase community awareness across the Limestone Coast in the coming years.

PRINT MEDIA STORIES 54

Public Relations: e-Newsletter

Our e-newsletter has been distributed regularly over the last 12 months, with additional notifications in the lead-up to major events. The e-newsletter enables us to keep in touch with our community and is well received by our 600 strong subscriber list.

Public Relations - South East Field Days

As part of our community relations strategy, Stand Like Stone attended the South East Field Days in Lucindale in March. The Field Days present a unique opportunity to mingle with people from the Limestone Coast and have conversations around the region, the foundation and our activities. As per previous years, we had giveaways for local children, along with bookmarks and a "Guess How Many" lolly jar. We also had a community wishing tree, which enabled community members to write ideas and input for Stand Like Stone to consider. There were high levels of social media interaction over both days.

History & Context

The Stand Like Stone Foundation, a community foundation, is an independent philanthropic organisation working in the Limestone Coast. Stand Like Stone is part of a network of Community Foundations across Australia and works closely with the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR), Australian Community Philanthropy and Philanthropy Australia.

Stand Like Stone's origins lie in the leadership of a group of visionary people who wanted to initiate a community foundation for the lasting benefit of the Limestone Coast. As a result in October 2004 the Stand Like Stone Foundation was officially launched to serve the Limestone Coast.

The Stand Like Stone Foundation is the leading community foundation in South Australia. Stand Like Stone operates as follows:

- Stand Like Stone collects donations, which are pooled to form a capital base (corpus).
- This capital base (corpus) is invested and kept in perpetuity and its income is used to fund educational scholarships and community projects, which are charitable and benefit the community.
- Stand Like Stone funds educational scholarships and charitable projects in the Limestone Coast by giving grants which focus on community health and well being, community development, environmental and cultural projects.

Stand Like Stone is unique for a number of reasons:

- The benefit of all donations stays in the Limestone Coast.
- Decisions on which projects receive grants are made by local people.
- The grants Stand Like Stone gives meet local needs.
- The original donation is never spent; it keeps on giving.
- No more than 2% per annum of average capital is used to support Stand Like Stone's activities.

The Limestone Coast

The Stand Like Stone Foundation embraces the Limestone Coast, located in the South East of South Australia. The Limestone Coast consists of the following local governments:

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| ● City of Mount Gambier | ● District Council of Grant |
| ● Kingston District Council | ● Naracoorte Lucindale Council |
| ● Robe District Council | ● Tatiara District Council |
| ● Wattle Range Council | |

Structure & Governance

The Stand Like Stone Foundation is:

- A public company limited by guarantee
- Endorsed by the Australian Tax Office (ATO) as a charitable institution and is exempt from income tax

Donations to the foundation are held in the appropriate trust fund. Each fund is established and governed by a separate trust deed. The public company, the Stand Like Stone Foundation, is the trustee of the:

- Open Fund
- Public Fund (*to which tax-deductible donations can be given*)
- Educational Scholarship Fund (*to which tax-deductible donations can be given*)

The trustees are responsible for:

- Investment decisions
- Ensuring that income is distributed in line with the purposes in the trust deeds

Stand Like Stone's Constitution provides governance requirements and states that Stand Like Stone is not for profit and that its income will be applied to public charitable purposes.

Stand Like Stone is governed by a Board of Directors made up of unpaid representatives from the Limestone Coast who meet the Australian Tax Office's (ATO) definition of having 'community responsibility'.

Stand Like Stone has Grant Making, Educational Scholarship, Finance, Board Nominations and Fund Development advisory committees, which make recommendations to the Board.

Management of the Stand Like Stone Foundation is overseen by the Executive Officer, who is employed three days a week. A Finance and Administration Officer and Grants, Partnerships and Governance Officer are also employed on a permanent part-time basis. The Stand Like Stone Foundation has a small office in Mount Gambier.

Organisational Directory

Board of Directors

Mr William DeGaris (Chair)	December 2006 to present
Mr Brian Page (Public Officer)	April 2004 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert (Secretary)	April 2004 to present
Mrs Susan Charlton AM	April 2004 to present
Mrs Carol Koch	November 2004 to present
Mr Robin Ellerman	July 2005 to present
Mr Robert Mock	April 2012 to present
Mrs Lucy Ryan	May 2014 to present
Ms Donna Edwards	December 2014 to present
Mr Rhett McDonald	July 2015 to present
Ms Fiona Pulford	July 2015 to present

Alternate Directors

Mrs Kathryn Facy	Alternate for Susan Charlton	November 2009 to present
Mr Peter Brookman	Alternate for Lucy Ryan	August 2011 to present
Mrs Julie Forgan	Alternate for Ruth Schubert	October 2014 to present
Mrs Annette Balnaves	Alternate for Rhett McDonald	December 2015 to present
Mrs Sally Klose	Alternate for Carol Koch	June 2016 to present

Patrons

Mr Ray Scott	July 2009 to present
Mrs Susan Charlton AM	February 2015 to present

Founding Donors

Mr Brian and Mrs Sue Page

Advisory Committees

GRANT MAKING

Mr Brian Page	July 2006 to present
Mr Rhett McDonald (Chair)	December 2012 to present
Mr Rodney Summers (Bendigo Community Bank)	April 2015 to present
Ms Barbara Cernovskis (City of Mount Gambier)	April 2010 to present
Ms Amanda Giles (Agri-Links)	August 2014 to present
Mrs Annette Balnaves	December 2012 to present

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	November 2009 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert	November 2009 to present
Ms Donna Edwards	December 2014 to present
Ms Barbara Cernovskis (City of Mount Gambier)	November 2010 to present

FINANCE

Dr Ruth Schubert (Chair)	February 2015 to present
Mr Brian Page	April 2004 to present
Mr Robin Ellerman	July 2005 to present
Mr Robert Mock	December 2012 to present
Mr John Kirby	September 2015 to present

FUND DEVELOPMENT - SWINGING WITH THE STARS

Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	February 2007 to present
Mrs Kate Facy	February 2010 to present
Ms Tania Von Stanke	May 2012 to present
Ms Donna Edwards	December 2014 to present
Ms Lauren Holmes	March 2015 to present

FUND DEVELOPMENT - LIMESTONE COAST TATTOO

Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	September 2011 to present
Band/participating group representatives as required	

BOARD NOMINATIONS

Mr Bill DeGaris (Chair)	December 2014 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert	December 2014 to present
Ms Erika Vickery	February 2016 to present

Sponsors for 2016-2017 included:



In Kind Sponsors for 2016-2017 were:

- District Council of Grant
- R Y Ellerman and Co Pty Ltd
- Bianca Richardson
- helloFriday
- Green Triangle Electronics
- Galpins

Key Advisors and Supporters

Auditor	Galpin Engler Bruins and Dempsey, Accountants
Accountant	R Y Ellerman and Co Pty Ltd
Legal	Herbert Smith Freehills and DeGaris Lawyers
Marketing	Bianca Richardson and helloFriday

SINCLAIR Wilson
ACCOUNTANTS & BUSINESS ADVISORS

We thank Sinclair Wilson for finalising the Financial Statements for FY17.



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