

**THE ARMSTRONG AND ARTHUR  
CHARITABLE TRUST FOR LESBIANS**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 MARCH 2006**

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## **DIRECTORY as at 31 March 2006**

Nature of the Trust	Charitable Trust
Date of Settlement	17 September 2001
Postal Address	PO Box 199 Waikanae Kapiti Coast 6454
Settlor	Beatrice Blanche Arthur (Dec'd 5/8/2002)
Trustees (Minimum 3, Max 10)	A J Laurie L C Evans R Walsh C Walsh M Porebski (resigned 22/5/05) J H Griffin R Evans F M Kell T Instone (appointed 22/5/2005)
Officers	Chair      A J Laurie  Secretary    F M Kell  Treasurer    J H Griffin
Bankers	National Bank of NZ, Waikanae
Solicitor	Stephen Burnett PO Box 209 Waikanae Kapiti Coast
IRD No:	81-490-023

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

		<u>2005</u>
Income:		
Term Investment Deposit Interest (Nat Bank)	\$10,900.20	<i>10081</i>
Current Account Interest (Nat Bank)	143.39	<i>121</i>
Elders/Hanover Finance Interest	2,474.98	<i>2475</i>
	<u>\$13,518.57</u>	<u><i>12677</i></u>
Expenses:		
Administrative Expenses	5.35	
- Audit Fees	112.50	
<i>123</i> Photographs	16.00	-
Postage	-	<i>45</i>
Printing:		
Brochures	-	<i>529</i>
Business cards	-	<i>166</i>
Letterhead	-	<i>135</i>
Stationery	6.00	<i>17</i>
Honoraria	1,600.00	<i>600</i>
	<u>1,739.85</u>	<i>1605</i>
Available for Distribution	<u>11,778.72</u>	<i>11073</i>
Grants	9,886.00	<i>4300</i>
Surplus for year	<u>\$1,892.72</u>	<u><i>6773</i></u>

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH  
2006**

CURRENT ASSETS:

		<u>2005</u>
National Bank Current Account	\$13,608.38	10,579

TERM ASSETS:

National Bank Term Investment No 2	100,000.00	100000
National Bank Term Investment No 3	50,000.00	50000
National Bank Term Investment No 4	20,000.00	20000
National Bank Term Investment No 9	5,000.00	5074
Elders/Hanover Finance Term Investment	30,000.00	30000
	<u>218,608.38</u>	<u>215653</u>

LESS LIABILITIES:

Sundry Creditors	-	664
	<u>\$218,608.38</u>	<u>214989</u>

EQUITY:

Original Settlement	\$100,000.00	100000
Additional – Bequest B B Arthur Estate 20/3/03	100,000.00	100000
DOODs Funds	1,726.85	-
	<u>201,726.85</u>	<u>200000</u>
Surplus carried forward from previous year	14,988.81	1541
Surplus this year	1,892.72	6675
	<u>\$218,608.38</u>	<u>208216</u>

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 MARCH 2006**

The Trust's investments are split into 4 separate investment parcels with the National Bank, Waikanae, and one with Elders/Hanover Finance.

The investments with the National Bank are:

- \$100,000 for 2 years & 2 days at 6.50% (maturing 31 December 2007);
- \$50,000 for 1 year & 183 days at 6.50% (maturing 29 December 2006);
- \$20,000 for 180 days at 7% (maturing 26 June 2006);
- \$5000 for 180 days at 6.15% (maturing 21 August 2006).

The investment with Hanover (formerly Elders) Finance is:

- \$30,000 for 3 years at 8.25% (maturing 8 January 2007).

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The 2006 year has seen an increase in the activities of the Trust.

As the Statement of Financial Performance shows, grants distributed were more than double those of the previous year. Clearly this is as a result of the publicity brochure expenditure last year which has resulted in five new requests for grants in addition to the ongoing grant to DOODs Committee. Furthermore, at balance date there is one application pending and another under consideration.

The income of the Trust is dependent on interest received from term and other investments, and the increase this year from that of the previous year is due to the general rise in interest rates as a consequence of a more buoyant economy.

At the latter part of the year, the DOODs Committee, which had been in receipt of grants from the Trust, suspended its activities. The Committee decided to hand over to the Trust the balance of the Committee's funds prior to wind-up. As the Trust is in effect the "holder" of this money, the Trustees decided that this should be held as a special fund to be applied to grants which the Trustees consider to be in line with the Committee's original objectives. Accordingly, the amount has been shown in the Balance Sheets as a capital asset rather than treated as part of the Trust's income for the year.

Janice H Griffin  
Treasurer

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

To the Trustees of the Armstrong & Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians

I have reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2006.

### **The Treasurer's Responsibility**

The Treasurer is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which fairly reflect the financial position of the Trust as at 31 March 2006 and the results of operations for the year to that date.

### **Financial Reviewer's Responsibilities**

It is my responsibility to express an opinion on the financial statements presented by the Trustees and report my opinion to you.

### **Unqualified Opinion**

I have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required.

In my opinion the financial statements reflect the financial position of the Trust as at 31 March 2006 and the results of its investments for the year ended on that date.

