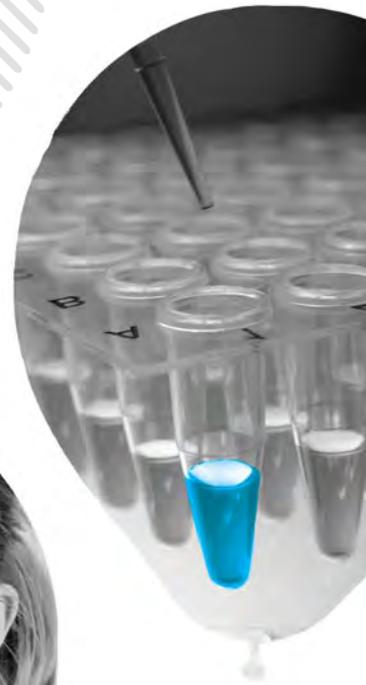


# The 50th Annual Report 2013-2014



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## Our Purpose

To advocate, provide asthma information, education, training and fund respiratory research

## Our Vision

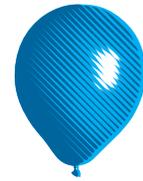
To free West Australians from the burden of asthma

## Our Mission

Working with the West Australian community to help people with asthma and linked conditions breathe easier

## Our Values

We agree to act in accordance with these values



**Asthma**  
Foundation WA



As confirmed by all  
Asthma Foundation WA staff

# Our Board & Management

## BOARD

Mr Cathal Smith - President (Until Jan 2014)  
Mr Tony Carter - President (From Jan 2014)  
Mr Tony Carter - Vice President (Until Jan 2014)  
Mr Cathal Smith – Vice President (From Jan 2014)  
Mr Spencer Broad - Hon. Treasurer  
Mr David McKenna  
Mrs Lisa Viska  
Prof. Graham Hall  
Mr Warren Campbell  
Mrs Anjie Brook (From Oct 2013)  
Dr Lydia Kilcullen (From Oct 2013)

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mr David Johnson

## FINANCE MANAGER

Ms Sarah McKenna

## HEALTH SERVICES MANAGER

Mr Kyn Cowper

## FUNDRAISING MANAGER

Ms Jacqui Swift

## INVESTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr Spencer Broad  
Mr Paul van de Ven  
Mr David Johnson  
Ms Sarah McKenna  
Mr Tony Carter  
Mr Cathal Smith (Until Dec 2013)

## AUDITOR

Stirling Partners and Associates

## FINANCE ,AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr Spencer Broad  
Mr David Johnson  
Ms Sarah McKenna  
Mr Tony Carter  
Dr Lydia Kilcullen (From Oct 2013)  
Mr Cathal Smith (Until Dec 2013)

## MEDICAL & SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Prof. Graham Hall (Chair & National Representative)  
Prof. Alan James  
Dr Neil Misso (Resigned Nov 2013)  
Prof. Peter Henry  
Dr Phil Stumbles  
Prof. Mark Everard (From Jan 2014)  
Assoc Prof. Anthony Kicic (From Jan 2014)  
Dr Andrew Wilson (Resigned Nov 13)  
Mr David Johnson  
Ms Yolanda Arcaro

## PATRON

His Excellency Malcolm McCusker AC CVO QC  
Governor of Western Australia

## VICE PATRON

Dr. Ken Fitch AM

## ADMINISTRATION

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Partnerships Manager	Damian Green
Membership & Events	Kristen Till
Executive Assistant (To Feb 2014)	Janine Witherow
Fundraising Consultant	Katie Turton
Research Officer	Yolanda Arcaro
Receptionist	Gemma de Wind

## HEALTH SERVICES TEAM

HST Support Officer	Gwen Betland
Senior Asthma Educator	Raelene Punshon
Asthma Educator - NW	Yvonne Ashworth
Asthma Educator - SE	Melanie Preen
Asthma Educator - SW	Kay White
Training Officer	Eleissa Fuller
Training Officer	Kara Pappagallo



# Our Valued Partners

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## Funding Partners



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Department of Health and Ageing

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## Community Partners



# From the President

As this is my first report as President of the Asthma Foundation WA I would like to take the opportunity to provide a snap shot over the last year, as well as speak about a few of the exciting opportunities ahead of us, as we work toward achieving our goal of relief and resolution for asthmatics in Western Australia.

2014 is an important year, as 50 years ago on Monday 6th July 1964 the first meeting of the Asthma Foundation WA was held. 2014 gives us the chance to recognise the Foundation's 50 years of research and support and the excellent work carried out over half a century by a virtual army of volunteers, the contribution made by Foundation employees, past and present, as well as the significant support of our supporters and partners, both commercial, private and Government. Thank you one and all – for without your time, expertise and financial support we would not exist and asthmatics would continue to suffer in significant numbers. I look forward to opportunities to celebrate this achievement in the year ahead.

The challenges presented through the emergence of Asthma Australia (AA) continue to take time and resources from our task in Western Australia however a recent breakthrough will help bring this closer to a mutually satisfactory outcome. The National Board has agreed to commence work on developing a “best practice” Asthma Foundation and Asthma Foundation WA has been instrumental, working closely with AA, in getting this project off the ground. Without

doubt all Foundations will need to develop strategy around working with AA as a unitary body over the coming years. This is the only way individual Foundations can maximise fundraising, whilst leveraging to reduce cost. Hopefully resulting in better outcomes for the asthma cause in Western Australia and across Australia. The challenge is to achieve this without losing our West Australian identity.

Speaking of milestones, the past year also saw the Freeway Bike Hike for Asthma complete its 10th consecutive year having now amassed over \$2.6m in overall fundraising. Planning for 2015 is well in hand, and it has been great to see the evolution of this event over the last 10 years.

On the education and training front, the Foundation delivered services, training and education to 10,015 individuals as well as 161 community groups. The Foundation is delivering high quality and volume at a very effective cost. This is the work that must grow over the coming years and hence the importance of corporate, private and Government support.

Research into management and cure for Asthma continue to be supported with a total of \$199,518 being spent on research projects in 2013-14. AFWA's inaugural World Asthma Day Symposium was conducted in May 2014 with great success.

The Foundation under strong leadership and excellent process management again posted its fourth successive surplus, addressing the sustainability of the Foundation and putting

**1964**

The Asthma Foundation of WA was formed. The Inaugural meeting was held on 6 July.

**1966**

Asthma Foundation WA's first Medical & Scientific Committee was formed.

**1969**

A Clinic Immunology Research Unit was established at Princess Margaret Hospital.

**1971**

Mr Ted Lennell became the first paid staff member.

**1973**

Swimming classes and summer camps for children with asthma were established.

**1981**

800 people attended the Foundation's first public Asthma Information Seminar.

**1982**

The Asthma Foundation WA opened its first permanent headquarters in Subiaco.

us in a good position to continue supporting asthmatics and their carers along with extending our education into regional WA.

This report would not be complete with a word of thanks to our Board of Directors. These people give freely of their time and expertise in a number of key fields to help guide and support the Foundation in achieving consistently good results. This year we had two new members join the Board; Angie Brook and Lydia Kilcullen. Both have been solid contributors to discussions and committee work. Thank you to the full Board.

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**Asthma**  
Foundation WA

1964 - 2014

## Research and Support

**Tony Carter**  
President



**1990**

25th Anniversary celebrations were held at the Nedlands Golf Club.

**1994**

An Asthma Clinic was established at Joondalup to increase reach of services.

**1997**

Asthma Friendly Schools program was established to promote asthma education in schools.

**1999**

The Asthma Foundation moved into new offices at 36 Ord St in West Perth.

**2005**

The Inaugural Freeway Bike Hike was held on 20 March. There were 6700 participants.

**2010**

The Asthma Foundations adopted the Blue Balloon branding.

