



Annual Report


July 2021 – June 2022

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 **50** yrs

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We are Young Life

We believe in the significance of relationships to change lives, protect against loneliness and build resilience. We believe in the power of connection to ignite Hope.

We do this by:

Building Friendships.

We go where young people are and build personal relationships with them. We care for them, as they are, and believe in who they can be.

We build friendships that are genuine and long lasting. We are committed to young people for the long run, regardless of their stance or response to the Good News.

Providing fun, adventurous, life-changing and skill-building experiences.

Our weekly clubs are a place of belonging. We welcome young people in by playing games and singing songs. At the end of it all, we share simple messages to bring Hope. Our Summer camp is consistently voted by young people as “the best time of their lives”. That’s because young people, take off to a place of welcome, of good food and fun, of small-group time and of revelation. Many of them return transformed.

Journeying faith with young people.

We run weekly meetings for young people who are interested in learning more, ask questions or grow in their faith through study, service and leadership.



The best is yet to come!

As I reflect on the year that has gone by, three words capture my thoughts: Gratitude, Contentment and Optimism...in 2022 we celebrated 50 years of Young Life in Australia! Listening to the faith testimonies of those who were part of the early years is not only awe-inspiring, but a reminder of God's goodness and faithfulness. Young Life has touched and transformed the lives of hundreds of men and women in Australia.

Although it's true that this past year has been marked by the challenges of a socio-economic volatility of the post-COVID world and the internal leadership changes at Young Life, we have kept a sense of contentment because we know that God is always with us.

Today more than ever, young people are seeking meaning and purpose in life. The illusion of a good life portrayed through social media is a vicious cycle of deception that does not satisfy the deep desires of the soul. Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. He brings hope to broken lives and for those who believe, He promises eternal

life, and because of this I am optimistic about the future and the possibilities it holds for Young Life Australia:

- The Young Life team on the ground is invigorated.
- Areas are gradually swinging back into action.
- Contact work in schools is gaining momentum.
- University ministry is taking off with a fabulous response.
- In-person gatherings are bouncing back with energy and enthusiasm as life returns to normal.

- Summer camp is gearing up well, with interest from Alumni to lend a hand and pray.
- The international ministry is thriving.
- Our supporters have remained committed through their generous giving whilst new avenues of funding are opening for the work of Young Life's mission.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank our incredibly committed leaders, staff and volunteers for the amazing work that they do every day in their communities to connect, engage and transform the lives of young people.

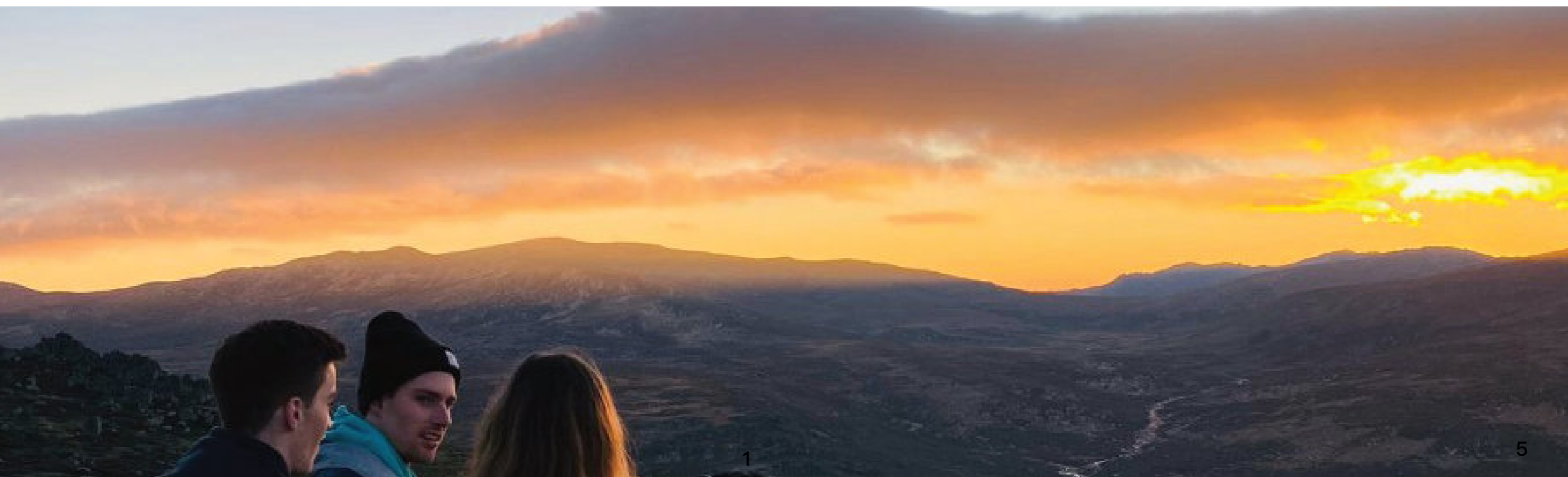
Thank you to each of our financial supporters and partners who have responded by praying and giving so generously to Young Life's mission.

