

Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc

ABN: 53409718351

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023

Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc

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Statement of profit or loss

For the year ended 31 December 2023

Description	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Project and Grants	<u>Various Classes</u>		
Specific purpose donation and grants		4,565,138	3,314,328
Gross Project and Grant income		4,565,138	3,314,328
Total Project Expenses	4	4,565,138	3,314,328
Net Project and Grants			
Fundraising	<u>AMCS core</u>		
Business partners/supporters		275,195	202,270
General purpose donations		3,303,810	2,841,846
Membership fees & turning the tide		33,785	56,543
Merchandise		116,395	80,778
Sundry		290,114	131,818
Gross Fundraising income		4,019,299	3,313,254
Total Fundraising expenses	5	741,909	603,773
Net Fundraising		3,277,390	2,709,481
Other income			
Interest Received		49,989	19,745
NT DEPWS Funding		30,000	30,000
Net Other income		79,989	49,745
Total Direct Income		3,357,379	2,759,225
Operating Expenses	6	3,272,416	2,542,095
Total Comprehensive Income		84,963	217,131

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of financial position

As at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	2,375,661	5,377,891
Trade and other receivables	8	343,003	17,980
Inventories		32,863	27,433
Term Deposits - BENDIGO		5,000,000	-
Total current assets		7,751,527	5,423,304
Non-current assets			
Bond	8	10,028	10,028
Total non-current assets		10,028	10,028
Total assets		7,761,555	5,433,332
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	78,247	89,090
Borrowings		(26,315)	(21,578)
Employee benefits	12	160,603	83,670
Contract liabilities	10	6,378,613	4,196,706
Total current liabilities		6,591,148	4,347,888
Non-current liabilities		-	-
Total non-current liabilities		-	-
Total liabilities		6,591,148	4,347,888
Net assets		1,170,407	1,085,444
Equity			
Retained earnings		1,170,407	1,085,444

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Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Retained earnings
	\$
2022	
Opening balance	868,313
Profit for the year	217,131
Closing balance	1,085,444
2023	
Opening balance	1,085,444
Profit for the year	84,963
Closing balance	1,170,407

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Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Project and grants - Receipts	4,240,115	3,319,795
Project and grants - Payments	(4,509,213)	(3,398,567)
Project and grants - Income carried forward	2,181,907	(717,682)
AMCS Core - Receipts	4,049,300	3,343,254
AMCS Core - Payment	(4,014,328)	(3,145,868)
Interest received	49,989	19,745
Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities	1,997,770	(579,323)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Investment in term deposits	(5,000,000)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	(5,000,000)	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(3,002,230)	(579,323)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	5,377,891	5,957,214
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	2,375,661	5,377,891

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Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023

1. Introduction

The financial report covers Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc as an individual entity. Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc is a not-for-profit Entity, registered and domiciled in Australia.

The financial report was authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of members, on the date of signing report.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

2. Basis of preparation

In the opinion of those charged with governance, the Entity is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and Accounting Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, AASB 107 *Statement of Cash Flows*, AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors* and AASB 1054 *Australian Additional Disclosures*.

The financial statements and material accounting policies all comply with the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

3. Summary of significant accounting policies

a. Income tax

The entity is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

b. Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

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3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

c. Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the Statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

d. Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the entity determines whether there is evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

Where an indicator exists and regardless for indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss.

e. Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on a specific identification basis and include direct costs and appropriate overheads, if any.

f. Revenue

If conditions are attached to a grant or donation which at balance date have not been satisfied, the association recognises the unsatisfied as a liability. Grant revenue and donations for which all conditions have been satisfied are recognised as income.

Grants and donations without conditions are recognised as revenue when received.

Interest income is recognised on receipt.

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3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

f. Revenue (continued)

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon delivery of good to customers.

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

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

g. Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the committee to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from those assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows which will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

h. Depreciation

The depreciation amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over their useful lives commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

i. Provisions

Provision are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provision recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

j. Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less an allowance for any collectable amounts.

Collectability of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off. A provision for doubtful receivables is carried on a forward-looking basis under the expected credit losses methodology of AASB 9.

k. Trade and other payables

Account payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for good and services provided to the entity prior to the end of the financial year which are unpaid. Trade and other payables are presented as current liabilities unless payment is not due within 12 months from the reporting date.

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3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

I. Comparative figures

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

4. Project expenses

Project expenses	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Co-Ordinator and project officers	1,847,960	1,234,058
Postage, printing & stationery	79,342	43,130
Project expenses	2,426,724	1,914,468
Telephone and internet	3,180	3,155
Travel and Conference expenses	207,932	119,516
Total Project expenses	4,565,138	3,314,328

5. Fundraising expenses

Fundraising expenses	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Appeals	143,571	134,956
Bequest	26,336	13,885
Donor acquisition	47,496	44,466
Merchandise	68,674	63,559
Wages & Superannuation	455,832	346,908
Total Fundraising expenses	741,909	603,773

6. Operating expenses

Employee related expenses	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Superannuation contributions	241,162	180,132
Travelling & conferences	89,127	87,668
Other employee expenses	119,414	96,449
Wages	1,823,628	1,423,380
Workcover	4,041	
Total Employee related expenses	2,277,372	1,787,629

