





CHAIRPERSON'S Report

After 13 years on the Board of Rebound WA this is my final year and my final report as Chairperson. It has been such a pleasure. I have loved being involved and I will remain a passionate member and supporter for the rest of my life.

But after 13 years, it is time for me to step down and make room for fresh voices on our Board.

As I reflect on the past 13 years, our Association has come a very long way. From a single focus on sport, we have evolved into a broader, even more inclusive organisation.

I am proud that while we have retained our strong focus on sport for the physically disabled we have added a new emphasis on active recreation and new pursuits.

Over the past year we have focused on providing new experiences for our members, such as abseiling and skydiving as well as new sports such as Wheelchair AFL & Paradance. In all of these activities we rely heavily on passionate individuals and teams to turn up and turn out.

In the coming year, we are focused on expanding our message, stories and successes to the wider community of Western Australia. We will also increase our focus on peer support and community building for our members.

I would like to thank my fellow Board Members, John Driscoll, Justin Eveson, Scott Mison and Simon Hardbottle for their dedication, hard work and good counsel.

As always, I am thankful of the effort, support and contributions of our staff and volunteers who make this Charity vibrant and active. Our Programs team and volunteers are the reason our programs are so successful. From Whiz Kids and Spinners to Camps, Recreation and Sports, your support and effort is essential.

As we move into a new year and a new phase, I urge all of our Members and supporters to continue to support Rebound WA and the work we do, to advocate for us and to help us secure the future of our Charity.

Elizabeth Woods
Chairperson

CEO'S Report

In keeping with our name Rebound WA is committed to providing our members more recreational and community building opportunities alongside our traditional sports offering.

As such, this year, we have worked hard to create new avenues for our members to express their artistic side. We have worked alongside our partners Ballroom Fit to introduce and nurture Paradance. This new sport has been widely accepted by our members and they have enjoyed expressing themselves through a new avenue.

We also ran a successful come and try day for another new sport, Wheelchair AFL, with the support of the Perth Football Club. It is a fast and exciting sport and the ball has an unpredictable bounce! Players adapted quickly to the rules and it seems to have enormous potential for growth.

We also continue to build capacity in our traditional sports. It is fantastic to see Wheelchair Basketball grow and flourish under the care of Basketball WA. We have now finalised the transition of both the Wheelcats and Western Stars Wheelchair Basketball teams to Basketball WA. This year we will be working to transition the Black Ducks Junior Team to their care as well. Wheelchair Basketball in WA has an exciting future.

And Wheelchair Rugby is developing apace. Through the great work of our volunteers and supporters we have built regular attendance up to very strong levels. And through the support of the Federal Government we have five new Rugby Wheelchairs for new and ongoing members to use.

This is the first purchase of new Rugby Wheelchairs in many decades. It is a welcome and necessary boost to our program and will assist us as we drive further growth in participation and competition over the next 12 months.



In order for us to continue effectively run our programs and provide our services to our members, we also need to ensure that our revenue remains strong. This year we have been assertive with our traditional fundraising areas such as Raffle Tickets, Wheelchair Challenge and Corporate Golf Day. We have also explored new opportunities with Skydiving and Corporate Basketball Days.

One of the renewed initiatives this year to raise the profile of our work was the Rottneest Channel Swim. After a gap of almost ten years, in February we again entered a team of four swimmers to complete this gruelling event. Captained by returning swimmer Justin Eveson this team captured the imagination of the public and media of Western Australia and strongly highlighted the work we do and the efforts of our members.

We have an exciting year ahead. Rebound WA will continue to promote the stories and achievements of our members to the community of Western Australia.

Our aim is to continue lifting the profile of our work and our members, to increase our presence and increase our income in order to help even more people.

Simon Mead
CEO

Our ORGANISATION

Rebound WA is a charitable association assisting Western Australians living with physical disability to lead fuller, more active and more connected lives. Essentially we help people to rebound from adversity.

Our aim is to remove barriers – both physical and mental – so children and adults with physical disability can have the same participation opportunities as their able-bodied peers.



65%

REBOUND MEMBERS REFERRED FROM WA HOSPITALS

10%

AMPUTEE

25%

NEUROLOGICAL CONDITION



12%

OTHER

53%

SPINAL CORD INJURIES AND CONDITIONS

Why our work Matters

People with physical disability face many barriers – both internal and external.

