



2013

# Wildcare Inc. Annual Report

*Caring for wild places, wildlife and cultural heritage*







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## Co-Chairs' Report

As always, the Wildcare year has been wild. New groups, increasing membership, dozens of new funded projects either from external grants or from Wildcare's own internal grant scheme and hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours provided worth millions of dollars over the year.

Wildcare now has a CEO, Malcolm MacDonald, bringing a new perspective, new effort and a new face to Wildcare's interactions with partner organisations. Malcolm has facilitated workshops for Wildcare Inc and one of our larger branches, Wildcare Friends of Tasman Island, to develop strategic plans that will provide guidance for at least the next 5 years. He has also put considerable effort into developing the capacity within Wildcare to manage and report on finances to the Board of Directors. In addition to Carol Pacey, Wildcare's bookkeeper, we also now have a Finance Officer, Lindie Lupo, providing oversight of financial processes. We hope that this AGM will provide a new Treasurer, as this Board vacancy has been vacant for some time now. The changes to the processes, along with Lindie's and Carol's support, make the position of Treasurer now more about tactical and strategic financial management, rather than day-to-day financial processing.

While Malcolm has been looking outwards to our partners and potential sponsors, Jodie Epper, the Wildcare Facilitator, has been providing assistance to Wildcare members, Presidents and groups. Jodie ensures that Presidents know what funding opportunities are available, as well as providing advice and training in the use of the website, and growing awareness and understanding of Wildcare processes and expectations. Jodie has also been leading new partner programs and relationships, such as the G.O. (Get Outside) with Community Program for newly arrived Tasmanians, and the formation of a Statewide volunteer group supporting the activities of the Save the Tasmanian Devil program.

And making sure that the organisation continues to tick along, the Office volunteers, Mike Bowden, Sally Salier, Nanette Jacksic, Ron Fehlberg and Stephanie Clark process hundreds of memberships monthly as well as answering email correspondence and assisting members to access information on the website, including their member record.

The final pieces in the jigsaw of people who support Wildcare Inc and its members are the Board members and the Gift Fund Committee members. The Directors of Wildcare Inc are listed elsewhere in this document. This group of elected and nominated Directors ensures that Wildcare is properly governed, is well managed financially and that processes are appropriate. Given the scale and complexity of Wildcare Inc., this is no small task.

The Gift Fund Committee members, appointed by the Board, Jamie Bayly-Stark (Chair), Will Forsyth, Nick Mooney and Bob Tyson, ensure that Wildcare's donation funds are properly managed, allocated and reported on. Each year they receive project submissions worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to assess and fund. The longest continuing program centres on Frenchmans Cap Walking Track, supported by donations to Wildcare Inc from Dick Smith. Dick donates \$100,000 each year to the program and committed to doing that over a 10 year period. The outcomes have been fantastic. Wildcare Inc has also been raising funds for other purposes, including conservation of the Orange-bellied Parrot. Small to medium donors have contributed several thousand dollars to this cause, mainly as a result of encouragement from the Save the OBP facebook page. Late in 2013 Australian Geographic magazine agreed to adopt the OBP as their fund-raising cause, with promotions in their stores and magazine. Although we are not yet certain about how much money that campaign has raised, it is likely to be significant, and will add to our capacity to support that program's critically important conservation efforts.

The effort of the groups, Wildcare branches, in raising funds through obtaining external project grants has once again been outstanding. This is bringing new money into practical conservation in our reserves and for our natural and cultural heritage. Since 2005, our branches have raised over \$1.5 million for projects. This has been matched to volunteer effort to create outstanding on-ground results.



*“We weed, we build, we monitor, we make tracks, we educate and inform, we care, we rescue, we welcome, we support, and we make an important real difference”*



And so to our members. What a bunch of extraordinary people you are! We have members volunteering from Bass Strait islands to Maatsuyker Island, from the wilds of the south west to warmth of their own homes. We weed, we build, we monitor, we make tracks, we educate and inform, we care, we rescue, we welcome, we support, and we make an important real difference.

