Annual Report 2023 – 2024

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President's Report

I am pleased to report to you the activities of Haemophilia Foundation Western Australia Inc,

('HFWA') for the 2023/2024 financial year.

HFWA is a voluntary organisation providing advocacy, peer support, and services to people affected by haemophilia and related bleeding disorders (including von Willebrand Disease) in Western Australia. Through your membership of Haemophilia Foundation Australia ('HFA'), we contribute to the welfare of our constituency throughout Australia.

Management Committee

HFWA would not be able to operate without the active participation of the Management Committee ('MC'). These people voluntarily give their time and effort on your behalf. Once again, I have found the past year as President to be an enjoyable and productive one and thank the MC for their support and involvement over the past year, and I would like to convey your appreciation for their contribution.

The committee comprised:

President	Gavin Finkelstein
Vice President	Cheryl Ellis
Treasurer	Bob Butler
Secretary	Michelle Dinsdale
	Susie Couper
	Paul Keogh
	Evyn Webster

On behalf of the Management Committee and community I would like to pass on a thank you to Evyn Webster for his many years of service on the committee and their efforts/participation in community activities, we look forward to catching up with you at events in the future.

Personally, I extend my sincere thanks to Ann-Maree Foran and Cheryl Ellis for all their help and support that they have given me over the past year.

Office/Resources Centre

The Office/Resource Centre is the hub of HFWA with our administration, activities and resources held and coordinated through there. It is the central point of contact for HFWA, and it is essential that it is well resourced and staffed. We aim to ensure that the office continues to run efficiently and effectively and is an important and valuable asset to our organisation. We review the processes and procedures of the office in an ongoing basis. We continue to be grateful to Beryl Kerr who volunteers in the office every Wednesday, archiving HFWA's accumulated historical material and accounts and assisting with the database migration.

Funding

Our funding is provided by the Health Department of WA and managed by State-wide Contracting.

We signed a new five-year contract, which began 1 July 2021, with a two-year extension available if/when required. We have an upcoming meeting with our funder to ensure funding meets our future needs. Our new contract was delayed due to COVID-19. We have secured a longer termed contract with clearer and more relevant reporting requirements.

HFWA organised and facilitated activities such as the annual Bunnings Sausage Sizzle to help with camp costs and other peer support events. I would like to say huge thank you to all the volunteers who help with activities such as the Sausage Sizzle

Your Foundation

The Foundation and MC has had a disrupted year, with operational expenditure continuing to be closely monitored to enable the foundation to provide the best services and representation to our community that we can on our limited government funding. The MC acknowledge the value and benefit that the peer support groups provide to the HFWA community. The participation and support of the membership is always an important feature to the viability of any community- based organisation such as ours. Committee Members with Perth Children's Hospital have reengaged with the community, beginning with attendance at clinics at PCH (to find out what the needs of families are and organise events to meet these needs, as simple as going for a coffee and a chat.

Member participation is consistent, and feedback for the programs and activities offered by the Foundation is of a positive nature. The MC is appreciative of feedback and comments passed on to them. Without broad feedback from the community, it is challenging for HFWA to tailor future direction of services or the membership.

Our Activities

We have undertaken and continue to provide education and peer group support to the bleeding disorders community, and to promote awareness of bleeding disorders to the wider community.

Some of the activities included:

Community Christmas Party

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

Men's Breakfasts

Women's Breakfasts and events

The HFWA youth group has had another quiet year. We are reviewing the way the group operates, the target ages and how it is facilitated.

Viral Information

HFWA provides specific viral (HIV, HCV, vCJD) information and education to our community. We also support and participate in numerous activities under the auspices of relevant agencies.

Representation/Networking

HFWA represents our community at numerous multi-agency forums, including Genetic and Rare Disease Network WA, (GaRDN), Hepatitis Council WA, West Australian Viral Hepatitis Committee, Arthritis Foundation, HFA, Fiona Stanley Hospital and Perth Children's Hospital.

External/Internal Education

HFWA continues to provide information to our community via formal and informal methods.

Advocacy

HFWA continues to advocate on behalf of our community when and where the need arises (e.g., treating hospitals, schools, universities, government agencies, etc.). HFWA continues to liaise and provide input to relevant departments regarding the Haemophilia Treatment Centres at Fiona Stanley Hospital and Perth Children's Hospital. Our major focus currently is to obtain dedicated bleeding disorder social workers in both hospitals.

Liaising with the Hospitals

There continues to be ongoing communication between HFWA and all treating hospitals. HFWA has been attending fortnightly clinics which has been of benefit to the treatments and HFWA

Due to red tape MC members are prevented from regularly attending clinics run by Fiona Stanley Hospital, but hopefully this will be resolved soon.