My review was completed on 19 April 2006 and my unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

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Dawn Gorman BCom, CA, ACIS  
WAIKANAE



## **REPORT FROM CHAIR**

This has been a milestone year for the Trust as our income was sufficient for us to make our first grants. The Trust earns income for distribution solely from interest earned on investments, donations, and bequests. The amount available for distribution in any year depends on current interest rates.

We started to receive applications for funding from the beginning of 2005, with cut-off dates at 31 January and 31 July each year. In the year 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005, three applications were received and approved. In the financial year just ended, 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006, eight applications were received, of which six were approved, one was withdrawn (it was no longer needed), and one is pending. A summary of all grants paid to 31 March 2006 is provided separately.

Since the beginning of 2002 the Trust has provided to DOODs, under a memorandum of understanding, regular funding which has supported Lesbian Line and Wellington Lesbian Radio. During the year Lesbian Line and then DOODs itself have closed. DOODs has been a wonderful resource for the Wellington lesbian community. The Trust has approved a grant for the coming year for the radio programme, replacing the DOODs funding.

The Trust accepted with regret the resignation of a foundation Trustee, Mary Porebski, in May 2005. Tighe Instone was welcomed as a new Trustee.

During the year the Trust has taken opportunities for publicity by having pamphlets available or distributed at LILAC, the Wellington Gay and Lesbian Fair, Janus Women's Convention, International Lesbian Day events, and through the Gender and Women's Studies Programme at Victoria University of Wellington. All recipients of grants are required to publicly acknowledge the support of the Trust in an appropriate way, and this provides additional publicity.

Ongoing projects undertaken by the Trust itself include the scanning and archiving of photographs taken by Bette Armstrong and Bea Arthur, plans for an exhibition of their paintings, and development of a website.

Alison J Laurie  
Chair

## **GRANTS PAID 2 March 2005 to 31 March 2006**

### **Jean Kahui, Otaki**

\$700

Materials for sculptures made for display at the entrance to Janus Women's Convention, Wellington Town Hall, Wellington, Queen's Birthday Weekend 2005.

### **LILAC Inc., Wellington**

\$3900

One year's rent on premises at St Andrews, The Terrace, Wellington, to April 2006.

### **Wellington Women's Refuge, Wellington**

\$1068

Fares and registration for three lesbians to attend the National Collective of Independent Women's Refuges Lesbian Hui in Christchurch, 30 Aug to 1 Sep 2005.

### **Wellington Lesbian Ball Committee, Wellington**

\$500

Contribution to running costs of the 2005 ball.

### **Lesbian Community Radio Programme, Wellington Access Radio, Wellington**

\$31

00

One year's broadcast fees (to March 2007), one year's Wellington Access Radio subscription (2006–07, plus materials including audiotapes and CDs.

### **Shar Miles, Wellington**

\$200

Shortfall in running costs of International Lesbian Day 2005 celebration, Memorial Hall, Paekakariki.

## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

### **DOODs Committee, Wellington**

\$3,600 (1 April 2005–31 March 2006)

For support of Lesbian Line and Wellington Lesbian Radio. Some of this amount was returned to the Trust when DOODs closed.

## REPORTS FROM GRANT RECIPIENTS

It is a condition of all grants that a report is provided to the Trust at the conclusion of a project or activity. The following extracts are from reports by recipients of grants for projects or activities which were completed by 31 March 2006.

### **Jean Kahui** (sculptures)

I was pleased to be one of a group promoting our presence and place at this Women's Convention. The response to the exhibition seemed extremely positive.

All who registered at the convention received a postcard about my work and myself, on which the Trust's support was acknowledged. As well, notices acknowledging the support of the Trust were placed with the sculptures for the duration of the exhibit.

### **Wellington Women's Refuge** (attendance at hui)

This hui was attended by sixteen lesbians from Auckland, Tauranga, Wellington, and Christchurch. For us three from Wellington Women's Refuge, the hui was informative and empowering, and we were able to make new friends and discuss issues and concerns regarding lesbian visibility within the refuge movement and our communities at large. Of particular importance was a workshop taken by a Family Court Co-ordinator explaining the changes introduced in the Care of Children Act 2004 and how these changes are relevant for refuge workers and, in particular, lesbian women.

We returned to Wellington keen to strengthen links between Women's Refuge and the lesbian community and believe this can be of mutual benefit. The hui was very important to the three who attended and to our collective as a whole. It was really important for us not only to be able to represent Wellington Women's Refuge, but also to feel support by our own lesbian community. We were very appreciative of the Trust's support, which we acknowledged at the hui. Two of us discussed the hui on the Lesbian Radio Programme in November 2005.

### **Wellington Lesbian Ball Committee**

The Ball was well attended and a good time was had by all. Photos appeared on the *DominionPost's* People Page the following Tuesday. The committee appreciated the contribution from the Trust.

### **Shar Miles** (International Lesbian Day)

Celebrations began on Friday evening 7 October at Blondini's, with drinks and nibbles. Pictures of Bette Armstrong and Bea Arthur, along with information about the Trust, were prominently displayed.

The main day was Saturday 8 October, at Paekakariki Memorial Hall. From noon the hall was decorated, including pictures of Bette and Bea. In the afternoon there were board games, and a cycle ride in the rain. A shared dinner was followed in the evening by a concert, featuring music and comedy, and then dancing.

