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Caring about Women

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BreastScreen Victoria is part of a national breast cancer screening program for women, BreastScreen Australia, which aims to reduce deaths from breast cancer through the early detection of the disease.

Jointly funded by the State and Commonwealth governments, BreastScreen Victoria invites women aged 50 to 69 years, who have not otherwise developed breast cancer symptoms or signs, to have free screening mammograms. Women aged 40 to 49 years and 70 years and over may also use the service.

Established in 1992 with just three staff, BreastScreen Victoria now operates through an extensive network, and continues to build on its achievements.

A comprehensive accreditation system ensures that all BreastScreen services delivered in Victoria operate under and comply with national standards. Services are assessed regularly by an independent multidisciplinary team. In the past year four centres and one service were due for and successfully completed this rigorous accreditation process: Maroondah, Monash, Geelong and North Western BreastScreen and the Mobile Screening Service.

The BreastScreen Victoria Program is managed by the Coordination Unit, which develops and reviews program policy, monitors service provision, coordinates special projects and administers the funding for the Program's network of accredited screening and assessment centres. This statewide network of 8 assessment centres, 39 screening centres and 26 mobile screening locations ensures that all Victorian women have access to the Program.

BreastScreen provides free screening mammograms at two-yearly intervals for the target group for whom mammography screening studies have shown greatest benefit – women aged 50 to 69 years. Although a doctor's referral is not required to attend the service, BreastScreen Victoria does liaise closely with general practitioners.

BreastScreen staff are highly skilled and experienced in the detection and assessment of the early signs of breast cancer. Where an abnormality is found on screening, BreastScreen Victoria provides women with clinical assessment to the point of diagnosis. In the event of a diagnosis of breast cancer, women are referred back to their general practitioner for treatment, which takes place outside the Program.

For more information about BreastScreen Victoria, please visit our website at www.breastscreen.org.au.

All BreastScreen services are **free**. For more information or an appointment call 13 20 50.

You can be lucky and be in places where exciting things happen. Working closely for a long time with people committed to improving outcomes for cancer patients; being involved in the development of better treatment options for women with breast cancer; and caring for and being inspired by my patients and their families, has led me to experience some very exciting and rewarding times. So has being the Chair of BreastScreen Victoria.

BreastScreen Victoria has achieved a lot since its inception, and there are some exciting times ahead. It is a unique health service in the way that it brings together some very caring and thoughtful people from different walks of life, all who share the vision to find breast cancer in its early stages and change the course of the disease. I am extremely proud to be involved in such an important health service that is of great benefit to the Victorian community. Finding breast cancer in its early stages and increasing women's chances of survival has a benefit for all of us, as we can all be affected by breast cancer when it occurs in the women we love, our mothers, daughters or among our friends.

Marking the beginning of this exciting new phase for us is our new visual identity featuring for the first time in this annual report. I am sure you will agree our new look clearly celebrates the women who need and use the BreastScreen Victoria program. It embodies the values critical to those involved: caring, respect, affirmation, reassurance and health.

Additionally, our new visual identity intends to celebrate and build on the things we have accomplished and the enthusiasm of our people. It is with great pride that I look back on what we have achieved this year. The continued faith and confidence women show in us was reflected in their attendance this yearmore than 204,000 women screened. This was an extremely pleasing result. We also made great leaps forward in technology with the implementation of some significant innovations. Our client management system is now fully operational and is one of the finest that exists in this country. It will allow us to move smoothly into the digital age.

I am thrilled that our Digital Mammography Team has successfully initiated our journey into a world without film.

Although we have achieved a lot, there remain significant challenges ahead of us. The demand for BreastScreen Victoria services persists and grows, as does the task of acquiring the workforce and building the capacity to meet that demand. This year we felt the full force of the increasing costs of doing business. We have been very proactive in bringing this issue to the attention to key people in government at both a state and national level. A special note of appreciation must go to the BreastScreen Victoria Finance and Audit Committee who have been significantly challenged throughout this year. I sincerely hope the government's promised funding review in the coming year will go some way to improving our financial outlook for the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to BreastScreen Victoria CEO, Onella Stagoll, the Coordination Unit and service staff for their continuing good work in the delivery of this service to women. I would also like to thank all my colleagues on the Board of Management and particularly the Consumer Advisory Committee who continue to remind us who we are here for.

**Associate Professor Richard Bell** MBBS FRACP FRCPA FACHPM MRACMA Chair, BreastScreen Victoria

I have always been interested in communities, and in finding the best ways to work with people so that they can influence the things that are important to them. This is why I saw it as a terrific opportunity, back in 1992, to get involved in setting up a breast cancer screening program for Victorian women, and to make sure women had a voice and a role in shaping such an important health service.

I am very proud that, some 15 years later, we are regarded as one of Victoria's most successful women's health programs and I hope that BreastScreen Victoria will continue to lead the way in the years to come.

We've achieved a lot since our beginning, when we screened 2000 women. I think our biggest achievement is that the BreastScreen Victoria program is acceptable to women and meets their needs. This year over 204,000 women used our services across the state. This could not have been achieved without the involvement of many people. A big thank you must go to all the staff of the coordination unit, program staff, our Board of Management and our Consumer Advisory Committee. In this year's annual report, I am also pleased to acknowledge our long serving staff who have been with the program for 10 years or more and have shown great dedication to the women who use our services.

Victorian women highly value the BreastScreen Victoria program, and I am sure this is because we listen to women and involve them through our committees and consultative processes. It is also because we are focused on continually improving our services through the introduction of new ways of working and new technologies. This year, the program felt the full financial impact of the changing environment that we are working in. We have encountered new technologies, workforce challenges, capital expenses and ever increasing costs to the health system. It is important, therefore, that we secure sufficient funds to ensure we continue to provide women with the high standard of service which they deserve.

One of our key achievements for the 2005-2006 financial year was that we successfully began using digital technology on our Rural Mobile Screening Service, allowing us to improve our service for women in rural areas. I would like to thank and congratulate everyone involved; the project team, Information Technology staff, radiologists, radiographers and the data specialists.

Another achievement for this year was that our close work with women, has given us a new visual identity. This features, for the first time, in this annual report. Our new look affirms that women are at the front of our mind when we make our decisions, that we care about them and respect them. I would like to thank the many women who participated in our research groups. They made sure our new look assisted in reducing some of the anxiety women may experience before they have a screening mammogram, by reassuring them that we are focused on their wellbeing.

Accompanying this year's annual report is a special book paying tribute to Victorian women. The BreastScreen Victoria book 'Women', is a simple publication that encompasses the uniqueness of women and those important things they bring to our lives. I ask you all to take a moment to read this book and share it with those closest to you. This way the words and stories of the women in this book, echoing the words and stories of many other women, can act as a reminder to us all, of what is important.

Ms Onella Stagoll OAM

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Chief Executive Officer, **BreastScreen Victoria Coordination Unit** 

# 10 YEARS OF SERVICE HONOUR ROLL

It is with great pleasure that we acknowledge our long serving staff, who have been with the program for 10 years or more. The BreastScreen Victoria program would not be what it is today, without their involvement and commitment.