Finally, it is our heart's desire that every

young person in our country may know the Hope that Jesus gives, and receive the blessings of His abundant life now and hereafter. And whilst we have witnessed 50 years of God's goodness, I believe, the best is yet to come!

Many blessings.

Raj Mudaliar, Board Chair
Young Life Australia



Active areas during FY 2021 – 2022



- Breakfasts in Schools, Chaplaincy
- Club, Discipleship group, Chaplaincy, Camp
- Breakfasts in Schools, Club, Camp
- Contact work, Chaplaincy
- Breakfasts in Schools, 'Drop in'
- Breakfasts in Schools, Club, Camp, Bible study, Wyld Life, Youth Night
- 'Drop in'
- Breakfasts in Schools, Club, Camp

Growing and expanding

In February 2022, Young Life Australia launched their first university program at Macquarie University, we led several outreach activities during orientation and the first few weeks of the semester welcoming new students and connecting with returning students.

In April 2022 we had our first Young Life university trip. Students from across several different Sydney universities joined us for a long weekend in Jindabyne near Perisher, NSW where we spent time in community and shared adventure, and learned more about Jesus and the significance of His love for us.

We continue to reach out and know young people by name at our local colleges and universities and invite them into learning about and growing in faith. Students connect with us on campus and at planned activities including indoor rock climbing, bush walks, and coffee meet-ups. At present 30 students are engaged face-to-face, and over 300 more have expressed interest in our gatherings through social media. The opportunities keep expanding in the University space!

Jess Martin.
Area Manager
Ryde



Warren, NSW

Community Service Award



The towns of Warren and Narromine are quiet hubs for farming communities in NSW Central West. Our Young Life leaders are all farmers, so outreach is done amongst the rhythms of harvest and sowing. They were incredibly faithful throughout COVID-19, keeping in contact with their youth and remaining passionate about reaching young people in our area with the Gospel.

Young Life Warren begun experiencing change – a new relationship with the school and a new cohort of young people (the older group grew up during COVID-19 and some attend the local Presbyterian church). In the past year we ran a few scavenger hunts, a camp and canoe down the Macquarie River.

Narromine was also a new addition, as the town has never had a Young Life Club.

Our area coordinator continues conversations with local churches to create a club in Narromine, where there is no other event for local youth.

Our leaders are held in high esteem by the communities and families; Warren Young Life won the 'Community Service Award' on Australia Day.

We have contacts at both the Narromine and Warren High Schools where we will be inviting students to Summer Camp 2023. This means we have the ability to reach every teenager in our area! Ministry is slow and deeply relational, and we need your continuing support for this day-in-day-out kind of ministry.

Hope Kelly.
Area Manager
Warren



Barossa Valley, SA

Stopping for the one



We first met Rhys at Breakfast Club at Nuriootpa High School. He was one of the students that got to school on the early bus, arriving at 8am.

“Sophie listened to me talk her ear off about gaming, and movies” Rhys said. “I really appreciated having this opportunity at school each Thursday”. Now Rhys is a Uni student and volunteers with Young Life.

“I wanted to give other students the same opportunities that I had, now I can be the one who listens to them.”