And we run conferences. Wildcare Inc was a partner in the very successful Island Ark Conference, and was able to demonstrate a level of support to island management and conservation unmatched elsewhere in the country. Our Southern Wildlife Rescue and Care group is leading the organisation of the National Wildlife carers conference in 2014, which will attract wildlife carers from around the country to Tasmania to share experiences.

Our membership grew to almost 6000 in 2013. We now have 90 Wildcare branches operating all around the State. Your contribution to the environment is equal to around \$5 million annually.

Well done Wildcare Inc!

**Andrew Smith**

Co-Chair appointed

**Will Forsyth**

Co-Chair elected





## CEO's Report

The 2013 reporting year is unique in Wildcare's history. It has been the first year that the organisation has had a Chief Executive Officer. I have been privileged to fill that role in a part-time capacity during 2013. This historic step took account of the significant growth occurring in the organisation, the ongoing requirement for increased governance and the identified need for a dedicated individual to attend to many of the strategic issues that were previously carried out by the Co-Chairs.

One of the year's key achievements was development of a strategic plan. The former plan had come to the end of its life. The new plan has been created as the result of feedback from an online survey conducted with a range of stakeholders and a one-day workshop in which Directors of Wildcare participated.

The plan identifies five strategic areas where we will focus our efforts over the next three years. These are marketing and communication, stakeholder and community engagement, governance, emerging opportunities and sustainability of operations. More details are available on the website.

Communication is at the heart of everything we do. It will come as no surprise, therefore, that this is the dominant strategic focus in the plan. Actions have been identified to enhance communication and delivery of services to members and make communication with branches, groups and volunteers relevant and timely. One of the prime initiatives in this regard will be a Presidents' Forum to be held in the first half of 2014. Details of this will be announced in the near future.

The need to make Wildcare's online presence more contemporary, effective and user-friendly has been acknowledged in the plan, as has the need to increase recognition of the Wildcare brand.

In keeping with an increased focus on best practice in governance, financial management and reporting have been a key focus. The standard and presentation of financial reports submitted to regular Board meetings continue to be enhanced and work has also been undertaken to improve financial reporting to members and stakeholders through the Annual Report.

2013 is special for another reason. This is the first time that Wildcare has produced an Annual Report. It will be noted that it highlights the work of several branches, calls having been made to all Wildcare branches to showcase their projects. The ultimate goal is to produce an Annual Report in future that offers a contribution from every branch, whether this be a few lines, a paragraph or something more significant. We are keen to showcase projects from around the State, highlighting what Wildcare is all about.

Fundraising and continued implementation of the strategic plan will be the prime drivers of activities in 2014.

I would like to thank the Directors for their support and encouragement, my colleagues, Lindie Lupo and Carol Pacey, for their important work in the financial area and Jodie Epper for her ongoing work with the branches. And I would like to thank you, our wonderful volunteers, who support Wildcare with your commitment, passion and preparedness to roll up your sleeves, whatever the task may be.

I look forward to your continued contribution and working with you in 2014.

**Malcolm MacDonald**  
Chief Executive Officer

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## Facilitator’s Report

It has been a great privilege to work as the Facilitator for Wildcare. My role is to support the Wildcare members, programs and groups strategically, so that the job of nature and heritage conservation can be achieved. This is done through offering services in four key areas:

- Communication
- Group Support
- Connection
- Information

Communicating the Wildcare message, both amongst members and to the general public, is accomplished in a number of ways.

WILDTIMES is the organisation’s flagship newsletter. It is published three times a year, showcasing member activities and program outcomes. Contributions for this newsletter come from our many members and production is helped by the Wildcare volunteer proofreading team. I would like to thank all those people who have helped over the year.