When our members engage in sport and recreational activities they learn new skills, improve their confidence and resilience, make new friends and celebrate their achievements.

We work to help all our members become physically and mentally stronger.





ROOM FOR GROWTH

Difference in participation rates of physical activity.

People with disabilities

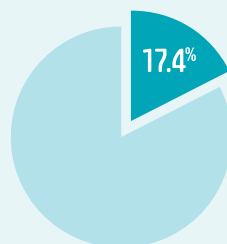
19.3% 71,529

People without disabilities

37.7% 476,592

Source ABS Disability, Ageing and Care Survey 2009 and ABS General Social Survey 2010

DISABILITY BREAKDOWN



ABS 2009 Disability, Ageing & Carers Australia

382,300

People with a disability in WA



How we engage with our community

Encouragement and Information

We help with advice and information on anything from equipment grants, to the accessibility of public facilities, to which sport or recreational activity may best suit them.

Sport and Recreation

We can provide information on a wide variety of accessible sporting and recreational activities. Whether our members are interested in joining a team sport for fun, fitness and friendship, learning a new recreational activity that helps with their rehabilitation, or aiming for the highest level of elite sport – we can help our members get there.

Advocacy and Education

We work collaboratively with sporting and recreational clubs and associations as well as community groups, to educate and advocate for inclusion and accessibility. To educate more people on what life is like with a physical disability we run educational experiences for schools, corporations and organisations.

Community

Rebound WA has an active community of members who offer peer support and mentoring to our members and their family. Someone who will understand what they face every day, and be able to provide advice and support.



We meet them at their most vulnerable

We introduce them to peer support

We get individuals back out there



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Our MEMBERS

Phil was just 22 when he took his last step.

After a car accident, Phil woke-up in hospital and was told that he would never walk again. It was just two days before his 23rd birthday.

“When I first had my accident, I didn’t have the motivation to get out of bed.”

“I found out about Rebound WA after 2 months in hospital. They organised a bus to take patients to go and try a few different sports.”

Phil’s world began to open up after he was introduced to an accessible range of recreational and sporting activities. Before long, he was a regular attendee at Tuesday night wheelchair basketball and weekend fishing trips. Phil gained the support of a community of Rebound WA members and his confidence began to grow.

“From there I realised I could actually do this. I deal with what I can control at the moment, and what will come, will come.”

Since joining Rebound WA, Phil has seized all opportunities and is now playing in the National Wheelchair Basketball League for the Perth Wheelcats.

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With five Australians sustaining a life-changing spinal injury every week, and a child born with cerebral palsy every 13 hours, there are still many people that need the support of Rebound WA.

Fortunately, Rebound WA was able to open possibilities for Phil. We need your help to continue enabling people with physical disabilities to lead fuller, healthier and more connected lives.

For Phil his story now continues in America. He was able to secure a sports scholarship at the University of Arizona as a result of his continued success and improvement in Wheelchair Basketball.

Our EVENTS

Rebound WA remains committed to our sporting roots whilst expanding the number of recreational activities we offer in our programs.

Wheelchair Dance Sport originated from Sweden in 1968. Since then, it's popularity has grown worldwide with the IPC Wheelchair Dance World Championship held once every two years.

"Dancesport is intense. It requires focus, persistence, patience, problem solving, physical and mental endurance and pushes participants into uncharted territory," explains Rebound WA member, Andrew Liddawi.

Wheelchair Dance Sport is an extremely elegant, graceful and stylish sport which involves athletes with a physical impairment that affects the lower limbs. Participants can compete as singles, duos or formations.

This year, Rebound helped create and nurture the Wheelchair Dance Sport program in Western Australia. With the introduction of this activity in our program, our members now have and added

outlet to express and showcase their emotional and creative side. This program has been popular amongst children as not all our young members are keen to pursue sports.

Our adult members have also taken a fondness to the program, as it allows them to bond and connect with their partners in a shared activity. Andrew Liddawi explains further, "I come from a cultural background that puts a strong emphasis on music and dancing to connect with family and friends but the more I tried to be a part of social dancing, the sadder I felt,"

"I never felt comfortable partaking in any professional classes until I found Para Dance lessons." he said.

