

AUSTRALASIAN REPORTING AWARDS LIMITED
ABN 11 145 956 172

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2020

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

In accordance with section 300B of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) the Directors present this report on the company, Australasian Reporting Awards Limited (ABN 11 145 956 172) a company limited by guarantee, for the financial year

The company's short-term objectives

1. To continually adapt the ARA Awards process to accommodate changing expectations and reporting methods.
2. To increase the number of organisations that submit their annual, sustainability and integrated reports for review and obtain constructive feedback in the ARA Awards process.
3. To increase the number of annual, sustainability and integrated reports that fully satisfy the ARA Criteria.
4. To achieve sufficient sponsorship to allow entry costs to be set at levels that do not discourage entries.

The company's long-term objectives

1. To improve the quality of annual, sustainability and integrated reporting by organisations in Australia, New Zealand and other countries in the Asia-Pacific Region.
2. To raise awareness among the leaders and managers of reporting organisations of the benefits of complete, open, honest, transparent, and timely disclosure of information to stakeholders.
3. To enable private sector, public sector and not-for-profit organisations in Australia, New Zealand, and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region to be highly effective in communicating financial, business and sustainability-related information.
4. To enhance community understanding of the purposes of organisations, of how they operate and of the results they achieve.
5. To improve community awareness of valid and objective measures of organisational performance, and greater understanding of the results organisations have achieved.

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The company's strategies for achieving those objectives:

1. Preparing, annually updating, and widely distributing guidelines (as the ARA Criteria) for preparing annual, sustainability and integrated reports in Australia, New Zealand and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region. ARA Criteria are based on considered best practice and statutory considerations.
2. Promoting and conducting an annual awards process involving assessment of annual, sustainability and integrated reports with respect to the ARA Criteria and presenting reports that satisfy the criteria with 'Awards for Excellence' at a prestigious Awards Presentation Dinner. This 'benchmarking' process is to encourage Boards of Directors, Chief Executive Officers, Directors-General, and Senior Management of organisations to focus on the scope, integrity, and effectiveness of their reporting to stakeholders.
3. Providing practical advice to entrants in the Awards by way of educative feedback sessions with an ARA Co-ordinator or Adjudicator to help them improve the quality of their reporting.
4. Conducting an annual seminar on reporting with presentations from expert speakers and panel members on different aspects of reporting about the activities of an organisation.
5. Providing educational briefing sessions, advice and support materials for adjudicators involved in the Awards adjudication processes to ensure a consistent, high quality approach to adjudication.
6. Timely communication with previous entrants and other organisations to encourage them to enter the Awards, attend the Awards Presentation Dinner, attend the Seminar on Reporting, and arrange a feedback session.
7. Recruiting and training of people who have extensive experience in the preparation of annual reports to become ARA Adjudicators.
8. Recruiting people with relevant expertise and experience in financial and sustainability communication to become Directors of the company.
9. Seeking financial sponsorships or in-kind support from organisations that share an interest in improving the quality of communication between organisations and their stakeholders.

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PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR

The principal activity of the company is contributing to the development of effective reporting by assessing annual, sustainability and integrated reports and providing advice, education and training to persons who are involved in the preparation of such reports for an organisation to enable them to be more effective in informing the organisation's stakeholders and the public about the nature and scope of the organisation's activities and its performance and prospects.

This is achieved primarily by conducting annual Awards for Excellence in annual, sustainability and integrated reporting.

The Awards process includes: preparing and promulgating guidelines (criteria) for preparing annual, sustainability and integrated reports; adjudication of annual, sustainability and integrated reports and recognising reports that meet the criteria with an award; conducting an annual educative Seminar on Reporting; and providing constructive advice via feedback sessions to those who enter the Awards.

During the year, the 'best-practice' criteria for the ARA General Award were thoroughly reviewed and updated, and a comprehensive 'Practical Guide for the Preparation of Annual Reports' was prepared and published on the ARA website. The criteria and the Guide are freely available at no cost.

There was a small increase in the number of entries in the General Award in 2020 compared to 2019 (from 219 to 229), a substantial increase in entries for the Sustainability Award (from 34 to 44) and a drop in Special Award entries (from 114 to 104). The increase in entries, along with a small increase in entry fees, resulted in an increase in entry income from \$128,917 in 2019 to \$141,335 in 2020.