Activities during the year:

Club Camp Out and Wyld Life Sleepover – September

Infusion Christmas Carols Service – December

Summer Archery Tag Day – Jan

Girls Small Group Bible Study – running weekly after school

Wyld Life – Super Hero night, Board Games, Minute to Win It, Campfire and Night Games, Nerf Wars

Infusion Youth Night – band, guest speaker and ice cream

Nuriootpa High School – weekly Breakfast Club and Seasons for Growth

One off Pancake Breakfasts at 2 schools

Attendance was lower than usual at many events after things started opening up with COVID-19. One night at Wyld Life we planned a ‘Goose Chase’, using an app to complete photo and video challenges around town, just like an old school Scavenger Hunt.

That night we only had one student show up. But we went ahead with the activity, and found out later that he had a fantastic time getting all the attention and feeling significant as part of the leader crew for a night. We are reminded that it is worth it for the One!

Sophie Wilksch.
Area Manager
Barossa



Armidale, NSW

Thankful above all

In the last year we revived our Armidale tradition of having a Thanksgiving Dinner. It was a great night to celebrate the year and be thankful for our leaders, committee, donors and ministry. Others shared about what they were thankful for as well as expressing their thanks for the ministry of Young Life.

We are thankful for the ability to start rebuilding Young Life in Armidale and the New England. We have an emerging second club for years 7, 8 & 9 (HYLife). The Lord has given us an amazing team of leaders and we are working on filling a bus for summer camp!

We are extremely thankful for St Peter's Cathedral for their renewed support.

When Keith and Mary Lou were in Nepal with Church Missionary Society, they were linked to St Peter's as link missionaries. However St Peter's has now made them 'link Missionaries' from Young Life Australia. This means that the church now recognises Young Life as a mission organisation to the unreached.

As part of this new support, Keith and Mary Lou will also be invited to share with all the services at least once a year.

Mary Lou Doe.
Area Manager
Armidale



International Ministry

The Baltics

This year provided a fair share of opportunities and challenges. Like many other Young Life areas around the world, The Baltics entered a process of re-engaging teens with face to face Contact Work, Clubs, Bible study meetings and camps.

It is no surprise that after shutdowns, we are dealing with greater levels of anxiety, depression and apathy, and we are in great need of leaders.

Our team needs to be careful about group meetings during these politically sensitive times.

Despite the many difficulties and doors closing this year, God is still on the move.

At a recent camp in Lithuania we were able to meet with a number of Ukrainian refugee teenagers. There was a great mix of emotions as we served them.

We were joyful we could bless them and they were with us, but there was also sadness as they shared their stories of escape and concern for their fathers and older brothers who had to stay behind to defend Ukraine.

Through this great time with our new Ukrainian friends after camp, we started training a group of Ukrainian Christians as Young Life leaders so they can reach the nearly 50,000 refugees in Lithuania.

Mark Hamilton.
Regional Manager
The Baltics



A Global Family

100+ Countries

Young Life is a global organisation with a local heart.

You'll find Young Life leaders from diverse cultures, nationalities and backgrounds in over 100 countries around the world.

Our Australian office has been supporting the work in The Balkans through Regional Director Brooke Filipovski and Belarus & Baltics through our relationship with Regional Area Manager Mark Hamilton.

Brooke is an American-born missionary who began serving in Young Life Australia and was then called to the nation of Macedonia to serve their youth. She now oversees a thriving Young Life ministry in the Central and Eastern European Region.

Mark Hamilton is a local missionary from Melbourne who was called to the Baltic nations. Together with his family, Mark has been serving young people for many years, recently including groups of young Ukrainian refugees.



International Ministry

The Balkans

The Young Life Central and Eastern European region currently has 7 countries where the ministry model of contact work, club, campaigner Bible studies and camp has been built. There is also interest in other nations such as Greece and Kosovo as new nations to develop in the future. Currently Brooke Filipovski and her team, are doing the full model of ministry in North Macedonia, Albania and Bulgaria, specifically in the capital cities of Skopje, Sofia and Tirana and a number of other developing cities within these countries.

Over 160 students aged 11–18 years old heard the good news at three summer camps in these three nations, and approximately 140 university students and older volunteers experienced camp, and gathered in small groups to study the scriptures and share their testimonies in front of young people from a wide variety of backgrounds, these were truly international gatherings of people from 15 different nations unified to experience the kingdom for a week.