# **BreastScreen Victoria Coordination Unit**

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#### **SERVICE REPORTS**

#### **Bendigo Regional BreastScreen**

Women screened in 2005-2006: 11.554

The clinical services at Bendigo Regional BreastScreen were strengthened with the recruitment of two new radiologists and the acquisition of a new Philips iU22 Ultrasound machine. Two radiographers completed the clinical training component of the Certificate in Clinical Proficiency at the Radiography Training Centre.

The Service's Pain on Compression Quality Improvement Project in collaboration with the BreastScreen Victoria Coordination Unit and the Radiographer Quality Assurance Group, resulted in a presentation at the Symposium Mammographicum 2006, held in Bournemouth, United Kingdom. The project was based on a creative partnership between the Service's radiographers and Consumer Advisory Group.

# **Central Highlands and** Wimmera BreastScreen

Women screened in 2005-2006: 11,707

The Service increased its number of assessment clinics from four to six a month. This facilitated the training and mentoring of local radiologists, created greater flexibility for radiographers attending assessment clinics and provided a better service to women in the area. Subsidised bus group bookings remain popular and facilitated the access to breast screening for women from more isolated rural areas.

Good feedback has been received from women regarding new facilities at St John of God. A joint workshop involving radiographers and radiologists focusing on film quality and 'Perfect Good Moderate Inadequate' (PGMI) grading will be held in February.

#### **Geelong and South West BreastScreen**

Women screened in 2005-2006: 14.006

The year was one of transition for Geelong and South West BreastScreen, with a change of auspice from St John of God Healthcare to Lake Imaging Ltd in March 2006. Lake Imaging is a rapidly growing radiology group servicing north western metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria. They came with experience of the BreastScreen Victoria program through their long association with our Service in Ballarat.

Building works commenced in June 2006 to remodel a former Lake Imaging facility in Gheringhap Street, Geelong. This facility will operate both screening and assessment in a fully digital imaging environment.

It is a great testament to the staff of the Service that the year progressed with continued high quality care being delivered to women of the region.

#### **Gippsland BreastScreen**

Women screened in 2005-2006: 11,196

Since a crisis in provision of radiology service, which saw the Service approach closure two years ago, Gippsland BreastScreen has once again become a strong and vital service. The new Chief Radiologist Darren Lockie has proved an inspiration at the Service with his commitment to the women, the staff and clinical excellence. Clinical services were also enhanced with the acquisition of a new Philips iU22 Ultrasound machine.

In May 2006 the Gippsland Consumer Reference Group was formed comprising women from across the region. This group provides a vehicle for consumer involvement in the management and development of the service and a forum in which the consumer perspective can be voiced.

#### Maroondah BreastScreen

Women screened in 2005-2006: 29.624

The introduction of digital technology at Maroondah BreastScreen and on the Rural Unit of the Mobile Screening Service was a significant development for the service and for BreastScreen Victoria overall. Implemented in March 2006, this new technology enabled radiographers, for the first time in BreastScreen Victoria's history, to digitally view their work and send it off for assessment in real time via a telecommunications line. This has resulted in higher quality images, faster response times and greater job satisfaction.

During the implementation of the digital technology and coordinated by Maroondah BreastScreen, four new Mobile Screening Service sites were prepared for visitation. Located in Yarrawonga, Tallangatta, Corryong and Myrtleford, the Rural Unit attended these sites between March and July 2006. These new sites resulted in significantly higher screening numbers than had previous arrangements in these areas, which demonstrates greatly improved access to screening services for women living in the North East region. Women who required further mammographic views or ultrasound investigation were assessed at a new site established at North Health Wangaratta (Wangaratta Hospital). This site began operation in April 2006 and saved in excess of 120 women from having to travel to Maroondah BreastScreen for further assessment. The Rural Unit itself was equipped to take additional mammographic views, eliminating the need for some women to travel for further assessment at all.

#### Monash BreastScreen

Women screened in 2005-2006: 46.848

In March 2005, services commenced at a new satellite assessment centre in a purpose built facility at the new Casey Hospital in Berwick.

In 2005, Monash BreastScreen hosted two radiology breast fellows for the first time, both have continued working in the program after their Fellowship. The Service was also granted a full four year accreditation status by the National Quality Management Committee (NQMC).

Members of the Breast Services Consumer Reference Group were influential in establishing a consumer participation project as part of Southern Melbourne Integrated Cancer Service. A new community education worker position based at Casey Hospital was established, which was a strongly supported appointment in this growth area.

Les Dugdale died in early 2006. Les had worked with Monash BreastScreen since the start of BreastScreen, was part of the pre-BreastScreen Victoria planning team and was always one of the strongest medical supporters of the service. Les read more Monash BreastScreen films than any other radiologist in his 12 year association. He was a significant personality, well known to everyone and is missed by all the staff.

#### North Western BreastScreen

Women screened in 2005-2006: 34.027

North Western BreastScreen's assessment service at the Royal Melbourne Hospital was refurbished with the clinical area extended to incorporate a new waiting room for relatives as well as extra consulting and ultrasound rooms.

An accreditation site visit in June resulted in the Service being granted full accreditation status by the National Quality Management Committee (NQMC). The clinical team was commended for the high quality service and the strong multidisciplinary practice.

A new BreastScreen Victoria screening site was opened in Werribee under sub-contract to the Chelmer Imaging Group.

#### St Vincent's BreastScreen

Women screened in 2005-2006: 43,331

As part of this year's focus on developing and improving the delivery of its services, St Vincent's BreastScreen recruited and trained four local radiology registrars and two radiologists from Asia as Breast Fellows. These doctors will add value and expertise to the provision of breast services both within BreastScreen Victoria and also in the wider context of their other work in Melbourne. Malavsia and Singapore.

The service's commitment to collaborative research has continued to flourish with nine research papers published and ten papers in preparation.

The professional contributions of the Service Director, Dr Jennifer Cawson, were recognised by her appointment as Associate Professor. Dr Cawson was also conferred her Doctorate of Medicine in late 2005.

# **BreastScreen Victoria Mobile Screening Service**

This year marked a significant achievement for BreastScreen Victoria's Mobile Screening Service. As part of the Digital Pilot project announced last year, as discussed above digital systems were implemented on the rural Mobile Screening Service.

Whilst the digital project is still evolving, the Mobile Screening Service has been equipped to provide further mammographic assessment, which has enabled some women to have follow-up assessment locally rather than having to travel to Melbourne.

BreastScreen Victoria's Urban Mobile Screening Service continues to service the outer metropolitan corridors and has now completed its first round of visits to all locations.

During the past year the Mobile Screening Service units visited Kyneton, Belgrave, Sunbury, Port Melbourne, Hamilton, Broadford, Birchip, Echuca, Swan Hill, Yarrawonga, Tallangatta, Corryong and Myrtleford and screened over 18,000 women.