Levels of participation in the Awards and Awards presented from 2014 to 2020.

Number of Entries	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
General Award	202	214	213	205	219	219	229
Special Awards	140	130	142	116	119	114	104
Sustainability Award #						34	31
Total Sustainability & Special Awards #	140	130	142	116	119	148	135

In 2019 the Sustainability Reporting Award was changed from Special Award to a graduated award with Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards and a Report of the Year Award.

Number of Awards	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Gold Award	39	45	46	50	57	66	69
Silver Award	66	80	79	74	82	69	68
Bronze Award	61	54	47	58	50	48	59
Nil Award	36	35	41	23	30	36	33

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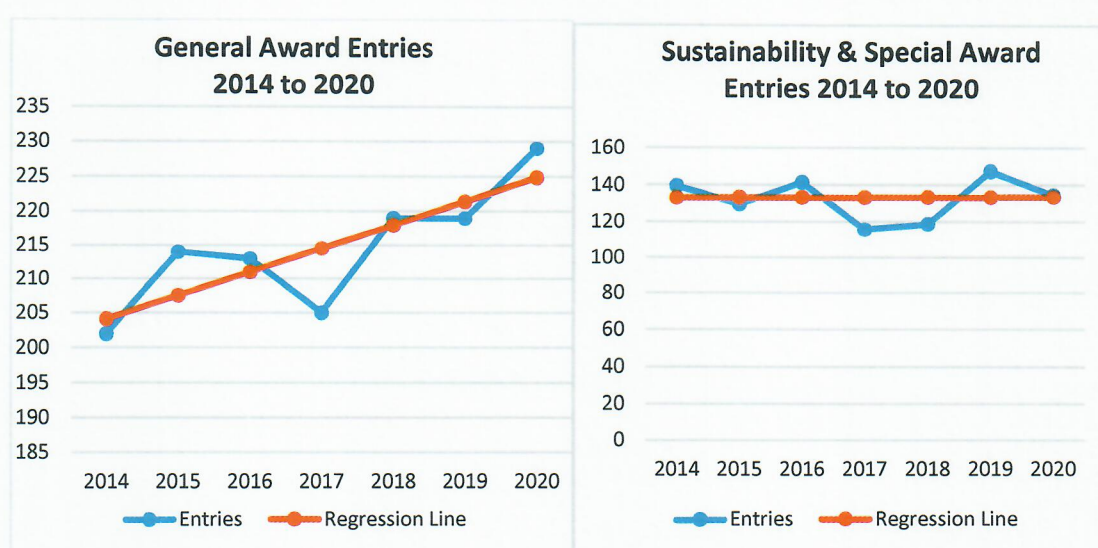
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Number of Awards as Percentage of Entrants 2014 to 2020

Awards	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average %
Gold	19.3	21.0	21.6	24.4	26.0	30.1	30.1	24.7
Silver	32.7	37.4	37.1	36.1	37.4	31.5	29.3	34.5
Bronze	30.2	25.2	22.1	28.3	22.8	21.9	26.2	25.2
Nil	17.8	16.4	19.2	11.2	13.7	16.4	14.4	15.6

ANALYSIS OF TRENDS: ENTRANTS

The regression trend lines in the following charts are least squares best fits to the data above.



General Awards: The trend line indicates a small but steady increase in entries over the past seven years with some year to year variations of up to 10. 2017 seems an abnormal year.

Special Awards (inc. Sustainability): The trend line indicates no increase in entries over the past seven years but year to year variations of up to 10.

Growth in Online Reports

Over the seven-year period from 2014 to 2020 the number of online reports entered in the General Award has increased from 28 (14% of total entries) to 188 (52% of total entries).

