

ANNUAL REPORT 2020



SPRINGVALE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

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58TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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2019 AGM MINUTES

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57TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

24TH SEPTEMBER 2019

MINUTES

Venue: Springvale Neighbourhood House, 46-50 Queens Avenue, Springvale, VIC, 3171

Chair: Mr. Joe Rechichi

Present:

Mrs Sue & Mr David Hilton

Cr. Youhorn Chea

Cr. Matthew Kirwan

Dawn & John Workman

Meng Heang Tak

Yvonne Smith

Mr Dominic Zammit

Mrs Mary Rose Zammit

Ben Keller

Cathryn Jackson

Elena Sheldon

Giorgio Migliaccio

Anita Hogan

Sean Quigley

Lee Taramis

Kelly Cooper

Inga Eliez

Rina & Sam Dislefono

Dingley Village Rotary Club

City of Greater Dandenong

City of Greater Dandenong

St. Aidan's Noble Park

MP

Country Women's Association

St Vincent De Paul

St Vincent De Paul

Greater Dandenong Rotary Club

Springvale City Rotary Club

SLAC

Springvale Lodge/Freemasons

WAYYS

WAYYS

MP

Springvale Neighborhood House

Springvale Anglican Church

Springvale Benevolent Society Members Present:

Cr Roz Blades, Mrs. Teresa & Mr. Joe Rechichi, Mrs. Pat & Mr. Paddy Dillon, Mrs. Minh Luu, Mrs. Monique & Mr. Francois Chung, Mr. Harry Gunther, Mrs. Marlene Lonergan, Ms. Filomena Lay, Mrs. Rita Di Blasio, Mr. Biaggio Di Blasio, Ms. Priscilla Truong,

Apologies:

Ms. Clare O'Neill MP	Member for Hotham
Mr Mark Dreyfuss MP	Member for Isaac
Mr Daniel Andrews MP	Victoria
Mr Martin Pakula MP	Member for Keysborough
Mr Hong Lim MP	Member for Clarinda
Lorraine D'Silva	South East Community Links
Inga Peulich MP	Member for South Eastern Metro
Mr David Starvaggi	Bendigo Community Bank Dingley Village
Ms. Judith Klarenbeck	Make a Difference, Dingley Village
Mr. Alf Goldberg	Springvale Benevolent Society
Mr. Alan Gordon	Springvale Benevolent Society
Mrs. Yvonne Herring JP	Springvale Benevolent Society
Mr. Des Herring	Springvale Benevolent Society

Welcome: Mr. Joe Rechichi welcomed all in attendance. Special welcome to our guest speaker - Sean Quigley (WAYYS)

Minutes: 56th Annual General Meeting – 25th September 2018

Circulated – taken as read

Moved – Teresa Rechichi / Marlene Lonergan

Treasurers Report: Presented by Treasurer – Minh Luu

Presidents Report: Presented by Chairman – Joe Rechichi

**Moved in a Block
by Marlene Lonergan
Teresa Rechichi**

Secretary Report: Presented by Secretary – Priscilla Truong

General Election: Conducted by – Cr Yohourn Chea, Mayor COGD

President	Mr. Joe Rechichi	} Moved in a Block By Roz Blades Pat Dillon
Vice Presidents	Mr. Harry Gunther Mr. Francois Chung	
Treasurer	Ms. Minh Luu	
Auditor	Mr. J Wundersitz FTMA. ACIS	
Secretary	Ms. Priscilla Truong	
Public Relations & Liaison Officer	Mrs. Marlene Lonergan	

Committee: Joe & Teresa Rechichi, Cr Roz Blades AM, Monique & Francois Chung, Paddy & Pat Dillon, Alf Goldberg, Harry Gunther, Des & Yvonne Herring, Lil Mangoni, Minh Luu, Marlene & Paul Lonergan, Rita & Biaggio Di Blasio, Filomena Lay, Priscilla Truong
– **With Power to Add.**

Moved - Pat Dillon / Teresa Rechichi

Guest Speaker: Sean Quigley, Manager, Dandenong Homelessness Services, WAYYS

Sean spoke about WAYYS 3 core service areas, family violence, homelessness and youth. WAYYS is the main access point for homeless people in COGD, Casy and Cardinia. Sean spoke of the unique challenges of working in the COGD as it is home to people from 150 different workplaces.