#### **Radiographer Training Centre**

The Radiographer Training Centre continued to provide training in the academic and clinical components of the Certificate of Clinical Proficiency of Mammography. It also developed and ran several specifically tailored workshops in both metropolitan and rural locations as part of an ongoing commitment to professional development activities for BreastScreen Victoria radiographers.

#### RESEARCH AND EVALUATION REPORT

The BreastScreen Victoria program continues to attract interest from researchers because of its comprehensive data collection, which spans more than a decade of program activity and over 2 million screens. The data set covers all aspects of screening and includes demographic details, screening and assessment activity, outcomes, pathology and histology details, and treatment. Research within BreastScreen Victoria has ranged from larger, statewide studies to smaller analyses of work within an individual Service.

The primary objective of the Research and Evaluation Committee is to ensure that research and evaluation proposals have undergone peer review and ethics approval where necessary, and that they meet the requirements of the program, including its obligations to the screening population.

BreastScreen Victoria does not fund research initiatives, but is committed to working collaboratively with investigators. We welcome approaches from researchers who have an interest in breast cancer screening.

# 1 Research and Evaluation Project Notifications

Titles, authors, the institution of the principal investigator and a categorisation are listed below for research and evaluation studies endorsed by the BreastScreen Victoria Research and Evaluation Committee between January 2005 and June 2006

#### August 2005

1.1 Evaluation of the efficacy of the Australian mammographic screening program.

Kavanagh, A and Nickson, C. Key Centre for Women's Health in Society, University of Melbourne Victoria.

Research category: Epidemiology/public health 1.2 Improving the accuracy of ultrasound-guided core needle biopsy of the breast in invasive breast carcinoma.

Rouse, H and Cawson, J. St Vincent's BreastScreen, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria.

Research category: Clinical/biomedical

1.3 Management of papillary lesions in the breast screen population over a fifteen year period.

> Mann, B., Skandarajah, A. and Mou, A. North Western BreastScreen, Royal Melbourne Hospital, Victoria.

Research category: Clinical/biomedical

1.4 Mammographic breast density and ductal carcinoma in situ.

Erbas, B., Kavanagh, A. and Gertig, D. Centre for Genetic Epidemiology, University of Melbourne, Victoria.

Research category: Epidemiology/public health

1.5 Breast screen detected phyllodes tumour: finding on mammography, sonography, clinical examination and pathological correlation.

> Mehta, K., Cawson, J. and Evans, J. St Vincent's BreastScreen, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria.

Research category: Clinical/biomedical.

1.6 Modelling the impact of targeted changes to screening intervals in Australian breast screening programs.

Nickson, C. Key Centre for Women's Health in Society, University of Melbourne, Victoria.

Research category: Epidemiology/public health

#### October 2005

1.7 Exposure to high dose estrogens in adolescence: long term effects on mammographic breast density.

Venn, A and Jordan H.
Menzies Research Institute,
University of Tasmania.
Research category:

Epidemiology/public health

1.8 Perceptions of breast screening and breast cancer.

Aucote, H and Hehir, G. School of Behavioural and Social Sciences, University of Ballarat, Victoria. Research category: Social/behavioural

1.9 Location, histological type, grade and size of all invasive breast carcinomas diagnosed at North Western Breastscreen 1988 - 2004. Wong, M. North Western BreastScreen, Royal Melbourne Hospital, Victoria.

Research category: Clinical/biomedical

1.10 A study to develop optimal benchmarks for breast cancer treatment in the mammographically-screened breast cancer population.

Delaney, G and Barton M.
Cancer Therapy Centre,
Liverpool Hospital, Sydney, NSW.
Research category:
Epidemiology/public health

1.11 Correlation between ultrasound characteristics and pathological findings of breast cancers.

Cawson, J. St Vincent's BreastScreen, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria. Research category: Clinical/biomedical

1.12 Maximising program impact: increasing participation of women.

Hartney, P. Bendigo Regional BreastScreen, Bendigo, Victoria. Research category: Social/behavioural

### April 2006

- 1.13 The underestimation of DCIS on core biopsies of the breast. Rozen, W and Mann, B. North Western BreastScreen, Royal Melbourne Hospital, Victoria. Research category: Clinical/biomedical
- 1.14 Is there any link with pectoral muscle visible on CC view and image quality? Mullen, J and Borovkova, S. BreastScreen Victoria Radiographer Training Centre, Melbourne, Victoria. Research category: Clinical/biomedical
- 1.15 'Illuminating the facts' viewing conditions and quality mammography. Stewart, E and Griffin, E. BreastScreen Victoria Radiographer Training Centre, Melbourne, Victoria. Research category: Clinical/biomedical
- 1.16 Are there mammographic predictors which discriminate between atypical ductal hyperplasia and ductal carcinoma in situ? Hoang, J and Cawson, J. St Vincent's BreastScreen, St Vincent's Hospital. Melbourne, Victoria. Research category: Clinical/biomedical

### 2 Presentations and posters

This section includes papers and posters presented at conferences from January 2005 to July 2006. These include studies endorsed by the Research and Evaluation Committee and other projects and activities undertaken by BreastScreen staff.

#### **Posters**

2.1 Hoyne C, Maloney A, Varney H. The breast care nurse working in two settings: an ethical challenge. 8th National Breast Care Nurses Conference, 9-11 March, Sydney, Australia.

- **2.2** Galloway L. *Mammography* soft copy reading: to digitise priors or not, that is the question. Symposium Mammographicum, 9-11 July 2006, Bournemouth, United Kingdom.
- 2.3 Galloway L. Raw G. Macaulay S. Digital on the road downunder. Symposium Mammographicum, 9-11 July 2006, Bournemouth, United Kingdom.
- 2.4 Hartney P, Gibbins C, Hayes S, Galloway L, Conneely M, Maloney A, Varney H, Radiography Q group. Addressing pain on compression: women and radiographers working together. Symposium Mammographicum, 9-11 July 2006, Bournemouth, United Kingdom.

#### 3 Published papers

Papers resulting from research or evaluation activities conducted within BreastScreen Victoria and published in the peer-reviewed literature are listed below.

- **3.1** Cawson J. **Can sonography be** used to help differentiate between radial scars and breast cancers? The Breast 2005; 14(5): 352-359.
- **3.2** Cawson J. **Sonographic comparison:** radial scars and breast cancer. 55th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists, 21-24 October 2004, Perth, Western Australia Australasian Radiology 49 (5), A37-A38.
- 3.3 Fletcher A, Erbas B, Kavanagh A, Hart S, Rodger A, Gertig D. Use of hormone replacement therapy (HRT) and survival following breast cancer diagnosis. The Breast 2005; 14: 192-200.

