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#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

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#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The directors present the report on the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

The following persons were directors of Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand Limited during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report unless otherwise stated:

Prof. S. Derrington Mr. P. Baxter Ms D Wilmshurst Mr N Beadle Mr. M. Harvey Ms. P. Saraceni Mr. P. Dawson (Resigned 29.04.15) Mr N Cecil

#### **Operating Results**

The operating profit of the company for the financial year amounted to \$389 (2014: \$12,588).

#### **Significant Changes in State of Affairs**

No significant changes in the company's state of affairs occurred during the financial year.

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the company are arranging conferences for the purpose of providing a forum for the discussion and consideration of maritime law topics, assisting and advising government on the adoption of international conventions, and the presentation and publication of papers on matters and issues affecting maritime law.

#### **Events Subsequent to Reporting Date**

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the company in future financial years.

#### **Likely Developments**

Likely developments in the operations of the company and the expected results of those operations in the future financial years have not been included in this report as the inclusion of such information is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the company.

#### **Environmental Issues**

The company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of the State.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

#### **Dividends and Share Options**

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have shareholders. Hence no dividends were paid, nor share options granted during or since the end of the financial period.

No dividends were paid during the year and no recommendation is made as to dividends.

#### **Auditors Independence Declaration**

The auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 4 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2015.

#### **Indemnification**

Since the year end of the financial year, the company has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the company.

#### **Insurance Premiums**

Dated:

During the year the company has paid premiums on behalf of the company in respect of the directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses insurance contracts for the year ended 30 June 2015 and since the financial year, the company has agreed to pay on behalf of the company, premiums in respect of such insurance contracts for the year ended 30 June 2016. Such insurance contracts insure against certain liability (subject to specific exclusions) persons who are or have been directors or officers of the company.

#### **Proceedings on Behalf of the Company**

No person has applied for leave of court to bring proceedings on behalf of the company or intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the company for all or part of those proceedings.

# AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2015, there have been:
<ol> <li>No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and</li> </ol>
2) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.
PKF Hacketts Audit
Cameron Bradley
Partner

2015

**Dated at Brisbane:** 

of

## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	Note	2015	2014
		\$	\$
Revenue from ordinary activities	3	84,504	97,055
Membership entitlements	4(a)	(60,494)	(54,951)
Administration expenses	4(b)	(23,621)	(29,516)
Profit before income tax expense		389	12,588
Income tax expense		-	-
Profit for the year		389	12,588
Other Comprehensive Income for the year		-	-
<b>Total Comprehensive Income for the year</b>		389	12,588

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	Note	2015	2014
		\$	\$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS	_	100 110	4.47.700
Cash and cash equivalents	5	133,142	147,700
Financial assets	6	141,109	132,688
Other current assets	7	19,531	19,616
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		293,782	300,004
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NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Intangibles	7	13,297	13,297
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		13,297	13,297
TOTAL ASSETS		307,079	313,301
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	27,447	34,058
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		27,447	34,058
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		27,447	34,058
NET ASSETS		279,632	279,243
EQUITY			
Retained Profits		279,632	279,243
TOTAL EQUITY		279,632	279,243

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	Note	Retained Earnings	Total
		\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2013		266,655	266,655
Total comprehensive income for the year		12,588	12,588
Balance at 30 June 2014		279,243	279,243
Total comprehensive income for the year		389	389
Balance at 30 June 2015		279,632	279,632

### CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	Note	2015	2014
		\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from members and sponsors		84,280	102,247
Payments to suppliers and employees		(91,409)	(96,147)
Interest received		1,292	1,197
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	9(b)	(6,137)	7,297
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payment for other non-current assets			-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities			
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(6,137)	7,297
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		280,388	273,091
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	9(a)	274,251	280,388

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

#### 1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Summary of significant accounting policies

The directors have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the company is a non –reporting entity because there are no users who are dependent on its general purpose financial reports. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards applicable to entities reporting under the Corporations Act 2001 and the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the directors have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. Such accounting policies are consistent with those of previous periods unless stated otherwise.

#### **Reporting Basis and Conventions**

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs.

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

#### **Accounting Policies**

#### a. Subscription Income

The subscription year is from 1 February to 31 January each year. As the financial year end is 30<sup>th</sup> June, seven twelfths of each year's subscription income that is received is accounted for as revenue received in advance (a liability) in the Statement of Financial Position.

#### b. Income Tax

The company, being a non profit organisation, is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Assessment Act. No provisions are necessary in the accounts for income tax.

