National Rural Women's Coalition

Annual Report
2016 – 2017

National Rural Women's Coalition

We are a powerful network of diverse women who work to improve the lives of rural women.

We work to provide a powerful collaborative national voice for women living in rural, regional and remote (RRR) Australia.

We value respect, innovation, professionalism and empowerment.

Our objectives are to:

1) **represent the diverse views of women in rural, remote and regional Australia;**
2) **provide advice to the Australian Government on policy issues relevant to the views and circumstances of rural women; and**
3) **contribute to building a positive profile of rural women, their achievements and issues.**

In 2016/2017 we received funding from the Office for Women, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources and Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal.

The Coalition is comprised of the following:

1. MEMBER ORGANISATIONS –

Australian Local Government Women's Association

With branches in every state and territory in Australia, the national board is a collaborative body comprised of membership from each of the state branches, and seeks to strengthen networking, mentoring and innovative opportunities that encourage and support women in local government.

The aim of the Australian Local Government Women's Association is to:

- Assist in furthering women's knowledge and understanding of the functions of Local Government
- Encourage women to participate in Local Government
- Encourage women to make a career from Local Government
- Protect the interests and rights of women in Local Government
- Take action in relation to any subject or activity affecting Local Government and Local Government legislation
- Act in an advisory capacity to intending women candidates for Local Government elections

Australian Women in Agriculture

Australian Women in Agriculture is Australia's peak not-for-profit, voluntary organisation for agricultural women.

Australian Women in Agriculture exists to ensure that agricultural women have the capacity, confidence and channel to be able to have their voice heard, from the dining table to the boardroom table to the political table.

Members are part of a recognised and dedicated national network involved in the development of Australian primary production, rural industries and communities.

AWiA membership reflects all those involved and interested in a positive future for Australian agriculture. They come from all states and represent the diversity of agricultural Australia, including farmers, researchers, scientists, educators, students, consultants and service providers.

AWiA is focused on connecting Australia's agricultural women and providing the means for their participation at all levels of decision making.

Country Women's Association of Australia

The Country Women's Association of Australia is the largest women's organisation in Australia and aims to improve conditions for country women and children and try to make life better for women and their families, especially those living in rural and remote Australia. We reach that aim in various ways including lobbying for change, helping the local community, creating a network of support and meeting together in towns and cities.

National Rural Health Alliance

The National Rural Health Alliance is comprised of 38 national organisations. We are committed to improving the health and wellbeing of the 7 million people in rural and remote Australia. Our members include consumer groups (such as the Country Women's Association of Australia), representation from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health sector, health professional organisations (representing doctors, nurses and midwives, allied health professionals, dentists, pharmacists, optometrists, paramedics, health students, chiropractors and health service managers) and service providers (such as the Royal Flying Doctor Service).

Its large and diverse membership gives the NRHA a broad and authentic view of the interests of the people of rural and remote Australia. It works with a range of stakeholders to improve the health and wellbeing of those people by developing well-targeted, cost-effective, evidence-based solutions. The NRHA is a rich source of credible information and expertise, and stands ready to work with Government and Opposition on responses to current and emerging rural health issues.

Women's Industry Network – Seafood Community

The Women's Industry Network (WIN) was formed in 1996 by a group of women fishing in South Australia. In 1998 The Women's Industry Network Seafood Community (WINSC) developed into a National body with organisations in each state.

WINSC is the only national organisation in Australia that represents women in the Seafood Industry. It is a unique network that covers the tough, high-tech world of commercial fishing, the cutting edge aquaculture, research and processing sectors along with policy and resource management.

2. INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS REPRESENTING –

A diverse range of rural, regional and remote women, groups and communities including:

1. **First Nation women and girls**
2. **Immigrants and refugees**
3. **Social entrepreneurship**
4. **Women and girls leadership**
5. **National Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN), Canberra**

Company Secretary's Report

It is with great pleasure that I provide the following Secretary's Report. In the role of Company Secretary, I have assisted the Board with policy creation, management and compliance; assisted with strategic planning and processes and developed new policies for consideration where appropriate.

Throughout the 2016/17 operational year, the NRWC Executive and board members have worked to improve our governance practices and implemented policies to support continual improvement and due diligence. This will no doubt become an ongoing process on which the board will work together on.

It has been a pleasure working with my board colleagues, the executive Alwyn, Leonie and Dorothy whom have all contributed greatly to the outcomes achieved this year. I must also acknowledge the NRWC contractors Keli McDonald, Melissa Boully and Karen Nankervis who have all contributed to sound governance that is required for the organisation to function.