- 3.4 Gordon K, Pang M, Cawson J. Microcalcifications within fibroadenomatoid hyperplasia and fibroadenomas detected and biopsied in screening mammography. 55th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists, 21-24 October 2004, Perth, Western Australia. Australasian Radiology 49 (5), A37-A38.
- 3.5 Kitchen P. Cawson J. Moore S. Hill P. Barbetti T. Wilkins P. Power A. Henderson M. Margins and outcome of screen-detected breast cancer with extensive in situ component. Australian and New Zealand Journal of Surgery 2006; 76: 591-595.
- 3.6 Mann B, Fahey V, Feleppa F, Buchanan M. *Reliance on hormone* receptor assays of surgical specimens may compromise outcome in patients with breast cancer. Journal of Clinical Oncology 2005; 23: 5148-5154.
- 3.7 Stone J, Dite GS, Gunasekara A, English DR. McCredie MRE. Giles GG, Cawson J, Hegele RA, Chiarelli A, Yaffe MJ, Boyd N, Hopper JL. The heritability of mammographically dense and non-dense breast tissue. Cancer Epidemiology Biomarkers and Prevention 2006; 15(4): 612-617.
- 3.8 Van Gelderen D, Cawson J. Changing appearance in two projections: is this a useful sign for distinguishing radial scar from breast carcinoma? 55th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists, 21-24 October 2004, Perth, Western Australia. Australasian Radiology 49 (5), A37-A38.
- 3.9 Varney H, Conneely M, Phillips S. Using consumer groups in an audit of complaints. Health Issues 2005; 84: 30-33.



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#### PROFILE OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

#### Associate Professor Richard Bell, Chair

Associate Professor Bell is Director of Cancer Services and Medical Oncology at the Andrew Love Cancer Centre at Geelong Hospital and is Senior Clinical Consultant to the Cancer Council of Victoria. He has published widely in the area of cancer treatment, particularly breast cancer. Associate Professor Bell is a member of the Ministerial Task Force on Cancer and Director of the Barwon South Western Integrated Cancer Service. He was appointed Chair of the Board in July 2003.

#### **Ms Glenda Banks**

Glenda Banks heads a consultancy managing communications policy and implementation for public and private sector organisations. She is the author of six books on social issues including separation and divorce, parenting and ageing, a history of health accreditation in Australia, and a master's thesis on IT for equitable health care in rural and remote Australia. A fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors she has served on various boards, councils and committees including the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards, and was appointed Chair of the BreastScreen Victoria Consumer Advisory Committee in February 2006.

# Ms Vera Boston

Ms Boston is the Chief Executive Officer of North Yarra Community Health and joined the Board in February 2005. She has previously worked in women's health and in local government and has a strong interest in the health issues of migrant and refugee women.

#### Ms Margaret Crossley, *Treasurer*

Ms Crossley is a chartered accountant and partner at Day Neilson. She was founding Treasurer to the BreastScreen Victoria Board in 1991 and continues to serve the Board in that role. She was also a member of the State Accreditation Committee from 1994 to 1998.

#### **Professor Dallas English**

Professor English is Director of the Centre for Molecular. Environmental. Genetic and Analytic Epidemiology in the School of Population Health, University of Melbourne and Senior Principal Research Fellow at the Cancer Epidemiology Centre at the Cancer Council Victoria. He has substantial experience as a cancer epidemiologist, having worked in this field since 1982. He has also served on many state and national policy committees, including the Western Australian State Accreditation Committee for BreastScreen (from 1994 to 1999). Dr English is active within the National Health and Medical Research Council and chaired Grant Review Panels for several years.

#### **Associate Professor Michael Green**

Associate Professor Green is Director of the Department of Clinical Haematology and Medical Oncology at the Western Hospital and Deputy Director of the Department of Clinical Haematology and Medical Oncology at the Royal Melbourne Hospital. He has served on the Board since 1996. He is currently on the Board of the International Breast Cancer Group in Basel and is Chairman of the Board of Cancer Trials Australia.

### **Ms Mary Anne Hartley**

Ms Hartley joined the Board in 1997. She is a barrister, practising mainly in the area of medical negligence. Prior to going to the bar she was a partner at Phillips Fox, where she specialised in health law. She works as a company director and barrister.

#### Associate Professor Michael Henderson

Associate Professor Henderson is Deputy Director of the Department of Surgical Oncology at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute and Breast Surgeon at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre and St Vincent's Hospital. He has served on the Board since 1995.

#### **Professor Marian Pitts**

Professor Pitts is Director of the Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, La Trobe University, and has published extensively on psychological and social aspects of health care. She joined BreastScreen Victoria's Research and Evaluation Committee in 2001, and was elected to chair the committee in April 2003 and became the committee's representative on the Board of Management. Professor Pitts resigned from the Board in October 2005.

#### Ms Dorothy Reading, Deputy Chair

Ms Reading is Senior Strategic Consultant at The Cancer Council Victoria. She was a member of the steering committee of the Essendon Mammographic Screening Pilot Program and was nominated as a representative of the Cancer Council Victoria on the founding BreastScreen Victoria Board in 1991 and elected Deputy Chair in 1993. Ms Reading has also been a member of the State Accreditation Committee since 1994 and is its current Chair.

#### **Mrs Judy Rynhart**

Mrs Rynhart is a member of the Consumer Advisory Committee and has represented the committee on the Board since 1998. She is a farmer from Elmore and brings considerable experience in rural health and rural women's concerns.



# PROFILE OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CONTINUED

# **Ms Onella Stagoli OAM**

As Chief Executive Officer, Onella Stagoll has managed BreastScreen Victoria since the Program's beginnings in 1992. At a national level she is a member of the Policy Review and New Technologies and the Quality Improvement and Workforce working groups - both working groups of the Australian Screening Advisory Committee. She is also a member of the National Quality Management Committee. Within BreastScreen Victoria Ms Stagoll sits ex officio on the Board of Management, Executive Committee, State Accreditation Committee, Finance and Audit Committee and Consumer Advisory Committee.

# **Ms Maria Wright**

Ms Wright is a former research officer at the Centre for Development and Innovation in Health at La Trobe University. She was a founding member of BreastScreen Victoria's Consumer Advisory Committee in 1993. Ms Wright has represented the committee on the Board since 1995 and was elected Chair of the committee in 1997 and served until her most current term expired in October 2005. She was a member of the State Accreditation Committee from 1995 to 2002 and joined the Research and Evaluation Committee in October 2002.

### **QUALITY ASSURANCE GROUPS**

#### **Data Management**

Ms Genevieve Chappell, Convenor

Ms Susy Alessandri

Ms Naomi Benney

Ms Janita Bettio

Ms Ann Bomers

Ms Esther Cukier

Ms Amanda Eddy, until December 2005

Mr Darren Firth

Ms Helen McKenzie

Ms Suzen Maljevac

Ms Judy Munro

Ms Karen Peasley

Ms Faye Putt

Ms Phillipa Robertson

Ms Nikki Ruggeri

Mr John Siddham

Ms Jean Smith

Ms Ruth Webster

Ms Pamela Wilkins.