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6. Operating expenses (continued)

Occupancy expenses	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Electricity	1,388	1,162
Insurance	10,035	9,017
Rent	84,121	70,450
Repairs, maintenance & sundry expenses	13,437	9,879
Total Occupancy expenses	108,981	90,508

Office overheads	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Magazine expenses	49,878	55,196
Supporter care	12,042	24,930
Audit fee	2,800	2,800
Bank charges and interest	29,535	31,209
Board expenses	6,564	5,865
Communication expenses	52,267	117,748
Website, database & IT expenses	648,469	260,221
Printing, postage & stationery	10,645	22,252
Professional fees	45,134	106,508
Subscriptions	19,947	21,482
Telephone & internet	8,785	6,466
Sundry expenses		9,280
Total Office overheads	886,066	663,957

7. Cash and cash equivalents

a. Accounting policy

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Short-investments are investments with original maturities of three months or less qualify under that definition. Investments with maturities over this period are set out in note 9.

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7. Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

b. Cash and cash equivalent details

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	2,375,661	5,377,891

8. Trade and other receivables

Current	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Trade receivables	341,015	17,820
Other trade and other receivables	1,988	160
	343,003	17,980

Non-current	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Bond	10,028	10,028

9. Other financial assets

Current	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Term Deposits - BENDIGO	5,000,000	-

10. Contract balances

The entity has recognised the following contract assets and liabilities:

Current contract liabilities	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Project and grants - income carried forward	6,378,613	4,196,706

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11. Trade and other payables

Current	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Trade payables		
Accounts Payable	72,683	125,335
GST payable	(103,853)	(111,752)
Employee benefits		
Payroll Liabilities	69,759	50,377
Superannuation Payable	39,658	25,130
Total Employee benefits	109,417	75,507
	78,247	89,090

12. Employee benefits

a. Accounting policy

Sick leave is non-vesting and no provision has been made.

Employee benefits expected to be settled more than one year after the end of the reporting period have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may satisfy vesting requirements. Changes in the measurement of the liability are recognised in profit or loss.

i. Defined contribution schemes

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss in the periods in which services are provided by employees.

b. Employee benefit details

Current	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Provision Long Service and Annual Leave	160,603	83,670

13. Key management personnel disclosures

Key management personnel are those people having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc.

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13. Key management personnel disclosures (continued)

All board members perform their duties in a voluntary capacity, and as such, no remuneration was payable nor was any paid to them. However, they may be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred attending AMCS business.

Other key management personnel comprise the executive management who are responsible to Board and for planning and directing AMCS activities. Members of the executive during the financial year were the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Campaigns, Director of Communications, Director of Fundraising and Director of Operations.

Other key management personnel compensation (remuneration and superannuation) comprises:

Description	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Total remuneration paid (\$)	671,732	365,899
Number of key management personnel	5	3

14. Related parties

Parent entity

Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc is the parent entity.

Key management personnel

Disclosure relating to key management personnel are set out in note 13.

Receivable from and payable to related parties

There were no trade receivables from or trade payables to related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

Loan to/from related parties

There were no loans to or from related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

Terms and conditions

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

15. Capital management

Management controls the capital of the entity to ensure that within tolerable risk parameters, adequate cash flows are generated to fund its programs and that returns from investments are maximised. The finance committee ensures that the overall risk management strategy is in line with this objective.

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15. Capital management (continued)

Risk management policies are approved and reviewed by the committee on a regular basis.

The Audit and Risk Committee (a board sub-committee) monitors and manages risk framework including fraud risk. Financial management policies are implemented across organisation.

There have been no changes to the strategy adopted by management to control the capital of the entity since the previous year.

16. Cash flow information

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Profit for the year	84,963	217,131
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(increase) / decrease in receivables	(325,023)	5,467
(increase) / decrease in inventories	(5,430)	(11,331)
increase / (decrease) in payables	(15,580)	(75,900)
increase / (decrease) in employee benefits	76,933	2,992
increase / (decrease) in contract liabilities	2,181,907	(717,682)
Cash flows from operations	1,997,770	(579,323)

17. Contingencies

In the opinion of the committee, the entity did not have any contingencies at 2023 (2022: None).

18. Events occurring after the 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 entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the entity in future financial years.

19. Statutory information

The registered office and principal place of business of the entity is:

Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc
Level 1, 145 Melbourne Street,
South Brisbane, 4101 QLD Australia

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Responsible persons' declaration

The responsible persons declare that in the responsible persons' opinion:

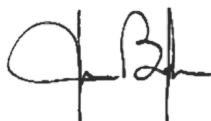
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and
- the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013*.



Penelope Figgis
President

Dated: 27/03/2024



John Baglow
Treasurer



**Independent Auditor's Report
To the members of Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc**

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc (the Entity), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the statement by members of the committee.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at 31 December 2023, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 2 of the Financial Statement, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Australian Marine Conservation Society Inc to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Act 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Other Information

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Entity's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2023, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report the fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternatives but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

[A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>. This description forms part of the auditor's report.]

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