

Cancer Society Annual Report 2014



CANCER SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND *Canterbury-West Coast Division*

The past 12 months have continued to be productive and busy for our Divisional staff and volunteers supporting people with cancer, their families and our communities. This is largely due to the leadership, support and commitment of our CEO Elizabeth Chesterman. It was fitting that she was awarded a New Year Honor – ONZM for the work she does over and beyond her role. The Cancer Society is the largest benefactor of her compassion and strategic leadership for the good of our community, but she also shares these skills with other NGO's, service groups and health organisations. Our warmest congratulations!

At the Annual General Meeting in August 2013, Dr Mark Jeffery stood down from the Executive. Mark has given 13 years service to the Executive Committee and was very much appreciated for his wisdom and experience as an Oncologist, his input in reviewing research applications, his sound decision making and ethical stance around the Board table and his advocacy for patients, volunteers and staff in our regional centres. We wish him well and know we can continue to count on his advice and support in a variety of ways in the future.

We welcomed Professor Dr Bridget Robinson and Mr Richard Green to the Executive Committee at the AGM. Bridget has a long and distinguished career in Oncology - locally, nationally and internationally. Richard brings business acumen and health interests that will be very beneficial to our Board table. We welcome the expertise and input these new members bring to the strategic direction and governance of our Division.

It is pleasing to report that we have made progress with insurance and property issues following the earthquake. A special 'thank-you' to Storm McVay of Crombie Lockwood for her many hours of work to assist to find a resolution. Her time was given pro bono to support the Society and there were many more hours of work than anyone would have imagined.

We celebrated the opening of Daffodil Lodge on Riccarton Road to complement Daffodil House on Papanui Road. This has helped to replace accommodation beds lost through the damage to Davidson House. Residents in this new facility are enjoying the proximity to the hospital and it is being fully utilised. The Cancer Society Centre has moved from temporary rooms on Moorhouse Avenue to new leased premises at 97 Fitzgerald Avenue. Our sincere thanks to the Peebles Group, Consortium Construction and all the sub-contractors who generously assisted with the building and fit-out to ensure the needs of the Cancer Society were met.

I draw your attention to the Grants distributed by the Division to Otago University over the past financial year, recorded on the back page of this report. The six Summer Studentships, valued at \$5000 each, enables emerging researchers to engage with experienced research supervisors to explore and progress cancer research. The Cancer Society also financially supports the Cancer Society Tissue Bank through the Tissue Bank Research Trust.

The Canterbury-West Coast Division of the Cancer Society is grateful to the sponsors of our events, especially the ANZ Bank as principal sponsor of Daffodil Day and major sponsor of the Cancer Society. We



Daffodil Lodge at 48 Riccarton Road - our new home-away-from-home for cancer patients - was officially opened by the Mayor of Christchurch Lianne Dalziel and Kate Reid, Canterbury-West Coast Division chairperson.



Daffodil Lodge 48 Riccarton Road

are also very grateful for the willing and collaborative relationships with other health and community agencies in our Division, our committed volunteers, staff and Executive Committee members. It is through working in partnership we minimize the incidence and impact of cancer in our community. Thank you all very much for your continued support.

*Kate Reid
Chairperson*



Chief Executive's Review



Diana Reid (Cancer Society, Malvern Group) and Phyl Heal (Diamond Harbour Group) received the Health Volunteer of the Year award from Minister of Health Hon Tony Ryall, on behalf of Canterbury-West Coast rural volunteers

As we prepare to print this year's Annual Report I was delighted to be advised that our Divisional rural volunteers had been chosen as the inaugural recipients of the Minister of Health's *Health Volunteer of the Year Award*. It was wonderful to receive such public acknowledgement of the work our volunteers undertake across all our communities throughout the Canterbury-West Coast Division. Without the many hundreds of Divisional volunteers who drive, bake, transport, sew, fundraise, listen, donate, to name but a few, the Cancer Society could not achieve its mission.

I was very proud to accompany two very special volunteers to attend the official function in Wellington and accept the award on behalf of the 400 Cancer Society Support Group volunteers recognising the work they have done, specifically over the last twelve months but, more significantly, over more than 23 years of support group activity across the region.

Whilst earthquake related issues still plague the Cancer Society, with protracted negotiations still underway over our remaining Christchurch property on Manchester Street, I am relieved to report that this past financial year has helped us move forward in several significant ways. The purchase of Daffodil Lodge at 48 Riccarton Road, to replace the loss created by the Crown's acquisition of Davidson House, has meant we continue to offer first class accommodation to cancer patients and carers who live outside of Christchurch. A wonderful asset, the 18 unit motel facility complements Daffodil House on Papanui Road and has been fully occupied since its purchase and official opening by the Mayor of Christchurch, the Hon Lianne Dalziel.

The short term lease on the Moorhouse Avenue property ended in February, and it was with much anticipation that the Christchurch Centre relocated to a brand new longer term leased property at 97 Fitzgerald Avenue. After three shifts and makeshift circumstances, the staff, volunteers and clients really appreciate the secure tenure and welcoming environment to deliver our services and resources.



Our Christchurch Centre relocated from its temporary space to brand new leased premises at 97 Fitzgerald Avenue

Each day, approximately 55 New Zealanders hear the words 'you have cancer'. This is why our free cancer services and resources are so important to so many people and why the Supportive Care team are assisting more people every year.

- The Cancer Information service answered 2,557 calls to the 0800 CANCER information helpline
- 1,292 people were referred to our supportive care services
- 613 people attended groups and programmes
- 229 people were connected with a peer supporter through our cancer connect programme
- Our volunteer drivers undertook 3,848 drives to deliver people to treatment and our free shuttle provided 16,043 patient transfers

All of these services continue to reduce the incidence and impact of cancer in our community.

Health promotion and advocacy are important elements of our work. How we live our lives can impact upon our longer term health and this includes our risks of developing cancer. The rebuild of the Christchurch CBD with the creation of new neighbourhoods, along with retail precincts, parks and green spaces, has presented a golden



The Cancer Society was the chosen charity for Ryman Healthcare's sponsorship this year



The Cancer Society, Look Good Feel Better and NZ House & Garden were delighted with the success of the Canterbury event on 21 March 2014 and are very grateful to the owners of the nine beautiful homes and gardens generously opened for the ticket holders to visit





opportunity to influence our environment's impact on our health through the promotion of Smokefree community spaces, recreational facilities and shade in public places.

West Coast
30%



Christchurch and
North Canterbury
47%



Mid Canterbury
69%



South Canterbury
77%

SunSmart
accredited schools

The Cancer Society has a long association with City and District Councils throughout Canterbury and the West Coast. In Canterbury all councils have smoke free green spaces; some are developing Local Alcohol Policies as a way to reduce alcohol harm; others consider solar protection as part of event planning and have shade loan schemes. Many councils have sought community views to inform their decision-making, but there is more that can be done. The Health Promotion team are actively involved on a regional strategy with Community Public Health to support our twelve local body councils to extend their smokefree community space policies.

By contributing to the process of building healthy public policy, we can help to reduce the impact of cancer upon individuals, families and communities. The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA), Christchurch City Council, Hurunui Tourism and Waimakariri District Council have provided support for this venture.

The Canterbury-West Coast Division continues to obtain a high degree of support for its SunSmart Schools Accreditation programme – overall 52% of primary schools are now SunSmart accredited schools. The free services and resources provided by the Cancer Society could not

continue without the generosity of our donors and supporters throughout the Canterbury West Coast region. Once again, we have organised a great variety of special events which have been well patronised by our communities. These events are represented in a kaleidoscope of colourful photographs in this report.

Without the support of the whole Cancer Society team we could not have achieved the excellent results reported by the Division this year. Special thanks to the wonderful staff and volunteers who make it all possible. The Executive Committee volunteers, led by Chairman Kate Reid, work tirelessly, often behind the scenes, to ensure there is appropriate governance and leadership for the organisation. Whilst I was so proud to receive an ONZM in the New Year Honours list, it is incredibly humbling to be the recipient of such an honour, especially knowing such achievements are always the result of a team effort, and often developed over many years. Therefore, if the Cancer Society and all its many loyal supporters, workers, volunteers and donors are able to achieve some recognition from this award with me, then it makes it all worthwhile.

*Elizabeth Chesterman
Chief Executive*



ANZ staff members held a fundraising barbeque outside the bank's Ashburton premises on Daffodil Day



Timaru Herald

Timaru collectors on Daffodil Day



Daffodil Day collectors in Greymouth



Volunteers Daff and Dill got into the spirit of Daffodil Day in South Westland

A host of golden daffodils greeted visitors to the Otahuna Daffodil Day, held annually to raise funds for the Cancer Society





In the pink for Relay For Life at Rolleston



Generous support from the Rotary Club of Timaru, Ashburton's Lochhead Charitable Trust and Lysaghts Ltd Ashburton ensures all the Relay For Life community resources are only a 'trailer away'



Timaru Relay For Life pre-launch



Students from Opihi College entered a team in Relay For Life Timaru



Fulton Hogan corporate office staff Michael, Tony and Andrew presented the Cancer Society with funds they raised in a facial hair challenge



South Canterbury farmer Rory Foley, turned his farm into a giant maze to raise funds for the Cancer Society



Cancer Society staff member Hollie models one of the beautiful turbans made by fashion designer Annah Stretton for patients who have suffered hair loss through cancer treatment



Cancer Society staff enjoy a night out at the Grande Cancer Society Ball



Treasurer's Report

For the year ended 31 March 2014

From a financial perspective the Division has had a strong year and progress has been made in many areas.

During the year the Trust Board purchased a motel complex in Riccarton Road which is now being used for patient accommodation to replace Davidson House. We were able to fund this purchase from a combination of the interim insurance proceeds received for Davidson House and investments held within the Trust Board.

Matters concerning the final resolution regarding Davidson House and the Manchester Street property are still unresolved. However, progress has been made during the year and I am hopeful that, from a financial perspective, these will be resolved during the current financial year.

The Division had a very strong financial year as a consequence of a significant increase in bequests and legacies received during the year. An operating surplus of \$1,152,076 was achieved compared to an operating deficit last year of \$839,288. The Division made a distribution to the

Trust Board of \$3,000,000 during the year to help fund the purchase of the Riccarton Road property.

The Trust Board recorded an operating surplus of \$536,148 for the year.

Both the Division and the Trust Board are in a strong financial position, although there are still many issues to resolve around the ongoing costs of office accommodation and the Davidson House and Manchester Street properties. Consequently, a degree of prudence is required in order to maintain our investments at a level where we can continue to meet the ongoing needs of the Division in future years.

The financial wellbeing of the Division is a reflection of the support we continue to receive from the community in the form of donations, bequests and the work carried out throughout the year by the Division staff and volunteers.

The 2014/15 financial year will hopefully be a year of consolidation where many of our insurance and accommodation issues are resolved.

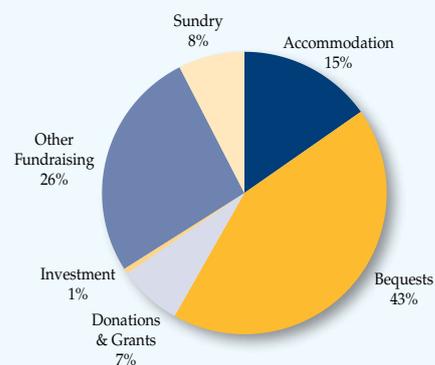
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Treasurer

Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc

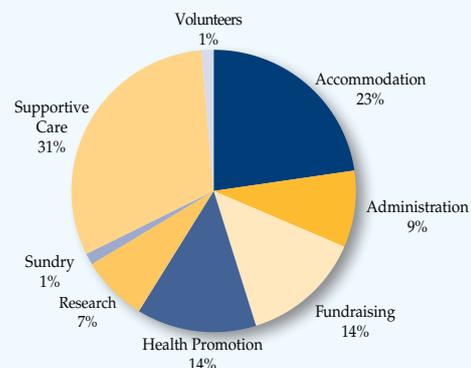
Income analysis for the year ended 31/3/14	\$	%
Accommodation	933,616	15.3%
Bequests	2,627,239	42.9%
Donations & Grants	440,319	7.2%
Investment	37,901	0.6%
Other Fundraising	1,621,709	26.5%
Sundry	460,340	7.5%
	6,121,124	100.0%
Distribution from Trust	-	
TOTAL INCOME	6,121,124	

Expense analysis for the year ended 31/3/14	\$	%
Accommodation	1,127,423	22.7%
Administration	435,902	8.8%
Fundraising	682,009	13.7%
Health Promotion	676,930	13.6%
Research	373,759	7.5%
Sundry	65,352	1.3%
Supportive Care	1,538,811	31.0%
Volunteers	68,862	1.4%
	4,969,048	100.0%
Distribution to Trust	3,000,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	7,969,048	
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	-1,847,924	

Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc Income Breakdown for the year ended 31 March 2014



Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc Expense Breakdown for the year ended 31 March 2014





Grants distributed by the Division

1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014

National levy to the Cancer Society of New Zealand

Scientific Cancer Research	\$334,750
Operating costs	\$164,850

Grants to Research

Dr Elisabeth Phillips, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Dept of Pathology, Mackenzie Centre Research Group, University of Otago, Christchurch

'The identification of secreted proteins from adipocyte-breast tumour interaction & their impact on tumour progression' (\$5000)

Professor John Evans, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, University of Otago, Christchurch
'A study of the microenvironment in cancer cell behaviour' (\$3000)

Cancer Society Tissue Bank

Annual contribution from The Tissue Bank Research Trust for operational costs of the Christchurch Hospital based Cancer Society Tissue Bank (\$69,000)

University of Otago – Christchurch Summer Studentships, 6 Research Projects @ \$5000 each

'Proximal lower limb deep venous flow in cancer patients and volunteers without cancer. A pilot study.' **Student: Annelise Basevi**

(Funded by Cancer Society of New Zealand, Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Kaikoura Group)

'Why do some human tumours accumulate vitamin C while others do not?'

Student: Teresa Flett

(Funded by Cancer Society of New Zealand, Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Kaikoura Group)

'Predicting which cutaneous squamous cell carcinomas will kill' **Student: Annika Seddon**

(Funded by Cancer Society of New Zealand, Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Ashburton Group)

'Cancer Incidence and Survival for New Zealanders aged 25-29 years, 2000-2009: An analysis of the New Zealand Cancer Registry' **Student: Victoria Utley**

(Funded by Cancer Society of New Zealand, Canterbury-West Coast Division, Cancer Society Rangiora and Kaiapoi Groups)

'Detection of specific DNZ epigenetic marks in lung, skin, endometrial and colorectal tumours and correlation with tumour Vitamin C status' **Student: Bee Bathish**

(Funded by Cancer Society of New Zealand, Canterbury-West Coast Division)

'Using gene expression data to identify mutations in breast cancer susceptibility genes'

Student: Zac Gerring

(Funded by Cancer Society of New Zealand, Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Diamond Harbour and Hurunui Groups)

Grants for Professional Development and Education

Vanessa Lattimore, Familial Aspects of Cancer Conference, Cairns (\$1000)

Helen Morrin, 4th International Society for Biological & Environmental Repositories (ISBER) Annual Meeting – 'Turning the World Upside Down: Emerging Perspectives on

Biorepositories', Sydney, Australia (\$1009)

Mary Fairhall, 13th Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care Conference, Prague, Czech (\$3000)

Vicki Telford, 4th International Society of Advanced Care Planning & End of Life Care Conference, Melbourne, Australia (\$1389)

Marlene Danuser, Praxis in Hospital Palliative Care Course, University of Canterbury (\$1000)

Ian Chapman, The Canterbury Psychosocial Oncology NZ Forum (PONZ) – 'Sexuality & Body Image in Cancer Patients', Oncology, Christchurch (\$231)

Kathryn Deacon, Profound Healing Sustainable Wellbeing Conference, Melbourne, Australia (\$500)

Stewart Kendall, Psychosocial Oncology Conference (PONZ) Auckland (\$150)

Nicky Hockley, Psychosocial Oncology Conference (PONZ) Auckland (\$150)

Deborah Hercok, Australian Grief & Bereavement Conference, Melbourne, Australia (\$1000)

Dr Caroline Kuiper, American Association for Cancer Research Annual Meeting, San Diego, USA (\$1500)

Sharyn Heath, Australasian Lymphology Association Conference, Auckland (\$1730)

Grants received from Trusts and Foundations 2013-2014

Air Rescue & Community Services	\$4184
Alice Mary McKellar Trust	\$28,755
Cancer Society Ashburton Group	\$1500
Cancer Society of New Zealand – Nelson Centre	\$8000
Christchurch Rotary Earthquake Charitable Trust	\$12,000
Garden City Charitable Trust	\$7500
Grey Valley Lions Club	\$1500
Hawarden-Waikari Lions	\$6000
Jean Stanbury Family Trust	\$2000
Jones Foundation	\$15,000
Lochhead Charitable Trust	\$3000
Mainland Foundation	\$4950
Margaret Hutchings Charitable Trust	\$1000
Norman & Norma Sutherland Charitable Trust	\$500
NZ Charitable Foundation (Mr & Mrs Geoffrey Wood)	\$2350
NZ Charitable Foundation (Elma Strath Ward Charitable Trust)	\$999
Phyllis Campion Charitable Trust	\$2000
Rotary Club of Timaru	\$5045
Rotary Club of Timaru South	\$4500
Shepherd Ministries Charitable Trust	\$1000
F Simpson Family Trust	\$500
Southern Trust	\$10,000
St Francis Charitable Trust	\$12,556
The J I Urquhart Family Trust	\$50,000
The Keith Laugesen Charitable Trust	\$5000
The Lady Tait Charitable Trust	\$19,000
The Lioness Club of Nelson	\$1000
The Tasman Charitable Trust	\$2000
West Coast Community Trust	\$900

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Deputy Chair	Alister Argyle
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	Birgit Dijkstra
	Richard Green
	Bridget Robinson
	David Rowland
	Glen Senior

Ex Officio Member: Elizabeth Chesterman

Chief Executive

* Kathy Conlan –
Divisional Delegate to National Board (CSNZ)

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