The implementation of good governance practices in the National Rural Women's Coalition has resulted in a continual improvement in the management of board processes and transparency of Governance.

As you are aware from the Annual Report, directors' meetings are held each month and may be called more often if required for special issues. Our experience has been that the company's business has been adequately dealt with at monthly directors' meetings.

Sarah Parker

COMPANY SECRETARY

NRWC BOARD 2016–2017

	Representing...	Board membership	Meetings attended
Alwyn Friedersdorff *Informed, involved, inspired*	Australian Local Government Women's Association	President	8 of 9
Leonie Noble *Committed, flexible, realistic*	Women's Industry Network Seafood Community	Vice President	7 of 9
Sarah Parker *Positive, persistent, productive*	Australian Women in Agriculture	Company Secretary	6 of 9
Dorothy Coombe *Achiever, committed, encourager*	Country Women's Association of Australia	Treasurer	7 of 9
Dr Kim Webber *Passionate, curious, fair*	National Rural Health Alliance	Director	4 of 5
Hannah Wandel *Passionate, loyal, innovative*	Independent	Director	4 of 5
Rechelle Leahy *Positive, persistent, productive*	Independent	Director	4 of 5
Lisa Shipley *Compassionate, committed, connected*	Independent First Nation woman	Director	7 of 9
Dr Pat Hamilton	Independent	Immediate Past President	5 of 5
Dr Kathryn Kirkpatrick	National Rural Health Alliance	Past Director	3 of 4

President's Report

"The power of one, if fearless and focused, is formidable, but the power of many working together is better."

Gloria Macapagal Arroyo

As a newly elected President, I have promoted this mantra as a call to our Board to become fully engaged over this year that has passed us all at incredible speed! Yet the National Rural Women's Coalition Ltd Board has proven to be an energetic and cohesive group dedicated to becoming a powerful network of diverse women who work to improve the lives of rural women.

Our year long activities were driven by our focal points Governance, Leadership and Engagement.

Highlights:

- Our Annual General Meeting was enhanced by a celebration and gala Launch of Brave Danny, a book aimed at strengthening resilience against family violence for 4 to 8 year old children. This continues to be promoted and sales are ensuring good distribution across the States.
- Immediate Past President, Pat Hamilton ended her year on very high note with the resounding success of the Canberra Muster that brought young women in to learn as they undertook some serious project work.
- Collaborative communications project involving the 5 Alliances was slow to get off the ground but resulted in exceeding the targets.
- Seventeen women participated in an e-Leader type course sponsored by DAWRR entitled, "Sharing Stories of Sustainability" while the e-Leader Advocacy and Influence was again supported well with enthusiasm and great outcomes.
- *Building Lives* with the Gomileroi women is still producing some useful, amazing learnings and outcomes and will continue to be progressed over a further 3 years.
- Roundtable One with a Food Security theme exceeded all expectations buoying our confidence as we invested in cementing our Member Organisation participation.

Watch out for my next mantra! It will guide us through a very exciting year as we plan for CSW62 in New York addressing "Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls"; we will be engaging more strongly, informing locally and globally, and increasing the capacity of RRR women through our leadership programs.

Please join us on this exciting journey by following us on Facebook and Twitter, signing up for our newsletter, responding to a survey, supporting our projects or becoming a sponsor!

Alwyn Friedersdorff
PRESIDENT

STRATEGIC PLANNING BOARD MEETING, MARCH 2017

ALLIANCE MEETING, JUNE 2017

BUILDING LIVES, APRIL 2017

ALLIANCE BREAKFAST WITH SEX DISCRIMINATION COMMISSIONER KATE JENKINS

Treasurer's Report

Communication – Leadership – Collaboration were the cornerstones for the National Rural Women's Coalition (NRWC) in all facets of its work in 2016/17 including finances. This enabled the completion of 22 projects with a reach to over 250,000 women on a budget just under $300,000. This is a powerful social spend of finances by a Coalition focused on building networks to support and empower regional, rural and remote women.

Communication and understanding of all financial matters was strengthened through modification of reporting to the board with stronger links to projects and outcomes. Adjustments were made to ensure value for money returns on spend with the greatest reach and outcomes possible.