**2014**

50th Anniversary

# From the CEO

It is with great pleasure that we present the **50th Annual Report of the Asthma Foundation WA.**

I trust you enjoy reading about our committed work in the community.

## Strategic Direction

The new three year Strategic Direction document was completed and all is in readiness to continue the successes of recent years.

I commend the AFWA Board Members for their commitment and leadership shown during this period.

## Financial Performance

It is pleasing to report a fourth successive operating surplus in an ever increasing and competitive environment. We believe the ethos is now so firmly entrenched, that anything other than a surplus each year will be deemed unacceptable, and that with every successful year, our financial commitment to research, education and training will increase accordingly. My appreciation is extended to our Treasurer, Spencer Broad, his committee who oversee the financial dealings of the Foundation, and to Sarah McKenna our Finance Manager, for tirelessly ensuring our progress remains on track.

## Partnerships

### Newmont Asia Pacific

We are blessed to have the support of one of the world's leading gold producers, Newmont Asia Pacific. Through Mr Kelvyn Eglinton, Regional Manager- Social Responsibility and Mr Ken Ramsey, Group Executive – Environment & Social Responsibility, this organisation has epitomised the value of strong relationships, and the work we have achieved because of this alignment cannot be understated. Our regional expansion into WA will occur because of the Newmont Asia Pacific assurance to our partnership. Their three year commitment has ensured we have remained financially viable, and we hope to extend this relationship for a further three years in 2015.

## Department of Health WA

Our primary focus is the delivery of health services to people with asthma and where people need assistance, their carers in the case of children, and the aged. Each year the Department of Health fund many of our programs which are detailed later in this report. We have set targets, such as 2500 appointments with consumers with asthma, including face to face clinics, telephone advice, email, resources, internet and website access to information. GP and pharmacy referrals result from the activity funded by our Health Department. We have delivered programs to play groups, child care centres and aboriginal medical service outlets. Our scope is large, but with this support, the task is very much achievable. On behalf of the Board and staff of the Foundation we thank Gerrie Williams and her team for their ongoing support and inspiration.

## Channel 7 Telethon Trust

The Asthma Foundation WA has for many years enjoyed support from the Channel 7 Telethon Trust via grants from Telethon. This year were very fortunate to receive a grant, which when added to our fundraising, major donors and partners, we were able to increase our commitment to Asthma Research by 70% to \$199,518. We thank Steve Mummery and the Trust for their ongoing commitment to child respiratory research.



Evol LNG, our partners for the last six years. To Nic Rea and Bill Hazell, whose enthusiasm for what we are trying to achieve is quite remarkable, and who lead a team that truly understands what a successful relationship should look like, we say thank you, for the Foundation remains in debt of your unwavering support.



Mr Kelvyn Eglinton





Wesfarmers' commitment to supporting the West Australian community is well documented. Their support

of our Foundation now has extended four years since first supporting the initial "tackling asthma" campaign in 2011. We are extremely grateful to have such an iconic partner, who generously participate at all our functions, and we trust that in return they receive the recognition worthy of a major partner.



**TOYOTA**

Our Toyota WA relationship grows year to year. We now boast the complete range of Prius vehicles on offer and their presence from Joondalup to Rockingham is often referred to by many motorists. We record publicly our thanks to Michael Beros and Mark Lauren for believing in our Foundation and of course Stan Perron who has been a major donor to the Foundation over many years. This relationship is one we are very proud of.



Our Freeway Bike Hike for Asthma celebrated its 10th Anniversary with just over 7100 people participating. We

thank the major partners in Bupa, Main Roads, Transperth, St Johns, the West Australian Police Force and the army of volunteers who turn up every year aiming to better the year before. With just over \$2.6m raised and over 2.7m kilometres ridden by the participants since 2005, not only has it become WA's iconic mass participation family cycling event, it also contributes to our overall wellbeing both financially and health wise.



The "Tackling Asthma" campaign, enthusiastically supported by the Western Force through Rugby WA has now raised just over \$183k since inception. A successful campaign in

2015 will see us smash through the \$250k barrier. With 22 of Perth's leading companies supporting the program, the task of tackling asthma just got a whole lot easier!

### National

Our commitment to being a proud partner of Asthma Australia remains strong through the efforts of National CEO, Mark Brooke. We are committed to National initiatives such as research, education, training, and creating an asthma friendly environment for all to enjoy. We continue to work toward a true Federated model that exists to service all Australians with asthma.



### 50th Anniversary

The planning has commenced on an appropriate celebration of a remarkable achievement.



We respect the need be financially prudent with cost, whilst mindful that recognition and reward for the hundreds of people who have helped get us to this milestone, must not be ignored. A dinner in August 2014, a historical record in pictures, and an opportunity to honour those who have come before are being considered. A commemorative logo will be carried through to December 2014 to mark this achievement. We look forward to reporting on what promises to be a most significant event in the Foundations history in next year's report to members.

### The Team

Minimal staff changes assisted in our ongoing success, and with a new President in Tony Carter and two new Board Members, Anjie Brook and Lydia Kilcullen, 2013-14 was a year of stabilisation and planning. We are poised for regional expansion of our education services, we've developed an Awards and Recognition model to ensure we honour our hardworking volunteers and staff, and recruited strategically to lift the profile of our Foundation. We have adopted a "values based" approach to all we do and look forward to another successful year. My teams commitment to service and support is inspiring.

### Conclusion

The five annual reports that I have been fortunate to compile during my tenure, has provided an opportunity to report on many achievements. The support and commitment from my Board has provided confidence to challenge the way things have always been, and technology and advancements in medicine and research continue to make the job easier. We look forward with confidence to continuing our service to all people affected by asthma and are well prepared to deliver this service as expected.

### David Johnson

Chief Executive Officer

*"What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other?" — George Eliot*



# Board Member Profiles

## **Tony Carter - President**

Tony was appointed as a Board Member of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia in October 2011; this follows on from 6 years on the Board and as Chairman of BIZLINK - a not for profit organisation focused on gaining and supporting those with a disability in full employment. Tony holds the position of President of the Asthma Foundation WA.

As an asthmatic Tony has a keen interest in the Asthma Foundation's goal of finding a solution for this debilitating disease that impacts the quality of life for so many Australians. Tony is a former Commodore of Royal Perth Yacht Club and an avid sailor.

## **Cathal Smith - Vice President**

Cathal is a lawyer who has worked in various overseas jurisdictions. In recent years, Cathal has been involved in various pro bono activities including the Princes Trust (London), the Australian Business and Community Network and the Asthma Foundation of WA since 2008, offering his expertise on other committees.

Cathal holds the position of Vice President of the Asthma Foundation WA.

## **Spencer Broad - Treasurer**

Spencer Broad is a Director of South Perth based accounting and financial advisory firm, Acute Business Services. Mr Broad specialises in corporate and domestic taxation, business services and financial consulting.

He holds a Bachelor of Business from Edith Cowan University, is a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA) and a fellow of the Institute of Public Accountants (IPA).

Spencer joined the Board in October 2011.

## **Lisa Viska**

Lisa is a Registered Psychologist with over 25 years' experience in both the private and public sectors. During this time she has worked as an educational counsellor, a university lecturer and as a private practitioner. She has devoted a substantial part of her career to developing and delivering a range of psychological and educational training packages across a broad range of areas.

Lisa joined the Board in December 2009.

## **Doctor Lydia Kilcullen PhD, MBA**

Dr Lydia Kilcullen is an Assistant Professor in Accounting and Associate Director of Accreditation at the UWA Business School.

In addition to her appointment at UWA, Lydia has consulted to the Australian Accounting Standards Board in the area of service performance reporting by private sector Not for Profit entities. In 2011, Lydia completed a PhD at UWA. The focus of this research was external financial reporting by Not for Profit entities. She is a Chartered Accountant and a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Lydia's current research is focused on two areas. The first is external financial reporting by private sector Not for Profit entities. The second area explores how entities can measure and report on the social impact of activities, programs and ventures.

