# THE ARMSTRONG AND ARTHUR CHARITABLE TRUST FOR LESBIANS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MARCH 2023

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# DIRECTORY as at 31 March 2023

Nature of the Trust	Charitable 1	Frust	
Date of Settlement	17 September 2001		
Postal Address	P O Box 199	9, Waikanae 5250	
Settlor	Beatrice Bla	anche Arthur (deceased 5/8/2002)	
Trustees (Minimum 3, Max 10)	L C Evans NZ E R Walsh B R Evans F M Kell BA, V R Edyvand G A Gale Dip S M L Coles	Sc(Hons), ISSP, CISA BSc(Hons), PhD e LACert, Dip.Edit., BA(Hons), MA, PhD	
Officers	Chair Secretary Treasurer		
Bankers	ANZ Bank, N	Waikanae	
Solicitor	Julie Goundar The Law Connection PO Box 206, Waikanae 5250		
IRD No. Registered Charity No.	81-490-023 CC10947		

# The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians Performance Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

## **Entity Information**

Legal Name of Entity:	The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians
Type of Entity and Legal Basis:	Charitable Trust (Incorporation no 1180824)
Registration Number:	CC10947

### **Entity's Purpose:**

The purposes and aims of the Trust are to devote or apply both capital and income of the Trust Fund to or for any charitable purposes for the benefit of lesbian community groups in the Wellington region or individuals organising projects that benefit the lesbian community in the Wellington region, such purposes which are from time to time selected by the Trustees are valid charitable purposes.

Without limiting this in any way such purposes may also include:

- (a) education, research, and social development;
- (b) assistance of lesbian individuals and lesbian community groups and services which benefit the lesbian community such as helplines, library facilities, radio programmes, art exhibitions and theatre productions, and other cultural activities intended to further community development; and
- (c) provision of other services such as rehabilitation and health activities. Subject to clause 2.2(ii) the Trust may also devote or apply both capital and income of the Trust Fund to a separate fund to further charitable purposes for the benefit of lesbian women living in New Zealand.

#### **Entity Structure:**

The Trust operations are managed by the Trustees. The Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer are appointed by the Trustees, from the Trustees.

#### Main Sources of the Entity's Cash and Resources:

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians was established in 2001 by the late Bea Arthur for the benefit of lesbian community groups in the Wellington region. The Trust capital is made up of the settlement amount and subsequent bequests.

The main source of revenue for the Trust is income derived from the Trust Fund capital investments.

From time to time the Trust receives donations, which are treated as capital and/or income at the direction of the donor. If no direction is received, the Trustees determine how to apply the donation.

#### Main Methods Used by the Entity to Raise Funds:

The Trust is not an active fundraiser. The donations and bequests it receives generally are unsolicited.

### Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:

The Trust relies on gifts of volunteers' time. All the Trustees are volunteers.

# The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians

# Statement of Service Performance

For the year ended 31 March 2023

#### **Description of the Entity's Outcomes:**

The outcome sought by the Trust is that the lesbian community is a visible presence in the Wellington region through supporting activity by lesbian community, for the lesbian community, and with the lesbian community.

### Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Entity's Outputs:

	This Year	This Year	Last Year
	Actual	Budget	Actual
Trust Deed compliance:			
Annual General Meeting	1	1	1
Meetings of Trustees	2	3	2
Legislative compliance:	Filed	File by	Filed
Charities Register Annual Return due by end September	September	due date	September
	2022	uue uale	2021
Support to:			
Lesbian community groups for on-going programmes	1	1	0
Lesbian community group projects	1	1	0
Individual lesbian projects	0	0	0

# The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians

# Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the year ended 31 March 2023