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THANK YOU to our supporters

We would like to acknowledge and thank all our supporters and partners who have worked alongside Rebound WA to reinforce the services we provide to our members.

Without your support and belief in Rebound, we would struggle to make meaningful impact in the lives of our members. We look forward to ongoing collaboration and partnerships focused on delivering a better quality of life for our community.

In particular we'd like to take this opportunity to celebrate our new partnership with KBR. This year Rebound WA partnered with KBR to run an inaugural Wheelchair Basketball Tournament at Bendat Basketball Centre. The aims were to have fun and raise awareness, both of which were achieved. We look forward to continuing to work with KBR to raise the profile of our work in the construction, and civil and heavy engineering industry.

We would also like to thank the people of Western Australia for supporting us through our fundraising, donations, raffles and mail appeals.

- All participants of the Wheelchair Challenge
- All participants of the Charity Golf Day
- All participants of the Urban Descent
- All Saints College
- Brookfield
- Cottesloe Golf Club
- Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries
- Ductworx Pty Ltd
- Event Cinemas
- Federal Minister for Human Services, Michael Keenan
- Ferngrove
- Fleetwest
- Fremantle Sailing Club
- FTT group
- Hale School
- Harcourts Foundation
- Healthway
- KBR
- Lotterywest
- National Disability service
- Patersons Security
- PGA
- PWC
- Royal Perth Hospital
- Show West
- Site Sentry
- Telethon
- Telethon Community Cinemas
- The Honda Foundation
- The Stan Perron Charitable Trust
- Trevors Carpet
- United Way
- Westpac Foundation



Department of Sport and Recreation



Our PEOPLE

Our Board

Elizabeth Woods, Chairperson

Board member since 2005

Since 2000 Libby has served as Deputy Chief Magistrate for Western Australia, having previously worked in the Office of the Department of Public Prosecutions and Crown Law Department. She has a lifelong passion for sport and in particular basketball. Throughout her professional and voluntary roles, Libby has demonstrated high-level broad based management, communication, organisational and extensive community engagement skills.

John Driscoll, Vice Chairperson

Board member since 2013

John was the Chairperson and CEO of Marketforce from 2003 to 2017 after joining in 1989 as Group Media Director. John brings to the Board strong skills in the areas of business strategy and development, brand strategy, media strategy and campaign development.

Justin Eveson OAM, Secretary

Board member since 2012

Justin is a Primary School Teacher with a passion for increasing the level of physical activity in young people. Justin is a multiple Paralympian and a proud ambassador for the West Australian Disability Services Commission's Count Me In campaign. He also provides motivational and disability awareness speaking services to organisations and clubs.

Scott Mison, Treasurer

Board member since 2013

Scott is currently a director of various enterprises. Through his private company, Scott also provides corporate advisory services to private and public companies. With over 15 years in the finance industry working predominantly with public companies, Scott brings to the Board experience and knowledge in corporate compliance, finance, statutory financial reporting and shareholder/member communication.

Simon Hardbottle

Board member since 2016

Currently the Chief Information Officer for Programmed, Simon has previously held the roles of Executive General Manager Commercial and Finance for the Marine and Workforce divisions, along with commercial management and corporate finance roles. Simon is an experienced finance executive and brings to the Board valuable skills in achieving strategic and operational outcomes.

FINANCIALS

Statement of Financial Position

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
ASSETS		
Current assets	1,211	1,412
Non-current assets	2,747	2,615
Total Assets	3,958	4,027
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities	211	218
Non-current liabilities	12	8
Total liabilities	224	226
NET ASSETS	3,734	3,801
EQUITY		
Asset revaluation and capital reserves	209	167
Retained surplus	3,525	3,634
TOTAL EQUITY	3,734	3,801

Statement of Financial Performance

	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
INCOME		
Fundraising	342	350
Grants and sponsorship	312	346
Other income	330	302
Total income	984	998
EXPENDITURE		
Fundraising expenses	93	123
Employee entitlements	586	458
Programs, services and administration	415	469
Total expenditure	1,094	1,050
NET(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	(110)	(52)



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