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Online Reports	28	41	43	57	68	99	118
Total Entries	202	214	213	205	219	219	229
% Online	14	19	20	28	31	45	52

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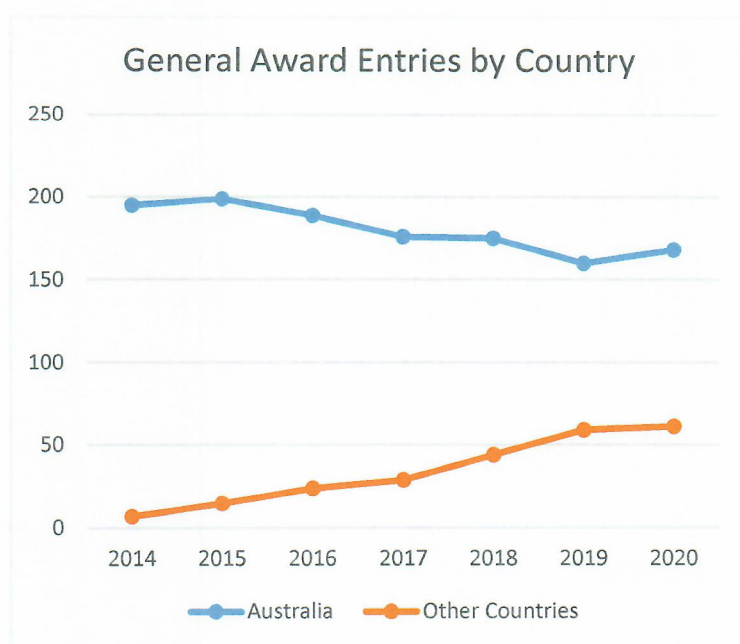
SOURCES OF ENTRIES

Over the period from 2014 to 2020 there has been a substantial increase in entries from countries outside Australia, particularly from New Zealand, Malaysia, and Hong Kong.

The following table and chart respectively detail the entries in the General Award by country over the past seven years and illustrate the increase in entries from other countries from 7 to 61 (from 3.5% to 26.6% of the total) and the decline in Australian entries from 195 to 168 (from 96.6% to 73.6% of the total).

General Award Entries by Country

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Australia	195	199	189	176	175	160	168
Other Countries							
New Zealand	6	13	18	17	25	25	27
Malaysia			4	7	17	28	22
Hong Kong	1	1	1	1	1	3	11
Russia			1	2	1	1	
Indonesia				1		2	1
India		1					
PNG				1			
Sri Lanka					1		
Total Other Countries	7	15	24	29	44	59	61
Total Entries	202	214	213	205	219	219	229
% Other Countries	3.5	7.0	11.3	14.1	20.1	26.9	26.6



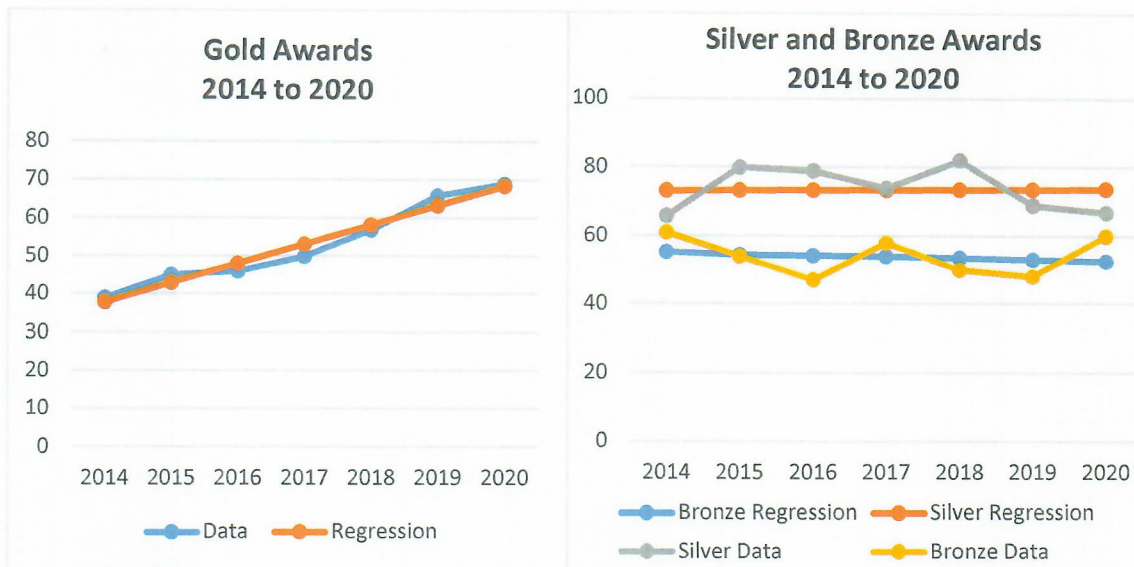
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ANALYSIS OF TRENDS: AWARDS

Trend analyses of the numbers of Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards presented each year from 2014 to 2020 are provided via the regression lines in the following charts.