From 2011 to 2016 homelessness rose 28% and in 2019 WAYSS assisted 18,700 clients up 11% from the previous year. 31% of the people assisted were born outside Australia, 68% are female, 14% are over 50 and this figure is rising. 35% of people assisted also disclosed a mental illness. Sean spoke about the biggest challenges in access housing which include population growth which is expected to grow by 22% from 2014 to 2024 and affordability, only 2% of rental properties are affordable on a single person's full-time wage.

Supper: Joe Rechichi invited all to supper – supper kindly provided by Mayor of City of Greater Dandenong

Delicious Cakes and Desserts made by Pat Dillon.

Next Annual General Meeting: TBC

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2020



Dear Fellow Members and Guests.

It is my privilege to once again present the Springvale Benevolent Society's Annual General Meeting, in the 58 years the society has been operating we dare say this has been one of the most difficult and certainly unlike any year before it.

In the absence of the many community members that would be usually present we would like to thank everyone for their hard work and sacrifices made both personally and professionally in the effort to suppress COVID-19. Without this our AGM, even with members only attending, would not be possible.

The Society faces new challenges every year, usually these relate to funding and finding new ways assist with the ever changing difficulties faced by our clients. This year the first challenge we faced was how to safely provide assistance to our clients. However, we are very proud to say that all our volunteers adopted COVID-safe protocols almost immediately after the initial outbreak and continued to provide uninterrupted assistance to our clients.

This allowed the Society to take full advantage of the material aid program which the COGD started in early April where dedicated staff worked with local suppliers to source emergency food supplies. Since April our volunteers have collected and distributed food directly to our clients every week. We would like to thank the amazing team at COGD who are running this program as providing emergency food supplies is one of our key services.

While we thank our volunteers every year, this year they have been truly invaluable. Over 40% of our clients are on DSP or Age Pension and as such a large number of them are considered vulnerable to COVID-19. Home visits has always been the most distinguished aspect of the service we provide but this year it has been of unparalleled significance, in bringing many of our clients piece of mind by knowing our volunteers can help them obtain essential suppliers without leaving their home.

I would like to touch briefly on the Society's finance and also thank our auditor John Wunderstiz who again has donated his services. The Society had an operating deficit of almost \$11,000 compared to last year which was a deficit of over \$20,000. We are acutely aware of how unsustainable this will soon become however we are working with the COGD on grant funding as a matter of priority. The lower deficit this year is mainly due to the fact that the society distributed \$15,000 less in food vouchers compared to last year, however our volunteers actually conducted more home visits compared to last year. This is where we would like to highlight again how remarkable the material aid food program has been and we sincerely hope it can continue.

Lastly but not least, we would like to thank all the individuals, groups and organizations that extended their help and support this year, whether it be to the society or any other relief organization. COVID-19 has brought out incredible generosity amongst communities both globally and locally and whilst our AGM could not held amongst community members, the Society is extremely grateful that we have been trusted to help those less fortunate.

Regards

Joe Rechichi - President

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Rechichi". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'J' and 'R'.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

