



Harris Park Community Centre

**Annual Report
2014/2015**

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COMMUNITY
CENTRE



ANNUAL REPORT

2014 - 2015

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

2014 - 2015

Chairperson	Brenda Hodgkinson
Vice-Chairperson	Mary Molloy
Treasurer	Michael Wright
Secretary	Marinela Mendes
Committee Members	Roohi Roohi Ian MacLeod Vanadana Setia Maurice Serem

CENTRE STAFF

Manager	Ronda Evenden
Book Keeper	Carolyn Hua
Community Support Worker	Suzanne O'Geary

VOLUNTEERS

Mary Molloy
Roohi Roohi
Ian Macleod

The Committee acknowledges the casual staff, students on placement and volunteers who have contributed to the work of Harris Park Community Centre. The Committee would like to particularly acknowledge the Centre's 'volunteer extraordinaire', Mary Molloy, for her invaluable contribution to the Centre and its work.

HARRIS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE INCORPORATED

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

2014 - 2015

Welcome to all who are attending the 11th AGM of the Harris Park
Community Centre.

Brenda Hodgkinson Chairperson

Harris Park Community Centre Inc

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

2015

In the past twelve months the centre has grown with new groups established. We have over 2,293 people visiting the centre every month to access various groups and services.

The Study Buddies program continues at the centre. The Community Development Worker, Suzanne has created a positive and trusting environment for the children to work on their homework. Because of funding short falls, it has become a challenge to continue with this program. We will continue looking for opportunities in raising funds to continue this worthwhile program into the future and to increase attendance.

The Community Services Network Group has become stronger after conducting their 5th successful Neighbourhood Week Event. Monthly meetings to plan for the Neighbourhood Week event have helped to develop networks, partnerships and the sharing of resources and information. The group will work towards ongoing planning for next year's event.

Special mention must be made of the community luncheon which was held during our events week. It was a wonderful example of community engagement and friendship building. A wide variety of cultural backgrounds was represented along with associated dishes. It was a delightful occasion which drew overwhelmingly positive feedback. We hope to repeat this outcome next year.

We would like to thank our local ward councillors Cr Shaw, Cr Chedid and Cr Hugh for facilitating the funding for remediating the land on the new block and the provision of the much needed and appreciated toilet block, for the John Irving Park Community Garden. The toilet block allows for the expanded use of the community garden by different sections of the community eg: school children and disabled groups. I would like to thank our secretary Marinela Mendes for her ongoing efforts in lobbying Parramatta City Council for the completion of the of the toilet building.

I would like to thank the outgoing Management Committee and volunteers for their support and commitment through the past year. A special thank you, to Mary Molloy and Ian Macleod for their continued commitment and dedicated support to the centre and its mission. Their consistent willingness and friendly demeanor exemplifies the welcoming environment in which the centre operates. The profile of HPCC has been raised and maintained by our extraordinarily hard working, empathetic, knowledgeable and steadfast Manager, we deeply appreciate her and thank her.

I thank all who have supported the centre and look forward to a busy and successful year ahead.

Brenda Hodgkinson



Chairperson

Harris Park Community Centre

1,000 quarterly newsletters were hand delivered by our volunteers and collected from the centre. We have developed a large email list of community members and organisations, who are interested in being on our email list.

The Harris Park Community Centre newsletter offers information about local support and activities of the centre; the newsletters are distributed four times in the year to households, business's and organisations in the Harris Park / Rosehill areas. This strategy has proven very successful with an increase in community awareness and involvement and is a great opportunity to advertise the centre and activities.



Use of Premises

Total individuals that have used the centre to date are 46,287.



Groups that use the Premises

- Rosella Playgroup
- Homework Help/Study Buddies
- John Irving Park Community Garden
- Mental Health Support Group
- Children of parents with Mental Health Support Group
- Deaf Society NSW
- Down Syndrome NSW
- Wayback Drug & Alcohol Rehab
- Older Women's Network
- Australian Chinese Community Ass
- Volunteer First Aid Group
- Transition Parramatta
- Vegetarian Cooking Classes
- Burmese Support Group
- Meditation Yoga Group
- Harris Park Chamber of Commerce





Rosella Playgroup



The playgroup meets every Monday excluding school holidays. This is a very popular and successful program. The mothers tell me that

they are forming long lasting friendships and appreciate the opportunity to meet at the centre.