maternity leave June 2005—

January 2006

Mr Leo Palumbo

Ms Cathy Dewhurst

Ms Gayle Cantsilieris, from August 2005

Mr Chris Viney, from February 2006

Ms Catherine Bernado, from May 2006

### **Information Officers**

Ms Merrian Oliver-Weymouth. Convenor

Ms Sandy Dawson, from March 2006

Ms Susanne Rea, from May 2005

Ms Jen Daddow

Ms Ms Allison Hartney

Ms Eunice Reynolds

from November 2005

Ms Lisa Innes

Ms Laura Lo Bianco Smith

Ms Sherrilyn Ballard, from October 2005

Ms Marg Lannen

Ms Libby Mitchell

Ms Nicolette Torcello

Ms Carol Whitehead

Ms Kerryn Christian, from January 2006

Ms Jean Smith. from March 2006

Ms Katie Scott, from January 2006

#### **Nurse-Counsellors**

Ms Helen Varney, Convenor

Ms Heather Christensen-Anderson

Ms Julie Harris

Ms Christine Hoyne

Ms Frances Linke

Ms Glenys Makary

Ms Cecilia Palma

Ms Gemma Sacco

Ms Gay Stevenson

#### **Pathology**

Dr Norman Sonenberg, Convenor

Dr Paul Bedford

Dr Malcolm Buchanan

Dr Prue Hill

Dr Maiia Rinks

Dr Robert Spokes

Dr Eric Sumithran

Dr Beatrice Susil-Sumithran

Dr Sarah Swain

#### **Program Management**

Ms Jules Wilkinson, Convenor

Ms Louise Bowen

Ms Erin Cosgriff

Ms Victoria Cuevas

Ms Leone English

Ms Philippa Hartney

Ms Yvonne Hewitt

Ms Michelle Muldowney

Ms Jennie Slattery

#### Radiography

Ms Jayne Mullen

Ms Elizabeth Stewart

Ms Sherrill Haves

Ms Sue Macaulay

Ms Stephanie Tamblyn

Ms Zara Perks

Ms Liz Sundram

Ms Janis Uhe

Ms Marijke Wijgers

Ms Kim Kyatt, until June 2006

Ms Sarah Mahal. from June 2006

#### Radiology

Dr Jennifer Cawson. Convenor

Dr Jill Evans

Dr Rob Jarvis

Dr Darren Lockie

Dr Prue Neerhut, until October 2005

Dr Arlene Mou, from April 2006

Dr Rodney Taft

Dr Cliff Trotman

Dr Linda West

#### Surgery

Mr Graeme Campbell. Convenor

Associate Professor John Collins

Mr David Deutscher

Mr Paul Kitchen

Mr Iain Miller

Mr Greg Mitchell

Ms Jenny Senior

Mr David Stoney



# **ACCREDITATION 2005-2006**

# **Bendigo Regional BreastScreen**

Full accreditation valid until 28 February 2008

# Central Highlands and Wimmera BreastScreen

Full accreditation valid until 14 November 2007

#### **Geelong and South West BreastScreen**

Full accreditation valid until 31 May 2009

#### **Gippsland BreastScreen**

Full accreditation valid until 16 November 2006

#### Maroondah BreastScreen

Full accreditation valid until 31 August 2007

# **Monash BreastScreen**

Full accreditation valid until 28 February 2009

#### North Western BreastScreen

Full accreditation valid until 31 August 2007

#### St Vincent's BreastScreen

Full accreditation valid until 31 August 2007

### **Mobile Screening Service**

Full accreditation valid until 26 November 2008



# **SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES**

#### **Bendigo Regional BreastScreen**

375 Barnard Street, Bendigo Vic 3550

Tel: (03) 5441 6850 Director: Dr Rob Jarvis

Program Manager: Ms Philippa Hartney

# Central Highlands and Wimmera BreastScreen

St John of God Health Care 101 Drummond Street North,

Ballarat Vic 3350 Tel: (03) 5320 2106 Director: Dr Cliff Trotman

Program Manager: Ms Jennie Slattery

### **Geelong and South West BreastScreen**

78 Gheringhap Street, Geelong Vic 3220

Tel: (03) 5225 1900 Director: Dr Linda West

Program Manager: Ms Yvonne Hewitt

# **Gippsland BreastScreen**

Latrobe Regional Hospital,

Traralgon Campus

Princes Highway, Traralgon Vic 3844

Tel: (03) 5174 3149 Director: Mr Iain Miller

Program Manager: Ms Leone English

#### Maroondah BreastScreen

24 Grey Street, Ringwood East Vic 3135

Tel: (03) 9870 0988 Director: Dr Rodney Taft, until August 2005 Program Manager: Ms Michelle Muldowney

#### Monash BreastScreen

Monash Medical Centre, Moorabbin Campus 865 Centre Road, East Bentleigh Vic 3165 Tel: (03) 9928 8760 Director: Mr Stewart Hart

Program Manager: Ms Louise Bowen

#### North Western BreastScreen

MECRS Building 6, 34-54 Poplar Road,

Parkville Vic 3052 Tel: (03) 8387 2070 Director: Dr Allison Rose

Program Manager: Ms Victoria Cuevas

#### St Vincent's BreastScreen

1st Floor, Healy Wing, St Vincent's Hospital

41 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy Vic 3065

Tel: (03) 9288 2100

Director: Dr Jennifer Cawson

Program Manager: Ms Erin Cosgriff

#### **Screening centre locations**

Bairnsdale

Ballarat (Base Hospital)
Ballarat (St John of God)

Belmont Bendigo Berwick Boronia Box Hill

Brimbank Broadmeadows

Camberwell
Carlton
Dandenong
East Bentleigh
Elsternwick

Epping Fitzroy Footscray

Frankston Greensborough

Heidelberg Horsham Lilydale Mentone

Mildura Moonee Ponds

Morwell

Mount Waverlev

Preston Portland

Ringwood East

Rosebud Sale

Shepparton Traralgon Warragul Warrnambool

Werribee Wonthaggi

#### **Mobile Screening Service locations**

Alexandra

Belgrave

Birchip

Broadford

Corryong

Echuca

Foster

Gisborne

Hamilton

Kerang Kyneton

l aanaath

Leongatha

Mallacoota

Mansfield

Melton

Myrtleford

Omeo

Orbost

Port Phillip

Seymour

Sunbury

Swan Hill Tallangatta

Wangaratta

Yarram

Yarrawonga

#### **Coordination and support**

BreastScreen Victoria Coordination Unit 31 Pelham Street, Carlton South Vic 3053

Tel: (03) 9660 6888 Chief Executive Officer: Ms Onella Stagoll OAM



#### TREASURER'S REPORT

The 2005—2006 financial year can best be described as a year in which the program faced significant funding pressures. The operational budget framed for the year projected a planned deficit of \$3.6 million, by far the largest deficit ever projected. The program achieved a year end deficit of \$1.3 million. The reduced deficit was due to shifting timelines associated with major capital expenditure.

While the year end deficit was more than halved, the significant decline in the program's financial position has been of great concern and can be attributed to a number of issues as listed below.

- Recurrent funding provided by the Department of Human Services for the year ended 30 June 2006 totalled \$25.4 million, an increase of \$279,000 or 1.1% over that provided in 2004—2005. This level of funding was less than anticipated and as expected proved to be insufficient.
- Operating expenditure increased by 8%. Increased expenditure is attributable to increased screening throughput and increased operating costs. Four significant areas that incurred cost increases during the year were radiology services, corporate overheads, building rents and digital mammography:
  - The Program screened 204,590 women (197,253 in 2004—2005) representing 97.4% of the organisation's contracted target with the Department of Human Services.
  - The Program experienced a significant increase in the cost of radiological services.
     Radiology cost increases were only partly addressed in 2005— 2006 and will fully impact on the 2006—2007 budget.