VOLUNTEERS

-PAST and PRESENT

CONTRIBUTORS

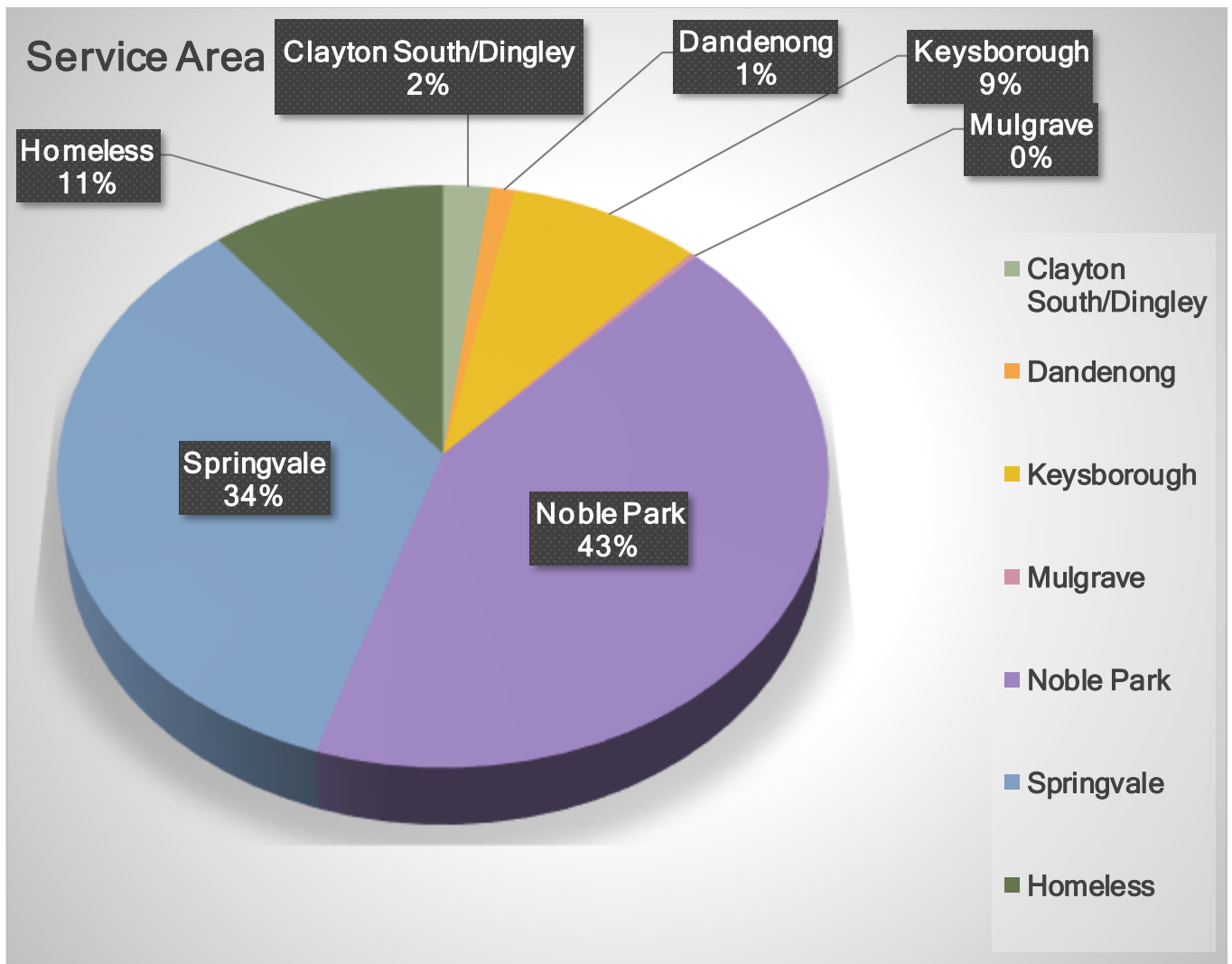
- City of greater Dandenong
- Dandenong Court Fund
- Uniting Church Springvale
- Momentum Gaming/Greyhound Entertainment
- Springvale RSL
- Club Noble
- St Aidans Church Springvale
- Springvale Rise Primary School
- Springvale Bunnings Hardware
- Australian Christian Church
- Springvale Neighbourhood House
- Springbacks Trefoil Guild
- Dingley Rotary Club
- COGD Staff Giving Fund
- Individual Contributions
- Centrelink Staff
- Springvale Anglican Church of the Ascension
- Bowens Timber Hardware- Darren Minto
- Springvale City Rotary Club
- Bendigo Community Bank Dingley Keysborough Campus
- Country Women Association
- Westpac Bank-Springvale Branch
- Father Stickland - Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Noble Park/Keysborough Lions Club
- John F. Wundersitz (Auditor)

The Springvale Benevolent Society would like to thank all the volunteers who worked tirelessly to service all these people in need.

The Springvale Benevolent Society would also like to thank the generosity of the organizations and Individuals as mentioned above. With their contributions, we have been able to reach out to help so many.

