



## ANNUAL REPORT 2018

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## OUR VISION, OUR MISSION, OUR IMPACT

Our **Vision** is a life after Stroke for everyone.

Our **Mission** is to provide every Stroke Survivor and Carer access to the information and peer support services they need to re-engage with their community.

Our **Impact** aim is to reach all Stroke Survivors and Carers transitioning from clinical care back to the community.

## ABOUT US

The Stroke Association of Victoria (SAV) is the only dedicated community-based support service for people re-entering their lives after having a Stroke. The SAV Board has developed a growth strategic plan focusing on a clear program pathway, informed by leading clinicians and of course, Stroke Survivors.

The 'Life After Stroke' Pathway delivers a range of support programs from the moment a Stroke Survivor leaves clinical care, through to meaningful engagement back into their community, including vocational opportunities. Programs that make up the Life After Stroke Pathway include Stroke Support Centres/Hubs, Peer Stroke Support Groups, Recovery Activities and Vocational Mentoring.

Our Stroke Support Centres/Hubs aim to bridge the gap from when a Stroke Survivor leaves clinical care to when they return home and are faced with the challenges of re-engaging with their community. Through effective connections with community, a supportive environment and personalised approach, we aim to assist each Stroke Survivor with their long-term recovery. We do this through non-clinical, community-based support and self-led recovery, incorporating leading practice in critical areas, including communication, mood, mobility and community engagement.

## OUR BOARD

Chairman	Mr Colin Scott
Vice-President	Brig. Bob Slater
Treasurer	Mr James Harkness
Secretary	Mr Scott Buchanan
Ordinary Board Members	Mrs Claire Greig
	Dr Carli Roulston
	Dr Wei-Peng Teo
	Mr Justin Wibrow
	Mr Philip Wilkins

## OUR PEOPLE

Executive Director (acting)  
Regional Development Manager  
Community Partnerships Officer  
Communications Officer  
Regional Coordinator – Barwon South West  
Engagement Officer – Barwon South West  
Regional Coordinators – Inner East  
Regional Coordinators – Loddon Mallee

James Garland  
Christine Donald  
Carly Stephens  
Paula Theocharides  
Sienna Posso  
Christine Balaam  
Maria Thommyppillai  
Tamara Lalor

## OUR SUPPORTERS



## GOVERNANCE: STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT

The Stroke Association of Victoria Inc. is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC).

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The year has seen a significant transformation in the structure of the Stroke Association of Victoria (SAV), including reform at Board level as a result of the implementation of the new Constitution. We have achieved most of the goals set at the beginning of the year and indeed those set out in the 3-year strategic plan that commenced in 2015. One of the most significant to the future direction of the SAV was finally receiving recognition and support from the State Government for our role in Stroke recovery.

During the year, we opened our third Community Stroke Support Centre in Bendigo. The Centre has received encouragement and strong support from the Head of Rehabilitation at Bendigo Health. We will now work with our partners – the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk, Bendigo Council and corporate stakeholders to develop a Community partnership to maintain the sustainability of the Centre.

The Finance Committee has actively worked with our Executive Director to structure our financial position and reporting in a more streamlined way to continue to meet our strategic plan. We are also planning for each Centre to be managed by a small management committee, which will report to the SAV Board and will provide oversight for the ongoing sustainability and daily operations. SAV will be involved in introducing programs and care support consistently across all Centres.

I would like to acknowledge the work of James Garland in arranging and attending many meetings with Members of Parliament, who are in key seats of regions that we are targeting to open new Centres. We have also had terrific support and guidance from Gabrielle Williams MP, Member for Dandenong and Parliamentary Secretary for Health, who visited Barwon Centre and provided introductions to Directors at the Department of Health and Human Services. The Board also employed an organisation to help research and prepare information to assist our case to Government. The cost of this was partly offset by the generous support of Penfold Mazda in Burwood and we also thank them for their contribution.

We also had contributions from a large number of people in the Geelong-Barwon region for the second annual Will2Walk event, which was a huge success, raising well over \$50,000. Massive credit must go to Board member, Claire Greig, for her tireless efforts. We are hoping the Will2Walk concept can become a regular fixture for all Centres as an option for long-term sustainability.