- Hospitals have introduced market rental and corporate overhead charges in recent vears. These have had a considerable impact on our recurrent budget; the total additional cost to the Program is now \$907,000 or an average of \$113,000 per hospital. Whilst the Department of Human Services expects hospitals to charge these fees to hospital-based programs such as BreastScreen Victoria, the budget has not been adjusted to accommodate these new charges.
- Digital Mammography Project expenditure totalled \$1.75 million in 2005—2006 with a further \$1.37 million committed for 2006—2007.

The funding of capital for both equipment and facilities continues to be a major cause of concern. BreastScreen Victoria receives little dedicated capital funding from the Department of Human Services and has to meet significant capital costs from within its operational budget. Whilst capital has historically been well managed and in the past BreastScreen Victoria has been fortunate in maintaining a reserve for asset replacement, major under funded capital issues were faced during the past year.

 The cost of redeveloping the North Western BreastScreen building at Parkville totalled \$518,000. A grant of \$300,000 was received from the Department of Human Services toward this cost with the balance of \$218,000 funded from BreastScreen Victoria's own resources.

- A change of auspice for the Geelong and South West BreastScreen service resulted in considerable capital expenditure. The program was pleased to receive a capital grant of \$340,000 from the Department of Human Services; however, this was well short of the total amount required and it fell on BreastScreen Victoria to cover the shortfall, as without this investment, the Geelong Service would have been forced to cease operating.
- The Digital Mammography Project was announced in last year's Annual Report. BreastScreen Victoria has committed \$1 million over three years from its own resources and in 2005—2006 expended \$0.5 million of this amount.
- With the continued growth of the program, BreastScreen Victoria has faced a critical shortage of office space to accommodate additional staff. We were very fortunate when a major tenant in the building vacated their office space which is big enough to accommodate the entire staffing needs of the Coordination Unit. We successfully negotiated the cancellation of two separate leases and have consolidated all staff onto one floor. The relocation was completed at end of September 2006 and was funded from BreastScreen Victoria's reserves.

The immediacy of the funding pressures have been discussed with senior officers from the Department of Human Services and with the Honourable Minister for Health, Ms Bronwyn Pike MP. As a result a review of funding arrangements for breast screening services will be conducted in late 2006 with a report to be submitted at the end of November 2006. An additional \$1 million one-off funding has been allocated in 2006-2007. The BreastScreen Victoria Board and Management welcome and support a comprehensive and independent review of funding arrangements for breast cancer screening services.

**Ms Margaret Crossley** 

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**FCA** 

Treasurer, BreastScreen Victoria Inc.

# **INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006**

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
REVENUES			
Revenue from operations			
Government Grants		26,642,164	25,300,000
Other Revenue		438,135	243,788
Other Revenue			
Interest received		416,996	339,790
(Loss)/Profit from disposal of non-current assets		(8,747)	45,885
Total revenue		27,488,548	25,929,463
EXPENSES			
Employment expenses		3,665,271	3,320,159
Depreciation and amortisation	2	716,188	604,798
Program Grants	12,13,14	21,842,480	19,015,083
Other expenses	2	2,510,792	1,987,908
Total expenses		28,734,731	24,927,948
Net (Deficit)/Surplus		(1,246,183)	1,001,515

# **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2006**

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
CURRENT ASSETS	_	4.507.504	0.070.050
Cash and cash equivalents	3	4,597,501	6,072,652
Trade and other receivables	4	70,882	13,130
Other assets		76,025	73,834
Total current assets		4,744,408	6,159,616
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	5	1,936,408	1,608,850
Total non-current assets		1,936,408	1,608,850
Total assets		6,680,816	7,768,466
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	6	1,158,321	632,764
Other payables	7	940,409	1,336,700
Provisions	8	531,181	432,783
Total current liabilities		2,629,911	2,402,247
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	8	131,326	200,456
Total non-current liabilities		131,326	200,456
Total liabilities		2,761,237	2,602,703
Net assets		3,919,579	5,165,763
EQUITY			
Reserves	9	3,919,579	4,034,000
Accumulated surplus	10	-	1,131,763
Total equity		3,919,579	5,165,763

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS			
Accumulated surplus at start of the year		1,131,763	130,249
Net (Deficit)/Surplus for the year		(1,246,183)	1,001,515
Transfer from reserves		(114,421)	
Accumulated surplus at year end	10	-	1,131,763
RESERVES			
Opening reserves		4,034,000	4,034,000
Transfer to accumulated surplus		(114,421)	-
Balance at year end	9	3,919,579	4,034,000
Total equity at year end		3,919,579	5,165,763

The general reserve represents funds set aside for the future expansion of the association.

# CASH FLOWS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Pagaints from government Grants and others		20 200 074	26,962,852
Receipts from government Grants and others Interest received		29,289,074 416.996	339,790
Payments to suppliers, employees		(30,128,730)	(25,004,215)
- ayments to suppliers, employees		(30,120,730)	(23,004,213)
Net cash (used in)/ provided by operating activities	ii	(422,660)	2,298,427
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payment for purchases of fixed assets		(1,068,051)	(673,373)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		15,559	12,818
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(1,052,492)	(660,555)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of borrowings		-	_
Net cash used in financing activities		-	-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held		(1,475,151)	1,637,872
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		6,072,652	4,434,780
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	i	4,597,501	6,072,652

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW INFORMATION

i.	Reco	nciliation	of cash

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Cash at bank, cash on hand	532,622	1,509,578
Short term deposit	4,064,879	4,563,074
Total cash asset	4,597,501	6,072,652
ii. Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with surplus (deficit) from ordinary act	tivities	
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Operating (deficit)/surplus	(1,246,183)	1,001,515
Non-cash flows in surplus from ordinary activities	., , ,	
Depreciation and amortisation	716,188	604,798
Net loss/(gain) on disposal of assets	8,747	(45,884)
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables	(57,752)	85,425
(Increase)/Decrease in other assets	(2,192)	(32,424)
Increase/(Decrease) in trade and other payables	525,555	(638,110)
(Decrease)/Increase in funds in advance	(396,291)	1,336,700
Increase/(Decrease) in provisions	29,268	(13,593)
Net cash provided by operating activities	(422,660)	2,298,427
iii. Standby Arrangement and Unused credit facilities		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Credit facility	-	-
iv. Non-cash financing and investment activities		
The following non-cash financing and investment activities are not reflected in the state:	ment of cash flows:	
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Proceeds of sale of plant and equipment applied directly to acquisition of plant and equipment	15,273	-



# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

# Note 1: Statement of significant accounting policies

The financial report of
BreastScreen Victoria Inc. is a general
purpose financial report that has been
prepared in accordance with Australian
Accounting Standards which include
Australian equivalent to International
Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS),
Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views
and other authoritative pronouncements
of the Australian Accounting Standards
Board (AASB) and the requirements
of the Associations Incorporation Act

The financial report covers
BreastScreen Victoria Inc. as an individual
entity. BreastScreen Victoria Inc. is an
association incorporated in Victoria under
the Associations Incorporation Act.