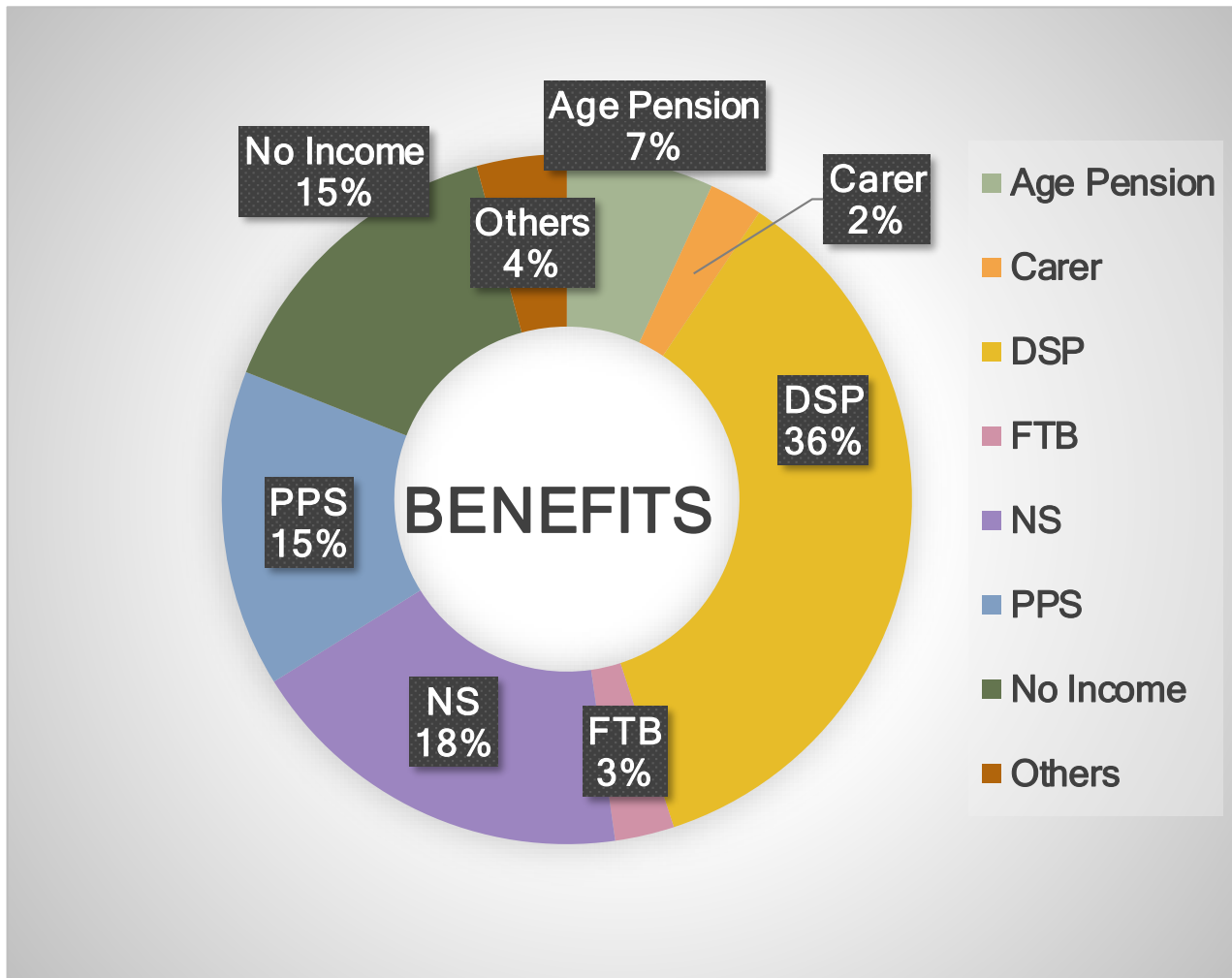
In case we left out any contributors or individuals, we do sincerely apologize.

CLIENT PROFILE



In 2019-2020, the team of volunteers at Springvale Benevolent Society attended to more than one thousand cases.

