



ST ANDREW'S FIRST AID AUSTRALIA INC.
ANNUAL REPORT

2021



St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Inc

ABN / DGR: 52 285 690 790

An Incorporated Association in Victoria A0049006E

A Charity registered with the
Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission

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Our Values

We believe people should always have access to free or low cost first aid assistance.

We recognise the importance of providing free first aid and first aid education to vulnerable people, and people with limited financial means.

We assert the provision of free first aid services and assistance is provided in a culturally sensitive manner, and is offered by us at the same time as relieving poverty and improving their health and wellbeing.

We are committed to supporting and providing practical assistance through the provision of first aid services and assistance to people of limited means.

Aims and Purposes

St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Inc. shall aim:

- a) to providing first aid assistance and support aimed at relieving poverty, and other risk factors in their lives;
- b) to find suitable and appropriate trained first aid volunteers to assist in our services;
- c) to provide in times of emergency or natural disaster physical assistance to persons through search or rescue and the provision of first aid services to all affected;
- d) to provide welfare and poverty relief through our first aid services and assistance; and
- e) to provide culturally relevant programs and services.

About Us

1882 was the first year of activity for the St. Andrew's Ambulance Association and 173 cases of accident and sudden illness were removed from the streets of Glasgow and taken to hospital by litter. That year the association provided itself with one ambulance.

In 1899, the Royal Charter was granted, being registered and signed on 02 May the sixty-second year of Queen Victoria's reign.

At a council meeting in that same year, it was agreed that they carry on the work of the Red Cross Society in Scotland. Following upon this resolution, the Central British Red Cross Committee recognised St. Andrew's Ambulance Association as a branch of Red Cross work in Scotland.

In 1900, the Association sent a Base Hospital to South Africa free of charge to the War Office. In 1908, the Council reported on the arrangements by which, on mobilisation, the Association would undertake to assume charge of the Military Hospitals in Scotland. During the Great War, the Association was requested by the War Office to furnish St. Andrew's Ambulance Association units for active service; where they served in casualty clearing stations in France and on hospital ships for the duration.

St. Andrew's Ambulance Association Australia was established as a company under Scottish Charter on 05 April 1976 by

the Director General St. Andrew's Ambulance Association, Dr. Daniel Strachan, OBE.

Under the patronage of legendary WW2 POW Surgeon, Colonel Sir Ernest Edward 'Weary' Dunlop, AC, CMG, OBE, the first Australian Director was Artillery Officer Major General Sir Denzil MacArthur-Onzlow, CBE, DSO, ED who commanded the 4th Armoured Brigade during WW2 and with Vietnam War Doctor, Group Captain William Land, AM, RFD, AE appointed Surgeon-in-Chief.



The first Companies were formed at RAAMC Military Hospital Healesville, Victoria, and St. Kilda Private Hospital, Victoria.

On 02 September 1980, our main base of operations had moved to the Ballarat East Company established at Begonia Hospital, Victoria.

Over the years the organisation grew steadily, and members served in many countries including: Armenia, Bangladesh, Bosnia, Chechnya, El Salvador, Iraq, Lebanon, and Rwanda, assisting a wide variety of Non-Government Organisations. This year we had two members volunteering in PNG and Timor-Leste.

On 28 September 2006, the Association incorporated under the name 'St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Inc' (SAFAA) and reformed the Board of Management under the Chairmanship of Tom Hazell, AO. Steven McRae became the Chief Executive Officer and David

Alexander-Fleming, JP moved to the position of Vice Chair and Corps Advisor. The Association re-engaged with St. Andrew's First Aid in Scotland and refocused its primary aim to providing first aid with the same trading name as in Scotland.



In 2007, we recommenced public duties, providing first aid services at the Ringwood Highland Games, RSL Marches, The Aboriginal Literacy Foundation Camps, to name a few of our long-standing events, and we began in partnership with Australian Premier Learning (our RTO) to once again offer courses in First Aid. On 24 May 2008 Dr Anthony Cree, OAM, PhD succeeded Tom Hazell as Chairman and in 2009 Malcolm and Joy Murray, the Earl and Countess of Dunmore became Australian Patrons. In January 2009, the Commandant-in-Chief and honorary surgeon to the Queen, Colonel Douglas Bremner, TD, conducted an inspection of St. Andrew's First Aid Australia during a private visit. On 01 December 2011, Charity Status was granted and St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Incorporated became a Public Benevolent Institution.