The major major highlights of the year were:

- 2 camps in Albania, each with approximately 100 campers.
- 2 camps in Skopje, North Macedonia, the first with 36 participants and the second with 46. A great mix of young people from Macedonian, Albanian and Roma backgrounds in addition to international students.
- 1 camp in Bulgaria. 44 participants from 2 countries.
- Young Life in North Macedonia became a legal organisation in the country on September 3, 2021
- The first local staff was hired in October 2021 as a Country Administrator, and in March 2022 the first Skopje Area Director was hired – also local.
- Brooke's role changed to regional in May 2022 when she took leadership of Bulgaria as well as Albania and North Macedonia, becoming the Associate Regional Director for the Central and Eastern European Region in October 2022.
- Clubs grew to over 20 students a club in Skopje in school year 2021–2022
- The volunteer team in Skopje is 11 people, 4 staff and 1 Developing Global Leader.
- In Tirana, Albania there are 3 staff members: 2 Area Directors and 1 country Administrator plus 6 Developing Global Leaders.
- in Bulgaria there are 4 staff members.



Brooke Filipovski.
Regional Director
Central & Eastern Europe



Financial report

YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
Revenue	4	<u>1,435,297</u>	<u>2,359,458</u>
		1,435,297	2,359,458
Expenses			
Administration expenses		(182,131)	(193,331)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	5	(50,077)	(54,051)
Employee benefits expense		(1,100,736)	(1,408,963)
Finance costs		(876)	-
Fair value loss on financial assets	5	(21,252)	-
Fundraising expenses		(22,626)	(18,832)
Loss on sale of assets	5	-	(1,202)
Program expenses		(103,893)	(107,499)
Promotion and advertising expenses		-	(9,867)
Training expenses		(33,347)	(41,996)
		<u>(1,514,938)</u>	<u>(1,835,741)</u>
Surplus (deficit) before income tax		(79,641)	523,717
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus (deficit) for the year		(79,641)	523,717
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year		<u>(79,641)</u>	<u>523,717</u>

YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Accumulated Funds \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2020	392,275	392,275
Comprehensive income		
Surplus (deficit) for the year	523,717	523,717
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year	<u>523,717</u>	<u>523,717</u>
Balance at 30 June 2021	<u>915,992</u>	<u>915,992</u>
Balance at 1 July 2021	915,992	915,992
Comprehensive income		
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(79,641)	(79,641)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year	<u>(79,641)</u>	<u>(79,641)</u>
Balance at 30 June 2022	<u>836,351</u>	<u>836,351</u>

YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED
ABN 96 592 278 795

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	361,396	930,466
Trade and other receivables	7	48,683	63,567
Financial assets	8	240,019	-
<i>Total current assets</i>		<u>650,098</u>	<u>994,033</u>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	9	782,134	810,071
<i>Total non-current assets</i>		<u>782,134</u>	<u>810,071</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,432,232</u>	<u>1,804,104</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	461,103	711,888
Employee benefits	12	131,131	174,231
<i>Total current liabilities</i>		<u>592,234</u>	<u>886,119</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits	12	3,647	1,993
<i>Total non-current liabilities</i>		<u>3,647</u>	<u>1,993</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>595,881</u>	<u>888,112</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>836,351</u></u>	<u><u>915,992</u></u>
FUNDS			
Accumulated funds		<u>836,351</u>	<u>915,992</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>836,351</u></u>	<u><u>915,992</u></u>

YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers and government		146,769	1,166,895
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,533,059)	(1,775,714)
Donations and fundraising income		1,096,038	931,957
Interest received		4,593	9,045
<i>Net cash flows from operating activities</i>		<u>(285,659)</u>	<u>332,183</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	1,582
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(22,140)	(13,171)
Purchase of financial assets		(261,271)	-
<i>Net cash flows from investing activities</i>		<u>(283,411)</u>	<u>(11,589)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(569,070)	320,594
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		<u>930,466</u>	<u>609,872</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	6	<u><u>361,396</u></u>	<u><u>930,466</u></u>

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FINANCIAL REPORT -30 JUNE 2022

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of YoungLifeAustralia Incorporated which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2022, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Board Members' Declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of YoungLifeAustralia Incorporated is in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the NSW Associations Incorporation Act 2009, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of its financial performance for the year then ended, and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the NSW Associations Incorporation Act 2009 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the NSW Associations Incorporation Act 2009, which has been given to the Board Members of the Association, would be in the same terms if given to the Board Members as at the time of this auditor's report.