For the year chied of that	Notes	, Actual	Budget	Actual
	Notes		-	
		This year	This Year	Last Year
		\$	\$	\$
Operating Receipts	2			
Donations, fundraising, and other similar receipts		2,253.08	1,000	2,056.00
Interest, dividends, and other investment income receipts				
ASB Term Deposit interest		249.99	400	378.00
BNZ Term Deposit interest		5,422.93	4,000	3,839.72
ANZ Current Account interest		114.09	10	11.31
ANZ Serious Saver Interest		137.40	20	17.45
BNZ Business First OnCall interest		0.06	0	0
Repayment of grant		0	0	2.500.00
Total Operating Receipts		8,177.55	5430	8,802.83
Operating Payments	3			
Payments related to providing goods or services:				
Registration Fees		253.08	150	107.46
Annual Report publication		121.90	150	107.40
Stall at LILAC Fair		45.00	0	0
Grants paid:		10,000.00	10,000	2,500.00
Other operating payments:				
Storage		1,950.00	1,800	1,440.00
General expenses		50.00	200	0
Total Operating Payments		12,419.98	12,300	4,154.80
Operating Surplus or (Deficit)		(4,242.43)	(6,870)	4,647.97
Capital Receipts		0		0
Capital Payments		0		0
Increase/(Decrease) in Bank Accounts and Cash		(4,242.46		4,647.97
Bank accounts and cash at the beginning of the financial year		300,342.97		295,695.00
Bank Accounts and Cash at the End of the Financial Year		296,100.54		300,342.97
Represented by:				
Current account		11,440.56		16,148.00
Savings and OnCall accounts		6,159.98		5,694.97
Term Deposit accounts		278,500.00		278,500.00
Total Bank Accounts and Cash at the End of the Financial Year		296,100.54		300,342.97

# The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians Statement of Resources and Commitments as at 31 March 2023

#### SCHEDULE OF RESOURCES

	This Year	Last Year
	\$	\$
Bank Accounts and Cash (from Statement of Receipts and		
Payments)	296,100.54	300,342.97
ANZ Term Investment	0	0
ASB Term Investment	25,000.00	25,000.00
BNZ Term Investment	253,500.00	253,500.00
ANZ Current Account	11,440.56	16,148.00
ANZ Serious Saver	6,062.69	5 <i>,</i> 685.29
BNZ Business OnCall	9.74	9.68
Other Resources		
Stock on Hand – Cards expensed in year purchased	0	0

#### SCHEDULE OF COMMITMENTS

not fully met at balance date)

	This Year	Last Year
	\$	\$
Money Payable by the Entity		
Other Commitments:		
	0	0
SCHEDULE OF OTHER INFORMATION	This Year	Last Year
	\$	\$
Grants or Donations with Conditions Attached (where conditions		

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**Resources Used as Security for Borrowings** 

## The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians Notes to the Performance Report For the year ended 31 March 2023

#### **Note 1: Accounting Policies**

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians is permitted by law to apply PBE SFR-C (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Cash (Not-For-Profit) and has elected to do so. All transactions are reported in the Statement of Receipts and Payments and related Notes to the Performance Report on a cash basis.

#### Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians is not registered for GST. Therefore amounts recorded in the Performance Report are inclusive of GST (if any).

			Last
		This Year	Year
Receipt Item	Analysis	\$	\$
Fundraising receipts	LILAC Fair	0	0
	Sale of items	0	0
	Total	0	0
Receipt Item	Analysis	\$	\$
Grants and donations	Donation	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Donation	51.11	50.00
	Donation	201.97	56.35
	Total	2,253.08	2,056.35
Total donations, fundraising	, sales, etc.	2,25308	2,056.35
Receipt Item	Analysis	\$	\$
	ANZ Serious Saver	137.40	17.45
	ASB Term Investment	249.99	378.00
	BNZ Term Investment	5,422.96	3,839.72
	ANZ Current Account	114.09	11.31
Total interest and dividends		5,924.44	4,246.48

