THE ARMSTRONG AND ARTHUR CHARITABLE TRUST FOR LESBIANS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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DIRECTORY as at 31 March 2024

Nature of the Trust	Charitable Trust
Date of Settlement	17 September 2001
Postal Address	P O Box 199, Waikanae 5250
Settlor	Beatrice Blanche Arthur (deceased 5/8/2002)
Trustees (Minimum 3, Max 10)	A J Laurie FTCL, BA(Hons), Cand.Mag.(Oslo), PhD L C Evans NZCLS, BA(Hons) E R Walsh BSc(Hons), ISSP, CISA R Evans F M Kell BA, BSc(Hons), PhD V R Edyvane LACert, Dip.Edit., BA(Hons), MA, PhD G A Gale DipTchg, LACert J V Glamuzina MA(Hons), CITPNZ, PMP®
Officers	Chair V R Edyvane Secretary F M Kell Treasurer F M Kell
Bankers	ANZ Bank, Waikanae
Solicitor	Julie Goundar The Law Connection PO Box 206, Waikanae 5250
IRD No.	81-490-023
Registered Charity No.	CC10947

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians
Performance Report
for the year ended 31 March 2024

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 2024

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 Actual	This Year Budget	Last Year Actual
Trust Deed compliance: Annual General Meeting Meetings of Trustees	 1 3	 1 3	 1 2
Legislative compliance: Charities Register Annual Return due by end September	Filed September 2023	File by due date	Filed September 2022
Support to: Lesbian community groups for on-going programmes Lesbian community group projects Individual lesbian projects	 1 1 0	 1 1 0	 1 1 0

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians

Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Actual This year $	Budget This Year $	Actual Last Year $
Operating Receipts	2			
Donations, fundraising, and other similar receipts		2,319.06	1,000	2,253.08
Interest, dividends, and other investment income receipts				
ASB Term Deposit interest		1,081.77	800	249.99
BNZ Term Deposit interest		10,453.25	6,000	5,422.93
ANZ Current Account interest		239.71	150	114.09
ANZ Serious Saver Interest		277.16	150	137.40
BNZ Business First OnCall interest		0.24	0	0.06
Repayment of grant		0	0	0
Total Operating Receipts		**14,371.19**	**8,100**	**8,177.55**
Operating Payments	3			
Payments related to providing goods or services:				
Registration Fees		95.46	150	253.08
Annual Report publication		108.60	150	121.90
Stall at LILAC Fair		0	0	45.00
Grants paid:		9,000.00	10,000	10,000.00
Other operating payments:				
Storage		1,800.00	1,800	1,950.00
General expenses		100.00	200	50.00
Total Operating Payments		**11,104.06**	**12,300**	**12,419.98**
Operating Surplus or (Deficit)		**3,267.13**	**(6,870)**	**(4,242.43)**
Capital Receipts		0		0
Capital Payments		0		0
Increase/(Decrease) in Bank Accounts and Cash		**3,267.13**		**(4,242.43)**
Bank accounts and cash at the beginning of the financial year		**296,100.54**		**300,342.97**
Bank Accounts and Cash at the End of the Financial Year		**299,367.67**		**296,100.54**
Represented by:				
Current account		7,915.30		11,440.56
Savings and OnCall accounts		6,609.83		6,159.98
Term Deposit accounts		279,829.20		278,500.00
Total Bank Accounts and Cash at the End of the Financial Year		**299,367.67**		**296,100.54**

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians

Statement of Resources and Commitments

as at 31 March 2024

SCHEDULE OF RESOURCES

	This Year	Last Year
	$	$
Bank Accounts and Cash (from Statement of Receipts and Payments)	**299,367.67**	**296,100.54**
ANZ Term Investment	0	0
ASB Term Investment	25,000.00	25,000.00
BNZ Term Investment	254,829.20	253,500.00
ANZ Current Account	7,915.30	11,440.56
ANZ Serious Saver	6,599.85	6,062.69
BNZ Business OnCall	9.98	9.74
Other Resources		
Stock on Hand – Cards expensed in year purchased	0	0

SCHEDULE OF COMMITMENTS

	This Year	Last Year
	$	$
Money Payable by the Entity		
Other Commitments:		
Grant 2023/02	1,500.00	0

SCHEDULE OF OTHER INFORMATION	This Year	Last Year
	$	$
Grants or Donations with Conditions Attached (where conditions not fully met at balance date)	-	-
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 2024

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).

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

		This Year	Last Year
Receipt Item	**Analysis**	**$**	$
Fundraising receipts	LILAC Fair	0	0
	Sale of items	61.00	0
	Total	**61.00**	**0**
Receipt Item	**Analysis**	$	$
Grants and donations			
	Donation	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Donations	162.60	51.11
	Donation	95.46	201.97
	Total	**2,258.06**	**2,253.08**
Total donations, fundraising, sales, etc.		**2,319.06**	**2,253.08**
Receipt Item	**Analysis**	**$**	$
	ANZ Serious Saver	277.16	137.40
	ASB Term Investment	1,081.77	249.99
	BNZ Term Investment, + OnCall	10,453.49	5,423.02
	ANZ Current Account	239.71	114.09
Total interest and dividends		**12,052.13**	**5,924.44**