Lydia joined the Board in October 2013.

## **Professor Graham Hall PhD, CRFS, FANZSRS**

Prof. Graham Hall is Head of Paediatric Respiratory Physiology and Research Strategy Leader at the Telethon Kids Institute and specialises in researching the impact of lung disease on how the lungs grow.

His research involves improving our ability to diagnose and manage asthma and other lung diseases in infants and young children as well as looking at the risk factors for the development of asthma in later life. Graham is a member of national and international respiratory societies and plays a significant role in helping set international research priorities.

Graham joined the Board in October 2010, chairs the MASAC committee and is a member of the MASAC committee of Asthma Australia.

## **Warren Campbell**

Warren Campbell has been working in the Marketing and Advertising industry for a total of 18 years. Warren's relationship with his current employer, Creative ADM - Perth's Premium Mid-Sized Agency began in early 2002, and re-commenced in 2010 after 2 years as National Marketing Manager for the Aspen Group.

Warren joined the Board in 2008.



Cathal Smith, David McKenna, Tony Carter, Lisa Viska, Graham Hall, Anjie Brook, Lydia Kilcullen, Spencer Broad, Warren Campbell

### David McKenna

David is a partner of the firm Jarman McKenna, an insurance and commercial boutique practice in Western Australia. He has a B. Juris and LLB and was admitted to practice in Western Australia in 1980. He practiced initially as a solicitor with the Legal Aid Commission for seven years and since 1987 has practiced solely in the area of insurance litigation. He currently practices in the area of property, transport, liability, asbestos litigation and professional indemnity insurance.

David became a Board member of the Asthma Foundation WA in 2009.

### Anjie Brook

Anjie Brook has worked at the Department of Education for over 20 years. In this time Anjie has fulfilled a variety of school, regional and central office positions. Anjie has also worked as a lecturer at both Curtin and Notre Dame Universities. Anjie has had the privilege of working with several international education consultancy groups and jurisdictions and is currently a member of many state and national educational advisory committees.

Anjie joined the Board in October 2013.

## Board Meeting Attendance

2013/14

Board Member	Possible	Actual
Anjie Brook	7	6
Cathal Smith	11	9
David McKenna	11	7
Graham Hall	11	8
Lisa Viska	11	10
Lydia Kilcullen	7	7
Spencer Broad	11	10
Tony Carter	11	11
Warren Campbell	11	10

## Honour Roll

### HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Mr Vic Court AM  
Dr Ken Fitch AM  
Dr John Hobday  
Mr John Kerr OAM  
Dr Rod Mason  
Mr Barry Rubie OAM  
Dr Keven Turner AM  
Dr David Webb  
Mrs Roslyn Webb  
Mr Grahame Young  
Ms Margaret Seebeck

### HONORARY COUNCILLORS

Mrs Doreen Ambler  
Mrs Coralanne Cranston  
Mrs June Steen-Olsen  
Mrs Sue Fraser  
Mr George Johnson  
Dr David Mathias  
Mrs Val McDonagh  
Mr Robert Mitchell  
Dr Mauro Mocerino  
Mr Bruce Simpson  
Mrs Pat Sinclair  
Prof. Wayne Thomas  
Christian

### DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

*Gold - 15 years of service*

Ms Elsie Tester  
Mrs Sue Collett  
Prof Alan James  
Mrs Charlotte Allen

*Silver - 10 years of service*

Mrs Yvonne Ashworth

*Bronze- 5 years of service*

Mr Warren Campbell  
Mr Cathal Smith  
Ms Sarah McKenna

### CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

*5 years of continuous service*

EVOL LNG  
Jarman McKenna

## Volunteers

The Asthma Foundation WA acknowledges the many volunteers who assist us with administration tasks, data entry, expos and mail outs, in particular Christian, Sue Collett and Elsie Tester, being our regular volunteers.

Our Adult Asthma Aquatics classes continue under the management and enthusiasm of long serving volunteer, Coralanne Cranston. This year we also welcomed our newest volunteer, Courtney Geidans.

The Foundation was fortunate to have 65 volunteers who assisted with the 2013 National Asthma Week Street Appeal in the Perth CBD.

Many people forget that the Board of the Foundation are volunteers and contribute their time, knowledge and resources to help guide the Foundation, participating in sub-committees such as the Finance, Audit & Risk Management Committee, the Investment Review Committee, the Awards Committee and the Medical and Scientific Advisory Committee.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who assisted with the Bupa Bike Hike for Asthma on March 23 2014 – we hope to see you again next year! A special thank you goes to Michelle Grosse for her fundraising assistance on top of volunteer duties.

Every volunteer aids the Foundation in achieving our mission, in helping West Australians with asthma and linked conditions breathe easier. It is through their support and generosity that we continue to achieve.



**Courtney Geidans**

## Vale Connie Pickering

Sadly the Asthma Foundation WA acknowledges the passing of volunteer Connie Pickering in 2013.

Connie worked as a cleaner for the Foundation, and was also a volunteer and friend. She became our cleaner in the 1980's, when the Foundation was based in Heytesbury Road in Subiaco. Connie followed us to West Perth and the Asthma Foundation WA remained Connie's last client until she retired in April 2013 due to ill health.

Connie supported the staff and activities of the Foundation for over three decades, leaving biscuits out for staff, participating in raffles, bingo nights and regularly donating to our mail appeals.

Connie continued to support us even after her battle with cancer a few years ago.

The Foundation has lost a dear friend.





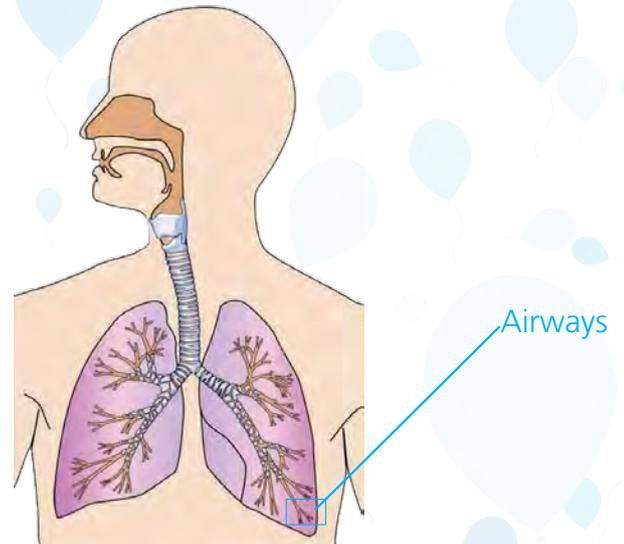
# What is Asthma?

Asthma is a condition of the airways. People with asthma have sensitive airways which react to triggers that set off their asthma. Their airways swell and get thick with mucus and the muscles around the airway squeeze tight. This makes it hard to breathe.

## Could it be asthma?

People with asthma can have a range of symptoms:

- Breathlessness
- Wheezing
- Chest tightness
- Persistent cough – often at night, early in the morning or during/after activity



## Who gets asthma and why?

Asthma affects people of all ages. Some get asthma when they are young; others when they are older.

The causes are not fully understood, although people with asthma often have a family history of asthma, eczema and hayfever (allergic rhinitis). There is some evidence that exposure to environmental factors such as workplace chemicals or tobacco smoke can lead to asthma.

Researchers continue to try and find out more about what causes asthma and how we might prevent it.

