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Annual Report 2023

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New Zealand Association of General Surgeons

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NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION OF GENERAL SURGEONS

Promoting Surgical Excellence

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand Association of General Surgeons is to be held on **Saturday 29th April 2023** at **12.30pm** at Maitai Room 2, Rutherford Hotel, Nelson.

Agenda

1. Apologies – Ian Burton, Sanket Srinivasa
2. Minutes of previous AGM held in Wellington, 27 August, 2022
3. Matters Arising from the Minutes
4. Association Reports
 - a. President, V. Blair
 - b. Executive Director, B. Evans
 - c. AoNZCIGS Chair, D. Moss
 - d. AoNZTC Chair, J. Rossaak
5. Acceptance and Ratification of the Annual Financial Statements – Alex Popadich
6. Appointment of new auditors, VBW Chartered Accountants - Alex Popadich

7. Ratify newly elected Executive Members, Simon Richards and Sanket Srinivasa.
8. Health Workforce Update – Vanessa Blair
9. General Business
10. Next Meeting, heading to sunny Napier 6 and 7 April 2024 (conveners – Bevan Jenkins and Jevon Puckett)
11. Closure



NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION OF GENERAL SURGEONS

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Saturday 27th August 2022 at 1.00pm, Soundings Theatre, Te Papa, Wellington.

Members present – Philippa Mercer, Matt Clark, Andrew Moot, Jon Potter, John Fleischl, Susan Gerred, Sarah Rennie, Tom Morgan, Chun-yen Wu, Rishi Ram, Nigel Henderson, Paul Samson, Garth Poole, Jay Maloney, Avi Kumar, Jane Strang, Nick McIntosh, +6 on filed sign-up sheet.

Executive present - Rowan French (President), Vanessa Blair (Vice President), Alex Popadich (Treasurer), Bronwen Evans (Executive Director), Simon Bann, Gary Stone, Chris Harmston, Peter Shapkov, Julian Speight, Deborah Wright, Bevan Jenkins, Roberto Sthory

In attendance – Ray Collins (Minutes)

1. **Apologies** – Sarah Abbott, Mark Stewart, Jasen Li, Ian Civil

Condolences – no condolences recorded

2. **Minutes of previous AGM**

Peter Shapkov proposed that the minutes of the last AGM held in New Plymouth 27 March 2021 were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Seconded by Roberto Sthory. Motion carried.

3. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

None.

4. **Association Reports**

a. President, R. French

The report was tabled and taken as read. Rowan French noted that we are currently in a period of substantial change. The Executive has recently had substantial discussions on proposed models of care and Rowan noted that NZAGS need to be proactive and advocate for patients and workforce. Within RACS a name change is being discussed. At an Association level, we are looking

at enhancing our Te Reo incorporation within the organization. We will consult with members. With regard to gendered titles, Rowan noted, there will be further comment coming out, but the Association recognises the right of individuals to their preferred titles. As an organisation, NZAGS is looking at diversity and rural sectors. In the next 12-24 months the Executive is looking at how it can support STRATA, a trainee led research collaboration. It is felt that the role of the Association will be more important in the next two years.

b. Executive Director, B. Evans

Report was tabled and taken as read. Bronwen Evans noted that in the past year Claire Nicoll retired and was replaced by Ray Collins. She acknowledged the hard work and flexibility of the team during the last two years of disruption due to the pandemic.

c. AoNZCIGS Chair, S. Bann

Report was tabled and taken as read. Simon Bann noted that the Board in General Surgery has been renamed Committee in General Surgery. Simon is stepping down after six years. Dave Moss becomes Chair of AoNZCIGS and Jeremy Rossaak becomes Chair of Training Sub-Committee.

d. Annual Financial Statements

Income for the Association comes from Trainees and Annual Conference. Finances are in good shape. No issues raised by the Executive. We have recently installed a new accounting system for Members (GECCO). Alex Popadich proposed that the Annual Financial Statements be accepted and ratified. Motion carried.

e. Re-appointment of auditors, Heath and Dent

Alex Popadich proposed that the Association reappoints Heath and Dent as its auditor. Motion carried.

f. Ratification of Annual Membership Fee Increase

With inflation rising above 7.5%, the Treasurer proposes raising the membership fee by 5% (\$25) from \$550 (incl GST) to \$575.00 (incl GST) or \$505.00 (Excl GST). This will avoid a huge jump in future years should inflation continue to rise. Motion carried.

g. Executive Membership

Thank you to Andrew Moot and Julian Speight who have completed 12 years on the Executive and both had terms as President. Also thank you to Gowan Creamer who is stepping down for personal reasons.

New Executive Members proposed are Deborah Wright and Roberto Sthory.
Ratified by members present.

Rowan French steps down and Vanessa Blair becomes President. Bevan Jenkins become Vice President.

h. Southern Cross Update

Vanessa Blair updated the meeting having had three years interaction with Southern Cross. There is no clear process for this relationship. One meeting was held with three sub specialties and it was noted there are issues with the affiliate provider relationship that need to be addressed. Meeting with them seems to be problematic. The organisation seems to cherry pick surgeons within private practice and this could be perceived as a conflict of interest. Colorectal and breast have been put back on the table but we suggest they come to us as an Association rather than by sub-speciality. We are looking for feedback from members. If you operate in a non-Southern Cross hospital there may be concerns as Southern Cross are suggesting waiving the 20% top up fee for surgery within a Southern Cross hospital. Members with concerns can speak with Vanessa or feedback to the Executive.

i. General Business

There were no items from the floor tabled at the meeting.

j. Next Meeting,

The next meeting will be in Nelson, 29 April 2023 (ASM 2023 conveners - Mark Stewart and Rebecca Shine)

k. Closure

Meeting closed at 1:21pm.

Performance Report

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons
For the year ended 30 November 2022

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Entity Information

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

Legal Name of Entity

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons Incorporated

Entity Type and Legal Basis

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons ("NZAGS" or "Association") is an association incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. NZAGS is also a registered charity registered with the Charity Commission.