Note 3: Analysis of Payments

		This Year	Last Year
Payment Item	**Analysis**	**$**	$
Payments related to public fundraising	LILAC Fair	0.00	45.00
	Total	**0.00**	**45.00**
Payment Item	**Analysis**	**$**	$
Payments related to providing goods or services	Annual Report	108.60	121.90
	Reviewers Fee	0.00	0.00
	Charities Registration Fee	0.00	51.11
	Website Fee(s)	95.46	210.97
	Legal fees	0.00	0.00
	Printing cards	0.00	0.00
	Total	**204.06**	**374.98**
Payment Item	**Analysis**	**$**	$
Grants and donations paid	Grants:		
	Lilac	6,000.00	6,000.00
	Lesbian Summer Camp	3,000.00	4,000.00
	Total	**9,000.00**	**10.000.00**
Payment Item	**Analysis**	**$**	$
Other operating payments	General expenses:		
	Flowers, gifts, etc.	0.00	50.00
	Stationery	0.00	0
	Postage	0.00	0
	Storage	1,800.00	1,950.00
	Miscellaneous	100.00	0.00
	Total	**1,900.00**	**2,000.00**

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 2023	As at 31 Mar 2024
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	10,829.41
This year operating surplus	3267.13
Accumulated funds as at 31 March 2024	14,096.54
Equity as at 31 March 2024	**299,367.67**
Adjustment for commitments:	
Commitments as at 31 March 2024	1,500.00
Accumulated funds	14,096.54
Equity including commitments as at 31 March 2024	**299,367.67**

The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians

Treasurer's Report

for the year ended 31 March 2024

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 increased in 2023 and early 2024.

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

In view of the declining income from the Trust's investments over several years, the Trustees decided in 2023 that 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 2024

This year began with The Armstrong and Arthur Charitable Trust for Lesbians' participation in the LILAC Fair that was held upstairs in the Thistle Hall, Wellington, on 1 April 2023. Organised by LILAC (Lesbian Library and Archives Centre), the Fair was a low key public event that attracted several other stallholders, including The Armstrong and Arthur Trust. A number of visitors to our table showed interest in the historical photos of Betty Armstrong and Bea Arthur on display, while others purchased various note cards and post cards.

As the last few years have seen a falling number of lesbian-only activities, Trustees were delighted also to learn that the 2024 Lesbian Summer Camp proved as successful as last year's. Thirty attendees enjoyed the long weekend between 2 and 5 February 2024 at the Waihōanga River Lodge and Retreat in the Otaki Gorge.

A long time recipient of Trust grants is LILAC which, as well as running a part-time library service, continues to offer an annual programme of internal and external events and activities. All of these continue to be organised and supported by volunteers. Latterly, LILAC has also provided a meeting venue for The Armstrong and Arthur Trust. LILAC will celebrate its 30th anniversary later in 2024.

At the February 2024 meeting, Glenda Gale advised that she would resign from the Trust as she and her partner Ariane intended to live in Germany. Following the meeting, Trustees joined Glenda and Ariane at a farewell lunch in a local café.

Glenda is familiar to many lesbians not only in Wellington but also in other parts of the country. An out and proud lesbian, Glenda became an early gay rights activist in the 1970s. In 1977, she became a paid worker (under a government sponsored work scheme) at the newly formed national lesbian and gay rights resource centre in Wellington. This later became the Lesbian and Gay Archives of New Zealand. Glenda, as well as being a curator and reference librarian, also performed as a drag king solely and then as a member of the Drag Kings in the early 2000s. Many lesbians still recall her solo classic Gene Pitney drag performance lip-synching *'Twenty-four hours from Tulsa'*. Well informed, thoughtful, friendly and sincere, we valued Glenda's input into the Trust's proceedings. While we understand her reasons for resigning, we hope one day to welcome her back to these shores and a return to the Trust.

Valda Edyvane

Chair

GRANTS PAID 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

Lesbian Summer Camp 2024

$3,000.00

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 2024

The purpose of the Lesbian Summer Camp is to provide a place of rejuvenation, connections, celebration, and face-to-face socialising and sharing for lesbians. It creates opportunities for lesbians to forge and renew links, strengthening the lesbian community.

The Saturday opened with a talk about the Maori history of the region, and closed with a concert and sing-along. Over the long weekend there were lively discussions, workshops both crafty and spiritual, cheerful reunions and new friends made, puzzles to play with over coffee and conversations, and a highly sought-after crown for the bean bag toss game. Outdoorsy lesbians went on bush walks and swam in the river, while others sat in the sun or moved in and out of a range of activities or conversations, and the on-site yurt was well used as a place for quiet reflection. By the end of the weekend it was felt that the purpose of the camp had been well and truly achieved.

LILAC Inc

LILAC is maintaining a consistent membership level, and is starting to see younger lesbians joining. On average the library acquires three or four new books each month. As well as running the library itself, the Collective organised a variety of events. A feature during the year was a Lesbian Herstory walk around Te Aro based on a map that has been prepared of sites of lesbian interest and past activity, which was augmented by the personal reminiscences of some of the women attending.

Regular LILAC activities continued, including the book group, quiz nights, and coming-out gatherings, and there are regular curated art displays. Members are looking forward to celebrating LILAC's 30th anniversary later in 2024.