## How do people with asthma keep safe and well?

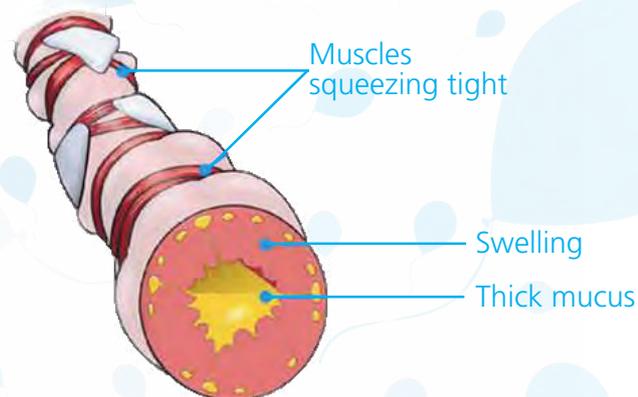
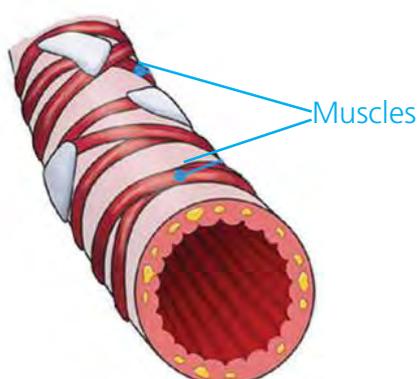
While we still need to find out more about what causes asthma, we do know a lot about how to live well with asthma. Most people carry out their lives normally, by following simple asthma treatments

## Services provided by the Asthma Foundation WA

- Asthma Education Clinics
- Asthma First Aid for schools, childcare and community groups
- Training Courses for Health Professionals

Normal Airway

Asthma Airway



Everyone's asthma is different and can change over time: that's why it is important for people with asthma to see their doctor at least twice a year for an asthma check-up and more frequently if they have concerns.





# Health Services

The year has seen exceptional results for the Health Services Team in delivering care, training and education to record numbers of Western Australians. The proven delivery strategy of educating people with asthma, training carers of people with asthma and training other Health Professionals to deliver this education and training continues to make a difference in our community.

Our belief is that this is the most effective way, both in cost and outcomes, to reach as many people as possible in reducing the burden of asthma.

As a major contributor to the WA Department of Health's Asthma Model of Care, The Asthma Foundation WA has strived to answer the challenges brought up in its recommendations.

A major recommendation in the Model of Care is the universal access to health services across the State. Asthma Foundation WA has sought to address this recommendation by expanding our services into rural and remote Western Australia.

Thirteen regional roadtrips have been conducted throughout the year in review. These road trips have covered major regions of Western Australia. A further step has been taken to address the inequity to the rural population in the provision of our Freecall information line and a focus on online training.

A large effort has been made to ensure quality and best practice is demonstrated in all our services. Our education and training services are subject to continual review and a system of continuous improvement. This has resulted in high standards of information and delivery. Foundation staff are also heavily involved in revising Asthma Australia's Education & Training Framework.

Asthma Foundation WA continues to participate in the WA Department of Health Respiratory Health Network to provide a consumer and primary healthcare perspective in policy development and planning for health service delivery. We also participate in other policy areas with Medicare Locals and the Australian Council on Smoking & Health.

	2013 - 2014	2012 - 2013
<b>Community Support</b>	133 sessions	120 sessions
<b>Health Professionals</b>	101 sessions 1,114 participants	71 sessions 712 participants
<b>Schools</b>	547 sessions 5,209 participants	427 sessions 6,208 participants
<b>Early Childhood Education</b>	94 sessions 1,096 participants	136 sessions 1,520 participants
<b>Expos</b>	27 major exhibitions	17 major exhibitions
<b>Regional visits</b>	13 roadtrips	8 roadtrips
<b>Education Clinics</b>	3,084 participants	3,051 participants
<b>Asthma First Aid Sessions</b>	536 participants	421 participants

## Community Education

The Asthma Foundation WA Community Services program is funded by the WA Department of Health (WADoH) to provide consumer information and education and advocate on behalf of people with asthma. Service delivery was focussed at high-risk and priority populations including parents of children less than nine years of age, Aboriginal populations and people from rural and remote areas of Western Australia. The Community Education Program is conducted throughout the community as well as at our 4 dedicated clinics throughout the metropolitan area.

Education and information was delivered to:

- 299 families
- 3084 individuals
- 536 people in 67 asthma first aid sessions

The Health Services Team has engaged General Practitioner's to ensure that the Foundation's services are a part of the referral pathway for people with asthma. More and more GP's are imbedded in this pathway model which refers their patients to our Education Clinics which educate these patients in good technique and control of their asthma. Formal feedback is provided to the GP's for each clinic held.

Asthma Foundation WA has a Freecall Information Line to provide support to people with asthma throughout Western Australia. This is manned by experienced Asthma Educators who supplied detailed help to over 1200 people throughout the year.

*20,507 resources were distributed throughout the community.*

Evaluations of people attending our Education Clinics show remarkable outcomes for these people. The results showed 62% of people attending our clinics do not re-present at hospital within the following 12 months, and 68% of people report they reduced unplanned GP visits in the following 12 months. Apart from the priority goal of helping reduce the burden of asthma to our clients, this provides a massive ongoing benefit to the Western Australian community by reducing the cost to government.

## Professional Training

Training courses were conducted for health professionals to enable them to take current asthma information to their workplaces and into the wider community.

The centrepiece of our Health Professional training is our Asthma Educators Course. The strategy for this course is to train Health Professionals as Asthma Educators to further extend the care and help provided by the Foundation. This course has also been adopted by other Asthma Foundations around Australia, delivered as a result of the Foundation being a Registered Training Organisation.

Information, resources and training opportunities were distributed to 254 Asthma Educators.

## Carers Training

Training courses were conducted for people who had a duty of care to people with asthma to enable them to take current asthma information to their workplaces and into the wider community. The bulk of our training is delivered to Early Childhood Educators via the Emergency Asthma Management Course. This course has now been extended to school staff to ensure their ability to handle asthma emergencies within schools. This saw 1096 qualifications issued throughout the year.

## National Programs

As a proud member of **Asthma Australia**, Asthma Foundation WA participates in a number of nationally delivered programs.

Asthma Australia is funded by the Department of Health and Aging to manage the Asthma Child and Adolescent Program. During the year in review, 4,977 teachers and support staff from 188 schools and 127 preschools were trained to manage an asthma emergency in a school setting. As a result, 56% of Western Australian schools have received accreditation as Asthma Friendly Schools.

Further training to schools is provided by our online training service, which saw 232 school staff complete the training.

75% of staff reported an increase in their ability to recognise asthma, know asthma first aid, and their confidence to manage an asthma attack.



The Community Support Program targets people with asthma and their family and carers in at-risk populations including seniors, Aboriginal, culturally & linguistically diverse people, people from low socio-economic areas, and regional and rural Western Australians.

The aim of the program is to;

- increase access to asthma information and education,
- increase the target groups' ability to effectively manage their asthma, and
- provide referral pathways and access to relevant support services.

During this financial year:

133 group education sessions were delivered to health professionals, aged care facilities and seniors – an increase of 14% over the previous period.

Education sessions were conducted in 13 regional centres.

The Foundation attended 27 major community events and expos throughout the year and 14,027 individual resources were disseminated throughout the year.

This exceptional year is primarily due to the outstanding team of Trainers and Educators that constitute the Health Services Team at Asthma Foundation WA. Their professionalism, diligence and above all, their passion for the mission of the Foundation will continue to ease the burden of asthma in Western Australia for years to come.

**Kyn Cowper**  
Health Services Manager





# Research

The history of the Asthma Foundation WA is steeped in funding research to find a better treatment and cure for asthma and related conditions to help us achieve our vision - To free West Australians from the burden of asthma. The spirit of research innovation continues with the Foundation committed in providing researchers with grants in the following categories for 2013/14:

- **New Investigator Grants** – aims to assist asthma researchers at the start of their career to secure their first major element of research funding.
- **Project Research Grants** – these are traditional project grants aimed primarily at proven researchers in establishing new asthma projects and continuing programs of research.
- **Fiona Staniforth PhD Scholarship Top Up** – supports students undertaking postgraduate doctorate degrees who hold or have been approved for a full-time PhD Scholarship to assist in their studies for a maximum of three years.
- **Fiona Staniforth Honours Scholarship** – for the first time in 2014 the Asthma Foundation WA has established scholarships to students working on their Honours to help attract the best and brightest of the next generation of researchers to asthma research.
- **Vi Watson Vacation Scholarship** – this scholarship provides students undertaking research projects relevant to asthma. It provides students with the financial support required to continue their research over the summer break.