We are in the process of reinstating our presence at FSH clinics which will allow us to discuss with members any issues or concerns they may have in relation to their bleeding disorders. This will be of great benefit to us at HFWA, our members and the clinical staff at the hospital.

Liaising with other Haemophilia Organisations

Key representatives of HFWA actively liaise with other state foundations, HFA and World Federation of Hemophilia.

Newsletter

The newsletter continues to be produced bi-monthly, providing up-to-date information along with a calendar of activities. When required, mail-outs are produced and distributed to advise the community of any matters arising in between publication of the newsletter issues. We once again thank Beryl Kerr for her efforts in proof reading, printing, and helping with the bimonthly mail-out of the newsletter.

Welfare/Emergency Funding

As a priority, we support members to access emergency welfare funding from other agencies. As a last resort, HFWA will consider providing small amounts of assistance to applicants. HFWA continues to provide shoe and Medic Alert subsidies. These are some of the valuable services and activities that HFWA provide to our community in Western Australia. We are always open to feedback from our community.

In Conclusion

Overall, this past year has been a quiet year for the Foundation. We will focus on engaging with the community and look forward to meeting the needs of the bleeding disorders community of WA. We need to concentrate on maintaining/improving the services available and provided to our patients. There are several innovative new treatment products becoming available in the future, which will be of great benefit to patients; it's up to us to advocate for access for these new treatments. Please continue to support your foundation, even if only by paying your annual membership. Thank you for attending.

Gavin Finkelstein

HFWA President

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2024

On behalf of our members and myself, thank you to the President, Committee Members and the Admin Personnel for their work during the year. My job as Treasurer is made easier through their efforts, and their work during the year on behalf of the members is exceptional.

As the Income and Expenditure Statement shows, we had an operating excess of receipts over payments of $20,266 for the year. As you will see, the income is higher than in 2023 by $4,592 Variations upwards being government funding, interest received, subscriptions, and fundraising activities. At the same time expenses were $47 more than the previous year. As with other years, some expenses were up, some down.

Our sausage sizzle was again successful and we hope this year's event, will also attract the volunteers and the consumers.

On behalf of our members, we thank all those who have donated money, products and time, all of which are vital to our ongoing future.

The Statement of Financial Position as at 30th of June shows Current Assets of $280,656 which consist of the bank accounts and petty cash. The value of non-current assets, (Office Equipment), remains the same.

The current liabilities consist of the liability to the Tax Office for GST and PAYG withholding tax, and funds received and held in reserve for special events planned for the future.

There were no grants made from the Arved Wasser Memorial Fund during the year.

Overall, our Net Assets, and therefore, Members Funds, have increased during the year by $20,266

The Foundation will continue to provide support and services to members in the coming year, within the constraints of our limited finances and our constitutional limits, and trust that our members understand and appreciate these limitations and what we can and cannot provide.

As mentioned, we have the Sausage Sizzle coming up in October for which we look forward to your help and participation, both in volunteering time and in buying lunch. It is also somewhat of a social event for members to catch up and have a chat.

Entertainment Books can be procured with the HFWA as the charity now only via an app. There are still shopping bags and nail polish for purchase as fundraisers.

As advised previously, the Financial Statements no longer have to be audited under new regulations for small charities so there is no auditor's report. The Financial Statements will be submitted to the ACNC after this meeting.

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Robert Butler – Treasurer
13th September 2024

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Committee's Report

For the year ended 30 June 2024

Your committee members submit the financial accounts of the Haemophilia Foundation WA Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

Committee Members

The names of committee members at the date of this report are:

Gavin Finkelstein

Robert Butler

Cheryl Ellis

Paul Keogh

Susie Couper

Michelle Dinsdale

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: Registered Charity.

Significant Changes

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

Operating Result

The profit from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to

Year ended	Year ended
30 June 2024	30 June 2023
$20,266	$ 15,628

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:

Gavin Finkelstein

Robert Butler

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Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024 $	2023 $
Income		
State/C'wlth Grant	72,988	69,838
Members Subscriptions	1,637	1,091
Fundraising Activities	3,486	2,711
Interest received	2,111	1,532
Donations	1,400	1,858
Total income	81,622	77,030
Expenses		
Advertising and promotion	84	
Bank fees and charges	26	56
Computer Expenses	363	2,183
Conference/seminar costs	334	2,874
Consultants fees		1,114
Fees & charges		87
Fundraising Costs	2,076	1,193
Insurance	3,568	2,648
Internet & Website Expenses	8,130	2,817
Members Functions	6,891	4,238
Members Support	787	261
Meeting Expenses	882	1,570
Office Expenses	156	346
Postage	174	267
Printing & stationery	75	202
Publications, Newsletters, Etc	1,450	1,558
Rent & Facility Expenses	14,997	14,502
Repairs & maintenance	377	8
Salaries - Administration	17,459	21,024
Staff amenities	19	
Subscriptions	1,292	1,841
Superannuation	1,921	2,203
Survey Fees		43
Telephone	295	367
Total expenses	61,355	61,402