The Wildcare website is the engine room of the organisation. All communications between and to members go through this site. It is also the repository of all information that is Wildcare, including the calendar of events, group web pages and online forms. The Wildcare website has been identified for an upgrade in 2014 and work has been done in the initial stage of this big exciting project.

The Wildcare Facebook page is the place where we show and tell the amazing achievements of our members. Communicating the message of Wildcare is easy, as there is so much happening all of the time. This year, for example, we saw the formation of critical oil spill response teams, new local groups forming to look after local reserves, the continuation of the excellent work undertaken by our island groups and the incredible unseen contribution of the network of wildlife carers across the State. The strategic response to the care of wildlife after the 2012 bush fires merits special mention.

We have also showcased the unique activities of the Get Outside with Community group, volunteers taking new Tasmanians on their first experience of the wilds of Tasmania.

Members often join and become actively involved in Wildcare activities through the Wildcare branch activities and projects. It is essential then to have strong active groups and for this to occur the presidents of those groups need support. This year has seen the roll out of the President pack, including one on one training sessions, resources and checklists to ensure new groups are off to a good start. Presidents are also supported with media, finances, safety training and start up grants. If new groups via the President can be supported and skilled up in their initial start up phase, the quicker the group can grow and flourish and get on with the job of on ground work.

Connection between Wildcare groups and members is important for learning and sharing. This connection can be as simple as introducing one like group to another or connecting members to groups when they require additional resources. The Wildcare Facebook page has been a good tool for this. Sending out reminders, invitations and seeking input from members is another way of facilitating these connections.

Information in a summarised form and a timely manner is important for volunteers. It enables them to work better. The role here is to provide group Presidents with key information about local, State, federal and private grants in the form of a monthly grant alert.

Thank you for your contributions to conservation and your energy and passion for volunteering - it’s been a pleasure working for you.

**Jodie Epper**

Volunteer Facilitator



## About Wildcare

With around 6,000 members, Wildcare is the largest and fastest growing environmental action group in Tasmania. Its slogan is *'caring for wild places, wildlife and cultural heritage'*.

Wildcare provides management and support for volunteers working in natural and cultural heritage conservation and reserve management throughout Tasmania. It works in partnership with government agencies, notably the Parks and Wildlife Service, local government and private landholders and contributes over 500,000 hours of voluntary project work each year.

Wildcare is a community-based, not-for-profit volunteer organisation founded in 1997 and incorporated in 1998. It is also a registered environmental organisation and a registered deductible gift recipient and is entitled to receive tax deductible donations. It is managed by a Board of Management composed of elected and nominated members. The responsibility of the Board is to oversee Wildcare's strategic operations and allocate moneys under the Wildcare Gift Fund.

As an environmental organisation, Wildcare must have a Public Fund to receive donations. The Public Fund is called the Wildcare Gift Fund and was established in 2005. Its purpose is to raise funds through tax-deductible donations to support reserve management projects and nature conservation projects in Tasmania. As well as attracting funds for the general purposes of the Wildcare Gift Fund, tax deductible donations can be made to a number of ancillary funds within it, called Natural Partner Funds. They provide an opportunity for donors to give to specific purposes associated with the environmental objectives of Wildcare. These Natural Partner Funds include the Tasmanian Coast Conservation Fund, Wildcarbon Fund, Whale Rescue Fund, Injured and Orphaned Wildlife Fund and the World Heritage Wilderness Fund.

Wildcare actively seeks to provide opportunities and support for community engagement in its programs throughout the State. Activities are grouped into five main activity areas and are delivered either by local branches or through special programs. The five activity areas are: Community action in reserves – management of parks and reserves. Heritage care – cultural heritage conservation such as excavation assistance, archival research and historic site management. Nature care – nature conservation activities such as whale rescue, wildlife surveys and caring for injured or orphaned wildlife. Wildcare office – support to members of Wildcare, including newsletter production, event management and processing of membership applications.