SAV has recently been notified by the Department of Health and Human Services that we will receive funds to open and staff a pilot Community Stroke Support Centre in Newport, as well as one attached to the Royal Park Rehabilitation Centre. We have also been allocated funds to conduct research and develop community engagement for a site in Shepparton.

This funding is a great opportunity to provide the State Government with evidence that the Community Stroke Support Centre Model is worthy of further funding for regions such as the Grampians (Ballarat) and Gippsland (Morwell/Cranbourne). There is still much work to do and we, your Board and staff, are committed to continue the fight for the Stroke community in Victoria.

In conjunction with Barwon Health and Deakin University, SAV has been strongly supported by AMP Foundation in developing the Stay at Work Initiative. AMP Foundation's support for this program has been invaluable in assisting a form of return to work for large numbers of Stroke Survivors in the Barwon Region. AMP Foundation are our biggest supporter and most involved partner and we can't thank them enough for their ongoing support and contribution.

However, having said this, there is still much to be done to encourage partnerships within community groups and to continue the development of Community Stroke Support Centres within all Victorian health regions. Whilst we are confident that the State Government will provide a level of support to assist with the roll out of the Centre Model over the next three years, we must also ensure that each Centre has appropriate community partnerships to fund the continuing operation of each site.

The focus of the SAV is always to provide Stroke Survivors and their Carers with access to services and advice, which enhance their physical and cognitive recovery. We are so fortunate to have on our Board, Dr Carli Roulston and Dr Wei-Peng Teo, from the Florey Institute and Deakin University respectively, who are educating our Board and staff on the recovery process in general and providing leadership into recovery-based programs, which will be rolled out across all our Centres.

I am so grateful for the support that I have received from the Board, including Deputy Chairman, Bob Slater, who has guided me and also provided numerous introductions to key contacts within Rotary and Melbourne University.

Finally, but most importantly, I would like to thank our dedicated staff and volunteers who have done the heavy lifting at the coal face to allow the Board to concentrate on the expansion of SAV and have been willing to donate extra time for the benefit of our Stroke Survivors and their Carers.

SAV exists to support all those affected by Stroke; our efforts continue to be inspired by their determination, resilience and courage.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT & AUDITOR'S REPORT

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## OUR NEWS OVER THE YEAR



Clare Gray with the Governor of Victoria,  
her Excellency, the Honourable  
Linda Dessau AC

The Premier's Volunteer Champions Awards celebrate and recognise the extraordinary contributions of all volunteers in Victoria. Clare Gray, Founder and retired Secretary of SAV, was awarded the esteemed award for leadership. Over the past 30+ years, Clare has assisted with the establishment of over 30 Peer Stroke Support Groups across Victoria. She developed the Association through effective governance and operational work over many years.

We thank Clare for her dedication, hard work and many years of service to SAV.

Colin Scott, SAV Chairman, Bob Slater, SAV Vice Chairman, and SAV team member, Carly Stephens, attended the Rotary District 9800 Conference in Warrnambool to promote the work of SAV and its Stroke Support Centres. They met and discussed with many interested Rotarians, the opportunity to expand the successful Stroke Support Centre model with increased financial support.

Special thanks are extended to Bob for his tireless work within Rotary in promoting SAV and gaining support, both financial and organisational.



Left to right: Neville John, Past District Governor & Member, Rotary Club of Central Melbourne;  
David Bourke, District Chair of Community Services & Member, Rotary Club of Keilor;  
Colin Scott, Chairman, SAV



## OUR NEWS OVER THE YEAR (continued)



Left to right: Gillian Simons, Lifetime Member & Volunteer, SAV; Clare Gray, Founder, SAV; John Harris, President, Cranbourne Stroke Support Group; Jude Perera MP, Labor Member for Cranbourne; James Garland, Acting Executive Director, SAV

The Cranbourne Stroke Support Group celebrated their 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. A group of 50 enjoyed the day and was made up of past and present members, along with Jude Perera MP, Labor Member for Cranbourne, who has provided vital assistance to the group over the years.

Special guests were Clare Gray and Gillian Simons, former SAV Board Members, who were instrumental in the group's establishment in 2003. Also, in attendance was James Garland, SAV Acting Executive Director.