The Asthma Foundation WA Medical and Scientific Advisory Committee (MASAC) chaired by Professor Graham Hall advises, makes recommendations and provides information to the Board of the Asthma Foundation WA on various respiratory research matters.

The Foundation is appreciative of fellow MASAC members Professor Alan James, Professor Peter Henry, Dr Phil Stumbles, Dr Anthony Kicic and Professor Mark Everard for their expertise in the selection process for the grants.



**Dr Shelley Gorman and Prof. Graham Hall**



**Mr Cathal Smith, Prof. Philip Thompson, Dr Svetlana Baltic and Prof. Graham Hall**

The Asthma Foundation WA congratulates the following recipients whose grants were approved in 2013/14:

### **Project Grants**

#### **Proliferation of Smooth Muscle Cells in the Airways in Asthma – Relation to cell size and number**

Professor Alan JAMES and Dr John ELLIOT

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital – Pulmonary Physiology and Sleep Medicine

Funded at \$24,345

This research will increase our understanding of why individuals with asthma have more smooth muscle in their airways compared to people without asthma. More airway smooth muscle is one of the defining pathological changes in asthma and is ultimately the cell which causes airway narrowing. Understanding why there is increased airway smooth muscle will be critical in developing new therapies to prevent this increase occurring.

#### **Epigenetic changes to dendritic cell progenitors in the bone marrow of mice with inflammatory airways**

Professor Prue HART

Telethon Kids Institute

Funded at \$26,175

This project uses a pre-clinical model of asthma and airway inflammation to look at the mechanisms the airways use to send signals during an increase in inflammation (like during an asthma flare up) and the role that prostaglandin E2 plays in modulating these signals.

#### **Aberrant alternative splicing defines the severity of asthma**

Professor Philip J THOMPSON and Dr Svetlana BALTIC

Lung Institute of Western Australia

Funded at \$26,500

Alternative splicing represents a genetic mechanism for increasing the diversity of proteins. Studies have shown that in asthma a number of genes are differentially spliced compared to healthy controls. This research project will assess whether genetic differences determine the differential splicing of these genes, and how the consequent asthma gene expression shown from differential splicing might impact on airway function.

### **New Investigator Grant**

There were no New Investigator Grants awarded in 2013/14

#### **Fiona Staniforth PhD Scholarship Top Up**

##### **The effects of vitamin D deficiency on airway remodelling in asthma**

Miss Rachel FOONG with Associate Professor Sunalene Devadason supervising

Telethon Kids Institute

Funded at \$7,500 for one year only

#### **The impact of early life factors versus environmental factors on the respiratory health and development of asthma in young adults**

Dr Louise OWENS with Professor Peter LE SOUËF supervising

The University of Western Australia

Funded at \$7,500 per annum over 3 years

#### **Fiona Staniforth Honours Scholarship**

##### **Aberrant alternative splicing defines the severity of asthma**

Miss Courtney KIDD with Dr Svetlana BALTIC supervising

Lung Institute of Western Australia

Funded at \$5,000 for one year only

#### **Vi Watson Vacation Scholarships**

##### **Aberrant alternative splicing defines the severity of asthma**

Miss Courtney KIDD with Dr Svetlana BALTIC supervising

Lung Institute of Western Australia

Funded at \$2,000 for one year only



**Yolanda Arcaro - Research Grants Officer**

## Research Evening

The grants were presented to the successful applicants at the AFWA Awards night at the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research during National Asthma Week in September 2013. Awards were presented by Foundation President, Mr Cathal Smith. Special guest speaker Associate Professor Graeme Zosky presented on some of the findings of his research projects the Foundation funded in the past few years.

## The Fiona Staniforth Research Awards

The Fiona Staniforth Research Awards were created in 2014 to commemorate and honour the life of Miss Fiona Staniforth, who passed away in 2013. The Fiona Staniforth Research Awards are given to young researchers as PhD and Honours Scholarships to encourage them into asthma research.

The Fiona Staniforth Research Awards would not be possible without the support of the Staniforth family, the donations made in memory of Fiona and the fundraising efforts of the Coglioni Cycling Club as part of the Freeway Bike Hike for Asthma.

## Acknowledgements

The Board and staff thank the Channel 7 Telethon Trust for its financial support towards the Asthma Foundation WA's research grants.

The Board would also like to thank the Asthma Foundation WA staff, David Johnson, CEO and Yolanda Arcaro, Research Grants Officer, for their dedication and enthusiasm for the cause of asthma research.

## World Asthma Day Symposium

The Asthma Foundation WA held a Health Symposium on World Asthma Day, Tuesday 6 May at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre. The theme of the Symposium was "Future Directions in Asthma Management and Care – why asthma remains a National Health Priority" and attracted 110 delegates from all areas of the Healthcare sector, including GPs, Pharmacists, nurses and respiratory researchers.

The day was made possible thanks to the support of Asthma Australia through major sponsor AstraZeneca and other event sponsors, Bird Healthcare and Novartis Pharmaceuticals.

Key speakers included Professor Helen Reddell, Dr Nathan Barlett from the United Kingdom, Professor Alan James, Professor Mark Everard, Professor Graham Hall and Associate Professor Sunalene Devadason.

The Symposium provided the Asthma Foundation WA the opportunity to present the Vi Watson Vacation Scholarship and inaugural Fiona Staniforth Research Awards.

Proudly supported by:



Major Sponsor



Prof. Helen Reddell & Prof. Alan James

Mr Roland Staniforth & Miss Rachel Foong

Mr Tony Healy & Dr Nathan Bartlett

# Course on asthma care

In an effort to help people learn more about asthma this winter, the Asthma Foundation WA is running an Asthma Educator Course next week.

AFWA chief executive Johnson said in winter there were higher incidences of asthma because of the cold air pollution.

"Health professionals at the coalface are the ones who need the most support."



Asthma educator Raelene Punshon with Jo Draper and Kiam White at the Asthma Foundation WA workshop. Picture: Courtney Fowler

## Breathe easier

Asthma Foundation WA community support program educators visited Karratha last week to undertake asthma education at Roebourne Prison and several community groups. This support program aimed to help workers and the general public learn more about the safe management of asthma and linked chronic respiratory conditions in the community.

AFWA senior asthma educator Raelene Punshon said educating the community and encouraging compliance was at the heart of the Asthma Foundation's message.

"People don't always take asthma seriously because sufferers just may not be out of breath but compliance is what counts," she said.

10 Telegraph News Friday, June 13, 2014

### NEWS

#### ATTACK DEATH



John-Paul Lipscombe died of a suspected asthma attack.

## Tribute to grandfather

The family of Geraldton grandfather John-Paul Lipscombe are in shock after the active, healthy 63-year-old died from a suspected asthma attack at the start of a climb to Indonesia's Mt Rinjani volcano.

Daughter Rikki Lipscombe said she wished he had not been strangers when he died on Monday.

## Breathe easy plea

THE Asthma Foundation is urging people to get their asthma under control. More than 251 people presented to the Geraldton Hospital last week.

## Abmusic, Asthma Foundation get grants

LOTTERYWEST has provided financial support to refurbish the headquarters of Asthma Foundation WA, and granted Abmusic \$4,100 to upgrade its production facilities.

The Asthma Foundation WA is a not-for-profit organisation that was formed in 1984. The foundation has been operating in its current West Perth premises for the past 14 years.

CEO Dr [Name] said the foundation is grateful for the support and offers education and support services for asthma sufferers and their families.