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

Board Members Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Board Members of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and for such internal control as the Board Members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board Members are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board Members either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board Members are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
YOUNG LIFE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at The Auditing and Assurance Standards Board and the website address is <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>

We communicate with the Board Members regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



StewartBrown
Chartered Accountants



S.J. Hutcheon
Partner

17 September 2022

Our Board



Raj Mudaliar Chair
B.Sc, MBA

Raj is an executive leader, deeply committed to humanitarian services. With twenty years experience in research and advisory, IT services and pharmaceutical industry, his personal vision is ‘respect and dignity for all’ which inspires him to pursue a world that is just, equal and free of extreme poverty.

Raj is passionate about the education and mentoring of children and young people. He is closely associated with U&I, a not-for-profit organisation that is involved in offering numeracy, language and computer skills to underprivileged children in 10 major cities in India, through a network of committed volunteers.



Dr Glyn Henman CEO
Dr. Theology

Dr Glyn Henman dedicated over three decades of his life to serving Jesus through the mission of Young Life in Australia. Glyn led the organisation with our founding mission at heart, seeing hundreds of young people come to faith in Jesus.



Karen Stephens Deputy Chair
B. International Studies & Economics (University of Denver)

Karen’s journey with Young Life began in High School, where a young teacher invited her to club and then summer camp at Frontier Ranch in Colorado. There, in the Rocky Mountains she was first captivated by the love of Jesus. Karen moved to Sydney with her husband, where she connected with Young Life Australia, and in her 25 years of involvement, she has been a volunteer leader, a staff member, a committee member, a donor and now a board member.

Karen has run the National Student Leadership Forum in the Australian Parliament for 11 years, overseen the NSLF Internship program and the development of “Forum Bridging Initiatives” in several communities around the South Pacific.



Peter Amos Director
B. Business (Acctg)

Peter started volunteering with Young Life Redlands in August 2016 at a local High School and joined the Redlands Committee in 2017 (Chair from Aug 2018). Peter held the position of Business Manager at a large P-12 Christian College in Brisbane since 2001. From 2009 to 2015 he held General Manager roles in architecture and insurance broking, responsible for finance, administration, HR, risk management and compliance. In 2016 Peter retired and devoted his time and talents to his local congregation and community organisations, including Young Life Redlands of which he is the Committee Chair.



Ryan Broom Director
EMPA (2022) MPH Bpharm. Grad Cert Business (Public Sector Mgmt). Registered Pharmacist

Ryan is a senior public servant in the NSW Government. An experienced public policy professional, Ryan enjoys working with diverse groups to tackle tricky problems with simple, outcomes-focused solutions. He has broad experience across the NSW public health system and has worked in professional advocacy, quality and patient safety portfolios. Ryan has been involved with Young Life since 2006, serving at Club in West Ryde and several Summer Camps. He is married to Bec, has two sons, and attends his local Church.



Shannon Kong Director
Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) Corporate Finance qualification from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW). Diploma in Financial Planning. Bachelor of Commerce (major in Accounting)

Shannon has 20 years experience in various leadership roles within investment banking, corporate finance, private and business banking and is well versed in sales leadership, financial analysis, credit, risk management and governance. Outside of work, Shannon is involved in church ministry and leadership. She loves connecting with young people as the next generation of leaders in God’s kingdom.



Llew Morris Company Secretary
MPA, MBA, BA, Grad Dip Management, Grad Dip Applied Finance & Investment, Grad Dip Applied Corporate Governance. Accountant, Chartered Secretary, Fellow Financial Services Institute, Fellow National Tax and Accountants Association, Associate Governance Institute of Australia, Associate Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators.

Llew has 30 years experience in banking in Australia, Asia and Pacific Islands. Llew has led a number of transformational projects, setting up new banking operations, reviewing and implementing diversification projects, building new premises, recruiting and training staff.

Other Board members and changes during the year:

Gavin Stait	Director	
Mitchell Broom	Chairman	Resigned 18 September 2021
Daryl Redford	Director	Resigned 18 September 2021
Glyn Henman	CEO	Resigned 30 March 2022

Celebrating
Thank you for celebrating with us
50 wonderful years. Your support
makes all the difference!