On 23 November 2012 David Alexander-Fleming became President and CEO. We commenced a very successful program with the Australian Army Cadets in Victoria providing them with first aid equipment and training.



In 2016; our fortieth year in operation in Australia, we recommenced establishing First Aid Companies in Victoria. We began exploring different revenue streams and ways to ensure our

sustainability. We established the 'Society of St. Andrew' to embrace individuals who wish to support us without joining the Association. Our first Search & Rescue Support Company was also established to support the State Emergency Services (SES) when deployed in the field. In 2017 we formed St. Andrew's First Aid Pipes and Drums and commenced negotiations with the Victorian State Government about establishing a role for us in the Emergency Control Organisation (ECO).

In 2018, The 15th Earl of Loudoun, Simon Abney-Hastings, became the Chairman of the Board of Governors, and six long serving members were presented with their Voluntary Medical Service Medal by the UK Consul General for Victoria; Chris Holtby, OBE. We also fundraised and sent three trainers to PNG to increase the level of first aid knowledge along the Kokoda Track.

On 21 May 2018, Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne The Princess Royal, became the Royal Patron of SAFAA.

On 17 December 2021 Captain Ian Young, AM, MD, RAN was promoted to Chief Commissioner and assumed the position of President of the Association taking over from David Fleming who was made a life member of the Association.

The Office Bearers of St. Andrew's First Aid

(Established 1882)

Patron: Her Royal Highness Princess Anne,
The Princess Royal, KG, KT, GCVO, GCStJ, QSO, GCL, CD.
President: His Grace Richard Scott,
The Duke of Buccleuch and Queensbury, KBE.
Chairman of the Board of Trustees: Mr. Rudy Crawford, MBE, MBChB.
Commandant in Chief: Dr. Cathy Johnman, PhD, MBChB.
Chief Executive Officer: Stuart Callison.

The Office Bearers of St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Inc

The Australian Affiliate of St Andrew's First Aid
(Established 1976)

Royal Patron: Her Royal Highness Princess Anne,
The Princess Royal, KG, KT, GCVO, GCStJ, QSO, GCL, CD.
Patron: The Right Honourable Malcolm Murray,
The 12th Earl of Dunmore KSA.

Committee of Management (2021/22)

President: CCOM Dr. Ian Young, AM, MD, FRACS
Vice President: Ms. Diana Dunlop, RN
Chief Executive Officer: CCOM David Howell
Secretary: CMDR Lachlan Gaylard
Treasurer: CMDR Matthew McLear
Commandant-in-Chief: DCCOM Dr. Anthony Cree, OAM, PhD Oxon
COM Andrew Mackinnon
Mr. James Nicolas

Board of Governors

The Right Honourable Simon Abney-Hastings,
The 15th Earl of Loudoun (Chairman).
The Very Rev Dr. Michael Protopopov, OAM, KGCE, KSA, JP, PhD.
Ms. Annamalia Chimenton.
Associate Professor Vicki Kotsirilos AM, MBBS.
Mr. Bryan Stertern-Gill, KSE, KGOE, KSA.
CCOM David Alexander-Fleming, OAM, KGCE, JP (Immediate Past President)

National Headquarters Support

Chief Operations Officer: DCCOM Michael Krejany

Corps Sergeant Major: CSM Peter Barker

Victorian Command

Training Manager: Deputy Commander Steven Ward

Client Manager: Commander John Stuart

Control Manager: Deputy Commander Mark Lee

Logistic Manager: Assistant Commander Matthew Jack

Bendigo Company: Commander Jordan Wilkinson

Peninsular Company: Commander Matthew McLearn

Metropolitan Company: First Aider Paul Bryans

Pipes & Drums

Pipe Major: Benjamin Casey

(Australian Drum Major Champion 2014, 2016, 2018)

Drum Major: Colin Hughes-Smith



Outgoing President's Report



With us being located in Victoria, lockdown hit us hard with only one public event in the last 18 months: that being the Weary Dunlop Service in August. This year's report will be very short.

However, this time in lockdown gave us the opportunity to look at our structure



going forward, both at a Board level and how our volunteers should be grouped. Our CEO Commissioner David Howell with the support of Operations Officer Deputy Commissioner Hayden McManus presented to the Board a living document combining a number of structures, documents and policies. It has so far been endorsed in principle by the board and will go into operation early next year under the

2021/2022 Board after a few amendments occurring at the next Board meeting. I applaud David and Hayden for their work on the document, it has placed us in a great position going forward.