## 10 Telegraph News



My mum Catherine Brooker said it had been a difficult few months since son Lachlan, 3, was diagnosed with stress-induced asthma. Picture: Arran Morton

Right combination of medicines to keep the condition under control. "It's been quite challenging, but I can't say what doctors call a 'miraculous' so he doesn't have any more asthma attacks."

Two-year-old twins Charlotte and Benjamin, said she did not realise she was having an asthma attack, after returning home from kindergarten. "At first I thought it was a panic attack and then I realised it was asthma."

## Helping people breathe easy

DAVID COHEN

Child health nurses, pharmacists, pharmacy assistants, and practice managers who deal with asthma every day were at the West Perth training course this week.

Asthma Foundation WA ran its popular asthma educator course to provide workers at the front line of asthma management with the skills and tools to deal with asthma symptoms, triggers and medications.

AFWA, a community-based not-for-profit organisation, is also offering training organisation and runs the courses three times a year.

AFWA CEO David Johnson said in winter there was a higher incidence of asthma due to cold air and smoke pollution.

"Health professionals are at the coalface dealing with people with asthma and we want to equip them with the correct information and advice through the training we offer," Mr Johnson said.

"Attendees also gain access to our extensive asthma educator network and receive regular updates about research and current best practice."

Pharmacist Jane Riley enrolled one of her staff members in the course. "We know we play a vital role in the management of asthma," Jane said.

"Every day we have the opportunity to educate and support patients who have asthma and to promote quality use of asthma medications and devices."

AFWA also offers specific training for child-care workers, who must have accreditation in asthma management as part of the National Child Care Regulations, as well as teachers, aged-care workers, and organisations with an interest or need in the area of asthma.



Foot come first at the UWA Podiatry Clinic

Systemic Corticosteroids  
Combination

Pharmacist Heleen Penman

# New app breath of FreshAIR

Bethany Hiatt

Instead of banning students from using their mobile phones, Penrhos College is embracing their use in groundbreaking research project.

More than 40 Year 9 students roamed the Burswood foreshore yesterday using "augmented reality" features of a new app called FreshAIR, which lets teachers supplement real experiences with virtual ones.

The students investigated public artworks, Aboriginal heritage, local council initiatives and Perth's history, getting access to text or YouTube video supplied by their teachers.

Jan Clarke, ICT integration support consultant for the Association of Independent Schools of WA, said the app was aimed at tourism but its designers were interested in how it could be used in education.

"It's all about engaging kids, because if the student doesn't want to learn it's hard to teach them," she said.

2013 telethon beneficiaries

Asthma Foundation WA  
Burswood  
Foodbank  
Carers  
Always for hope



## Smoking ban in Perth city

Volanda Zaw

The City of Perth will become the first WA council to enforce a smoking ban in pedestrian areas when a new local law comes into effect at the weekend.

From Sunday, it will be offences to smoke in Perth's Hay Street, Forrest Place and other busy areas.

People caught smoking in the six months until June 1 will be cautioned, but thereafter they face fines of up to \$200. Signs have been installed in the city.

"We will monitor the ban for the next 6-12 months."

the council has launched an education and awareness campaign to inform the public of the change.

Perth Lord Mayor Lisa Scaffidi said she hoped the ban could be expanded to include other areas in the city.

"We do believe the majority of people want this and some areas have indicated they would like to become smoke-free around the city," she said.

Healthway chairwoman Rosanna Capolungua said the ban would reduce the number of people who smoke in public places.

"Current smoking in WA is a major public health issue and how it is received, but I think it will be rolling it out to other pedestrian oriented locations."

sanna Capolungua said by reducing the number of people who smoke in public places, it will reduce the number of people who smoke in WA.

Don't make smoking history

and save your life.

Excise tax will push the average price for a packet of 25 cigarettes up to about \$20. Thanks to the excise tax, it is estimated that around 300,000 Australians will be prompted to stop smoking. There has been a significant increase in the number of people who have quit smoking.

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# Fundraising

Fundraising in 2013/2014 proved to be another successful year with the support of the Foundation's loyal donors and the Western Australian community. The Freeway Bike Hike celebrated its 10th year on Perth's freeways, 22 companies joined our Tackling Asthma Campaign and a large number of people donated to our fundraising appeals.

The 2014 **Bupa Bike Hike for Asthma** was a great success with 7,112 participating. 210 people fundraised for asthma providing over \$160,000 in vital funds. We thank CBI Kentz Joint Venture for raising \$42,554 making them the Highest Corporate Fundraising team. Their total amount raised over the last 3 years is over \$140,000.



The Highest Individual Fundraiser was Mr Bev Byard for raising over \$4,580 and the Coglioni Cycling Club raised an impressive \$15,207 making them the Highest Community Fundraising Team second year running. Thank you to all of the other dedicated individuals, corporate teams and community groups for your support in helping the Foundation to invest in respiratory research, and so that we can continue to provide support and education across WA.



The Foundation is grateful to its loyal donors who provide regular support throughout the year in response to appeals and third party events. Our 50th year was no different; with \$86,267 raised for vital education and research. A new community fundraising initiative "Bust Out in Blue" raised \$5,321 which saw 43 Pre-schools and Primary Schools dress in blue for World Asthma Day and National Asthma Week.

In partnership with Bupa and the Western Force, the Foundation set about "**Busting Asthma Myths**" on the streets of Perth. Due to the advancements in asthma medication and treatment people have a tendency to become complacent about asthma which can lead to serious consequences. With Bupa's support we wanted to make asthma top of mind by engaging people through Nova commercials and with the Casanovas to bust 8 common myths. Overall the campaign was a success with high engagement and an opportunity to stay top of mind with the Western Australian public.



Tackling Asthma saw 22 companies pledging to beat asthma by donating \$2 per tackle laid by the **Western Force**. The Western Force had a formidable season and the campaign raised a total of \$65,793 for the Foundation. To kick off the season, all companies were invited to a cocktail function for an exclusive player's tour at the impressive state of the art facilities at the Rugby WA Headquarters. The end of season appreciation function culminated in a three course dinner at The Old Brewery. I would like to pass on my appreciation to the Western Force and in particular Rachel Cook and Kieran Longbottom as our 2014 ambassador.

The Asthma Foundation WA would like to thank and acknowledge the support of the following 22 companies for lending their generosity and support to the campaign:

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|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| — Acute Business Services      | — Finbar               |
| — ASB Marketing                | — Jarman McKenna       |
| — AV Media Systems             | — Kleenheat Gas        |
| — Ballem Civil                 | — Major Motors         |
| — Centurion                    | — Mrs Macs             |
| — Chris Brook Builder          | — SKG Radiology        |
| — Clockwork Print              | — Spill Crew Australia |
| — Colas West Australia         | — Toyota Fleet         |
| — Cooch Creative               | — U Choose             |
| — Core IT                      | — Wesfarmers           |
| — Event Services & Productions | — Yes Loans            |



The support of the Channel 7 Telethon Trust has helped grow the Foundation's respiratory research program, providing more opportunities for young researchers and helping to develop ground breaking research here in Western Australia. To Steve Mummy and the team of the Channel 7 Telethon Trust – thank you for your on-going commitment to research. Being aligned with an organisation of the calibre and status of Telethon is an honour.

Our successes this year have provided a great impetus for 2014/15 and we look forward to building on our achievements once again.

**Jacqui Swift**  
Fundraising Manager



# Asthma Australia

Firstly, on behalf of Mr Terry Evans and the Asthma Australia Board I would like to congratulate Asthma Foundation WA on another successful year of service to the community. It is also important to acknowledge the tremendous history of Western Australia as it enters its 50th year of service.

Asthma Foundations throughout Australia are committed to working collaboratively, to improve the quality of life for people with asthma, reduce the burden of disease, and ensure that people and communities that are hard to reach have access to our services.