#### Note 2: Analysis of Receipts "How was it funded?"

#### Note 3: Analysis of Payments

			Last
		This Year	Year
Payment Item	Analysis	\$	\$
Payments related to public	LILAC Fair	45.00	0.00
fundraising			
	Total	45.00	0.00
Payment Item	Analysis	\$	\$
Payments related to providing	Annual Report	121.90	107.40
goods or services	Reviewers Fee	0.00	0.00
	Charities Registration Fee	51.11	51.11
	Website Fee(s)	201.97	56.35
	Legal fees	0.00	0.00
	Printing cards	0.00	0.00
	Total	374.98	214.86
Payment Item	Analysis	\$	\$
Grants and donations paid	Grants:		
	Lilac	6,000	0
	Lesbian Summer Camp	4,000.00	2,500.00
	Total	10,000.00	2,500.00
Payment Item	Analysis	\$	\$
Other operating payments	General expenses:		
	Flowers, gifts, etc.	50.00	0.00
	Stationery	0.00	0
	Postage	0.00	0
	Storage	1,950.00	1,440.00
	Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
	Total	2,000.00	1,440.00

Note 4: Correction of Errors

None

#### Note 5: Related Party Transactions

There were no transactions involving related parties during the financial year. (Last Year - Nil)

#### Note 6: Events after the Balance Date

There were no events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a significant effect on the Performance Report. (Last Year - Nil)

#### Note 7: Additional Notes

## Source of capital

	As at 1 Apr 2022	As at 31 Mar 2023
Bequests	\$	\$
Original Settlement	100,000.00	100,000.00
Estate B Arthur	100,000.00	100,000.00
Estate B Dean	60,000.00	60,000.00
Estate F M Kinney	15,345.44	15,345.44
Estate P Simmonds	1,000.00	1,000.00
	276,345.44	276,345.44
Donations		
DOODS Funds*	1,226.85	1,226.85
Lesbian Line Funds	270.19	270.19
Lesbian Haven Funds	651.82	651.82
Lesbian Studies Conference Funds	6,776.83	6,776.83
	8,925.69	8,925.69
Total	285,271.13	285,271.13

\*condition of use – grants must be aligned to DOODS Committee objectives

#### Accumulated funds

	\$
Accumulated funds carried forward from previous year	15,071.84
This year operating deficit	4,242.43
Accumulated funds as at 31 March 2023	10,829.41
Equity as at 31 March 2023	296,100.54
Adjustment for commitments:	
Commitments as at 31 March 2023	0
Accumulated funds	10,829.41
Equity including commitments as at 31 March 2023	306,929.95

# The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

The Trust is a Tier 4 organisation as its turnover is less than \$125,000. The Performance Report meets the annual reporting requirements needed for Charities Registration compliance. Tier 4 organisations are not required to undertake an annual audit or review of their accounts; the Trust's Deed was amended accordingly (11 March 2019).

Term investments that matured during the year were rolled over for the same terms. Interest rates continued to fall during the first part of the year, but began to increase later in 2022.

All investments were made in accordance with the Trustees Investment Policy.

In view of the declining income from the Trust's investments, the Trustees decided it was prudent to hold only one grant funding round during the financial year. The annual closing date for applications for funding was moved to 30 September. It was felt that this date would better suit applicants who were planning an event or activity during summer than previous dates in January and July.

Frances M Kell Treasurer

### CHAIR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Trustees of The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians held two formal meetings in this reporting year. These were both in person. Although the planned October 2022 meeting via Zoom was cancelled, decisions required on the funding round were made by email. In line with other years, additional business, usually relating to investments, was also conducted via email.

Last year's Chair's Report noted that the Covid Pandemic had disrupted the travel to meetings of some Trustees. Whether travelling internationally or nationally, they were unable to attend meetings in person. Trustee Alison Laurie who regularly travelled between Denmark and New Zealand was particularly affected. We were delighted, therefore, to greet her when she attended our February 2023 meeting before returning to Denmark. This meeting was the Trustees' first in the Lilac Lounge in downtown Wellington. The Lilac premises worked well for us and we appreciated the Lilac Collective's support for this use of the facility.