This year I was honoured to be conferred with the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to First Aid. I must thank all those responsible for making it happen, I know how much work is required to put the nomination together and I'm extremely proud to have it acknowledged for my volunteer work with St. Andrew's First Aid Australia.

After 42 years' service, eleven of them as your president I have come to the decision to retire from St. Andrew's First Aid Australia. As you all know I have had some health problems that have at times left me poorly. I always said that I could only take this organisation so far and it would be others who take it to the next step, and with my retirement from the Public Service it is now time to focus my energies on my family. It has been an honour and a privilege to have been a member of such a fantastic organisation and I only hope that I have left it in a better position than when I took over.

Thank-you

**CCOM David Fleming, OAM, JP
President, SAFAA**

Finance Report

St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Inc. is an Australian Registered Charity and is an Incorporated Association in the State of Victoria. It is not required to have its accounts audited.

The net operating position of the Charity for the financial year ended 30 June 2021 was a loss of \$3,687.55, however, when we factor in our stock levels and the value of our assets, our position is acceptable in a 'COVID Environment' at over \$60,000.

As of 30 June 2021, SAFAA has net investments of \$25,000 accruing interest @ 10% p.a. maturing on 05 Nov 2022. It has been re-invested.

The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that these special purpose financial statements should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in the financial statements. In the opinion of the Committee, the attached financial statement as set out on the following page are a present, a true, and a fair view of the financial position of St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Incorporated as at 30 June 2021 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in to the financial statements meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act Victoria 1981* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012*.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee of Management and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:

(original signed)

David Alexander-Fleming, OAM, JP
President

(original signed)

James Pereira
Treasurer

Dated this seventeenth day of November; Two thousand and twenty-one.



Summary for year ended 30 June 2021

Statement of Account for year ended 30 June 2021

Revenue	
Bank Interest	\$0.79
Program Delivery	\$1,363.65
Donations	\$10,962.50
Stock	\$0.00
Functions	\$5,454.54
GST Collected	\$681.00
Dividends	\$0.00
Total Income	\$18,462.48
Expenses	
Administration	\$84.10
Program Delivery	\$16,609.08
Functions	\$750.95
GST paid	\$1,925.00
Stock	\$2,780.90
Total Expenditure	\$22,150.03
Net Operating (Deficit)/ Surplus	(\$3,687.55)
Assets	
Cash in Bank	\$5,237.56
Cash in Hand	\$0.00
Stock	\$30,000.00
Investments	\$25,000.00
Total Assets	\$60,237.56

Incoming President's Report



I am deeply honoured to have been elected as President of St Andrew's First Aid Australia at our recent Annual General Meeting on 17 December 2021. I look forward to guiding the organisation as we recover from the pandemic and return to providing first aid services and community support in 2022 and beyond. With a refresh of the committee and new key position holders, I am excited about the opportunity for us to and expand and improve this wonderful organisation. My involvement as Honorary Chief Medical Officer since September 2020 was limited and adversely affected due to the pandemic. I am immensely proud of our volunteers and am excited about our future and working with all of you.

**CCOM Ian J Young, AM, MD, FRACS, FAOrthA, FSAScot
President, SAFAA**

Honours and Awards

St. Andrew's First Aid Australia Inc would like to congratulate the following members who have been recognised for their service to the Community:

Chief Commissioner David Fleming
 Chief Commissioner David Howell
 Deputy Chief Commissioner Michael Krejany
 Commander Matthew McLear
 Commander Steven Ward

Medal of the Order of Australia
 Commendation for Meritorious Service
 Commendation for Outstanding Service
 Commendation for Outstanding Service
 Commendation for Outstanding Service



Pictured left: David Fleming at the Investiture of his Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) on 13 April 2021, pictured with The Rt Hon Simon Abney-Hastings, The Earl of Loudoun, Chair of the Board of Governors



David Howell receiving his Commendation for Meritorious Service and promotion to CCOM



Michael Krejany receiving his Commendation for Outstanding Service and promotion to DCCOM



Matthew McLear receiving his Commendation for Outstanding Service



Steven Ward receiving his Commendation for Outstanding Service



Diana Dunlop, Vice President and CCOM Ian Young, President



Lachlan Gaylard, Secretary, promotion to Commander