Asthma Australia is the nation's peak asthma body. Asthma Australia supports State Asthma Foundations to deliver high quality assistance to people with asthma and their care givers. We provide funding, resources and medical and scientific advice to help achieve their local outcomes. To do so we advocate for the asthma cause, facilitate interstate cooperation and promote best practice in the asthma cause.

Asthma Australia, as part of a year-long strategic review, is transitioning to an 'outcome focused' organisation. We are committing national resources to improve the quality of organisational reporting to better understand the impact of all our services. Our National Board and Medical and Scientific Committee, both of which have WA representatives, seek to better understand how our programs make a difference to people with asthma in terms of improved quality of life.

Asthma Australia has assumed the national leadership of clinical, program and service benchmarking. The information and advice WA provides to patients, consumers and health and community professionals is carefully assessed and reviewed by Asthma Australia as part of a new national quality assurance program. In strengthening the asthma cause, the follow activities were implemented over the last twelve months:

- Asthma Australia successfully negotiated with the Commonwealth Government's Department of Health to re-fund the Asthma Management Program and undertake independent evaluation. A total of \$9.1M over three years has been secured to deliver the Asthma Child and Adolescent Program, the Community Support Program and the National Young People and Asthma Strategy.

- The development of a new National Corporate Plan 'Cure – Care – Community'. This follows twelve months of extensive ground up consultation with State Asthma Foundations and industry and sector stakeholders. For the first time our national plan includes a program logic model to guide the independent evaluation of our core services.

- Asthma Australia led the implementation of our first nation-wide communications campaign 'Live, Love, Play' to encourage Australia's 2.3 million people with asthma to self-manage the condition. We welcomed two new media partners AdShell and C Network with a Blue Boy Asthma Awareness Campaign.

- Asthma Australia has reviewed and redrafted over 1000 pieces of information and policy circulars so that our materials align with Australian Asthma Handbook developed by our sister organisation the National Asthma Council of Australia. This project ensures that people with asthma in WA have access to up to date user friendly information based on latest evidence.

- Growing the Asthma Australia National Research Fund which over the past 12 months has provided almost \$750,000 in grants to three PhD Scholarships; three continuing research projects and three new research projects. A new funded project is "The asthmatic epithelium from childhood to adulthood" lead by Prof. Stephen Stick, from the Telethon Institute of Children's Health Research and The University of Western Australia. A \$160,000 two year grant was provided to better understand the role of the epithelium in asthma and to determine whether there is a distinct epithelial gene pattern that characterises asthma in both children and adults. We congratulate Asthma Foundation WA on contributing \$100,000 to this program.

Once again Asthma Australia is pleased to support the local delivery of services by the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia and congratulates the Board, CEO and his team on yet another outstanding year.



**Asthma  
Australia**

**Mark Brooke**  
Chief Executive Officer





# Major Donors

The Asthma Foundation WA is extremely grateful for the support received from some of WA's most generous individuals and companies. The following people made it possible for the Foundation to increase our financial commitment to asthma research, education and training:

Mr Anthony Clarke  
Rajpal & Jyoti Thethy  
Ralph & Patricia Sarich  
The Stan Perron Charitable Trust  
The Fraunschiel Family  
Mr Cornelis J. Van Dalsen

Ms Katie McMahon  
Mr Lou Sauzier  
Lions Club of Scarborough  
Lions Club International  
Mr Alistair McGrath  
Shreeve & Carslake Pty Ltd

# Bequests

The Asthma Foundation WA remains eternally grateful to the many individuals who have decided to support the Foundation through a bequest. We honour the following people for their extremely generous gift.

**Christina Kleiman**  
**Harry Frederick Carter**

By choosing to make a bequest, these individuals have helped to support those currently suffering from asthma, as well as those researching the condition. One day we hope to say we have found a cure for Asthma.





# **Financial Report 2013/2014**

**Asthma Foundation of WA Inc**

## Statement by the Board

In the opinion of the Board, the accompanying Balance Sheet and Statement of Income and Expenditure of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Incorporated are drawn up so as to give a fair and true view of the state of the affairs of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Incorporated at 30 June 2014, and the results for the 12 month period ended on that date.

On behalf of the Board



**Tony Carter**

President

15 September 2014

## Statement by the Honorary Treasurer

I, Spencer Broad, being the Honorary Treasurer of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Incorporated state that in my opinion the accompanying Balance Sheet and Statement of Income and Expenditure are drawn up so as to give a fair and true view of the state of affairs of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Incorporated at 30 June 2014, and the results for the 12 month period ended on that date.



**Spencer Broad**

Treasurer

15 September 2014

## From the Treasurer

In my second year as Treasurer I am very pleased to report an operating surplus of \$114,596 for the year ended June 30th 2014.

This is the fourth consecutive year the Foundation has reported a surplus.

Operational income for the year exceeded the prior year due to an increase in fundraising, sponsorship and donations, and through an outstanding return from our investment holdings.

After non-operational items of \$199,595 being accounted for the total surplus for the year was \$314,191. This is a decrease from the 2012/13 surplus of \$1,108,932 which included a renovation grant of \$811,617 from Lotterywest. However the 2013/14 surplus actually exceeded the 2012/13 result after adjusting the 2012/13 result to exclude the \$811,617 Lotterywest grant.

The funds received from the Lotterywest grant were utilised to renovate the Asthma Foundation offices in West Perth. Staff, Board and volunteers continue to enjoy the new facilities provided through Lotterywest's generosity.

The Foundation's Balance Sheet has strengthened with assets exceeding liabilities by nearly five million dollars.

Our forward budgeting shows surpluses for the next three years which bodes well for the Asthma Community of Western Australia.

**Spencer Broad**

Treasurer



## Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2014, and the income statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

### Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act of Western Australia (1987) and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report. The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporation Act (1987) of Western Australia. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than

the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

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

### Independence

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

### Qualification

Donations, fundraising and sponsorship are a significant source of revenue for the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Inc. The Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Inc has determined that it is impracticable to establish control over the collection of voluntary revenue prior to entry into its financial reports. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to voluntary revenue had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. We therefore are unable to express an opinion whether voluntary revenue of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Inc obtained is complete.

### Qualified Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been required had the limitation on our audit procedures referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Inc. presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Inc as at 30 June 2014 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.



**Stirling Partners Audit**



**P. Stamatopoulos (FCA)**

278 Stirling Highway, Claremont, WA 6010

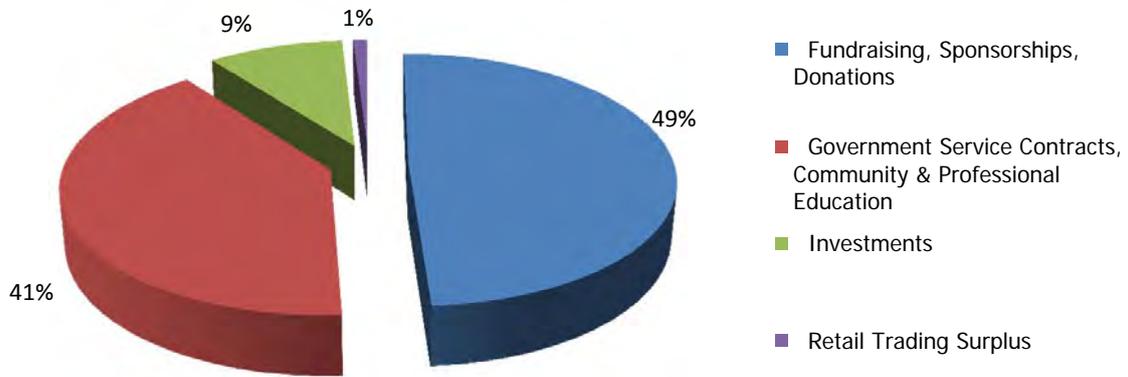
Dated this 15th day of September 2014

**ASTHMA FOUNDATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**  
**STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE**  
For the 12 month period ended 30 June 2014