The financial report of BreastScreer Victoria Inc. as an individual entity complies with all AIFRS in their entirety.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by BreastScreen Victoria Inc. in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the directors on 18 October 2006.

# **Basis of preparation**

# First-time adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

BreastScreen Victoria Inc. has prepared financial statements in accordance with all the AIFRS from 1 July 2005

In accordance with the requirements of AASB 1: First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards, adjustments to the accounts resulting from the introduction of AIFRS have been applied retrospectively to 2005 comparative figures excluding cases where optional exemptions available under AASB 1 have been applied.

These accounts are the first financial statements of BreastScreen Victoria Inc. to be prepared in accordance with AIFRS and the figures to 30 June 2005 have been reviewed accordingly. There are no material differences between the 2005 financial report prepared under the previous Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and AIFRS, hence no restatement of balances has taken place and equity has not changed.

The accounting policies set out below have been consistently applied to all years presented.

#### Reporting Basis and Conventions

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets, and financial assets and financial liabilities for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

a. Rounding off All amounts shown in the financial report are expressed to the nearest dollar.

**b. Cash** For the purposes of the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits at call with banks or financial institutions and term deposits with banks or financial institutions maturing within two wearths.

c. Fixed assets Fixed assets, with exception of capital works in progress, valued at \$1,000 or above are measured on the cost basis. The carrying amount is assessed on the basis of expected net cash flows which will be received from the assets' employment and subsequen disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to their present values in determining the recoverable amounts. Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the Income Statement.

Impairment At each reporting date, the carrying values of fixed assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists and where the carrying values exceed the recoverable amount, the asset is written down to the recoverable amount.

Depreciation The depreciable amounts of all fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful life to the program Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

The depreciation rates used for each class of assets are:

CLASS OF FIXED ASSETS	DEPRECIATION RATE
Computer equipment	30%-33%
Furniture and fittings	10%
Leasehold improvements	20%
Motor vehicles	33%
Office equipment	20%
Mobile van screening equipment	20%
Data system development cost	14%
Digital equipment	33%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at each balance date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the income statement. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.



#### d. Employee entitlements

Provision is made for the program's liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee entitlements expected to be settled within one year together with entitlements arising from wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave which will be settled after one year have been measured at their nominal values using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement. Other employee entitlements payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated cash outflows to be made for those entitlements.

Contributions are made by the program to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

e. Incorporation BreastScreen Victoria Inc. was incorporated on 2 September 1992 under the Association Incorporation Act. BreastScreen Victoria Inc. was formerly called Victorian Breast Screening Coordination Unit Inc. and the name was changed on 19 October 1998.

# f. Public liability/general insurance

BreastScreen Victoria Inc. is included under the Department of Human Services Master Insurance Policies.

g. Tax status The activities of BreastScreen Victoria Inc. are exempt from payment of income tax and payroll tax. Accordingly no provision for income tax or payroll tax has been made in the accounts. Payments for fringe benefit tax are made in accordance with the relevant legislation.

# h. Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of amount of goods and services tax (GST). Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST inclusive. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Tax Office is included as current liability in the Balance Sheet.

i. Leases Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the Program, classified as finance leases. There are no finance leases at this time.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the period in which it incurred

j. Impairment of assets At each reporting date, the association reviews the carrying values of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the association estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

**k. Revenue** Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Revenue from rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers.

Where funds are received in the financial year which, by agreement with the provider, are not intended to be expended until the following financial year, those funds are not recognised in the statement of financial performance as revenue. Rather they are shown in the association's balance sheet as funds in advance. These funds are recognised as revenue in the following year and are thereby matched with the relevant expenditure.

#### l. Comparative figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Critical accounting estimates and judgments The Board of Management evaluates estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the association



# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

# Note 2: Surplus/(deficit)

Surplus (deficit) has been arrived after charging the following items:

Surplus (deficit) has been arrived after charging the following items:	2006 \$	2005 \$
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	603,917	550,727
Amortisation of leasehold improvement	112,271	54,071
Provisions for employee entitlements	29,268	13,593
Rental expenses on operating leases	261,902	224,704
Auditor's remuneration	6,534	7,372
Note 3: Cash and cash equivalents		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Cash on hand	532,022	1,508,978
Short term deposit	4,064,879	4,563,074
Petty cash	600	600
	4,597,501	6,072,652
Note 4: Trade and other receivables		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
CURRENT		
Accrued revenue	-	13,130
Debtors	70,882	
	70,882	13,130

# Note 5: Property, plant and equipment

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Computer equipment - at cost	899,838	843,808
Accumulated depreciation	(733,361)	(564,022)
Written down value	166,477	279,786
Motor vehicles - at cost	274,824	243,560
Accumulated depreciation	(153,746)	(79,974)
Written down value	121,078	163,586
Office equipment - at cost	153,448	139,818
Accumulated depreciation	(131,216)	(117,167)
Written down value	22,232	22,651
Furniture and fittings - at cost	154,230	154,230
Accumulated depreciation	(109,882)	(101,297)
Written down value	44,348	52,933
Leasehold improvement - at cost	332,995	332,995
Accumulated depreciation	(332,995)	(220,724)
Written down value		112,271
Mobile van screening equipment - at cost	806,576	805,638
Accumulated depreciation	(525,242)	(406,901)
Written down value	281,334	398,737
Date system development - at cost	886,721	818,180
Accumulated depreciation	(360,866)	(239,294)
Written down value	525,855	578,886
Digital project equipments - at cost	824,904	
Accumulated depreciation	(49,820)	
Written down value	775,084	
Total written down value	1,936,408	1,608,850



# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

# Note 5: Property, plant and equipment continued

# a. Movements in carrying amounts

Movement in carrying amounts for each class of fixed assets between the beginning and the end of the financial year

	Opening balance	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation	Total
Computers	279,786	81,254	3,835	190,729	166,476
Motor vehicles	163,586	51,306	10,121	83,692	121,079
Office equipment	22,651	13,630	-	14,049	22,232
Furniture and fittings	52,933	-	-	8,585	44,348
Mobile van equipments	398,737	28,416	10,350	135,469	281,334
Leasehold improvement	12,271	-	-	112,271	-
Data System development	578,886	68,541	-	121,572	525,855
Digital project equipments	-	824,904	-	49,819	775,085
	1,608,850	1,068,051	24,306	716,187	1,936,408
CURRENT					
				2006 \$	2005 \$
Trade creditors and accrua	ls			1,151,877	632,808
Tax liabilities				6,444	(44)
Tax habilities					
				1,158,321	632,764
Note 7: Other payables					
				2006 \$	2005 \$
CURRENT					
Unearned revenue				340,409	36,700
Digital project				600,000	1,300,000
				940,409	1,336,700