Special programs – large scale annual projects and programs undertaken in co-operation with partners in government. Special programs may require specialist skills and often call for extended commitments. They include the Caring for Islands Program and Campground Host Program.

Wildcare is a membership organisation. Members can express interest in specific projects or focus their skills and interest in a particular reserve or location. Members can join in activities when and where it suits them.

Indeed, Wildcare offers a unique opportunity for community participation in caring for wild places, wildlife and cultural heritage.

*"...caring for wild places, wildlife and cultural heritage"*



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## Directors

**Andrew Smith – Co-Chair Appointed**

**Will Forsyth – Co Chair Elected  
Public Officer**

**Christian Bell**

**John Duggin**

**Rosemary Gales**

**Peter Marmion**

**Naida McIntosh – Secretary**

**Shane Pinner**

**Ashley Rushton**

**Sally Salier**

**Robert Tyson**



## Stories from our volunteers

### My Wilderness Experience *by Freja Cianchi*

We went to Waterfall Valley, Cradle Mountain, to hut warden for two weeks. It was an 8km walk in from Dove Lake. It took five hours to walk because my five and seven year old sisters came as well. We walked past Cradle Mountain and stopped for a break. Finally we turned left and arrived at the hut. It was so sunny and hot for the first week that one particularly hot day we decided to explore more of the creek systems of the valley. We walked down the track to a little animal trail, and followed the trail to a cliff where we could look down into a canyon. Looking down I could see the tops of fagus, King Billy pine and celery top trees. We heard a waterfall. I found another animal track going down into the canyon. My sister and I were nervous walking along the ledge of a cliff. Mum helped us down to the bottom where we could follow the creek up into the canyon. When we go to the bottom of the canyon I shouted in excitement because there was a shallow creek with rocks that we could step on to get to the waterfall.

At one point we had to follow another animal track through the fagus. To think that no one had ever been here before, and then screamed as a spider web went into my face. My seven year old sister, Indigo, helped me get the web off. We pushed through some more bush and spider webs until we got to the end. All I could do was just stare. We had finally reached the waterfall that we could hear from the top of the canyon. It was just beautiful with a waterfall gushing over a rock face covered in moss and lichen. There was an overhang where the water went past. Indigo and I went under the overhang where we got a bit wet from the waterfall. Brrrr, cold! But once under the overhang and behind the waterfall we were safe from the freezing water.

*“...a very magical adventure  
in the mountains”*

There was moss covering the rock and it was all wet from the spray of the waterfall. In front of us the waterfall was like a sheet of water. The pool was too shallow to swim in but we still put on our swimmers. After a while of playing under the waterfall we came out of the water and ate some food in front of this most picturesque place. We finally made our way back to tell Dad. After lunch we showed Dad the canyon. This time we were not so apprehensive but very excited to share our discovery. He was amazed at the beauty of the place. We followed him behind the waterfall.

The rest of the week at Waterfall Valley flew past doing walks in the bush and exploring. We discovered more pools while it was nice and warm. One walk we did was to another hut in the rain further up the Overland Track. The hut was tucked in a forest of fagus and pines. It looked absolutely magical. It turned really cold, so cold in fact that the day we were planning to walk out it snowed. Dad and Mum decided it was too dangerous to walk out today so we were stuck at the hut for another two days. I discovered the book Harry Potter so read that for two days. On the second day it got a bit warmer. Indigo and Saffron ganged up on me while we had a snow ball fight. It was fun to play in the snow after being inside for so long. But I did get wet and cold. On the third morning of our extra day the weather was good enough for us to walk out. The walk out was nice and sunny with a sprinkle of snow showers every now and again. We saw a white lipped snake cross our path. We came to a stream where we could fill up our water bottle with beautiful fresh water. There was snow on the trees. The contrast of white snow and the green pandanus trees as well as the brown cliffs of Cradle Mountain was truly magical. We finally got back to the car where I said to my family “well, I have had a very magical adventure in the mountains.”