Registration Number

Charity Services Registration Number: CC32206
Incorporated Societies Registration Number: 643992

Entity's Purpose or Mission

The aims of the Association are to:

- Promote and represent the practice of General Surgery and associated specialties in New Zealand;
- Promote a forum for all General Surgeons to discuss and comment on matters affecting their practice;
- Promote activities that provide for continuing education, peer review and research in General Surgery;
- Administer the selection and training of medical practitioners in the specialty of General Surgery in accordance with the partnering agreement with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and the Board in General Surgery;
- Maintain a focus on ethical and professional delivery of the highest level of health care to our patients and the community.
- Promote the Continuing Professional Development of Surgeons.

Entity Structure

Association Structure:

The association is run by an Executive Committee who are elected by a ballot for a term of four years. They are eligible for re-election for a further three terms of four years.

Operational Structure:

The operations are managed by a team of three paid employees. We employ a Chief Executive, a General Manager of Projects, Policy and Education and a Training Manager. Our staff are employed on a part time basis.

Main Sources of Entity's Cash and Resources

Funding is received by way of reimbursement of training costs, membership subscription income and annual conference proceeds.

Main Methods Used by Entity to Raise Funds

The Association raises funds by providing training to their members and charging membership subscriptions.

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services

No reliance is placed on volunteers and donations by the Association.

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Approval of Financial Report

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

The Executive Committee are pleased to present the approved financial report including the historical financial statements of New Zealand Association of General Surgeons for year ended 30 November 2022.

APPROVED



Vanessa Blair

President

Date 4 April 2023



Aleksandra Popadich

Treasurer

Date 4 April 2023

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Statement of Service Performance

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

Description of Entity's Outcomes

The New Zealand Association of General Surgeons (the "Association" or "NZAGS") is a not-for-profit organisation with around 260 members. We are the voice of General Surgery in New Zealand; promoting excellence in surgical practice including education and training, collegiality and the well-being of its surgeons and patients.

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|------|------|
| Description and Quantification of the Entity's Outputs | | |
| Number of General Surgeons Qualified | 13 | 22 |
| Number of New Doctors Selected for Training | 16 | 19 |
| Number of Trainee Days Held | 2 | 1 |
| Number of Trainees Attending Trainee Days | 67 | 75 |



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of New Zealand Association of General Surgeons Incorporated

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying performance report of New Zealand Association of General Surgeons Incorporated on pages 3 to 16, which comprises the entity information, the statement of service performance, the statement of financial performance and statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 November 2022, the statement of financial position as at 30 November 2022, the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion:

- a) the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, in the statement of service performance are suitable;
- b) the performance report on pages 3 to 16 presents fairly, in all material respects:

- the entity information for the year ended 30 November 2022;
- the service performance for the year then ended; and
- the financial position of New Zealand Association of General Surgeons Incorporated as at 30 November 2022, and its financial performance, and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of the Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) standard, issued in New Zealand by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board (PBE SFR-A (NFP)).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit of the statement of financial performance, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of accounting policies and notes to the performance report in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)), and the audit of the service performance information in accordance with the ISAs and New Zealand Auditing Standard (NZ AS1) "The Audit of Service Performance Information". Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Performance Report section of our report. We are independent of New Zealand Association of General Surgeons Incorporated in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 'International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, New Zealand Association of General Surgeons Incorporated.

Restriction on Responsibility

This report is made solely to the Members, as a body, in accordance with section 42F of the Charities Act 2005. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Executive Committee' Responsibility for the Performance Report

The Executive Committee are responsible on behalf of the entity for:

- (a) service performance criteria that are suitable in order to prepare service performance information in accordance with the Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) standard issued in New Zealand by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board (PBE SFR-A (NFP));
- (b) the preparation and fair presentation of the performance report which comprises:
 - the entity information;
 - the statement of service performance; and
 - the statement of financial performance, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of accounting policies and notes to the performance report in accordance with PBE SFR-A (NFP), and
- (c) for such internal control as the Executive Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a performance report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the performance report, the Executive Committee are responsible on behalf of the entity for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Executive Committee either intend to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Performance Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the performance report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS1 will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of this performance report.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the performance report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Obtain an understanding of the process applied by the entity to select what and how to report its service performance.
- Evaluate whether the service performance criteria are suitable so as to result in service performance information that is in accordance with the PBE SFR-A (NFP) framework.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Executive Committee and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the performance report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the performance report, including the disclosures, and whether the performance report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Perform procedures to obtain evidence about and evaluate whether the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, are relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable.

We communicate with the Executive Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dent and Heath'.

Dent and Heath
Lower Hutt
4 April 2023

Statement of Financial Performance

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

| | NOTES | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|-------|----------------|----------------|
| Revenue | | | |
| Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue | 1 | - | 7,500 |
| Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members | 1 | 523,278 | 458,319 |
| Revenue from providing goods or services | 1 | 192,751 | 194,528 |
| Interest, dividends and other investment revenue | 1 | 20,594 | 11,498 |
| Other revenue | 1 | - | 5,659 |
| Total Revenue | | 736,622 | 677,505 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Volunteer and employee related costs | 2 | 240,736 | 212,779 |
| Costs related to providing goods or service | 2 | 308,423 | 226,418 |
| Other expenses | 2 | 93,052 | 125,963 |
| Total Expenses | | 642,210 | 565,160 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year | | 94,412 | 112,344 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and Notes to the Accounts.



Statement of Financial Position

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons

As at 30 November 2022

| | NOTES | 30 NOV 2022 | 30 NOV 2021 |
|---|-------|------------------|------------------|
| Assets | | | |
| Current Assets | | | |
| Bank accounts and cash | 3 | 709,109 | 551,834 |
| Debtors and prepayments | 3 | 80,572 | 3,580 |
| Other Current Assets | 3 | 958,705 | 938,493 |
| Total Current Assets | | 1,748,386 | 1,493,907 |
| Non-Current Assets | | | |
| Property, Plant and Equipment | 5 | 3,936 | 5,981 |
| Other non-current assets | 3 | 176,833 | 216,038 |
| Total Non-Current Assets | | 180,769 | 222,019 |
| Total Assets | | 1,929,155 | 1,715,925 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| Current Liabilities | | | |
| Creditors and accrued expenses | 4 | 60,707 | 35,753 |
| Other current liabilities | 4 | 125,954 | 31,875 |
| Total Current Liabilities | | 186,661 | 67,627 |
| Total Liabilities | | 186,661 | 67,627 |
| Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets) | | 1,742,495 | 1,648,298 |
| Accumulated Funds | | | |
| Accumulated surpluses or (deficits) | 6 | 1,676,308 | 1,581,896 |
| Reserves | 6 | 66,187 | 66,402 |
| Total Accumulated Funds | | 1,742,495 | 1,648,298 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and Notes to the Accounts. .