The annual major fundraiser for our Barwon Stroke Support Centre, Will2Walk, was a great success this year, doubling last year's funds raised and topping over \$40,000!

Our amazing team of walkers completed a 20km walk from the Barwon Stroke Support Centre, Geelong, to Lake Lorne Reserve, Drysdale. We thank them for their commitment, hard work and passion to raise funds for the Barwon Centre.



2018 Will2Walk walkers

Also, a big thanks goes to The Whiskery / Bellarine Distillery, which hosted the Will2Walk fundraiser lunch following the walkers' completion of their walk. Special thanks to Allegro Live, Prestige Inhome Care, Staff Train and Recruit, Pepper Sprout Hire Co, Pot & Pan Culinary Tailoring, McHarry's Buslines and all our other amazing supporters; we couldn't have held such an amazing and successful event without them.



## OUR NEWS OVER THE YEAR (continued)



Left to right: Rodney Smith, Blokes with Strokes – Geelong (Barwon Stroke Support Centre);  
Dr Kate Hayward & Dr Carli Roulston, The Florey Institute of Neuroscience & Mental Health;  
Prof Philip Beart, The Florey Institute of Neuroscience & Mental Health, and Pharmacology, University of Melbourne;  
Dr Liam Johnson, Epworth HealthCare, and Australian Catholic University

Held during National Stroke Week, the SAV Annual Stroke Forum had more than 90 people attend the event, which was generously hosted by AMP Australia, at the Docklands.

The Stroke Forum brought together Stroke Survivors, Carers, Health Professionals and members of the general public to further educate and inform on the latest developments in Stroke Recovery.

SAV wanted to raise the awareness of Stroke in children and encourage Stroke Survivors who attended to feel motivated in their own recovery journey by hearing the stories shared by their fellow Stroke Survivors.

Three leading academics and researchers in the Stroke field; Dr Kate Hayward, Prof Philip Beart and Dr Liam Johnson shared their knowledge in the various areas of Stroke recovery, specifically upper limb recovery, nutrition for the brain and exercise for life after Stroke.

With thanks to our major partner, AMP Australia, for their continued support and once again hosting the Stroke Forum, our guest speakers for taking the time to share their knowledge and experience, and our Forum Sponsors; Graduate House, The Graduate Union of The University of Melbourne, Greig Design & Construction and Ripples on the Bay.



SAV Volunteers who were acknowledged at the Stroke Forum for their support, time and contribution to our Community.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are over 100,000 people living with the effects of Stroke in Victoria. Many would face the long road to recovery alone without the local community support provided by the Stroke Association of Victoria.

1) *Donate to the development of a Stroke Support Centre in your area!*

We aim to develop a Stroke Support Centre in every health region of Victoria as soon as we can. However, in order to set-up a centre and then maintain it with a paid Coordinator, it takes sustained funding and we will only achieve this through membership and donations. Visit: <http://www.strokeassociation.com.au/get-involved.html> (Scroll to the bottom of the webpage, click on the 'Donate' button and follow the prompts)

2) *Become a member:*

Please contact SAV at [info@strokeassociation.com.au](mailto:info@strokeassociation.com.au) to request a membership form. We also encourage you to take up membership with your local Peer Stroke Support Group if you have one.

3) *Become a volunteer:*

SAV is always seeking new potential volunteers to assist in our Stroke Support Centres, as well as for specific programs or projects. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer and have the necessary skills to play a part in the development of SAV, we want to hear from you! Please send details of your role preferences and biography or CV to SAV via email at [info@strokeassociation.com.au](mailto:info@strokeassociation.com.au)

4) *Leave a bequest:*

Nominating a gift in your Will to a charity is a great way of being able to leave a lasting legacy for a cause that you care about. If you would like to leave a legacy by making a gift in your Will to SAV and assist in making the dream of Stroke Support Centres a reality, we would like to honour you and your generosity in a way that it suits you. Please contact SAV via email at [info@strokeassociation.com.au](mailto:info@strokeassociation.com.au)

If you would like to include a gift in your Will to SAV, we recommend the following wording for your Legal Advisor's consideration:

"I give free of all taxes and duties \_\_\_\_% of my estate,  
or the residue of my estate (or \_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate),  
or the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_,  
or my units/shares in \_\_\_\_\_ Trust/Ltd,  
or my real property situated at [insert street address] having the title  
reference \_\_\_\_\_,  
to Stroke Association Victoria Inc, ABN 14524995815. The receipt of the Treasurer,  
Secretary or Public Officer is an absolute discharge to my Executor."