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## Get Outside with Community

This is a new and exciting initiative run by Wildcare and the Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS). It redefines what constitutes volunteering and opens up a whole new era for Wildcare around health, wellbeing and inclusion.

Get Outside with Community links old Tasmanians (Wildcare volunteers) to new Tasmanians (asylum seekers, refugees and people newly arrived to the State from other cultures) to place – by place, we mean connection to a local reserve or national park.

The project takes old and new Tasmanians on day and overnight trips to experience nature together, to connect to Tasmania and to each other. Friendships, cultural experiences and a love of nature are cultivated and nourished on these excursions. A PWS Discovery Ranger and the Get Outside Coordinator attend every trip.

In addition, the project leaders select participants that are showing initiative and drive and encourage them to participate in leadership training. Once trained, these leaders are then encouraged and supported to deliver short activities and tasks throughout the excursions. For example, a leader might facilitate a 10-minute sensory experience on one of the walks, encouraging new and old Tasmanians to take the time to listen to birds or to smell leaves.

The project has developed partnerships along the way. Red Cross, the Migrant Resource Centre and TasTAFE are vital to the project's success.





*“Just one of the amazingly dedicated groups of Wildcare volunteers making a difference”*



## Stories from our volunteers

### What a load of rubbish!

The South West Marine Debris Clean Up is an annual Wildcare event. This group is concerned about the accumulation of plastics in the world's oceans, and the way they get washed up onto the beautiful remote beaches of the wild and remote South Western beaches of Tasmania. We have decided to do something about it!

The South West Coast Marine Debris Cleanup saw the 19 crew battle the biggest swells and roughest conditions we have ever experienced. It is a credit to the skippers of the Velocity, Chieftain G and the Breaksea that we were able to make it to the West Coast and back and safely access the beaches. During the trip, swells rose to over nine metres and the enthusiastic crew were still keen to clean beaches in 50 knot winds and torrential rain, despite numerous cases of sea sickness.

In total 27,317 items were collected off six beaches, totalling around three tonnes. In material terms, 94 per cent of the rubbish was plastic (comprised mainly of rope, bottles and miscellaneous plastic pieces) and 2.5 per cent was metal, mainly aluminium cans. Small pieces of plastic, caps and lids continue to be found in increased numbers and these, along with small pieces of rope and bait box straps, accounted for over 83 per cent of the rubbish items collected.

This year, the team recovered a back breaking 11,253 items from the beautiful Stephens Beach just south of Port Davey. This beach is exposed to the highest wave energies in Australia and had not been cleaned since 1999. It was a long day for all walking to and from Stephens Beach from Spain Bay, cleaning it from end to end, dragging the rubbish to either end of the beach and then counting the rubbish late into the evening. Thankfully for the crew we were able to access the beach by dinghy and we didn't have to haul the 24 bags of rubbish and assorted loose ropes 2.5km back overland.

The more unusual items found on the shore this year included a chocolate Easter egg still in its foil wrapper, a toaster oven, a baby's bottle and a matching pair of walking boots. Once again, there was rubbish from all corners of the globe including a Brazilian water bottle, numerous Japanese, Chinese and Korean oil and food containers, fishing buoys and trawl nets.

The project is run under Wildcare in conjunction with the Parks & Wildlife Service. The cleanup has now been running for over ten years. Just one of the amazingly dedicated groups of Wildcare volunteers making a difference. The information collected about plastics in the ocean goes towards a campaign to reduce the amount of packaging found in things like fishing bait packs.