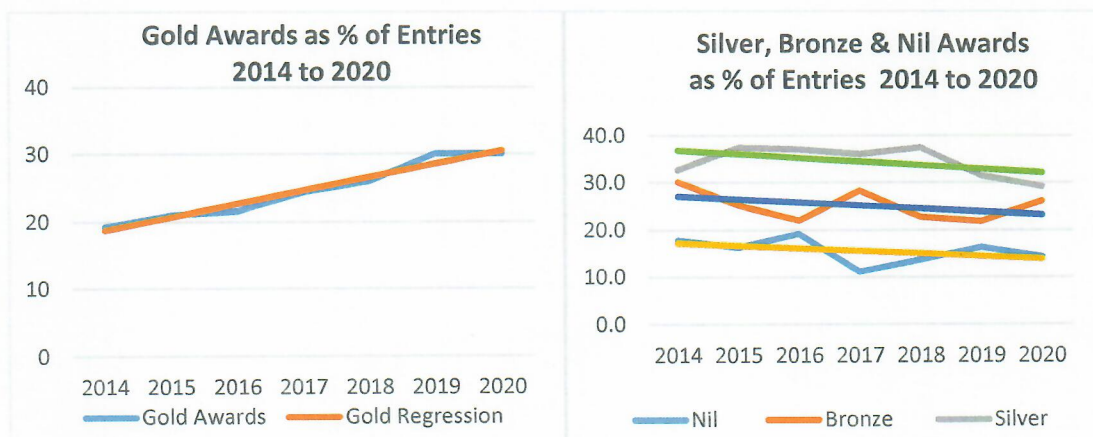


Gold Awards: From 2014 to 2020 the number of Gold Awards per each year has increased steadily from 39 to 69 with an average annual increase of five. (19.3 to 30.1 % of entrants)

Silver and Bronze Awards: The regression lines in the chart above show significant variations in award numbers from one year to the next over the period but no long-term trends.

Notably the variations of Silver and Bronze data points for each year from the respective regression lines mirror one another. These variations may be attributed to both the churn in entries from year to year and changes of in the level of award level for some entrants.

The steady increase in Gold Awards and accompanying small decreases in Silver, Bronze and Nil Awards (offsetting the increase in Gold Awards) are indicated in the following charts of numbers of Awards as a percentage of the number of entries in the general award.



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SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT

Two new sponsors were acquired during the year and none were lost. The Governance Institute of Australia, a former sponsor, returned to sponsor the Governance Reporting Award. Copyright Agency volunteered to move to sponsor the Communication Award to facilitate this change. Design Davey, former sponsor of the Award for the Best Cover Design, returned to sponsor that Award. Work continues to secure a Principal Sponsor for ARA.

IMPACTS OF COVID-19

The Awards adjudication process was largely completed prior to the Covid-19 shutdown and was unaffected but the annual ARA Awards Presentation Dinner and Seminar on Reporting events which were to be held in June at the Sheraton Grand Hyde Park Sydney had to be cancelled.

Instead, two virtual events with pre-recorded content were prepared and presented online via the ARA website. This enabled the events to be viewed 'on-demand' over an extended period. The Announcement of Results of the 2020 Awards with participation of ARA directors and sponsor representatives as presenters was presented on 24 June. This was a free event and was well-attended.

The Seminar on Reporting involved excellent presentations by both invited speakers and ARA Coordinators. ARA directors and sponsor representatives also participated to introduce speakers and lead Q&A sessions. A fee was charged for the Seminar to recoup some of the costs of video recording and event production. Although the fee was substantially less than the fee normally charged for the annual face-to-face Seminar participation was disappointing but predictable because Seminar attendance is normally linked to attendance at the Awards Dinner.

An arrangement has been reached with the Sheraton Grand whereby it will hold the ARA venue booking deposit and the 2021 ARA events would be held at the Sheraton Grand on 30 and 31 August 2021 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract for the 2020 events at no additional cost.