# APPENDIX

**Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.**  
**ABN 14 524 995 815**

**Financial Statements**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2018**

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**Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.**  
**ABN 14 524 995 815**

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**Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.**  
**ABN 14 524 995 815**

**Board Members' Report**

Your Board Members present this report on the association for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.  
Board Members

The names of the Board Members in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

Allan Gray (resigned 14 November 2017)  
Anita Roper (appointed 13 November 2018)  
Ann Waters (resigned 14 November 2017)  
Bob Slater  
Carli Roulston (appointed 14 November 2017)  
Claire Greig (appointed 14 November 2017)  
Colin Scott (appointed 14 November 2017)  
Jacky Douglas (resigned 14 November 2017)  
James Harkness (appointed 14 November 2017)  
Justin Wibrow (appointed 14 November 2017)  
Margaret Turner (appointed 13 November 2018)  
Peter Long (resigned 14 November 2017)  
Philip Wilkins  
Scott Buchanan (appointed 14 November 2017)  
Vivienne Harkness (resigned 14 November 2017)  
Wei-Ping Teo (appointed 14 November 2017)

Board Members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

**Operating Result**

The loss of the association for the financial year after providing for income tax amounted to:  
The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
(14,982.68)	(58,156.54)



**Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.**  
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Board Members' Report

**Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the association during the course of the year were the provision of support services to Stroke Survivors and their Carers.

**Significant Changes in the State of Affairs**

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

**After Balance Date Events**

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

**Future Developments**

The association expects to maintain the present status and level of operations but is currently seeking additional Government and corporate funding for the establishment of a number of new Stroke Support Hubs in strategically placed metropolitan and regional locations. In the event that additional funding is not forthcoming, we do not expect any other likely developments in the operations in future financial years.

**Environmental Issues**

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

**Dividends**

No dividends were declared or paid since the start of the financial year. No recommendation for payment of dividends has been made.

**Share Options**

No options over issued shares or interests in the association were granted during or since the end of the financial year and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report.

**Board Members Benefits**

No Board Member has received or has become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the association or related body corporate with a Board Member, a firm which a Board Member is a member or an entity in which a Board Member has a substantial financial interest.

**Indemnifying Officer or Auditor**

No indemnities have been given or agreed to be given to any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the association. The association has in place a Management Liability insurance policy to insure any

director, officer or staff member against an allegation of wrongdoing. This insurance covers Professional Liability, Management Liability, Association Liability, Employment Practices Liability and Employee Fraud or Dishonesty. No insurance premiums have been paid or agreed to be paid, during or since the end of the financial year, to any person who is or has been an auditor of the association.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.  
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**Board Members' Report**

**Proceedings on Behalf of the Association**

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the association or intervene in any proceedings to which the association is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the association for all or any part of those proceedings. The association was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

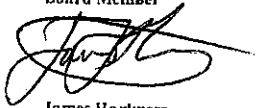
**Auditors Independence Declaration**

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 has been included.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board Members:



Colin Scott  
Board Member



James Harkness  
Board Member

Dated: 26 MARCH 2019



Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.  
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**Statement of Profit or Loss**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2018**

	2018	2017
Revenue	\$	\$
<b>Gross profit</b>	386,180.78	244,253.44
Marketing	<b>386,180.78</b>	<b>244,253.44</b>
Selling expenses	(2,845.51)	(3,291.80)
Administration expenses	(110,582.81)	(88,800.07)
Profit (deficit) before income tax	(287,735.14)	(210,318.11)
Income tax (credit) expense	<b>(14,982.68)</b>	<b>(58,156.54)</b>
<b>Profit (deficit) for the year</b>	<b>(14,982.68)</b>	<b>(58,156.54)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2018**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>	\$	\$
Cash assets	204,706.01	163,588.76
Current tax assets	2,988.87	3,082.21
Other	45,461.16	89,253.93
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>253,156.04</b>	<b>255,924.90</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>253,156.04</b>	<b>255,924.90</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Payables	6,151.11	-
Current tax liabilities	6,264.00	3,106.00
Provisions	2,904.71	-
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>15,319.82</b>	<b>3,106.00</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>15,319.82</b>	<b>3,106.00</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>237,836.22</b>	<b>252,818.90</b>
<b>Members' Funds</b>		
Reserves	11,953.85	11,953.85
Retained profits	225,882.37	240,865.05
<b>Total Members' Funds</b>	<b>237,836.22</b>	<b>252,818.90</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