# Financial Report

For the year ended 31 December 2013

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Chartered Accountants + Business Advisors

# Profit and Loss Statement

January 2013 to December 2013

Wildcare Gift Fund  
GPO Box 1751 Hobart TAS 7001

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Bank Interest	8,377.85	15,482.15
Donations	124,196.88	130,957.57
Total Income	132,574.73	146,439.72
Total Cost of Sales	-	-
Gross Profit	<u>132,574.73</u>	<u>146,439.72</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Grants to Approved Projects	38,878.19	173,713.05
Interest to Internal Grants	2,170.01	20,501.80
Total Expenses	<u>41,048.20</u>	<u>194,214.85</u>
Net Profit/(Loss)	<u><b>91,526.53</b></u>	<u><b>(47,775.13)</b></u>

# Balance Sheet

As of December 2013

Wildcare Gift Fund  
GPO Box 1751 Hobart TAS 7001

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
	\$	\$
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash On Hand		
Westpac 447372	236.99	24,828.17
Westpac Term deposit 497687	210,538.24	204,665.22
<b>Total Cash On Hand</b>	<b>210,775.23</b>	<b>229,493.39</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>210,775.23</b>	<b>229,493.39</b>
Loan Wildcare	113,669.92	3,425.23
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>324,445.15</b>	<b>232,918.62</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>324,445.15</b>	<b>232,918.62</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Retained Funds	232,918.62	280,693.75
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	91,526.53	(47,775.13)
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>324,445.15</b>	<b>232,918.62</b>

# Profit and Loss Statement

January 2013 to December 2013

Wildcare Inc

ABN 80 986 531 989

GPO Box 1751 Hobart TAS 7001

	This Year	Last Year
<b>INCOME</b>		
Aust Govt GVESH0 Program	\$0.00	5,000.00
Donations Wildcare (non Gift)	17,951.86	12,901.01
Interest - bank	8,676.00	11,764.62
Interest from Gift Fund	2,170.01	20,501.80
Merchandise Sales	319.99	1,994.59
Member Subscriptions	122,290.16	101,158.15
Projects	76.00	-
Projects - Grants	225,979.66	138,966.12
Projects - Other Income	43,396.18	49,094.39
Sponsorship	6,400.00	5,400.00
Late payment fee income	25.00	-
<b>Total INCOME</b>	<b>427,284.86</b>	<b>346,780.68</b>
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		
Opening stock on hand	-	5,000.00
Closing stock on hand	-	(4,009.50)
<b>Total Cost Of Sales</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>990.50</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>427,284.86</b>	<b>345,790.18</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Accounting & Audit Costs	1,825.00	556.00
Advertising & Promotions	3,190.64	11,629.66
AGM Costs	2,287.78	-
Bank Charges	58.69	0.25
Credit Card Charges	536.48	513.02
BOM Costs	2,398.42	4,667.59
Bookkeeper expenses	19,127.98	13,082.50
Chief Executive Officer	44,196.36	-
Chief Executive Officer expens	11,144.65	-
<b>Project Expenses</b>		
Projects - Catering	-	755.50
Projects - Contractor Works	34,878.79	58,198.45
Projects - General	3,549.66	14,083.73
Projects - Salary	31,361.21	15,470.00
Projects - Tools and Materials	170,427.15	131,204.08
Projects - Transport	99,273.20	106,890.47
Projects - Training	2,850.00	2,536.35
Projects - Volunteer Allowance	5,250.00	5,260.00
Projects - Wilds'cool	500.00	500.00
<b>Total Project Expenses</b>	<b>348,090.01</b>	<b>334,898.58</b>
Insurance	4,794.03	6,019.18
Internet Services	5,284.50	1,804.34
Merchandise Costs	3,336.31	2,620.00
Postage	1,768.13	627.47
Printing & Stationery	683.00	1,620.00
Prize Giving	5,500.00	1,000.00
Sponsorship	1,000.00	-
Subscription and Memberships	680.30	724.32
WILDTIMES Newsletter	15,473.82	15,256.36
<b>Total EXPENSES</b>	<b>471,376.10</b>	<b>395,019.27</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>(44,091.24)</b>	<b>(49,229.09)</b>
<b>Other Income</b>		
Internal transfers	13,177.96	(15,582.00)
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>13,177.96</b>	<b>(15,582.00)</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>		
Internal transfers	-	(15,582.00)
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(15,582.00)</b>
<b>Net Profit/(Loss)</b>	<b>(30,913.28)</b>	<b>(49,229.09)</b>

# Balance Sheet

As of December 2013

Wildcare Inc

ABN 80 986 531 989

GPO Box 1751 Hobart TAS 7001

	This Year	Last Year
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Wildcare Inc		
Westpac (Dep brg in)	118,244.68	43,939.10
Wildcare Cash Reserve	308,262.12	299,962.06
Prepayments	5,314.67	3,846.36
Accounts Receivable	9,730.50	5,500.00
Stock on hand	-	4,009.50
Total Current Assets	<u>441,551.97</u>	<u>357,257.02</u>
Total ASSETS	<u>441,551.97</u>	<u>357,257.02</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	9,159.42	8,618.77
GST		
GST Collected	9,182.47	500.73
GST Paid	(7,826.46)	(0.38)
BAS Payable/Refundable	-	(3,567.00)
Total GST	<u>1,356.01</u>	<u>(3,066.65)</u>
Loan - Wildcare Gift Fund	<u>113,669.92</u>	<u>3,425.00</u>
Total LIABILITIES	<u>124,185.35</u>	<u>8,977.12</u>
Net Assets	<u><b>317,366.62</b></u>	<u><b>348,279.90</b></u>
<b>MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>		
Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit)	348,279.90	397,508.99
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(30,913.28)</u>	<u>(49,229.09)</u>
Total MEMBERS' FUNDS	<u><b>317,366.62</b></u>	<u><b>348,279.90</b></u>

# Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2013

## NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNT POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the reporting requirements of the *Association Incorporation Act 1964 Tasmania*. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act Tasmania* and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 1031                      Materiality

AASB 110                      Events Occurring After Balance Sheet Date

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standard Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values, or except where specifically stated, current valuation of non-current assets.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with a special purpose framework in order to meet the needs of the associations members. As such, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

# Wildcare Inc. Officers' Assertion Statement

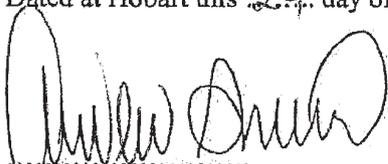
The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Committee, the attached financial report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Wildcare Inc. as at 31 December 2013 and its performance for the period 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013;
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Wildcare Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

Dated at Hobart this 24. day of ..... 3..... 2014



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PRESIDENT



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TREASURER

CEO

# Wildcare Board Details

As of 31 December 2013

<b>Will Forsyth – Co Chair Elected Public Officer</b>	Unit 1/11 Church Street Oatlands TAS 7120	0427 547 115
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Wildcare Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose report, of Wildcare Inc., which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2013, the statement of financial performance for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the officers assertion statement.

### Officers Responsibility for the Financial Report

The officers of Wildcare Inc. are responsible for the preparation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporated Act 1964* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The officers' responsibility also includes such internal control as the officers determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the officers, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Qualification

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for Wildcare Inc. to maintain an effective system of internal control over Donations, Fundraising and other

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income until their initial entry into the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to donations, fundraising and other income was limited to amounts recorded.

### **Qualified Opinion**

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the limitation discussed in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Wildcare Inc. as at 31 December 2013 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the *Associations Incorporated Act (1964)*

### **Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution**

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the officers financial reporting requirements under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1964* and as such may be unsuitable for another purpose.

The officers have determined that the financial report shall be prepared in accordance with a special purpose framework. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose as only the accounting standards specifically stated in note 1 to the accounts have been applied in the preparation of this special purpose financial report.

As such, this report should not be distributed or used by parties other than Wildcare Inc. and its members.



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