Due to the cancellation of the ARA Awards Dinner and Seminar participant fee income was lost and event expenses were not incurred. As the costs of these events are normally not fully covered by fee income the financial impacts of Covid-19 were an operating profit for the year and an increase in net assets.

From March 2020 all meetings of Directors, Coordinators and Adjudicators were held electronically by Zoom. Due to the impacts of Covid-19 which necessitated substantial adjustments to ARA operations a total of 11 Board meetings were held during the 2019-2020 year instead of the usual four or five.

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HOW THE COMPANY MEASURES ITS PERFORMANCE INCLUDING KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

Governance:	Regular self-evaluation by the Board of its performance, and of the company's structure and operations, to ensure continuous improvement in its governance.
ARA Criteria:	Ensuring the company's publications continually promote national and international good practice performance reporting criteria for annual, sustainability and integrated reports.
Marketing:	Ensuring the company's services are promptly and effectively marketed to previous entrants and potential new entrant organisations in Australia, New Zealand, and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region with the number of entrants being a KPI.
Awards:	Continuous improvement in the number and quality of Gold, Silver, and Bronze Awards, and Special Awards each year with the number of awards and finalists being KPIs.
Adjudicators:	Continuous improvement in the services provided by Adjudicators each year, especially in the number and quality of feedback sessions provided with the retention rate of Adjudicators being a KPI.
Education:	Ensuring that educational seminars and training sessions adequately cover current developments in best practices for annual, sustainability and integrated reporting with the number of attendees being a KPI.
Finance:	To remain financially sustainable by retaining sufficient cash funds with the level of sponsorship being a KPI.
Communication:	Ensuring timely and effective communication of relevant information to stakeholders with performance against planning schedule being a KPI.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

DIRECTORS:

The names of each person who was a Director at any time during or since the end of the financial year and the period for which the person was a Director are:

(All were Directors from 1 October 2019 to the date of this report unless indicated otherwise)

Chair	Suresh Cuganesan	Resigned 9 November 2020
Director	Ray Lane	
Director	Linda Stoneman	Resigned 13 July 2020
Director	Stephen Varady	
Director	Sylvia Bell	
Director	Andrew Crawford	
Director	Dr Maria Balatbat	
Director	Belinda Dimovski	Appointed 9 December 2019
Director	Bronwyn Wellings	Appointed 14 September 2020

Company Secretary

Ray Lane was Company Secretary throughout this period.

Directors qualifications, special responsibilities, and experience:

Name & Special Responsibilities	Qualifications	Principal Expertise and Experience
Suresh Cuganesan Chair of the Board	BCom(Hons), MCom(Hons) PhD, FCPA	Strategy, Finance, Governance, Performance Reporting
Linda Stoneman	GradDip(Mgmt.), MBA, MAICD	Corporate Planning, Organisational Improvement
Ray Lane Company Secretary	BCom, MPublicAdmin, FIPAA, FAICD, MIIA	Governance, Assurance, Risk Management Public Administration
Stephen Varady CSM Chair, Awards Committee	GradCert (Public Sector Mgt) MA(Public Sector Leadership)	Strategic Planning, Performance, Public Sector Management
Sylvia Bell	BSc, MA(Commn), GAICD	Strategy, Corporate Communications, Public Sector Management
Andrew Crawford	FAICD, PCPA, MACS CP	Performance Measurement Strategy Execution, Project Management
Dr Maria Balatbat	BSc (Com), M(Com), PhD, FCPA, CA	Corporate, Sustainability and Integrated Reporting. Environmental Accounting
Belinda Dimovski	BSc (Maths), CCXP, MAICD	Digital Transformation, Customer Experience
Bronwyn Wellings	BEC, FCPA, FFTP, GAICD	Marketing Finance, Strategic Planning, Risk Management

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Meetings of Directors

During the reporting period, six meetings of Directors were held. Directors' attendances were:

	<u>Number eligible to attend</u>	<u>Number attended</u>
Suresh Cuganesan	11	11
Ray Lane	11	11
Linda Stoneman	10	10
Stephen Varady	11	11
Sylvia Bell	11	9
Andrew Crawford	11	7
Maria Balatbat	11	9
Belinda Dimovski	10	9
Bronwyn Wellings	1	1

Membership of the company

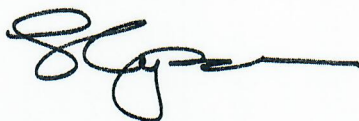
The company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, the constitution states each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity.