The Armstrong and Arthur Trust has contributed financially to Lilac (the Lesbian Information and Archives Centre) for over 15 years. Trustees welcome the continuation of this service for same sex attracted women in the Wellington Region. We note with interest the present Collective's efforts to engage with its members and potential members through additional events such as quiz nights, art shows, Coming Out meet ups, and Friday evening drop ins.

Another initiative financially supported by The Trust was a Lesbian Summer Camp which was held at the Waihōanga River Lodge and Retreat in the Otaki Gorge 17 to 20 February 2023. Located in beautiful surroundings, the Camp attracted a number of lesbians of all ages with some attending from other parts of the country.

In February also, Trustees reluctantly accepted Sonia Coles' resignation from The Armstrong and Arthur Trust due to personal circumstances. We thank her for her eight years plus of valuable contributions to The Trust. She will be missed. Sonia was a well-liked member with a gentle sense of humour. Her input was always thoughtful, practical, patient, and diplomatic. Several times, we called on her technical help whether it was assisting us in first using Zoom or uploading material onto the website. Finally, I must mention her culinary skills that came to the fore when she reproduced a fine Emerald Salad that was a favourite dish of Bette and Bea's when they entertained dinner guests.

Valda Edyvane Chair

## GRANTS PAID 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

## Lesbian Summer Camp 2023

\$4,000.00

Deposit on venue, plus contribution towards running costs of camp.

## LILAC Inc

\$6,000.00 Contribution to rent on premises.

## **REPORTS FROM GRANT RECIPIENTS**

It is a condition of all grants that a report is provided to the Trust at the conclusion of the project or, for on-going activities, at six-monthly intervals. Information provided here is taken from those reports.

#### Lesbian Summer Camp 2023

The 2023 Lesbian Summer Camp was held from Friday 17 February to Monday 20 February at Waihoanga Lodge and Retreat in Otaki.

The purpose of the camp is to provide a place of rejuvenation, connections, celebration, and face-to-face socialising and sharing for lesbians. It creates opportunities to forge and renew links between lesbians across the country, strengthening the lesbian community. The organisers felt that if laughter and camaraderie are indicators of success then the purpose of this year's camp had been well and truly achieved. Lesbians attending shared copious amounts of lovely food as they retold our herstory and heard the perspectives of two young lesbians about what it was like navigating in today's world.

There were lively political discussions, workshops both crafty and spiritual, and a large banner was created to be used at the Let Women Speak rally planned for Wellington. Outdoorsy lesbians went on bush walks and river swims, while others sat in the sun or moved in and out of a range of thoughtful conversations taking place in the different spaces available at the retreat.

The Trust's contributions to the success of the camp, providing the \$1,000 deposit for the venue, and for general expenses with a second grant, were widely acknowledged by those attending. Since no-one requested a fee or travel subsidy and most women paid the full rate, the camp yielded enough surplus funds to pay the deposit for next year's camp. Thus, we have not needed to ask the Trust for funding for this.

#### LILAC Inc

The Trust is integral to enabling LILAC to continue to provide an accessible, centrally located, physical space for the library to operate. The grant from the Trust covered 50% of the year's rent, which was greatly appreciated.

With a reinvigorated collective more events could be held last year, and these were all well attended by LILAC members and local and visiting lesbians. Two fundraisers at CIRCA both featured lesbian authors and were enjoyed by their audiences. A winter art exhibition attracted a lot of visitors; all enjoyed seeing the art created by our community. The exhibition featured work by six local lesbians and also raised money from silent auctions of work kindly donated to LILAC for this purpose and from commissions on other work.

Two "Coming Out" events were held during the year, where the attendees appreciated meeting other lesbians in a women-only space. A very successful quiz night attracted women who were new to LILAC. These events were held alongside the usual open hours, Lesbian Herstory month events, and regular meetings of the Book Group.