Statement of Cash Flows

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|----------------|------------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities | | |
| Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts | - | 7,500 |
| Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members | 490,501 | 485,479 |
| Receipts from providing goods or services | 174,748 | 158,750 |
| Interest, dividends and other investment receipts | 20,594 | 10,366 |
| Cash receipts from other operating activities | - | 1,626 |
| Payments to suppliers and employees | (572,062) | (407,883) |
| Total Cash Flows from Operating Activities | 113,781 | 255,839 |
| Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities | | |
| Receipts from sale of investments | 593,777 | - |
| Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment | - | (2,655) |
| Payments to purchase investments | (614,468) | (9,931) |
| Payments to purchase intangibles | (24,550) | (241,861) |
| Cash flows from other investing and financing activities | 88,736 | - |
| Total Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities | 43,495 | (254,446) |
| Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash | 157,275 | 1,393 |
| Bank Accounts and Cash | | |
| Opening cash | 551,834 | 550,440 |
| Closing cash | 709,109 | 551,834 |
| Net change in cash for period | 157,275 | 1,393 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and Notes to the Accounts.



Statement of Accounting Policies

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

Basis of Preparation

The entity has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The entity is registered for GST. All amounts are stated exclusive of goods and services tax (GST) except for accounts payable and accounts receivable which are stated inclusive of GST.

Income Tax

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax having fully complied with all statutory conditions for these exemptions.

Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank accounts and cash in the Statement of Cash Flows comprise cash balances and bank balances (including short term deposits) with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Property, Plant & Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are included at cost less aggregate depreciation provided at the rates outlined below. The depreciation rates used are:

Office Equipment 13% DV to 60% DV

Amortisation of Goodwill

Intangible assets are included at cost less aggregate amortisation provided at the rates as outlined below. The rates used are:

Website Development 48% Software 50% DV

Subscriptions Income/Trainee Membership Fees

Subscription revenue and trainee membership fees are recorded on an accrual basis. Subscriptions are recognised as revenue on a time proportional basis. Training services are recognised when the training is provided.

Presentation Currency

These financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars because that is the primary economic environment in which the Association operates. Transactions in foreign currency have been converted at the date of the payment or receipt. Year end balances in foreign currency have been converted at the exchange rate ruling at balance date.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. Policies have been applied on a consistent basis with those of the previous reporting period.



Notes to the Performance Report

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Analysis of Revenue | | |
| Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue | | |
| Conference MBIE Covid Funding | - | 7,500 |
| Total Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue | - | 7,500 |
| Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members | | |
| Membership Subscription Income | 89,662 | 59,603 |
| SEAM Income | 13,600 | 24,650 |
| Trainee IT Fee | 52,875 | 47,250 |
| Trainee Membership Fees | 17,250 | 18,652 |
| Trainee Selection Application | 32,609 | 31,956 |
| Trainees Fees - (Education Fund-Service Agreem) | 317,282 | 276,207 |
| Total Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members | 523,278 | 458,319 |
| Revenue from providing goods or services | | |
| Conference Registrations | 145,014 | 147,752 |
| Credit Card Fees Subs | 664 | - |
| AoNZCIGS Specialty Governance Fee | 41,529 | 40,715 |
| Training Day Income | 5,543 | 6,061 |
| Total Revenue from providing goods or services | 192,751 | 194,528 |
| Interest, dividends and other investment revenue | | |
| Interest | 7,347 | 2,605 |
| Interest Education Fund | 12,427 | 6,227 |
| Interest Other | 341 | 43 |
| JBWere Investment Portfolio - Income | 479 | 2,623 |
| Total Interest, dividends and other investment revenue | 20,594 | 11,498 |
| Other revenue | | |
| Sundry Income | - | 1,626 |
| Un-realised gain on investment | - | 4,033 |
| Total Other revenue | - | 5,659 |
| | 2022 | 2021 |

2. Analysis of Expenses

| | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Volunteer and employee related costs | | |
| Salaries General | 46,697 | 46,776 |
| Training Salaries | 177,012 | 161,645 |
| Travel Expenses | 17,027 | 4,357 |
| Total Volunteer and employee related costs | 240,736 | 212,779 |



| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Costs related to providing goods or services | | |
| ACC Levies | 511 | 487 |
| Accountancy Fees | 5,572 | 5,551 |
| Bank Charges | 436 | 119 |
| BIGS Costs | 14,707 | 9,317 |
| Conference Costs | 119,733 | 79,154 |
| Consultancy Fees | 21,368 | 12,529 |
| Credit Card Merchant Fees | 5,723 | 5,635 |
| Gifts | 1,753 | 470 |
| Hospital Inspections | 405 | - |
| Insurance | 642 | 722 |
| Interest Paid | - | 14 |
| Office Expenses | 9,283 | 7,866 |
| Rent | 28,006 | 28,459 |
| SEAM Exp | 1,845 | 1,196 |
| Selection Expenses | 23,446 | 22,016 |
| Software Maintenance | - | 7,304 |
| Subscriptions | 10,124 | 5,999 |
| Training Day Expenses | 56,908 | 27,753 |
| Website Hosting and Maintenance | 7,961 | 11,827 |
| Total Costs related to providing goods or services | 308,423 | 226,418 |
| Other expenses | | |
| (Gain) / Loss on Exchange | (1,504) | 1,132 |
| Amortisation | 87,176 | 117,671 |
| Audit Fees | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Depreciation | 2,379 | 2,160 |
| Total Other expenses | 93,052 | 125,963 |
| | 2022 | 2021 |

3. Analysis of Assets

Bank accounts and cash

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| ASB Account 00 | 77,298 | 32,599 |
| ASB Education 01 | 12,894 | 13,956 |
| ASB DSTC Society Account 02 | 88,736 | - |
| ASB Fast Saver Account 50 | 5,052 | 505,279 |
| DSTC COURSE | - | - |
| ASB Savings Plus Account 52 | 525,128 | - |
| Total Bank accounts and cash | 709,109 | 551,834 |

Debtors and prepayments

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Accounts Receivable | 43,985 | 2,475 |
| Prepayments | 36,588 | 1,105 |
| Total Debtors and prepayments | 80,572 | 3,580 |



| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Other current assets | | |
| ASB Term Deposit 81 | 600,000 | - |
| ASB Term Deposit 79 | - | 585,253 |
| ASB Term Deposit 80 | 358,705 | 353,239 |
| Total Other current assets | 958,705 | 938,493 |
| Other non-current assets | | |
| J B Were Investment | 54,989 | 53,006 |
| Software at Cost | 529,284 | 493,057 |
| Software Accumulated Amortisation | (416,715) | (333,883) |
| Website at Cost | 39,795 | 29,700 |
| Website Accumulated Amortisation | (30,520) | (25,841) |
| Total Other non-current assets | 176,833 | 216,038 |
| | 2022 | 2021 |

4. Analysis of Liabilities

| | | |
|---|----------------|---------------|
| Creditors and accrued expenses | | |
| Accounts Payable | 31,745 | 11,921 |
| Accruals | 14,663 | 10,000 |
| Credit Cards | 10,545 | 631 |
| GST Receivable | (12,613) | (844) |
| Employee costs payable | 16,367 | 14,045 |
| Total Creditors and accrued expenses | 60,707 | 35,753 |
| Other current liabilities | | |
| Income Received in Advance | 37,218 | 31,875 |
| DSTC Course Administration Fund | 88,736 | - |
| Total Other current liabilities | 125,954 | 31,875 |
| | 2022 | 2021 |

5. Property, Plant and Equipment

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Other Fixed Assets | | |
| Fixed assets | 3,936 | 5,981 |
| Total Other Fixed Assets | 3,936 | 5,981 |
| Total Property, Plant and Equipment | 3,936 | 5,981 |



| | 2022 | 2021 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 6. Accumulated Funds | | |
| Accumulated Funds | | |
| Opening Balance | 1,581,896 | 1,520,486 |
| Prior Period Adjustment | (6,649) | - |
| Movements in Reserves | - | (50,935) |
| Accumulated surpluses or (deficits) | 101,061 | 112,344 |
| Total Accumulated Funds | 1,676,308 | 1,581,896 |
| Reserves | | |
| Trainee IT Fund | 47,250 | 47,250 |
| South Pacific Fund | 7,479 | 7,695 |
| Unrealised Gain/Loss on Inves | 11,457 | 11,457 |
| Total Reserves | 66,187 | 66,402 |

South Pacific Fund is to fund the travel and accommodation for a surgeon or surgical trainee from a Pacific Island to attend conference.

Unrealised Gain/Loss on Investment Reserve represents the accumulated unrealised gains and losses on the JB Were Investment.

Trainee IT Fund is to fund the IT development for the Training Programme.

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| 7. Commitments | | |
| Commitments to lease or rent assets | | |
| The Association has made a rental commitment to RACS to sublease until December 2022. | 2,126 | 2,138 |
| Total Commitments to lease or rent assets | 2,126 | 2,138 |
| Commitment to purchase property, plant and equipment | | |
| The Association has made a capital commitment to Abletech Limited for capital expenditure of \$67,900 for enhancements to the suite of competency based assessments. | 28,407 | 33,546 |
| Total Commitment to purchase property, plant and equipment | 28,407 | 33,546 |

8. Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at 30 November 2022. (Last year - nil).

9. Events After the Balance Date

There were no events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a material impact on the Performance Report (Last year - nil).



| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| 10. Related Parties | | |
| Payables | | |
| Royal Australasian College of Surgeons | - | 4,441 |
| Total Payables | - | 4,441 |
| Revenue | | |
| NZBIGS Speciality Governance Fee | 41,529 | 40,715 |
| Total Revenue | 41,529 | 40,715 |
| Expenses | | |
| Rental Expenses paid by NZAGS to RACS | 23,148 | 26,119 |
| Total Expenses | 23,148 | 26,119 |

The Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS), formed in 1927, is a non-profit organisation training surgeons and maintaining surgical standards in Australia and New Zealand. The Board in General Surgery (BIGS) is an Australasian board of RACS that set the strategic direction, and oversees the administration of the General Surgical programme. The President of NZAGS and the NZAGS Training Committee Chair are voting members of this Board.

NZAGS is a not-for-profit membership based organisation of general surgeons throughout New Zealand. The principal functions of the Association are to represent the broad and collective interest of general surgeons particularly in the areas of vocational training, continuing professional development, workforce planning as well as acting as the interface between general surgeons, Government and components of the health sector generally.

NZAGS is responsible for the administration of the RACS directed training programme in NZ, and inputs into the strategic direction of the RAC BIGS General Surgical training programme. There are two fees, one for RACS and one for NZAGS. Currently, trainee fees for NZAGS are collection on behalf of NZAGS by RACs (and then this amount is invoiced back to NZAGS).

RACS pay a governance fee to NZAGS to cover the costs of NZAGS members of the BIGS Board, and/or the Chair of BIGS to attend BSET. (RACS Board in Surgical Education and Training of which NZBIGS reports into).

11. Ability to Continue Operating

The entity will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

12. Effect of Covid 19

Covid 19 restrictions required the conference to be deferred from April to August. This did not incur any additional costs and there were a record number of attendees.

13. Audit

These Financial Statements have been subject to audit. Please refer to the Auditor's Report



Profit and Loss - Education Fund

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons For the year ended 30 November 2022

| | NOTES | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|-------|----------------|----------------|
| Trading Income | | | |
| AoNZCIGS Specialty Governance Fee | | 41,529 | 40,715 |
| SEAM Income | | 13,600 | 24,650 |
| Trainee Selection Application | | 32,609 | 31,956 |
| Trainees Fees - (Education Fund-Service Agreem) | | 317,282 | 276,207 |
| Training Day Income | | 5,543 | 6,061 |
| Trainee IT Fee | | 52,875 | 47,250 |
| Total Trading Income | | 463,438 | 426,839 |
| Gross Profit | | 463,438 | 426,839 |
| Other Income | | | |
| Interest | | 3,185 | - |
| Interest Education Fund | | 12,427 | 6,227 |
| Total Other Income | | 15,612 | 6,227 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Accommodation and Travel | | 9,163 | 2,977 |
| ACC Levies | | 332 | 246 |
| Accountancy Fees | | 2,764 | 2,753 |
| Amortisation | | 82,497 | 109,567 |
| Audit Fees | | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| Bank Charges | | 219 | 81 |
| AoNZCIGS Flights | | 3,962 | - |
| AoNZCIGS Taxi | | 275 | - |
| Conference Costs | | 16 | 387 |
| Consultancy Fees | | - | 10,150 |
| Consulting and Computing | | 20,584 | 1,832 |
| Credit Card Merchant Fees | | 2,262 | 748 |
| Depreciation | | 1,375 | 537 |
| EF Depreciation | | 450 | 767 |
| Gifts | | 1,630 | 470 |
| Hospital Inspections | | 405 | - |
| Insurance | | 445 | - |
| AoNZCIGS | | 10,470 | 8,385 |
| Office Equip | | 87 | 213 |
| Office Supplies | | 1,569 | 1,184 |
| Postage and Courier | | - | 48 |
| Printing and Stationery | | 45 | 200 |
| Rent | | 19,604 | 19,804 |
| Salaries General | | 4,180 | 4,004 |
| SEAM Exp | | 1,845 | 1,196 |
| Selection Expenses | | 23,446 | 20,238 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and notes to the Accounts.

| | NOTES | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| Software Maintenance | | - | 7,304 |
| Subscriptions | | 6,996 | 4,393 |
| Sundry Expenses | | 2,594 | - |
| Telephone communication | | 2,850 | 2,515 |
| Training Day Expenses | | 56,908 | 27,753 |
| Training Salaries | | 177,012 | 161,645 |
| Website Hosting and Maintenance | | 3,935 | 11,165 |
| Total Expenses | | 440,420 | 403,063 |
| Net Profit (Loss) | | 38,630 | 30,003 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and notes to the Accounts.

Profit and Loss General Surgeons Division

New Zealand Association of General Surgeons

For the year ended 30 November 2022

| | NOTES | 2022 | 2021 |
|--------------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| Trading Income | | | |
| Conference Registrations | | 145,014 | 147,752 |
| Credit Card Fees Subs | | 664 | - |
| Membership Subscription Income | | 89,662 | 59,603 |
| Trainee Membership Fees | | 17,250 | 18,652 |
| Total Trading Income | | 252,591 | 226,008 |
| Gross Profit | | 252,591 | 226,008 |
| Other Income | | | |
| Conference MBIE Covid Funding | | - | 7,500 |
| Interest | | 4,162 | 2,605 |
| Interest Other | | 341 | 43 |
| JBWere Investment Portfolio - Income | | 479 | 2,623 |
| Sundry Income | | - | 1,626 |
| Un-realised gain on investment | | - | 4,033 |
| Total Other Income | | 4,982 | 18,430 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Foreign Currency Gains and Losses | | (1,504) | 1,132 |
| Accommodation and Travel | | 7,864 | 1,381 |
| ACC Levies | | 179 | 240 |
| Accountancy Fees | | 2,808 | 2,798 |
| Amortisation | | 4,679 | 8,104 |
| Audit Fees | | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| Bank Charges | | 217 | 38 |
| Conference Costs | | 119,718 | 78,767 |
| Consulting and Computing | | 784 | 547 |
| Credit Card Merchant Fees | | 3,460 | 4,887 |
| Depreciation | | 553 | 856 |
| Gifts | | 123 | - |
| Insurance | | 197 | 722 |
| Interest Paid | | - | 14 |
| AoNZCIGS | | - | 933 |
| Office Equip | | - | 134 |
| Office Supplies | | 98 | 59 |
| Printing & Stationary | | 38 | 225 |
| Rent | | 8,402 | 8,655 |
| Salaries General | | 42,518 | 42,772 |
| Selection Expenses | | - | 1,778 |
| Subscriptions | | 3,128 | 1,607 |
| Sundry Expenses | | - | 1,869 |
| Telephone communication | | 2,002 | 1,418 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and Notes to the Accounts.

| | NOTES | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| Website Hosting and Maintenance | | 4,026 | 663 |
| Total Expenses | | 201,790 | 162,097 |
| Net Profit (Loss) | | 55,783 | 82,341 |

These accounts have been subject to Audit and must be read in conjunction with the attached Audit Report and Notes to the Accounts.

NZAGS Presidents Report 2022 – Vanessa Blair

It is 7 months since I took on the role of President, following on from Mr Rowan French. At the time of handover, one of the comments Rowan made is that he foresaw that the next few years would see an increasing role for NZAGS in advocacy on behalf of our membership about the impact of the huge changes in the health sector with the transition to Te Whatu Ora. This has proved correct.

Rowan had already set the ball in motion on the advocacy front with some very effective advocacy related to the state of General Surgical services around Aotearoa-New Zealand – and what we consider to be an emerging ‘crisis’. I thanked him at the Wellington ASC for his efforts to get NZAGS concerns heard and his effectiveness representing us in the media.

Our executive meetings continue to focus on the importance of working to raise awareness of the ongoing issues in General Surgery. The state of the national health system is deeply concerning. The impact of resource and workforce shortages remains very significant. NZAGS is continuing to work on building more effective advocacy mechanisms, such that our concerns are better heard. We talked about this at our end of year strategic planning meeting. Both myself and other NZAGS surgeons are increasingly being asked to comment by media.

Executive Member Changes

We have two new executive members joining us at the AGM. Mr Simon Richards, a general surgeon from Invercargill but soon to be at Christchurch, and Mr Sanket (Sunny) Srinivasa from Waitamata DHB. We are very appreciative of them stepping forward to help the organisation.

COVID 19 impacts and Planned care/ Elective Surgery

The long-tail of the COVID 19 pandemic has continued to effect delivery of surgical care, and the staff shortages due to COVID compound the general shortages with so many unfilled vacant positions in allied health and nursing effecting theatre lists and ward capacity.

Alarming, waiting lists continue to increase. Nursing and Anaesthetic Tech shortages continue to be a major issue effecting both private and public sectors. The situation in Christchurch is not unique. I have had phone conversations with NZAGS members in Christchurch and elsewhere to extend NZAGS support and understanding.

Practice Visits

NZAGS is launching a new round of practice visits at the end of 2023, and this program is welcomed by the membership and we look forward to progressing this initiative further.

Endoscopy Advocacy

The vital contribution that General Surgeons make to the endoscopy workforce and advocacy of the NZAGS endoscopy sub-committee continues to be a strong point of our organisation. I wish to again acknowledge the sterling work of Marianne Lil in this area. While there are still “problem pockets” around the country where our trainees can’t access training, this is being addressed gradually. We are working much more closely with the NZ Gastroenterology society – and this relationship is in good health.

Annual Scientific Meeting

A very good ASM was held at Te Papa – well attended and an excellent program. We thanked the organisers for this – especially Gary Stone and our support crew from the NZAGS office (see below).

Gendered Titles in Surgery

RACS has moved towards non-gendered titles in Surgery, using “Dr”, rather than “Mr”, “Mrs” or “Ms”. There are a wide range of views, and the executive of NZAGS has discussed this again and does not wish to take a hard-line perspective either way. We respect that there are some surgeons who may wish to retain gendered titles should be entitled to do so, and this seems to be agreed by RACS. But we anticipate this will slowly change with time as generational preference emerges.

College Name Change

We attended a meeting again with the RACS president and college executive on this matter. We again conveyed our concern, that despite NZAGS general support for a Māori name to be incorporated in the college name – we felt that the constitutional need for a 75% majority to affect a name change, is a barrier to this getting across the line any time soon. RACS is re-assessing their approach to this.

Training and Strategy

The excellent work done by the Training subcommittee continues – now lead by Jeremy Rossaak, expertly supported by Helen in her role as Trainee Manager. We can be proud of the quality of training delivered. It is a year since we welcomed Ray Collins to the role of Manager of Governance, Education and Strategy. Ray brings skills which NZAGS much needs, and we are going to focus on work in this area more this year, including developing some of the ideas that arose from our strategic planning session – for example, development of a New Consultants (younger fellows) Meeting, and also delivering greater benefits for our membership. I really look forward to working with Ray in these areas.

My sincere thanks go to Rowan for his presidency and help in introducing me to the role and the great support I get from Vice-President Bevan Jenkins.

Lastly, I wish to acknowledge the support and helpful advice provided to me and NZAGS by Bronwen Evans in her role and her continued efforts to put the best interests of NZAGS to the fore. Thank you Bronwen.

Vanessa Blair

FRACS, PhD.

Aotearoa New Zealand Training Sub-Committee Report 2022

2022 was another interesting year, a new health system in New Zealand, and a move out of the pandemic. This has obviously had an impact on our trainees and supervisors, and will undoubtedly continue to have an impact as the hospitals grapple with long waiting lists and staff shortages.

Logbooks have been analysed and it is clear that there were impacts in 2022 – a lot of this is to do with the limited access to theatres from staff shortages and Covid. The Training Sub-Committee continues to work on ensuring that all trainees have an excellent training experience and finding ways to address the various issues in some centres.

Selection 2022:

Interview Day was on Wednesday 22 June 2022.

Forty-two candidates were interviewed and 13 candidates were offered a place after the interviews with a waitlist of seven. All 13 accepted the offer. Six of the seven on the waitlist were offered a place which they all accepted. Changes were made to the Research station - candidates were asked to come an hour before their interview and they were given a short research paper to read prior to their interview and the candidates were asked questions on the paper that they had read. Overall, the feedback was pretty good on this station and the format will be repeated again in 2023.

Fellowship Exam 2022:

Congratulations to the following candidates who were successful in the exam in 2022 – Lisa Chung, Joel D’Souza, Melissa Edwards, Alexandra Jacobson, Ahmed Omar, Anna Lam, Ashwini Pondicherry, Ben Black, James Crichton, Kirsten de Burlet, Ashok Gunawardene, Lucy Hinton, Helena Lee, Howe Mao, Ian Ong and Jeffrey Tan. We wish you the very best for your Fellowships and future careers in General Surgery.

Training Days:

The first training day was held in Hawkes Bay on Friday 29 April and organised by Bernie McEntee.

The second training day was held at Te Papa on Friday 26 August and this was combined with the NZAGS conference. Alex Brown convened this Training Day.

Thanks to Bernie and Alex for their work on these days.

Trainees enjoy and look forward to the Training Days – they are important learning and social events.

GSET programme:

The GSET programme commenced in 2022 with 18 trainees on the new programme. GSET trainees have to do regular ‘competency assessments’ and this has required a major update

to SOLA to enable these to be completed online. Feedback from Trainers and Supervisors is that the recording on SOLA is straightforward. Ongoing tweaks will be made as they arise.

ZOOM Tutorials:

This was an exciting initiative begun in 2022. Weekly tutorials were held on a Wednesday night on a huge range of topics. A trainee and a consultant present on a particular topic – they are designed to be interactive and discussion based. These were recorded and put on the NZAGS website and are an excellent resource available to our trainees. The plan is to continue with these in 2023. Particular thanks to Bridget Watson for her work on these.

New Supervisors in 2022;

We farewelled John Lengyel and Jane Strang from their role as supervisors. Thanks to John and Jane for their work over the years. We welcome Rajesh Patel Supervisor in Whangārei, Hayley Waller in Christchurch (Taking over from Sarah Abbott, who has become co-vicechair of the training committee) and Susan Seifried in Nelson.

New trainee rep: Sue Ong was the trainee representative for 2021 and 2022. Sue did an amazing job and advocated for trainees in a calm and professional manner and gave great insight at meetings. We welcome Demi Poynter to the role for 2023 and 2024.

Thank you to the Training Supervisors who have gone ‘above and beyond’ in supporting the trainees during 2022 and especially to the trainees who have coped well with another disrupted year.

Finally, I would like to thank Helen Glasgow for her support of myself and the Training Sub-Committee, but more importantly our 84 trainees.

We have a diverse bunch of trainees across 2 schemes with varying needs. Her calmness and kindness are a great asset to our future surgeons – Thank you.

Jeremy Rossaak FRACS

Aotearoa New Zealand Training Sub-Committee Chair

AoNZCIGS Aotearoa NZ Committee in General Surgery Report 2022 (previously NZBiGS)

The Committee is made up of the following members:

Voting:

Dave Moss - Chair, and Chair NZ Training Committee, IMG Representative
 Simon Bann – Immediate Past Chair
 Jeremy Rossaak – Chair Training Sub-committee
 Chris Harmston - Academic/Research Representative
 Demi Poynter - Trainee Representative
 Matt Clark - Senior Examiner
 Vacant - Provincial Hospital Representative
 John Jarvis - Metropolitan Hospital Representative
 Vacant - Rural Hospital Representative
 David Fletcher - RACS Specialty Elected Councillor for General Surgery
 Vacant - Community Representative

Non- Voting:

Vanessa Blair - NZAGS President
 Robert Whitfield - Chair Australian Board in General Surgery
 Ray Collins - AoNZCIGS Secretariat
 Magda Biggar – co-opted member
 Simon Harper – co-opted member

The AoNZ Committee in General Surgery completed three years of work, mid 2022, rotating the Chair with David Moss moving from his position as Chair, Training Sub-committee and Simon Bann becoming immediate Past Chair.

We are grateful to the members for their continued hard work and contributions throughout this year.

Covid continues to impact training although less than in previous years.

The first new entrants to GSET commenced in February 2022 and finish in 2027. The first year was successful, with only a few minor issues which have been resolved. As a consequence of the new programme there were some upgrades required to SOLA and these have been completed. Further upgrades will be undertaken in 2024 as needed.

The new 5-year competency-based program is designed with defined milestones and a declared graduate outcome of being able to undertake an acute general surgical call independently.

Our thanks to GSA and in particular Monica Carrarini with supervision and guidance coming from Deb Paltridge (RACS) who continue to provide input as the programme evolves.

Work coming up will focus on the tenth competency of Cultural Competency and Cultural Safety and the Monitoring and Evaluation Strategy.

I would like to thank everyone again for their continued contributions. Thank you also to our colleagues and executive of GSA with whom we continue to work towards providing high standards of training in Australasia. Thank you to David Fletcher who continues to travel from Western Australia to all parts on a regular basis and provides oversight and input. Thank you for the support of the NZAGS Executive and the staff of NZAGS.

David Moss
Chair

Executive Director Report 2022

2022 was a continuation of the 2020/21 years for NZAGS and the world. Covid has restricted travel once again, and we had to move our Annual Scientific meeting from march to August. We managed to hold a highly successful Annual Scientific Meeting in Wellington, with record numbers attending once again – over 250.

Conference and Events Management

Thank you to Gary Stone for presenting a wonderful, be it somewhat delayed, Annual Scientific Meeting at Te Papa in Wellington. The programme was well received with the largest number of registrations in the history of NZAGS. Well over 250 people attended from across the medical profession, from nurses to house surgeons, to registrars and trainees, to consultants.

One of the highlights was the use of technology to have holograms of our international speakers. It made it look as if they were on stage with us! And thankfully we have no issues with technology. It all went very smoothly.

The record turnout helped make the conference successful which helps us cover the losses made when we had to cancel the 2019 conference.

Continued Professional Development

NZAGS Practice Visits Programme is on hold this year but we hope, if the crisis in our hospitals starts to be addressed, that we maybe able to offer a few practice visits in 2024.

We remind all members to ensure their CPD submissions are up to date.

Education and Training

Most of this is covered in David Moss's report.

Financials

NZAGS continues to be financially sound. However, NZAGS is conscious of the financials situation of RACS and NZAGS has been monitoring our financials closely considering we are facing a recession.

There was a surplus for the year ended 30 Nov 2022 of \$94k, a 16% decrease (down) \$18k, from \$112k in 2021.

NZAGS Revenue was \$736k, up 9% from \$677k. The increase is largely made up of:

\$30k increase in membership income for the year (income was 60k in 2021 but now with the new Gecco system it's risen to \$90k)

\$43k increase in Training Fee Income due to moving back to five-year SET so trainee numbers have increased

\$7k increase in investment income as interest rates rose

NZAGS Expenses also increased though to \$642k, by 14% or \$77k to \$565k. Expense increases to note are:

\$41k increase in conference expenses. Te Papa is an expensive venue and while we received very good registrations, this also adds more costs for food etc.

\$26k increase in Training Day costs due to holding the training day at Te Papa which was very expensive.

I remind members to ensure they are aware of the dual Profit and Loss Reports NZAGS runs. Training funds can only be spent on training initiatives. Any other costs of the organisation come out of membership fees and conference profit. This includes items such as office expenses, staff expenses, all work carried out on areas not covered under training, such as supporting advocacy, Executive Board costs, research, survey requests, health insurance and other health areas of lobbying, other areas like EGGNZ, DSTC, STRATA, Morbidity, etc.

It is imperative we have a strong membership base to not only share the costs of running such a large organisation, but also moving forward for advocacy. The health industry is in a state of flux and the association will be coming to members for feedback and input on several areas affecting surgical delivery in NZ.

Upcoming expenditure:

SOLA continues to be a well-received training management system, however with changes to GSET competency-based training, NZAGS may need to invest in further development. We also have an ongoing \$23k support contract with our supplier to support the SOLA system.

However, the RACS has built a robust Training Management system and moving forward, NZAGS will look at replacing SOLA with the RACS system which would incur little to no ongoing operation and support costs. It's a better financial situation for NZAGS, however, this cannot happen until NZAGS are satisfied we are replacing like with like in terms of system functionality, useability and costs.

Support for Sub Specialty Societies

We continue to offer as much support for the Sub Specialty Societies and sub-committees as resource in the office allow. WE held several meeting isn 2022 with other Specialties and the fortnightly RACS and Specialty CEO meetings provide good dissemination of information and support.

NZAGS has just signed a Memorandum Of Understanding with STRATA (Surgical Trainee Research, Audit & Trials Aotearoa.) to mutually encourage and support the development of trainee-led surgical trials networks across NZ (not just General Surgery).

We have general surgeons on many sub-speciality boards, including Surgical Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Committee, ACC Mesh, DSTC. NZAGS will engage with ACC shortly on the 1.7% increase offered to surgeons.

This year NZAGS took over the administration of the DSTA Trauma Course run through Auckland and it has been fully subscribed.

Currently, NZAGS is working with NZSG, Co-Joint Committee and Health NZ about how endoscopy services should be structured.

Advocacy and Stakeholder Engagement

NZAGS continues to be vocal in the public arena around health issues. You will have seen and read comments from our President, Vanessa Blair but also other general surgeons. NZAGS intends to grow our presence in this election year.

We have worked with the Minister of Health and Te Whatu Ora on suggestions to help alleviate the staff shortages and operational crisis we see in the hospitals. NZAGS has also been meeting with other NZ specialties to offer support and suggestions.

Staff continue to work on Workforce Planning to meet our future General Surgical needs. We work with many Ministry areas in health, including ACC, Bowl Cancer Screening, Health Quality and Safety

Commission, Heath NZ, the New Zealand Private Hospital Surgical Association, Insurance Companies, and other relevant stakeholders.

Over the coming year, NZAGS will reach out to members to ascertain areas in which members would like to see more advocacy from the organisation. Post code lottery and elective surgery is an area of concern, reinvestment and capital expenditure on hospitals. As indeed, is the new DHB structure.

NZAGS Staff and Executive Committee

As always, I would like to thank the fantastic team at NZAGS. Ray Collins, General Manager, Policy Projects and Education, has been with us over a year now, and has slotted in very well. She has quickly got up to speed on the issues facing training and our organisation.

Helen Glasgow, our Training Manager has done an amazing job as usual, having to deal with COVID again this year gone.

The pressure of running an event, or programme, in this environment is always high and all staff worked tirelessly to ensure everything ran smoothly for the ASM. This is the first year NZAGS has run our annual conference in-house and I hope you hardly noticed the change.

Thanks to the many Committee members for their hard work. Working on behalf of the organisation is much appreciated given the increasing calls from various health organisations and the training administration and implementation. We have two new members to the Executive Committee to be ratified at this year's AGM, Mr Simon Richards a general surgeon in Christchurch and Mr Sanket Srinivasa a general surgeon in Waitemata, Auckland. Thank you both for agreeing to be on the committee.

My particular thanks go to Vanessa Blair, our current Vice President. She's taking on the role in a huge time of change and uncertainty and I'm sure you'll do everything you can to support her and the Executive's efforts to advocate on your behalf.

And finally, thanks go to the NZAGS members for supporting the organisation and understanding the role NZAGS fulfils in advocacy and training administration. I urge and encourage you to talk to your colleagues, to encourage them to continue their memberships, or join, so we have strong base of members for advocacy and that as General Surgeon input is sought more and more, the costs of running the organisation are shared across all general surgeons.

The Executive Committee changed in August 2022 to:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| President | Vanessa Blair |
| Vice-President | Bevan Jenkins |
| Past-President | Rowan French |
| Treasurer | Alex Popadich |
| Private Practice Representative | Vanessa Blair |
| AoNZTSC Chair | Jeremy Rossaak / David Moss |
| AoNZCIGS | David Moss / Simon Bann |
| Trainee Representative | Demi/Poynter / Sui Ong |
| Committee Member | Roberto Sthory/Julian Speight |
| Committee Member | Deborah Wright/ Andrew Moot |
| Committee Member | Sarah Abbott |
| Committee Member | Simon Bann |
| Committee Member | Jasen Ly |
| Committee Member | Peter Shapkov |

Committee Member
Committee Member
Conference Convenor 2023
Young Fellows

Falah El-Haddawi
Marianne Lill
Rebecca Shine/ Mark Stewart
Mark Stewart

Ngā mihi,

Bronwen Evans
Executive Director

Directory NZAGS Executive Committee, 2022

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| President | Rowan French / Vanessa Blair |
| Vice-President | Vanessa Blair / Bevan Jenkins |
| Immediate Past President | Julian Speight / Rowan French |
| Treasurer | Alex Popadich |
| NZ BiGS, Chair | Simon Bann/David Moss |
| NZ Training, Chair | David Moss/Jeremy Rossaak |
| Executive Director/Secretary | Bronwen Evans |
| Meeting Co-ordinator (Wellington) | Gary Stone |
| Trainee Representative | Sue Hui Ong/Demi Poynter |
| Private Practice Representative | Vanessa Blair |
| Continuing Professional Development | Simon Bann / Andrew Moot |
| Younger Fellow Representative | Mark Stewart |

Committee Members (during the year)

Bevan Jenkins
 Falah El-Haddawi
 Sarah Abbott
 Gowan Creamer
 Marianne Lill
 Peter Shapkov
 Andrew Moot
 Jasen Ly

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Future NZAGS Meetings -2024

| | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Napier | 2024 |
| Auckland | 2025 |
| Fiji (combined with GSA - TBC) | 2026 |
| Tauranga | 2027 |
| Dunedin | 2028 |
| Hamilton | 2029 |
| Rotorua | 2030 |
| Christchurch | 2031 |
| Northland | 2032 |
| New Plymouth | 2033 |
| Wellington | 2034 |
| Invercargill | 2035 |
| Palmerston North | 2036 |

Paid Up NZAGS Members - General Surgeons

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Sarah | Abbott | Nicola | Davis |
| David | Adams | Chris | Daynes |
| Damien | Ah Yen | Henry (Alf) | Deacon |
| Semisi | Aiono | Atul | Dhabuwala |
| Fadhel | Alherz | David | Dickson |
| Imad | Aljanabi | Birgit | Dijkstra |
| Nagham | Al-Mozany | John | Dunn |
| Mohammad | Amer | Tim | Eglinton |
| William | Anderson | Falah | El-Haddawi |
| Andrew | Audeau | Thomas | Elliott |
| Josh | Balhorn | Brodie | Elliott |
| Simon | Bann | Alistair | Escott |
| Ahmed | Barazanchi | Nicholas | Evennett |
| louise | barbier | Paul | Fagan |
| Jon | Barnard | Alice | Febery |
| Jon | Barnard | Nicholas | Fischer |
| Jon | Barnard | Jesse | Fischer |
| Adam | Bartlett | John | Fleischl |
| Angela | Bayly | David | Fletcher |
| Grant | Beban | Richard | Flint |
| Savitha | Bhagvan | Ben | Ford |
| Christine | Biela | Rowan | French |
| Magdalena | Biggar | Frank | Frizelle |
| Vanessa | Blair | John | Frye |
| Gerard | Bonnet | Susan | Gerred |
| