

Cancer Society Annual Report 2013



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Te Kāhui Matepukupuku
o Aotearoa

Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division

In November 2012 I was appointed to the Chair of the Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division following the resignation of Kathy Conlan. Our Division has been well served by her leadership and direction, and in celebrating the birth of her second child, we acknowledge the importance of family time. Kathy's skills are invaluable around our board table and we are very pleased she is able to juggle the demands of motherhood to remain with us on the Executive Committee and also represent our Division at the National Board table.

Richard Gray resigned from our Executive Committee during the year, having given 20 years of service to our Division. He received national recognition for his time at both national and local level in 2008, receiving the CSNZ Meritorious Service Award and still continued to support the organisation fully for another four years. Richard served as Divisional and National Chair, held various advisory committee roles, was Chair of the inaugural New Zealand Cancer Conference in Christchurch, and has been responsible for leading the Cancer Society through significant periods of change and growth. His expertise around the time of the earthquakes was very much appreciated. We celebrated Richard's retirement from the Executive at a Christmas function, where we were also able to acknowledge the retirement of Liz Horn – Manager of Information and Supportive Care Services. The many years of service Liz has given to the Cancer Society will be difficult to match. She began as a member of our Executive Committee and held national advisory roles before becoming a member of staff. Her professionalism, compassion and energy for people with cancer and their families has been very much appreciated and we wish her well in her retirement.

We welcomed David Rowland to the Executive at the last AGM. David has a background in the property industry and is currently working in a consultancy role with the Christchurch City Council.

It is disappointing to report that we are no further ahead with settling our earthquake related issues. Insurance claims are problematic regarding our buildings and this provides a challenge to meet the demands of patient and staff accommodation to fulfil our role in the community. I wish to acknowledge that, although progress is slow, we have been very fortunate in the number of experts who have come to our aid to assist us to work towards resolution; they have generously given their time pro bono. I also acknowledge the tireless efforts of our divisional staff, especially to our Chief Executive, Elizabeth Chesterman, and our Business Manager, Stephen Roach, who have been exemplary in their vision and leadership, investigating opportunities for new space and working towards a brighter and more positive future for our service in these trying times.

Despite the physical challenges to our environment, staff and executive members have been developing a strategic plan for 2013-2016. This plan is in the final stages of refinement and will be operational in the very near future. In recognising the inequalities identified in the cancer statistics, a Maori Liaison Service has been introduced. Linda Grennell was appointed to scope a practical



After shaving her hair, Fiona Laird (left) presents a cheque for the money she raised to Kate Reid, Chairman of the Cancer Society's Canterbury West Coast Division and Elizabeth Chesterman, Chief Executive.

Photo: Phil Little, NZ Police



and productive way forward to assist the Cancer Society to work and provide services in true partnership with Maori. To give higher profile to the Division's Relay For Life programme, Kate Shearer has been appointed as senior staff partner to ensure we maximise this community event.

The Canterbury-West Coast Division of the Cancer Society is very grateful to the major sponsors of our events, especially the ANZ Bank, our collaborative relationships with other health and community agencies in our Division, our committed volunteers, staff and executive members. In working in partnership we minimise the impact of cancer in our community. Thank you all very much.

*Kate Reid
Chairperson*



Chief Executive's Review



Executive member Alister Argyle speaks at the opening of the Society's new Mid Canterbury Centre in Ashburton

In last year's report I noted the ongoing frustration and lack of clearly defined progress in restoring our Christchurch services and facilities to pre-earthquake levels. It is therefore disappointing to record in this year's report, that whilst some progress has been made, there is still no resolution on our inner city Christchurch properties. This uncertainty clouds decision making and forward planning, whilst the inevitable pressure on financial and physical resources does take its toll on both staff and volunteers.

At the time of writing the last report, the Cancer Society had just relocated to temporary premises at 104 Moorhouse Avenue, Christchurch. This base has served us well, albeit with significant rental costs, whilst rates and services on our unoccupied CBD properties continue to draw heavily on the Division's financial resources. Unfortunately, the assigned lease on 104 Moorhouse Avenue is rapidly coming to an end and we are now faced with finding another property to lease, in addition to our search for patient accommodation to compensate for the loss of Davidson House on Cambridge Terrace.

Despite the ongoing pressure on our patient accommodation services, last year the Division found a bed for 889 patients,

a total of 7000 bed nights. In addition to the costs of maintaining our Daffodil House facility, the Cancer Society was required to find a further \$83,000 for the motel costs incurred.

A search for appropriate properties to meet these pressing needs and ongoing and protracted negotiation with our insurers, project managers and the Crown in our endeavours to reach a settlement, has dominated this year's administrative activities.

However, on a really positive note, the Ashburton Centre in Mona Square was officially opened on 27 July. Special acknowledgement must go to Advance Ashburton Holdings, the MacKenzie Charitable Trust, the Rotary Club of Ashburton's Charitable Trust, the hardworking and long serving volunteers and the dedicated staff members in bringing this dream to a reality.

The winter of 2012, once again, tested our mastery over the elements. However, despite the struggles with the snow, sleet and ice we must remind ourselves just how much more of challenge it was for those people coping with a cancer diagnosis. Our selfless and generous volunteers once again stepped up to the challenges and ensured patients arrived at the hospital



Darfield volunteer, Janine Branje completed 18 hours of walking and celebrated being 18 months cancer free



600 guests enjoyed the annual Cancer Society ball



Ready to Relay are (from left): Gabrielle Hall, Sarah Hutchison, Lorna Johnson, Kate Johnson and Leola Smith

Photo: Tamaru Herald



Liz Horn retired after 12 years as Manager of Information and Supportive Care



Annie Bonifant, Mid Canterbury Manager (right) with Cancer Society volunteers Diana Reid (left) and Judith Blair (centre), both members of the Malvern Group



Relay For Life track with a difference – at Scott Base



Christchurch Central Development Unit (CCDU)



A vision of a healthy smokefree Christchurch



North New Brighton School became one of the first primary schools in New Zealand to host a Relay For Life event

safely and on time, despite the appalling weather and road conditions.

More than 20,000 patient transfers were arranged during the year. 16,539 transfers were undertaken in our Daffodil Shuttle van in Christchurch and a further 3,774 drives from home to hospital were offered by our 246 volunteer drivers throughout the Division. In addition, another \$12,000 funded taxi transfers to treatment and appointments.

Volunteers also ensured our fund raising events continued to meet our ever increasing financial pressures. Relay For Life, Daffodil Day, the Grand Ball, the Wedding Show, numerous Golf tournaments, Look Good Feel Better and the New Zealand House and Garden Tours, amongst many others, could not have generated the excellent profile, funds and cancer awareness without the significant volunteer contribution.

I would like to acknowledge the special

contribution of the ANZ Bank's sponsorship of the Cancer Society. As our Principal Sponsor of Daffodil Day, the divisional staff and volunteers appreciate the excellent working relationship and support offered by the Bank, not just on Daffodil Day, but throughout the year. The visit of several Olympians to Daffodil House on 24 August was well received and made possible by the ANZ Bank's sponsorship.

This year has seen the departure of several well-respected staff members due to retirement (Liz Horn, Meg Biggs, Sally Flower), overseas postings (Jan Smith, Sarah Hutchison) and parental leave (Cheryl Ford, Kate Johnson) and the subsequent addition to the team of several new faces. Liz Horn, the Manager of Information and Supportive Care, retired from this role after 12 years, but is also acknowledged for her valued contribution of many years of voluntary service to the Cancer Society on the Executive and Advisory committees.

Wendy Davie was appointed from a strong list of candidates to this role and commenced in January 2013.

Cancer continues, despite the ongoing distractions of house repairs, road reconstruction, rental availability and insurance negotiations. As a result, referrals for Cancer Society assistance continue to increase. Almost 3000 calls were received on our 0800 CANCER helpline while our Supportive Care community services responded to more than 1000 new referrals. 1494 welfare grants were distributed at a value of more than \$100,000 and over 7000 cancer booklets were given away.

The Canterbury-West Coast Division has endorsed and is working on many fronts to promote the Government's goal of becoming a smoke free country by 2025. The Health Promotion team is engaging with the Christchurch re-build, demonstrating its *Health in all Policies* approach, by strongly advocating across



During Men's Health Week, Anne Hines and Rusty, Coast Primary Health Organisation mascot, visited the workshop at Coast Toyota in Greymouth



North Loburn School pupils on a nature ramble. Canterbury-West Coast schools continue to lead the country in Sunsmart accreditation.

**Any Cancer,
Any Question**

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Photo: The Timaru Herald



ANZ staff celebrated the success of their Timaru golf tournament



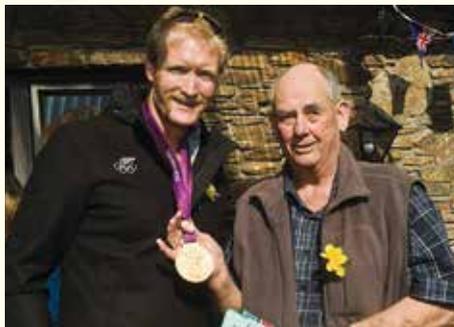
Photo: Ashburton Guardian

Ashburton volunteers Sue Letham (left) and Julie Hampton deliver daffodils

the three main components of the Cancer Society's mission – Smokefree, SunSmart and LiveSmart. The work across the Division in encouraging our local schools to gain SunSmart accreditation continues to establish national benchmarks.

I would like to acknowledge the special, often pro bono, support the Cancer Society has received over the past year from its legal advisors, insurance brokers, property brokers, printers, suppliers, donors, service clubs and, of course, our more than 700 loyal and hardworking volunteers. Without the significant and generous support received from our Canterbury and West Coast communities and the dedicated divisional staff and Executive Committee, the Cancer Society would be unable to fulfill its ongoing mission *to improve community well being by reducing both the incidence and impact of cancer*. Thank you all so much.

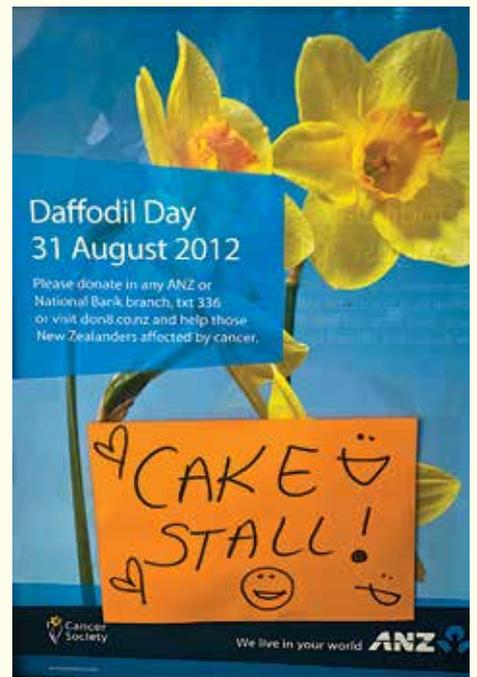
Elizabeth Chesterman
Chief Executive



Olympic gold medallist Eric Murray catches up with Daffodil House resident, Des Barson



A bleak winter's journey didn't deter 250 hardy riders in the Alpine Scooter Rally, pausing here for refreshments at Jackson's



Jane Sherriff,
Manager Income Development catches up with NZ House & Garden volunteers Faye Taylor and Trich Crosson



Photo: Mird Canterbury Herald

Ashburton volunteers delivering daffodils



Treasurer's Report

For the year ended 31 March 2013

Once again, the Division has had a challenging year as we continue to deal with matters surrounding the earthquake.

The Division has reported a net operating deficit of \$839,288. After a contribution from the Trust Board of \$300,000, the final deficit was \$539,288. A major contributor to this deficit was the write down in the value of the Division's Manchester Street and Cambridge Terrace (Davidson House) buildings, resulting from damage sustained in the earthquake. An impairment of \$2,507,134 has been recorded in the accounts. This has been partially offset by insurance receipts of \$2,087,476. This has resulted in a net loss of \$419,658 with regard to the Manchester Street and Cambridge Terrace buildings.

Matters surrounding the Manchester Street and Davidson House properties, with respect to insurance outcomes, continue to be uncertain but are likely to impact on the Division's activities going forward.

We continue to incur rental costs with respect to our Moorhouse Avenue offices which have had an impact on the financial performance of the Division in the current financial year and will continue to do so into the future.

Notwithstanding the issues raised above, the Division has continued to meet the increasing needs of the community and has managed to fund these from the many fundraising activities that are undertaken throughout the year. With respect to the work done by the Division's staff and the ongoing support of our many volunteers, donors and other supporters, I would like to record my thanks for their loyalty and dedication throughout the year.

The Trust has recorded a net surplus for the year of \$85,717 after making a distribution to the Division of \$300,000. The investments of the Trust will require careful management over the next few years as increased Divisional costs, resulting from rent payable for office space and ever increasing demands to fund community cancer services will require regular income distributions from the Trust.

While we have many challenges ahead of us, I am confident that the Division and Trust are in a sound financial position and will be able to meet these ongoing challenges with the continued support of all those people who are involved.

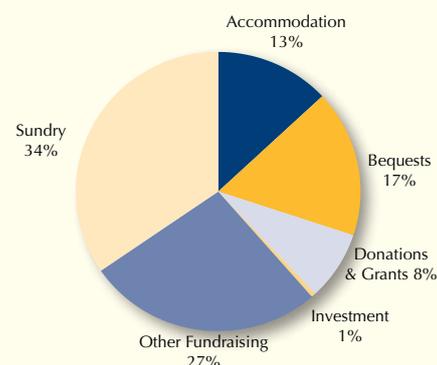
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Treasurer

Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc

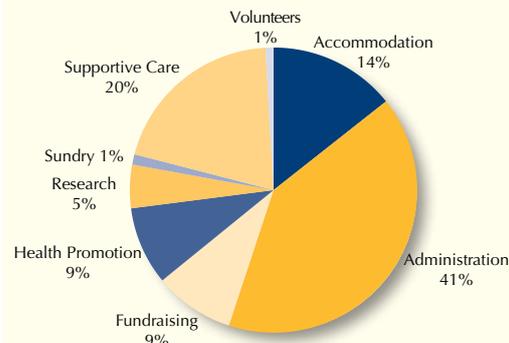
Income analysis for the year ended 31/3/13	\$	%
Accommodation	866,864	13.0%
Bequests	1,132,302	17.0%
Donations & Grants	530,546	8.0%
Investment	33,844	0.6%
Other Fundraising	1,783,507	26.8%
Sundry	<u>2,298,729</u>	<u>34.6%</u>
	6,645,792	100.0%
Distribution from Trust	<u>300,000</u>	
TOTAL INCOME	6,945,792	

Expense analysis for the year ended 31/3/13	\$	%
Accommodation	1,071,270	14.3%
Administration	3,048,715	40.7%
Fundraising	677,122	9.0%
Health Promotion	663,549	8.9%
Research	368,557	4.9%
Sundry	87,582	1.2%
Supportive Care	1,501,650	20.1%
Volunteers	<u>66,635</u>	<u>0.9%</u>
	7,485,080	100.0%
Distribution to Trust	<u>-</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	7,485,080	
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>-539,288</u>	

Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc Income Breakdown for the year ended 31 March 2013



Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc Expense Breakdown for the year ended 31 March 2013



The Society is in negotiations with its insurer over settlement of claims relating to material damage to buildings resulting from the Canterbury Earthquakes. Insurance receivable of \$2,087,476 has been recognised in the 2012-13 financial statements. This represents an interim progress payment expected to be received from the insurer. An impairment of \$2,507,134 (representing the net book value of the Society's buildings at Manchester Street and Cambridge Terrace) has also been recognised in the 2012-13 financial statements. Full copies of the audited Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Inc Annual Accounts and accompanying notes, along with those of The Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division Trust Board, are available upon request and can also be viewed at our centres in Christchurch, Ashburton, Greymouth and Timaru.



Grants distributed by the Division

1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013

National levy to the Cancer Society of New Zealand

Scientific Cancer Research	\$325,000
Operating costs	\$157,000

Grants to Research

Dr Kenny Chilcholtan, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, University of Otago, Christchurch

'Can active compounds in green tea sensitise endometrial cancer spheroids to UV radiation?' (\$4520)

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

- *'Five year follow up conservatively managed women with CIN2 compared to women with CIN'* **Student: Tom Wilkinson**

(Funding by the Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Diamond Harbour Group)

- *'A 3D cell culture in a 96-well format for rapid drug screening in advanced ovarian cancer'* **Student: Simon Hogg**

(Funding by EG and DJ Drewitt, Ashburton, in memory of Mary Terry)

- *'Vitamin C and Cancer'* **Student: Delwyn Munn**

(Funding by Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Greymouth, Hokitika and Westport Groups)

- *'Review of the Cancer Society Tissue Bank: 10 years of donations'* **Student: Campbell MacLachlan**

(Funding by Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Ellesmere Group)

- *'Endometrial Cancer outcomes and follow up'* **Student: Michelle Lindsay**

(Funding by Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Amberley and Hurunui Groups)

- *'A national audit of patients with Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP) reviewing if international suggested surveillance is occurring'* **Student: Victoria Utley**

(Funding by Cancer Society of New Zealand Canterbury-West Coast Division and Cancer Society Rangiora Group)

Grants for Professional Development and Education

Sharon Heath, 'Hot Topics in Lymphology' Conference, Cairns, Australia (\$2320)

Angela McCormick, NZ Healthcare Chaplains Association Biennial Conference, Christchurch (\$128)

Elizabeth Hughes, World Council of Enterostomal Therapist Congress, Adelaide Australia (\$940)

Maria Winter, International Breast Cancer Congress, Sydney, Australia (\$1836)

Ruth Hansen, International Breast Cancer Congress, Sydney, Australia (\$1799)

Lydia Bras, IPOS 14th World Congress & COSA's 39th Annual Scientific Meeting, Brisbane, Australia (\$1781)

Amy Koskella, 10th ASMMIRT State of ART 10th Annual Scientific Meeting of Medical Imaging & Radiation Therapy, Hobart, Tasmania, Australia (\$1650)

Helen Morrin, Australasian Biospecimen Network Association 10th Annual Conference – 'The Person at the Centre of Bio Banking', Hobart, Tasmania, Australia (\$1849)

Pauline Lane, NZ Hospice Palliative Care Conference 2012, Auckland (\$770)

Rachel Hodge, New Zealand Tobacco Control Conference, Wellington (\$301)

Rowie & Karen O'Driscoll, NZ Tobacco Control Conference, Wellington (\$706)

Ann Bradley, Australasian Brachytherapy Group Conference, Brisbane, Australia (\$1260)

Logan Walker, 'The Evidence-based Network for the Interpretation of Germline Mutant Alleles (ENIGMA) Meeting', Euroforum/EI Escorial, Spain (\$4000)

Grants received from Trusts and Foundations 2012–2013

Ashburton Group	\$30,000
COGS grant	\$4700
Energie Fruit Charitable Trust	\$2000
Eric Cooper Sides Foundation Trust	\$2000
Four Winds Foundation	\$6000
Garden City Charitable Trust	\$3700
Geraldine Group	\$3,865
Harrison Charitable Trust	\$100
Jones Foundation	\$10,000
Mainland Foundation	\$5000
Margaret Hutchings Charitable Trust	\$1000
NZ Charitable Foundation (Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Wood)	\$480
NZ Charitable Foundation (Elma Strath Ward Charitable Trust)	\$325
Perpetual – NZ Charitable Foundation	\$805
Phoenix Lodge Charitable Trust	\$500
Phyllis Champion Charitable Trust	\$2000
Powell Charitable Trust	\$75
Pub Charity	\$8430
Shepherd Ministries Charitable Trust	\$1000
St Frances Charitable Trust	\$14,888
Southern Trust	\$7500
Temuka Nifty Thrifty Charitable Trust	\$500
The Ken Waterman Charitable Trust	\$5000
The J I Urquhart Family Trust	\$50,000

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Treasurer	David McCone*
Deputy Chair	Mark Jeffery
Members	Alister Argyle Kathy Conlan* Birgit Dijkstra David Rowland Glen Senior

Ex Officio Member Elizabeth Chesterman
Chief Executive

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

*David McCone –
 Member of the National Finance Advisory
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