At 30 September 2020 there were 11 members of the company and the total amount members are liable to contribute if the company is wound up is \$110.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The auditor's independence declaration for the reporting year ended 30 September 2019 has been received and is attached on page 11 and forms part of this Directors' Report in accordance with section 298(1AB) (b) of the Corporations Act 2001.

In accordance with section 298(2) of the Corporations Act, signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



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Suresh Cuganesan
Chair

Dated at Sydney this 9th day of November 2020

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**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER S 307C OF
THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF
AUSTRALASIAN REPORTING AWARDS LIMITED**

In accordance with S 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited. As the lead audit director for the review of the financial report of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited for the year ended 30 September 2020, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- i. The auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- ii. Any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

Trood Pratt Audit & Assurance Services Pty Ltd
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Director

Dated at Sydney this *2nd* day of November 2020

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 30 September 2020

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Revenue	228,707	283,855
Feedbacks: Payments to Adjudicators	(16,724)	(20,752)
Administration services fees	(137,496)	(137,496)
Awards dinner, seminar, and feedback expenses	(16,780)	(88,975)
Postage and couriers	(6,540)	(7,045)
Other expenses	(25,704)	(41,717)
Current year surplus/(deficit) before income tax	25,463	(12,130)
Income tax expense	-	-
Current year surplus/(deficit)	25,463	(12,130)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive surplus/(deficit) for the year	25,463	(12,130)

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

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Statement of Financial Position as at 30 September 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		\$	\$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		92,499	99,542
Accounts receivable and other debtors		<u>37,785</u>	<u>5,279</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>130,284</u>	<u>104,821</u>
Total Assets		<u>130,284</u>	<u>104,821</u>
Net Assets		<u>130,284</u>	<u>104,821</u>
Equity			
Retained Surplus		<u>130,284</u>	<u>104,821</u>
		<u>130,284</u>	<u>104,821</u>

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 30 September 2020

	Accumulated Funds
	<u>\$</u>
Balance at 1 October 2018	116,951
Deficit for the year	<u>(12,130)</u>
Total comprehensive deficit	<u>(12,130)</u>
Balance at 30 September 2019	<u>104,821</u>
Surplus for the year	<u>25,463</u>
Total comprehensive income	<u>130,284</u>
Balance at 30 September 2020	<u>130,284</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 30 September 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from contractors		194,674	281,464
Payments to suppliers and contractors		(203,244)	(295,985)
Interest received		1,527	1,531
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(7,043)</u>	<u>(12,990)</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held		(7,043)	(12,990)
Cash at beginning of the financial year		<u>99,542</u>	<u>112,532</u>
Cash at end of the financial year		<u>92,499</u>	<u>99,542</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30 September 2020

Note 1 – 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 general purpose financial statements. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with ASRE 2415: Review of a Financial Report – Company Limited by Guarantee, 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 members. Such accounting policies are consistent with those of previous periods unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on a cash basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 9th November 2020 by the directors of the company.

Accounting Policies

(a) Income Tax

The income tax expense (income) for the year comprises current income tax expense (income). The company does not recognise deferred tax assets or liabilities.

Current income tax expense charged to profit or loss is the tax payable on taxable income and is measured at the amounts expected to be paid to (recovered from) the relevant taxation authority.

(b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

(c) Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Grant and donation income are recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds which is generally at the time of receipt.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(d) 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).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Note 2: Profit before income tax		
a. Expenses		
Audit/review fees	3,725	3,725
Audit – other services	-	1,000
Administration service fees	137,496	137,496
Awards dinner, seminar, and feedback expenses	16,780	86,645
b. Significant revenue		
The following significant revenue items are relevant in explaining the financial performance:		
Awards presentation dinner	-	44,743
Entry fees	141,335	128,917
Feedback fees	28,977	35,168
Seminar fees	5,868	26,496
Sponsorship	51,000	47,000

Note 3: Events After the End of the Reporting Period

The directors are not aware of any significant events since the end of the reporting period.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30 September 2020

Note 4: Entity details

The registered office and the principal place of business is:

Australasian Reporting Awards Limited
Suite 1, 44 Bridge Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Note 5 – COVID-19

In early 2020 the company experienced a significant business interruption with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. As the Federal and State Governments' responses to the pandemic developed, the company experienced the following key impacts to its business:

- forced cancellation of the awards dinner and annual seminar
- a virtual seminar presented online was poorly attended.