# **Note 8: Provisions**

	2006 \$	2005 \$
CURRENT		
Annual leave	280,882	217,376
Long service leave	185,670	158,177
Sick leave	64,120	55,946
Rostered days off	509	1,284
	531,181	432,783
NON-CURRENT		
Long service leave	131,326	200,456
	131,326	200,456
a. Aggregate employee entitlement liability	662,507	633,239
b. Number of full-time equivalent employees at year end	52.5	45.0
Note 9: Reserves		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
General reserve at the beginning of the financial year	4,034,000	4,034,000
Transfer to accumulated surplus	(114,421)	-
	3,919,579	4,034,000
Note 10: Accumulated surplus		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Accumulated surplus at the beginning of the financial year	1,131,762	130,249
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(1,246,183)	1,001,514
Transfer from reserve	114,421	-
	-	1,131,763



# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

# **Note 11: Commitments**

#### Operating lease commitments

Non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Payable		
not later than one year	295,154	288,143
later than one year but not later than two years	583,800	498,530
later than two year but not later than five years	858,000	328,360
later than five years	1,215,500	-
	2,952,454	1,115,033

The property lease is a non-cancellable lease with a ten-year term, with rent payable monthly in advance. Contingent rental provisions within the lease agreement require that the minimum lease payments shall be adjusted annually in accordance with movements in the Consumer Price Index. An option exists on the lease to renew the term for an additional term of ten years. The lease only allows for subletting of the lease area with the landlord's written consent.

# Other commitments

Service delivery funding within the next twelve months will be \$27,212,177.

#### **Note 12: Program grants**

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Melbourne Health	3,011,043	2,347,000
St. Vincent's Hospital	4,246,923	3,803,154
Southern Health	4,379,293	4,272,070
Eastern Health	2,629,406	2,691,887
St. John of God Health Care - Geelong	991,256	1,525,896
St. John of God Health Care - Ballarat	1,295,932	1,148,768
Latrobe Regional Hospital	1,490,253	1,270,517
St. John of God Health Care - Bendigo	1,272,926	973,801
Western Sydney Area Health Service	208,262	219,271
Lake Imaging	1,065,680	-
Koori community	70,000	72,120
	20,660,973	18,324,484

# **Note 13: Training grants**

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Melbourne Health	81,050	79,048
Southern Health	427,124	286,396
St. Vincent's Hospital	121,049	89,048
	629,223	454,492
Note 14: Data management		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Melbourne Health	39,490	35,912
Southern Health	66,618	32,435
St. Vincent's Hospital	26,050	30,486
St. John of God Health Care - Geelong	5,288	41,864
Eastern Health	19,494	18,023
St. John of God Health Care - Ballarat	18,699	21,579
Latrobe Regional Hospital	19,233	38,033
St. John of God Health Care - Bendigo	22,065	17,775
Lake Imaging	335,347	-
	552,284	236,107
Note 15: Coordination Unit operating expenses		
	2006 \$	2005 \$
Salaries and on-costs	571,793	423,037
Operating expenses	208,633	181,458
Occupancy costs	280,813	227,997
Capital expenses	-	47,086
	1,061,239	879,578



# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

#### **Note 16: Segment reporting**

The association operates in the health sector providing breast screening services to the public within Victoria.

#### **Note 17: Financial instruments**

#### a. Interest rate risk

The Association's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates and the effective weighted average interest rates on those financial assets and financial liabilities, is as follows:

	average	Veighted effective rest rate	Instruments Instruments with with floating interest rate		ents with f	fixed interest rate		Non-interest bearing		
					wi	Maturing thin 1 Year		turing in 5 years		
	2006 %	2005 %	2006 \$	2005 \$	2006 \$	2005 \$	2006 \$	2005 \$	2006 \$	2005 \$
Financial assets										
Petty cash on hand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	600	600
Deposits at call	5.25	5.00	532,022	1,508,978	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fixed term deposits	5.70	5.40	-	-	4,064,879	4,563,074	-	-	-	-
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70,882	13,130
Total financial assets			532,022	1,508,978	4,064,879	4,563,074	-	-	71,482	13,730
Financial liabilities										
Hire purchase liability Payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,158,321	632,764
Total financial liabilities			-	-	-	-	-	-	1,158,321	632,764

#### b. Credit risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date in respect of financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements.

The Association does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments with exception of the Department of Human Services.

### c. Net fair value

The aggregate net fair values and carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities are disclosed in the balance sheet and in the notes to and forming part of the financial report.

#### Note 18: Events subsequent to reporting date

#### BreastScreen Victoria office relocation

BreastScreen Victoria is moving the Coordination Unit staffs which are currently dispersed over four floors of the Pelham Street building to a new space on the first floor of Pelham Street. The move will be completed by the end of September 2006. As a consequence of the move, BreastScreen Victoria has entered into a contract with Harris Office Environments for refurbishment the first floor. The cost of refurbishing the first floor is estimated at \$754,000.

#### **Note 19: Association details**

The principal place of business of the Association is:

BreastScreen Victoria Inc. 31 Pelham Street Carlton South. Victoria 3153

#### Note 20: Related parties

The names of persons who were Board members at any time during the year are set out in the Annual Report. Board members do not receive remuneration for services provided. There were no other transactions that require disclosure for the year ended 30th June 2006.

#### Note 21: Key management remuneration

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Salaries	531,408	509,825
Superannuation	43,443	37,093
	574,851	546,918

# Note 22: Economic dependency

A significant portion of income is received by way of recurrent and capital grants from the state government.



# **BOARD OF MANAGEMENT DECLARATION**

In the opinion of the officers below, the financial report as set out on pages 20 to 33:

- Presents fairly the financial position of BreastScreen Victoria Inc. as at 30 June 2006 and its performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, mandatory professional reporting requirements and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
- Shows that there are, when this
  declaration is made out, reasonable
  grounds to believe that BreastScreen
  Victoria Inc. will be able to pay its
  debts as and when they fall due.

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

**Associate Professor Richard Bell Chair** 

**Ms Margaret Crossley** 

Treasurer

Ms Onella Stagoll OAM

Director

Melbourne, 18 October 2006

# INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO MEMBERS OF BREASTSCREEN VICTORIA INC.

#### Scope

# The financial report and Board of Management responsibility

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the Board of Management declaration for BreastScreen Victoria Inc., for the financial year ended 30 June 2006 as set out on pages 20 to 33.

The members of the Board of Management are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Associations Incorporations Act 1981 Victoria. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate financial records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

#### Audit approach

We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members. Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal controls, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Associations Incorporations Act 1981 Victoria so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the association's financial position, the results of its operations, its changes in equity and its cash flows.

Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates made by the members of the Board of Management.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

#### Audit opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of BreastScreen Victoria Inc. presents a true and fair view in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in Australia and the Associations Incorporations Act 1981 Victoria, the association's financial position as at 30 June 2006 and the results of its operations, its changes in equity and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

**DTT VICTORIA Chartered Accountants** 

Alison Brown A. Brown Partner

Melbourne, 18 October 2006



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