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**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2018**

<b>Cash Flow From Operating Activities</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
	\$	\$
Receipts from customers	383,862.80	241,119.03
Payments to Suppliers and employees	(388,856.30)	(304,273.76)
Interest received	2,317.98	3,134.41
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities (note 3)</b>	<b>(2,675.52)</b>	<b>(60,020.32)</b>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	(2,675.52)	(60,020.32)
Cash at the beginning of the year	252,842.69	312,863.01
Cash at the end of the year (note 2)	<b>250,167.17</b>	<b>252,842.69</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.





Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.  
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**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2018**

The board members have determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that the financial report has been prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. Accordingly, this special purpose financial report has been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting as it is considered appropriate to the needs of the association's members.

**Note 1. Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared by applying the cash basis and going concern basis of accounting. They are based on historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

**Note 2. Reconciliation Of Cash**

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Cash at the end of the year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
General Account	178,166.90	8,061.01
Grant account	-	119,579.32
Office Account	-	5,666.31
My Care Box Account	-	8,137.20
Life After Stroke Account	19,708.46	19,784.74
Public Account	6,830.65	2,360.18
Term Deposit	45,461.16	89,253.93
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>250,167.17</b>	<b>252,842.69</b>

**Note 3. Reconciliation Of Net Cash Provided By/Used In Operating Activities To Operating Profit After Income Tax**

Operating profit after income tax	(14,982.68)	(58,156.54)
Changes in assets and liabilities net of effects of purchases and disposals of controlled entities:		
Increase (decrease) in trade creditors and accruals	6,151.11	-
Increase (decrease) in employee entitlements	2,904.71	-
Increase (decrease) in sundry provisions	3,251.34	(1,863.78)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<b>(2,675.52)</b>	<b>(60,020.32)</b>



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#### Board Members' Declaration

The Board Members have determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies prescribed in Note 1 to the financial statements

The Board Members of the association declare that:

1 the financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001.

(a) comply with Accounting Standards described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the Corporations Regulations, and

(b) give a true and fair view of the association's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements

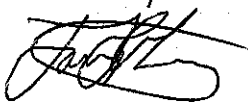
2 in the Board Members' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

The Board Members are responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the accounting records and the disclosure of all material and relevant information

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



Colin Scott  
Board Member



James Harkness  
Board Member

Dated: 26 MARCH 2019.



Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.  
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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Report Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of Stroke Association of Victoria Inc. (the association), which comprises the Statement by Members of the Committee, Income and Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2018, a summary of significant accounting policies and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the association as at 30 June 2018 and [of] its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

### **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 Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the association 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 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**

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

### **Responsibilities of the Committee for the Financial Report**

The committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and for such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the committee is responsible for assessing the association'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 the committee either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **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.



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### Independent Auditor's Report

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 this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Signed on : 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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**Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.**  
**ABN 14 524 995 815**

**Compilation Report to Stroke Association of Victoria Inc.**

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Stroke Association of Victoria Inc., which comprise the Income and Expenditure Statement and Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2018, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial report has been prepared is set out in Note 1. The extent to which Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements have or have not been adopted in the preparation of the special purpose financial report is set out in Note 1.

**The Responsibility of the Committee**

The committee of Stroke Association of Victoria Inc. is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet its needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

**Our Responsibility**

On the basis of information provided by the committee, we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.

**Assurance Disclaimer**

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the information provided to us by management to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on these financial statements.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the committee who is responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them. Accordingly, these special purpose financial statements may not be suitable for other purposes. We do not accept responsibility for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

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