John Irving Park Community Garden

The John Irving Park Community Garden at Jordan Street Rosehill is well established and well used with many in the community enjoying the amenities.

We now have 27 plots that are fully operational, with a mix of community members and community agencies with a current waiting list of 12 community gardeners.



Bunnings Lidcombe has supported us throughout the year with donations of tools, seeds and potted annual flowers. At the Neighbourhood Week event at the garden, Dee the activity organiser gave a workshop on potting and also donated prizes for a free raffle. Every one that attended had a happy time sharing garden tips and gardening information. A big thank you to Bunnings Lidcombe, for their generosity towards, contributing to the community garden.



We are currently waiting on Council to remediate the section of land at the top of the new block, by creating a native reserve for use as a recreational resource with seats and a water feature provided for quiet reflection. The remainder of land will provide plots, toilet and a green house/potting shed.

This year with Parramatta City Council financial support and Optus Rock Corps we have been able to install 15 new garden plots at the new block.



There is currently a high demand to garden and a growing waiting list. This is because of the high rate of apartment living within the Parramatta LGA that will continue into the future.

The community garden is a great opportunity to encourage community partnerships, friendships and cultivate and educate new gardeners that come from various parts of the world.

Harris Park Neighbourhood Week Event

This year the Harris Park Neighbourhood week network organised four days of events for Neighbourhood Week. The working group met every month to organise this event, there were representatives from various services

Learn to ride/Ride through the heritage areas of Harris Park

Advantageous provided Austcycle to the community. The participants learnt how to ride a bike safely, including riding in traffic and the importance of



wearing safety gear. This activity has proven to be very popular with local families enjoying the fresh air while their children learn to ride a bicycle. It is the second year the Community Services Network have partnered with Advantageous to provide the bikes and knowledge with the support of the local Police

Neighbourhood Week Welcome Lunch

This year we held a community luncheon at the Harris Park Community Centre.

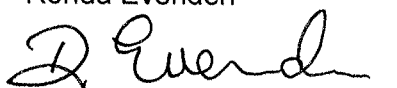
The luncheon was very well received with over 40 people. Each person provided a traditional dish to share with others they also provided a description of the dish and how it was made. We partnered with the Harris Park Community Services, who invited their clients, friends and people who were interested in meeting other cultural groups while sharing their food and stories. This was also an opportunity for the community services to inform the local community of services that are available to them.



Plans for 2016

- The 2015 Harris Park Neighbourhood Week community event was very successful. The Harris Park Network of Community Services, have agreed to continue planning for 2016.
The network of services go from strength to strength, with building relationships, sharing knowledge and resources, the group look forward to working together for the community and developing further opportunities to form partnerships with the common goal of educating and resourcing the local community.
- The plans are in place to update our current Strategic Plan, to insure that we are in step with all new Local, State and Federal policies eg: NDIS, DV awareness programs and youth programs.
- Next year we plan to partner with the Community Service Order Scheme to assist us in the maintenance of the John Irving Park Community Garden.
- We will continue to raise funds in 2016 for Homework Help program. This program is very popular in the local area for support for primary school student's homework.
- In the new year we plan to complete the Green House and under cover paving at the Community Garden.
- Because of the increasing number of isolated seniors with in Parramatta LGA we are hoping to formulate some appropriate activities to cater for this growing group of people.
- We will maintain our efforts in providing the best possible outcomes for our community and our clients.