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Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024 $	2023 $
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax	**20,266**	**15,628**
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
Net profit attributable to the association	**20,266**	**15,628**
Total changes in equity of the association	**20,266**	**15,628**
Opening retained profits	243,545	227,916
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Closing retained profits	**263,811**	**243,545**

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Detailed Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2024

	2024 $	2023 $
Current Assets		
Cash Assets		
Cash at bank	79,790	83,024
NAB Interest Bearing A/c	170,907	168,796
Westpac Community Solutions A/c	11,759	9,294
Petty Cash - Secretary	200	200
	280,656	261,314
Total Current Assets	**280,656**	**261,314**
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment		
Office equipment	18,932	18,932
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(15,441)	(15,441)
	3,491	3,491
Total Non-Current Assets	**3,491**	**3,491**
Total Assets	**284,147**	**264,804**

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	2024 $	2023 $
Current Liabilities		
Payables		
Unsecured:		
NAB Credit Card	36	72
	36	72
Current Tax Liabilities		
PAYG/GST Clearing A/c	2,134	3,267
	2,134	3,267
Provisions		
Employee entitlements	(412)	(657)
	(412	(657)
Other		
Women's Weekend Funding	8,881	8,811
Health Dept - Project Funding	7,500	7,500
	16,311	16,311
Total Current Liabilities	**18,069**	**18,993**
Total Liabilities	**18,069**	**18,993**
Net Assets	**266,078**	**245,812**
Members' Funds		
Reserves		
Arved Wasser Memorial Fund	2,267	2,267
Accumulated surplus (deficit)	263,811	243,545
Total Members' Funds	**266,078**	**245,812**

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Office Coordinator's Report

I would like to thank the HFWA Management Committee for their help and assistance since I began working in the office. I have been with HFWA for over 2 years now and things are settling in for me.

We have everyone in either an active or inactive capacity as members. Consisting of 338 individual entries and sixty-five membership cards. We overcame our troublesome IT issues by changing over our email hosting, website hosting, and other accounts. This was successful and has been great. We have been using a new mailing system called Mailchimp which is fantastic once you get to know it (the basics so far) that has helped with electronic communications. I am still working on improvements and the benefits to us in this electronic area.

Our Peer Support events during 2023/24, increased with three men's breakfasts, two women's events including a fantastic Op shop event in conjunction with Solaris Cancer Centre, BDAM Red cake day in October, not to forget the Christmas Party at Adventure World in with approximately forty attendees. This was enjoyed by everyone that attended. Thanks to everyone involved with suggesting and helping put the events together.

We hope to have a youth event and a family event soon. We have found it challenging engaging youth members.

FUNDRAISING

Entertainment Books:

There were a lot of incentives for purchasing the Entertainment Book in the past 12 months with more venues and activities updating continually. The new digital format allows for the expiry date of 12 months from the date of purchase so it can be purchased anytime. Thank you to everyone who have purchased these and for your continued support.

Donations from Members

We have again been fortunate with the generosity of our members, with quite a few of whom have kindly donated when they renewed their membership.

Environmentally Friendly Shopping Bags

These bags continue to sell and can also be purchased through the office and have had a small number of recent sales.

Containers for Change

Since becoming a member of Containers for Change in October 2020, we receive regular payments from them. Thanks to our members who are looking after the environment and who use our code when cashing in the used cans and bottles. The total donated since we started is $1101.70 with approximately 11017 containers saved from landfill! I have a heap of container bags if you need any. Please see me after.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

We were very lucky that we were able to hold our annual Bunnings Sausage Sizzle during BDAW at Homebase Subiaco on 7 October 2023. It went off without a hitch and it was a remarkable success. We had a beautiful spring day, and the many volunteers made light work of cooking and selling NEARLY ALL the sausages 560 out of 600.

Thank you to everyone who shared their time on the day and those who donated cans of cool drink.

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GENERAL

Other activities within the office:

- Liaising and working with the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary on a regular basis
- Liaising with Haemophilia Foundation Australia
- Organising invitations for various groups within our Foundation
- Assisting with Fundraising
- Liaising with CWLH and Health Department representatives
- Preparation and taking minutes for the monthly committee meetings and AGM.
- Coordinating and assisting with the organisation of social events.
- General office administration, receipting, banking, mailings, telephones, small IT operations and fixes, updating office processes and procedures
- HFWA database is an ongoing project and thanks to Beryl for assisting with the data input and cross referencing with the old database and other mailing lists to ensure no duplications and up to date information.

Thank you for attending tonight and I am extremely glad that I have been able to meet and chat with some lovely people.

Ann-Maree Foran
17 September 2024