Noble Park remains our volunteers most active area, followed by Springvale. We have seen a troubling increase in homeless clients which is now our 3rd most serviced area (up from 4th last year). The number of homeless clients assist by the society increased by almost 50%. Clients from the Noble Park and Springvale area decreased by 5% and 3% compared to last year's data.



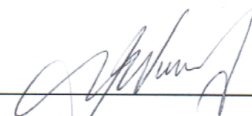
Like previous years the largest portion of our client base are those currently on Disability Support Pensions. However this proportion continues to drop year on year 2018 was 46%, 2019 was 43% and now to 36%.

Whereas we have seen the client on No Income rise year on year, 2018 was 4%, 2019 was 11% and now to 15%. There has also been a slight uptick in the percentage of clients on FTB and Age Pension as well.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

SPRINGVALE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY Inc
Profit and Loss Statement
For the year ended 30 June 2020

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Operating profit (deficit) before income tax	(10,796.89)	(21,544.72)
Income tax (credit) attributable to operating profit (loss)		
Operating profit (deficit) after income tax	(10,796.89)	(21,544.72)
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year	166,556.53	188,101.25
Total available for appropriation	155,759.64	166,556.53
Retained profits at the end of the financial year	155,759.64	166,556.53

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

SPRINGVALE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY Inc
Income and Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 30 June 2020

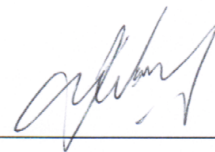
	2020 \$	2019 \$
Income		
Interest received	2,036.62	3,031.43
Other income	35.02	
City of Dandenong	14,475.20	28,774.27
Attorney General Department	7,000.00	6,000.00
Bendigo Bank Centre	2,500.00	5,000.00
Schools & Service Clubs	13,536.00	475.00
Personal donations	7,241.13	1,410.00
Other Donations		2,000.00
Westpac Bank		5,000.00
Membership fees	28.00	28.00
Total income	<u>46,851.97</u>	<u>51,718.70</u>
Expenses		
Food	55,015.00	70,493.95
Chemists	117.55	84.53
Postage, stationery & sundries	312.00	168.95
Insurance	387.66	386.87
Incorporation expenses		300.00
Post office box 66	134.00	130.00
Phone & fax	1,362.93	1,699.12
Rates, gas, electricity	319.72	
Total expenses	<u>57,648.86</u>	<u>73,263.42</u>
Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax	(10,796.89)	(21,544.72)
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
Net profit (loss) attributable to the association	(10,796.89)	(21,544.72)
Total changes in equity of the association	(10,796.89)	(21,544.72)
Opening retained profits	166,556.53	188,101.25
Net profit (loss) attributable to the association	<u>(10,796.89)</u>	<u>(21,544.72)</u>
Closing retained profits	<u>155,759.64</u>	<u>166,556.53</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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SPRINGVALE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY Inc
Detailed Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
Current Assets			
Cash Assets			
Cash At Bank		55,759.64	66,556.53
Term deposit - CBA		100,000.00	100,000.00
		<u>155,759.64</u>	<u>166,556.53</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>155,759.64</u>	<u>166,556.53</u>
Total Assets		<u>155,759.64</u>	<u>166,556.53</u>
Net Assets		<u>155,759.64</u>	<u>166,556.53</u>
Members' Funds			
Accumulated surplus (deficit)		155,759.64	166,556.53
Total Members' Funds		<u>155,759.64</u>	<u>166,556.53</u>

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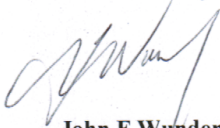
The Committee
Springvale Benevolent Society Inc.
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To the Committee,

I have examined the records of the Springvale Benevolent Society Inc. for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 and report that in my opinion the attached financial statements present a fair and accurate record of the state of affairs of the society.

In forming my opinion I have relied on the supervision of the Executive in relation to the Benevolence dispensing process, some aspects which I am unable to adequately verify. I have no reason to doubt the veracity of any member of the society.

Yours faithfully,



John F Wundersitz
FNTAA CTA

Fellow of National Tax & Accountants' Association Ltd
Registered Tax Agent
Chartered Tax Adviser