Ronda Evenden



Manager

Harris Park Community Centre



ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
2014/2015

Harris Park Community Centre Inc

ABN 78 290 755 491

Financial Statements

For the year ended 30th June 2015

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Balance Sheet As at 30 June 2015

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		70,093	64,589
Total Current Assets		<u>70,093</u>	<u>64,589</u>
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Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables		8,939	6,383
Unearned Income		7,133	9,370
Employee Provisions		17,188	12,974
Total Current Liabilities		<u>33,260</u>	<u>28,727</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>33,260</u>	<u>28,727</u>
Net Assets		<u>36,833</u>	<u>35,862</u>
Members' Fund			
Accumulated Fund		36,833	35,862
Total Members' Fund		<u>36,833</u>	<u>35,862</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Comprehensive Income For the Year ended 30 June 2015

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Family Community Care Services	111,607	107,944
Fund Raising	-	1,924
Parramatta Leagues	-	5,000
Donations	5,225	3,173
Contribution Received	5,493	1,670
Members Receipts	54	120
CDAT	-	1,500
Interest Received	1,635	2,318
Funds Brought Forward	2,237	-
	<u>126,251</u>	<u>123,649</u>
Expenditure		
Accountancy Fees	5,454	7,443
Administration Costs	195	500
AGM Meeting Expenses	532	475
Auditor's Remuneration	500	500
Bank Charges	461	346
Emergency Relief	478	719
Hospitality & Activity	1,160	5,985
Computer Expenses	303	307
Depreciation - Pooled Assets	785	-
Electricity	347	281
Employees' Amenities	662	1,382
Holiday Pay	2,069	-
Insurance	4,940	3,341
Long Service Leave	2,146	-
Materials & Resources	72	689
Printing & Stationery	2,112	1,926
Rates & Taxes	437	842
Rent	2,394	2,357
Repairs & Maintenance	620	815
Salaries	84,963	81,228
Subscriptions	657	1,278
Superannuation Contributions - Employees	8,186	7,921
Telephone	3,621	3,365
Travelling Expenses	25	40
Workers Compensation	2,161	1,909
	<u>125,280</u>	<u>123,649</u>
Net Income Over Expenses	<u>971</u>	<u>-</u>

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Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of the Harris Park Community Centre Inc, for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

Committee Members

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

Vandana Setia
Mary Molloy
Marineli Mendes
Michael Wright
Heather Campbell
Brenda Hodgkinson
Roohi roohi
Maurice Sevem
Ian Macleod

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were;;
Community Development, Referrals and Information Resources.

Significant Changes

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

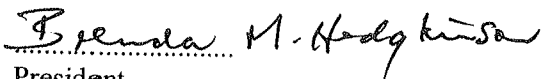
Operating Result

The net receipts for the year ended 30 June 2015 amounted to \$971.

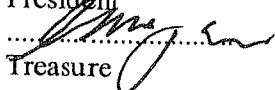
Auditor's Independence Declaration

Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 requires the company's auditors, A JOSEPH & CO, to provide the directors with an Independence Declaration in relation to the review of the financial statements. The Independence Declaration forms part of the financial statements.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.



President


Treasurer

Dated

14/10/15

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Statement by Members of the Committee

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee as set out in the accompanying financial report;

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Harris Park Community Centre Inc as at 30 June 2015 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Harris Park Community Centre Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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

Brenda M. Hodgkinson

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President:

[Signature]
.....
Treasurer

Dated *14/10/2015*.

Harris Park Community Centre Inc

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Independent Audit Report to the Members of Harris Park Community Centre Inc

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Harris Park Community Centre Inc (the association), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2015, and the income statement, 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 NSW. 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 NSW. 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.

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**Independent Audit Report
to the Members of
Harris Park Community Centre Inc**

Independence

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

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Harris Park Community Centre Inc presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Harris Park Community Centre Inc as of 30 June 2015 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.



Alisten Joseph
A JOSEPH & CO

Dated this...16...day of...October.....2015

Auditors Independence Declaration
Under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To Members of Harris Park Community Centre Inc

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of Harris Park Community Centre Inc for the year ended 30 June 2015 there have been;

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



Alisten Joseph

A JOSEPH & CO

63 Wigram Street Harris Park NSW 2150

Dated this 16 day of October 2015