Leadership by the board has been demonstrated by their commitment to finding new ways to engage stakeholders in our work. We have responded to challenges and taken up new opportunities and seek new partnerships to underpin the future of our Coalition. NRWC adopts a rigorous approach to understanding and proactively managing the risks faced in its business. We actively manage our balance sheet for a positive outcome.

Collaboration was built through the strength of contractors who were highly engaged, delivering great outcomes and contributing to a range of initiates that improve the way we work and the projects we undertook. Partners and member organisations supported us through shared resources. NRWC continues to receive strong support from the government through the Office for Women who provision core funding to enable our work and we thank them for their involvement and direction.

All of this has been underpinned by the commitment of the board to Volunteer over 2,100 hours of time. We are only able to achieve our goals through the power of our people working together.

The Finance Committee and Board meets regularly to enforce the financial governance and risk management of our coalition. This committee ensures all the reporting obligations and project acquittals are met. I thank everyone on the committee for their work with appreciation to Keli McDonald for her dedicated work on all financial matters and reporting which has enabled us to increase our work and reach within budget.

I am pleased to report that NRWC has continued to deliver a strong performance and good value for money for all stakeholders and we have achieved strong results across all our key metrics. All finances are committed to projects. We are confident that our strategy, reviewed in 2016/17, is working and we are well placed to drive further initiatives and support for rural, regional and remote women throughout Australia.

Dorothy Coombe
TREASURER

ATTENDING PARLIAMENTARY ALLIANCE BREAKFAST WITH MINISTER CASH

STRATEGIC PLANNING BOARD MEETING, MARCH 2017

SENATOR BRIDGET MCKENZIE & ALWYN FRIEDERSDORFF AT FOOD SECURITY ROUNDTABLE, MAY 2017

Projects

LEADERSHIP

Building Lives

Create an engagement roadmap for working with Aboriginal women and girls. 30 Gomileroi women met on country to discuss current issues and strategy. The engagement process of this meeting has been documented for future engagement projects.

e-Leaders – Social Media and Managing Content Systems

20 RRR women participated in a webinar series to develop leadership, social media and managing content skill. Graduates join the NRWC e-Leader Alumnae.

e-Leaders – Advocacy & Influence

20 RRR women participated in an evening webinar series with industry leaders presenting to develop leadership skills. Graduates join the NRWC e-Leader Alumnae.

e-Leaders – Evaluations of e-Leaders

An Independent review to assess the impact and effectiveness of past e-leaders programs since 2011. The independent report highlights the positive influence the program has had on the improvement of women's lives, their community and industry.

Introduction of Leadership Muster

'Young Rural Women's Muster'
18 RRR women aged between 18-35 from diverse backgrounds participated in a three day leadership muster in Canberra. Facilitated by leadership champion and facilitator Meredith Turnbull. The project included a day at APH with the politicians and a networking event as well as leadership and advocacy workshops. A highlight was a session with Sex Discrimination Commissioner Kate Jenkins.

ENGAGEMENT

Communications Reference Group

Meeting each month by tele-conference the Communication Reference Group comprises of RRR women that represent a broad view of activities, interest and industry across a large geographical area to ensure balance to the information distribution through the NRWC social media channels.

Family Violence Book

The official Melbourne launched in November 2016 attended by Victorian White Ribbon ambassador Danny Hackett, Sex Discrimination Commissioner Kate Jenkins, Author Robin Adolphs and illustrator Nicky Johnston was followed by launches in Albury and Toowoomba. This picture book for children aged between 4-8 years about domestic violence also has free down-loadable support work pages for teachers and caregivers.

Emerging Issue Roundtable – Food Security

"Hunger is a hidden crisis in Australia with 1:6 people experiencing food insecurity at least once in the last 12 months. Over half of these, or 2 million Australians, seek food relief from charities or community groups, a third of whom are children." *Foodbank Hunger Report 2016*

1. As a key to addressing food insecurity in Australia, we seek enhanced tax deductions for food donations and tax deductions for transport services related to food relief.

2. Revise the parameters of the "healthy food basket" for consistent measurement of core "stable foods", supply chain issues, transport accessibility, wealth of users, rural location, access to food.

3. Engage RRR people in the discussion on Food Waste to ensure food is used for human consumption, animal consumption and composting with minimum waste going to landfill.

4. Implement compulsory curriculum and audit in child care / early learning development centres to include nutrition and cooking, which is currently taught as part of training, to develop food literacy and develop healthy eating from an early age.