There remains ongoing uncertainty in relation to the market and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board seek to mitigate this uncertainty through a robust governance framework for the monitoring and implementation of Government guidelines in relation to the pandemic.

As at the date on which this set of financial statements are authorised for issue the company is not aware of any material adverse effects on the financial statements as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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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:

1. The financial statements and notes as set out on pages 9 to 16 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and:
 - (a) comply with the Accounting Standards applicable to the company; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 September 2020 and of the performance of the company for the year ended on that date in accordance with the Accounting Policies described in Note 1 of the financial statements.
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.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors made pursuant to section 295(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors:



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Suresh Cuganesan
Chair

Dated at Sydney this 9th day of November 2020

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Independent Auditor's Review Report to the Members of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited

Report on the Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying financial report of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited (the company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2020, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, 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 in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Act 2001 and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2415: Review of a Financial Report- Company Limited by Guarantee, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including: giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 September 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001. ASRE 2415 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the review of the financial report.

A review of the financial report consists of making enquires, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

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Independent Auditor's Review Report to the Members of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited (Continued)

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporation Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, which has been given to the directors of the company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of the auditor's review report.

Conclusion

Based on the review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report of the company is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including:

- a. giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 September 2020 and of its performance for the period ended on that date; and
- b. complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulation 2001.

COVID-19

We refer to Note 5 of the financial report which describes the impact of the outbreak of COVID-19. Our report is not modified in respect of this matter.

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to 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.

Trood Pratt Audit & Assurance Services Pty Ltd

TROOD PRATT AUDIT AND ASSURANCE SERVICES PTY LTD

A. Spratt

A J SPRATT

Director

Dated at Sydney this ~~11th~~ day of November 2020

AUSTRALASIAN REPORTING AWARDS LIMITED

ABN 11 145 956 172

COMPILATION REPORT

On the basis of information provided by the directors of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited, we have compiled, in accordance with APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information, the Detailed Income Statement of Australasian Reporting Awards Limited for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The specific purpose for which the Detailed Income Statement has been prepared is to provide information to the directors.

To the extent permitted by law, we do not accept liability for any loss or damage, which any person, other than the company, may suffer arising from any negligence on our part.

The Detailed Income Statement was prepared for the benefit of the company and its members, and the purpose identified above. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the Detailed Income Statement.

Trood Pratt Audit & Assurance Services Pty Ltd

TROOD PRATT AUDIT AND ASSURANCE SERVICES PTY LTD

A. Spratt

A J SPRATT

Director

Dated at Sydney this ~~14th~~ day of November 2020

AUSTRALASIAN REPORTING AWARDS LIMITED

ABN 11 145 956 172

Detailed Profit and Loss Statement For the Year Ended 30 September 2020

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Income		
Interest received	1,527	1,531
Awards presentation dinner #	-	44,743
Duplicate certificate fees	-	654
Entry fees	141,335	128,917
Feedback fees	28,977	35,168
Seminar fees #	5,868	26,496
Sponsorship	51,000	47,000
Total Income	<u>228,707</u>	<u>283,855</u>
Expenses		
Audit/review fees	3,725	3,725
Audit – other services	-	1,000
Accounting - in house	190	360
Feedbacks: Payments to Adjudicators	16,724	20,752
Administration services fees	137,496	137,496
Awards dinner, seminar, and feedback expenses #	16,780	86,645
Bank charges	1,850	2,412
Board meeting expenses	636	629
Certificates and trophies	879	9,384
Co-ordinators expenses	669	2,343
Directors expenses	3,802	9,064
Handbook	1,430	-
Marketing and Promotion	4,876	7,191
Online payments system	505	597
Insurance	3,835	3,717
Postage and couriers	6,540	7,045
Printing and stationery	210	1,030
Website and IT expenditure	2,937	140
Filing fee	160	195
Total Expenses	<u>203,244</u>	<u>295,985</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>25,463</u>	<u>(12,130)</u>

Due to COVID-19 the 2020 awards dinner and seminar were cancelled and replaced by virtual events.