#### c. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

#### d. Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

#### 2. INTANGIBLES

#### Website

Website development cost is recorded at cost and the website has an infinite life. It is tested annually for impairment and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

#### 3. REVENUE

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Operating Activities		
Branch Activities Income	13,167	7,213
Income from Federal AGM/Conference	21,310	16,633
Conference reimbursements	7,324	27,653
Interest Earned	1,292	1,197
Subscriptions Income	40,961	44,359
Other income	450	-
Total Revenue	84,504	97,055
4. PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX		
Expenses		
(a) Membership Entitlements		
Branch Expenses	17,578	8,080
CMI Membership	9,616	8,878
Federal AGM/Conference Expenses	33,300	37,993
	60,494	54,951

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
(b)Administration Expenses		
Administration Fees	6,665	6,530
Bank Charges	281	247
Insurance	2,933	2,846
Printing and Stationery	138	1,846
Sponsorships	500	13,773
Exchange Rate Variation	1,073	(1,567)
Public Relations	3,390	-
Travel and Entertainment	3,753	2,433
Website Maintenance	536	539
Other	352	1,619
<u>-</u>	19,621	28,266
Remuneration of Auditor:		
Audit	3,500	1,250
Other Services	500	-
-	4,000	1,250
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Total Administration Expenses	23,621	29,516
CASH ASSETS		
Cash at bank – Federal	66,372	83,129
Cash at bank - New South Wales	4,597	5,402
Cash at bank – Queensland	1,005	1,947
Cash at bank – Victoria	8,329	7,346
Cash at bank – Western Australia	3,537	4,186
Cash at bank – New Zealand	37,998	34,823
Cash at bank – Bank of Queensland	11,304	10,867
- -	133,142	147,700

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
6. FINANCIAL ASSETS		
TERM DEPOSITS		
ANZ Bank – Federal	133,490	125,303
St George Bank – New South Wales	7,619	7,385
	141,109	132,688
7. OTHER ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Prepayments	19,531	19,616
	19,531	19,616
NON-CURRENT		
Website Development Costs Capitalised	30,422	30,422
Less Accumulated Amortisation	(17,125)	(17,125)
	13,297	13,297
8. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
Sundry Creditors	1,839	3,806
Accrued Expenses	3,750	6,750
Revenue Received in Advance	21,858	23,502
	27,447	34,058

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

#### 9. NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

#### a. Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents

Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and at banks and investments in money market instruments, net of bank overdrafts. Cash at the end of the year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

	Note	2015	2014
		\$	\$
Cash at Bank	5	133,142	147,700
Financial Assets	6	141,109	132,688
		274,251	280,388

#### b. Reconciliation of Cash Flows from Operations with Profit After Income Tax

Operating profit after income tax	389	12,588
Changes in Assets and Liabilities		
(Increase)/Decrease in receivables	-	-
(Increase)/Decrease in prepayment	85	(8,707)
Increase/(Decrease) in accounts payable	(6,611)	3,416

#### 10. MEMBERS' GUARANTEE

Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand is a company limited by guarantee. The Memorandum of Association states the conditions under which the members may be required to contribute under the guarantee. The amount which may need to be contributed by any member is limited to one dollar (\$1). The active members at the end of June 2015 were 521.

#### 11. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

Management controls the capital of the company to ensure that adequate cash flows are generated to fund its operations. The company's capital consists of financial liabilities, supported by its financial assets.

Management effectively manages the company's capital by assessing the company's financial risk and responding to changes in these risks and in the market. These responses may include the consideration of debt levels.

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(6,137)

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

#### 12. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

The directors are not aware of any material matters that have occurred since the year end that should be disclosed as an event after balance date.

#### 13. CONTINGENCIES

The directors are not aware of any material contingent liabilities that need to be disclosed in these financial statements.

#### 14. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS FOR APPLICATION IN FUTURE PERIODS

The Australian Accounting Standards Board has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. New accounting standards mandatory for future reporting periods have no effect on the financials.

#### **DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

The directors have determined that the company is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The directors of the company declare that:

Dated this day of

- The financial statements and notes, as set out of pages 5 to 14 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and:

   a. comply with the Accounting Standards as applicable to the company and;
   b. give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting
- 2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors:	
Director	Director

2015.

policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of the Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand Limited ("the company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2015, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

#### **Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 of the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those 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 of the financial report that gives a true and fair view 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 directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

#### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND LIMITED (CONTINUED)

#### **Audit Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial report of Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand Limited is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and complying with the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the *Corporations Act 2001*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

**PKF Hacketts Audit** 

**Cameron Bradley** 

**Partner** 

**Brisbane**