5. Enact the National Food Plan 2015.

Communications and Networking/Reach

To extend the reach and influence of the NRWC by NRWC Directors' e.g. attend Country to Canberra, delegations, conferences.

Resilience Forum

Resilience Forums were held in Far North Queensland, Victoria and South Australia in 2017 to build capacity, strengthen networks and encourage wellness.

COLLABORATION

International Engagement – Developing an International Agenda

Empower women's organisations to participate in international engagement and human rights processes, including attending CSW61 meeting in October 2017 and April 2017 rand hosting the 'Report Back' Webinar.

Equal Rights Alliance – Housing Project

Participating in telemeetings and Canberra meetings on the issues around women's housing to ensure that RRR women are included in all representations.

YOUNG RURAL WOMEN'S MUSTER, 2016

BUILDING LIVES, APRIL 2017

PARLIAMENTARY ADVOCACY DAY WITH GREENS LEADER RICHARD DI NATALE, AND SENATOR JANET RICE, JUNE 2017

FOOD SECURITY ROUNDTABLE, MAY 2016

BRAVE DANNY LAUNCH, NOVEMBER 2016

NWA – Communications Plan
Co-ordinating the National Women's Alliance Communication Project to increase awareness of the NWA's. Great results were achieved with the collaboration of all Alliances.

FB (start project) likes Sept 2016 = 39
FB (end project) likes June 2017 = 2197

Alliance meeting: Canberra

3 Directors and 1 contractor attended the Office for Women Alliance meeting in Canberra in June 2017.

MINISTER MICHAELIA CASH LAUNCHING THE REPORT ON CSW61

NRWC Communications Reference Group

A vibrant volunteer team who maintain the liveliness of the NRWC social media platforms, this group includes Emma Jackson from Weipa Station, Cape York – determined, driven and passionate; Georgia Foulkes-Taylor, artist and photographer from Kalgoorlie – Boulder; Jacqui Hawkins, determined and active in promoting the voices of young people, from Wodonga; Natalie Sommerville, South Australian broadacre cropping and livestock farmer and Torres Strait Islander; Pip Rumble, from Mullewa WA says that being a rural woman is about getting down and doing what needs to be done; Renee Fiolet, family violence researcher and worker from Geelong; and Tiani Cook who works on family owned Suplejack Station, 730 kilometres north-west of Alice Springs but is actively involved in broader community activities. What an amazing line up of Volunteers! NRWC believes 'the best in the country'!

YOUNG RURAL WOMEN'S MUSTER, PARLIAMENT HOUSE 2016

BUILDING LIVES

DR KIM WEBBER AT THE FOOD SECURITY ROUND TABLE

COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCE GROUP

Communications snapshot

At end of June 2017, we had:

190,564 Facebook impressions

1,850 Twitter followers

168,000 Tweet impressions

10,877 Facebook likes

700 website hits

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

NATIONAL RURAL WOMENS COALITION LIMITED
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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your directors present their report on the company for the year ended 30 June 2017.

Directors

The names of the directors in office at the date of this report are:

A. Friedersdorff
D. Coombe
L. Noble
L. Shipley
K. Webber
S. Parker
R. Leahy
H. Wandel

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the company during the financial year were:

To provide a collaborative national voice for women living in rural, regional and remote Australia.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the company's principal activities during the financial year.

Operating Results

The loss and extraordinary items of the company for the financial year amounted to $47,464

Dividends Paid or Recommended

No dividends were paid or declared since the start of the financial year. No recommendation is made as to dividends.

Indemnifying Officers or Auditor

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the company.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

Director _____
A. Friedersdorff

Director _____
D. Coombe

Dated this 11th day of August, 2017

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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL RURAL WOMENS COALITION LIMITED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2017 there have been:

i. no contreventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and

ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Thomas Simpson Partners

Thomas Simpson Partners

169 King Street

NEWCASTLE NSW 2300

David Simpson

Partner

9 August, 2017

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30TH JUNE 2017

30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
	EQUITY	
	Reserves	
137,128	Retained Earnings	89,663.55
	REPRESENTED BY	
	CURRENT ASSETS	
988	Bendigo Bank - 143533230	680.05
61,634	CBA - 260210581561	14,054.65
59,589	CBA Management Account	70,979.61
942	CBA FRRR Account	-
50,000	CBA Term Deposit - Management	-
-	DAFF Sustainability Grant	13,073.21
-	Trade Debtors	6,799.00
-	GST Refundable	2,598.23
173,153		108,184.75
	INTANGIBLE ASSETS	
963	Formation Expenses at Cost	962.80
174,116	**TOTAL ASSETS**	109,147.55
	LESS	
	CURRENT LIABILITIES	
-	Other Creditors	240.00
340	PAYG Withholding Payable	300.00
33,985	Accrued Expenses	18,944.00
2,663	GST Payable	-
36,988	**TOTAL LIABILITIES**	19,484.00
137,128	**NET ASSETS**	89,663.55

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
	NRWC MANAGEMENT	
	INCOME	
1,084	Interest Received	988.89
3,000	Management Fees	6,586.57
-	Miscellaneous Income	2,346.64
35	Toolkit	-
4,119		9,922.10
	EXPENSES	
-	Bank Charges	2.50
(184)	Communications	-
1,091	Coordinators/Facilitators	-
-	Donations	590.00
100	Gratuity	113.18
-	Licences,Registrations,Permits	1,325.00
3,000	Presidents Honorarium	3,000.00
-	Printing, Stationery & Postage	(122.15)
4,050	Stipends	5,700.00
-	Superannuation	85.50
8,057		10,694.03
(3,938)		(771.93)
84,167	Retained Profits at July 1	80,228.99
80,229		79,457.06
80,229		79,457.06

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
	DEPT AGRICULTURE & WATER RESOURCES	
	INCOME	
35,685	Funding	-
-	Interest Received	2.53
35,685		2.53
	EXPENSES	
-	Advertising, Promotion & Marketing	890.00
-	Bookkeeper	1,225.00
-	Communications	928.00
-	Coordinators/Facilitators	13,946.81
-	Communications Officer	2,769.20
-	Printing, Stationery & Postage	39.10
-	Project Management	5,400.00
-	Telephone	18.48
-	Website Design	400.00
-		25,616.59
35,685		(25,614.06)
-	Retained Profits at July 1	35,685.44
35,685		10,071.38
35,685		10,071.38

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30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
	OFFICE FOR WOMEN - 2016 TO 2017	
	INCOME	
281,139	Funding	281,139.00
73	Interest Received	46.65
	Reimbursed Expenses	
7,010	Alliance Breakfast	-
288,222		281,185.65
	EXPENSES	
3,440	Accountancy	310.00
-	Administration Officer	41,505.33
2,000	Auditors Remuneration - Fees	2,000.00
121	Bank Charges	57.59
34,146	Bookkeeper	38,781.13
37,949	Communications	3,696.33
550	Computer Costs	605.45
12,143	Conferences, Meetings & Travel	28,817.85
1,125	Communications Officer	25,875.00
33,896	Program Manager	1,523.75
164	Gratuity	42.23
2,436	Insurance	2,507.34
-	Legal Costs	693.00
855	Licences,Registrations,Permits	(804.00)
11,392	Printing, Stationery & Postage	5,528.77
3,126	Telephone	6,605.49
300	Website Design	-
	PROJECTS	
4,187	A Cuppa With	-
1,900	e-Leader/Alumnae	2,695.45
-	e-Leader Muster	19,226.28
737	e-Leader Thrive TAS	-
(1,200)	e-Leader Thrive WA	-
11,402	e-Leader Social Media	10,347.70
15,548	e-Leader Leadership, Advocacy & Influence	9,349.58
16,035	Family & Domestic Violence	5,180.25
6,388	Communications Reference Group	845.96
22,218	Roundtable - Emerging Issues	17,368.77
226	Weather the Storm Resource	-
-	Website Upgrade & Development	3,706.02
8,500	Connecting Lives/Building Lives	9,822.41

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30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
-	Resiliance Forums	13,183.57
-	CSW Meetings	4,740.37
-	NWA Communication Project	2,236.97
85,941		98,703.33
	GOVERNANCE	
11,201	AGM	9,763.78
33,415	Meetings	23,375.65
10,389	Alliance Meetings & Support	10,882.31
55,005		44,021.74
284,589		300,470.33
3,633		(19,284.68)
15,787	Retained Profits at July 1	19,419.79
19,420		135.11
19,420		135.11

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
	2016 FRRR	
	INCOME	
18,795	Funding	-
1	Interest Received	0.03
18,796		0.03
	EXPENSES	
2	Bank Charges	-
1,516	Bookkeeper	288.75
487	Communications	-
11,140	Coordinators/Facilitators	312.28
397	Program Manager	-
60	Printing, Stationery & Postage	6.00
3,000	Project Management	1,186.57
400	Website Design	-
17,002		1,793.60
1,794		(1,793.57)
-	Retained Profits at July 1	1,793.57
1,794		-
1,794		-

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

30TH JUNE 2016 $		Retained Surplus $
99,953	Balance at 1 July 2016	137,128
37,175	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year attributable to members of the entity	(47,464)
37,175	**Total Surplus / (Deficit) for the year attributable to members of the entity**	(47,464)
137,128	**Balance at 30 June 2017**	89,664

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STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

30TH JUNE 2016 $		YEAR $
	CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
345,664	**Receipts from customers**	290,072.21
1,158	**Other Receipts**	1,038.10
(429,657)	**Payments to suppliers and employees**	(338,574.55)
	Other Payments	
(5,626)	GST Payable	2,598.23
(88,461)	**NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES**	(44,866.01)
	CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
	Proceeds	
-	Office Equipment - At Cost	-
-	Less: Prov for Depreciation	-
-		-
	Payments	
-	Less: Prov for Depreciation	-
-		-
-	**NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES**	-
(88,461)	**NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD**	(44,866.01)
261,614	CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	261,614.10
173,153	**CASH AT THE END OF THE YEAR**	216,748.09

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation

The directors have determined the company is a non-reporting entity because there are no users who are dependent on its general purpose financial statements. The directors have determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet the needs of the members.

(b) Income Tax

The company is exempt from income tax under Div 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(c) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

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 (ATO).

NOTE 2 - MEMBERS GUARANTEE

The company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 as a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, each member is required to contribute a maximum of $2 each towards meeting the costs and obligations of the company.

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

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

The directors of the company declare that:

1. the financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 3 to 11, present fairly the comp financial position as at 30 June 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that da accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statem and

2. in the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company wi able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Director _____
A. Friedersdorff

Director _____
D. Coombe

Dated this 11th day of August, 2017

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NATIONAL RURAL WOMENS COALITION LIMITED

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of National Rural Women's Coalition Limited, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2017, the statement of profit and loss, 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.

Director's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors the company are 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 appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The director's responsibility also includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls 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 Accounting 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 judgement, including the assessment of 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 directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for the distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the Corporations Act 2001. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any other person other than the members, or for any other 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 qualified audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, provided to the directors of National Rural Women's Coalition Limited, would be in the same terms if provided to the directors as at the date of this auditor's report.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion the financial reports presents fairly in all material aspects, the financial position of National Rural Women's Coalition Limited as at 30 June 2017 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and the Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) to the extent described in Note 1.

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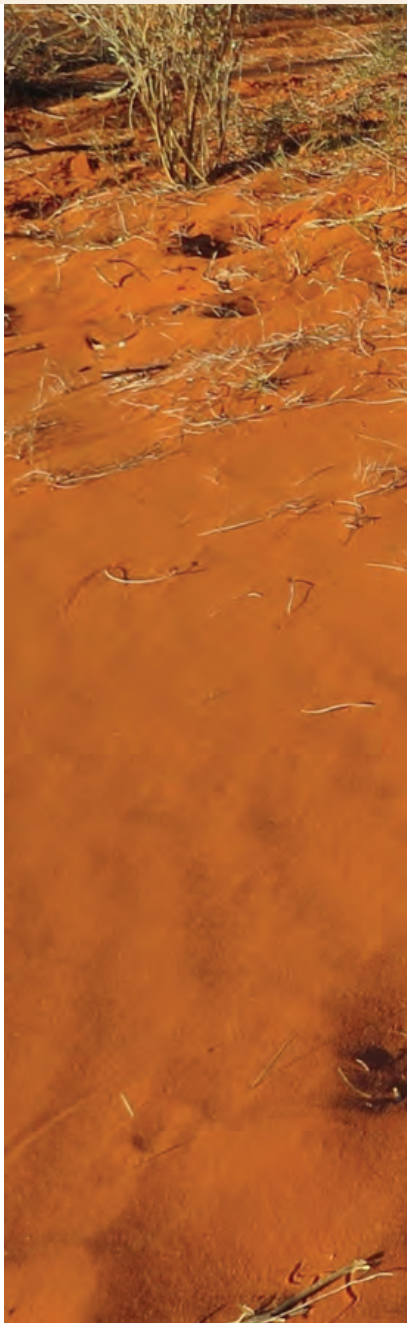

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