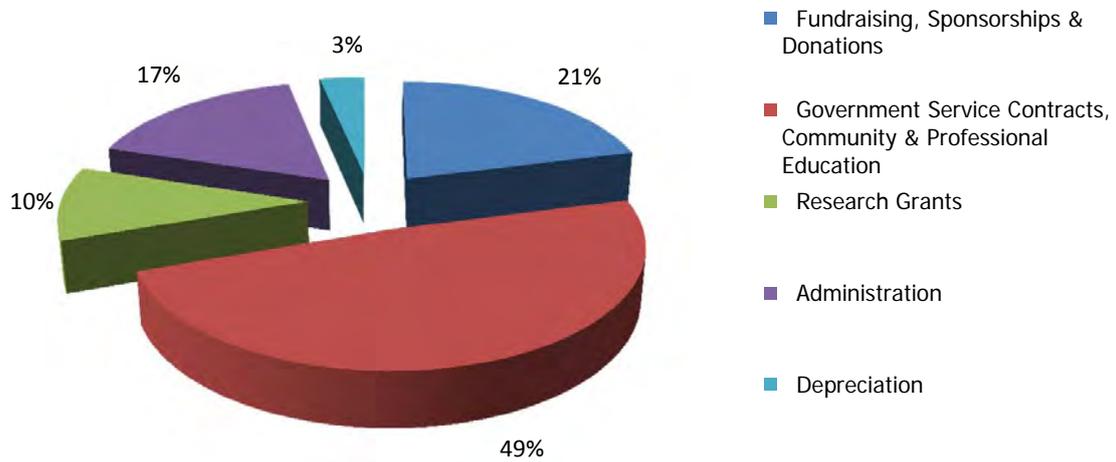
	12 months 30-June-2014 \$	12 months 30-June-2013 \$
<b>INCOME</b>		
Fundraising, Sponsorships, Donations	1,024,937	1,007,976
Government Service Contracts, Community & Professional Education	844,932	873,675
Investments	196,735	118,649
Retail Trading Surplus	20,422	32,234
Lotterywest IT Grant	-	78,747
	2,087,026	2,111,281
<b>EXPENSE</b>		
Fundraising, Sponsorships & Donations	414,817	518,021
Government Service Contracts, Community & Professional Education	960,175	978,599
Research Grants	199,518	117,450
Depreciation	66,289	133,447
Administration	331,631	284,155
	1,972,430	2,031,672
<b>OPERATIONAL SURPLUS</b>	<b>114,596</b>	<b>79,609</b>
<b>OTHER NON OPERATIONAL ITEMS</b>		
Revaluation of Investments	10,080	62,549
Surplus on Sale of Assets	3,681	6,742
Bequests	185,834	148,415
Lotterywest Renovation Grant		811,617
	199,595	1,029,323
<b>SURPLUS TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS</b>	<b>314,191</b>	<b>1,108,932</b>

# Financial Reports

Where the money came from ...



How the money was spent ...



# Financial Reports

## ASTHMA FOUNDATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2014

	Note	30-June-2014 \$	30-June-2013 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at Bank		342,552	330,444
Receivables	2	95,954	68,234
Inventories	3	15,095	21,198
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>453,601</b>	<b>419,876</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Investments	4	1,803,530	1,431,856
Property, Plant and Equipment	5	3,092,024	3,150,806
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>4,895,554</b>	<b>4,582,662</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>5,349,155</b>	<b>5,002,538</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors and Borrowings	6	290,622	265,306
Provisions For Employees	7	62,830	55,720
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>353,452</b>	<b>321,026</b>
<b>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		-	-
<b>TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		-	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>353,452</b>	<b>321,026</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>4,995,703</b>	<b>4,681,512</b>
<b>FUNDS EMPLOYED</b>			
Retained Surplus		2,793,890	1,684,958
Asset Revaluation Reserve	8	1,887,622	1,887,622
Surplus for the year		314,191	1,108,932
<b>TOTAL FUNDS EMPLOYED</b>		<b>4,995,703</b>	<b>4,681,512</b>

## ASTHMA FOUNDATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

#### **1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Board has determined that the Foundation is not a reporting entity. Accordingly this Financial Report is a special purpose financial report prepared specifically in order to provide accounts which satisfy the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1987 (WA) and also for distribution to members and must not be used for any other purpose. The Board has determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet these requirements.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or except where specifically stated, current valuations of non current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period, unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

#### **Income Tax**

The Foundation is exempt from income tax.

#### **Investments**

Investments are brought to account at market value at balance date.

Dividends, Interest Trust and Partnership distributions are brought to account on an accrual basis.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### **Property**

Property is included as per Sworn Valuation 30 June 2013.

#### **Revenue**

Grant income received is recorded as Operational Income.

The Lotterywest Renovation Grant is recorded as Non Operational Income.

Income from Bequests is recorded as Non Operational Income.

#### **Plant and Equipment**

Plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciation amount of all plant and equipment is depreciated over useful lives of the assets to the Foundation commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

#### **Employee Entitlements**

Provision is made for the liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date.

#### **Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST.

# Financial Reports

**ASTHMA FOUNDATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS**  
**For the 12 month period ended 30 June 2014**

	30-June-2014	30-June-2013
	\$	\$
<b>2 RECEIVABLES</b>		
Sundry Debtors	81,698	52,784
Prepayments	14,256	15,450
	<u>95,954</u>	<u>68,234</u>
<b>3 INVENTORIES</b>		
Retail Stock on Hand	15,095	21,198
<b>4 INVESTMENTS</b>		
At Market Value as at Balance Date		
Cash Fixed Term Investments	509,533	405,826
International Shares	422,813	
Listed Share Trusts	-	152,546
Listed Shares	748,673	476,210
Unlisted Property Trusts	122,511	397,274
	<u>1,803,530</u>	<u>1,431,856</u>
<b>5 PROPERTY, PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>		
Property - as per Valuation June 2013		
Office Units 2, 3, 4 & 5 36 Ord Street	1,413,705	1,413,705
Renovations Office Units 2, 3, 4 & 5 36 Ord Street	695,595	695,595
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(37,124)	(9,300)
Office Unit 7 36 Ord Street West Perth	420,000	420,000
Office Unit 10 36 Ord Street West Perth	440,000	440,000
	<u>2,932,176</u>	<u>2,960,000</u>
Plant & Equipment		
Office, IT Equipment and Fittings - at Cost	169,815	162,701
Less : Accumulated Depreciation	(34,865)	(7,685)
Motor Vehicles - at cost	41,215	66,870
Less : Accumulated Depreciation	(16,317)	(31,080)
	<u>159,848</u>	<u>190,806</u>
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	<u>3,092,024</u>	<u>3,150,806</u>
<b>6 CREDITORS &amp; BORROWINGS</b>		
Sundry Creditors	224,198	232,372
Funding Received In Advance	66,424	32,934
	<u>290,622</u>	<u>265,306</u>

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	30-June-2014	30-June-2013
	\$	\$
<b>7 PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES</b>		
Provision for Holiday Pay	60,938	45,492
Provision for Long Service Leave	1,892	10,228
	62,830	55,720
<b>8 ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE</b>		
Opening Revaluations Reserve	1,887,622	2,408,917
2012/2013 Adjustments to Sworn Values		
Office Units 2,3,4 & 5, 36 Ord Street		(501,295)
Office Unit 7, 36 Ord Street		(30,000)
Office Unit 10, 36 Ord Street		10,000
Closing Revaluations Reserve	1,887,622	1,887,622

**Affiliated Funds - Not incorporated in Accounts**

Affiliates of the Asthma Foundation of Western Australia Inc. are set up in various country areas. The funds raised and held by these affiliates have not been included in the accounts of the parent body.

Funds held by affiliates at the year end were as follows :

	30-June-2014	30-June-2013
	\$	\$
Manjimup	1,077	1,513





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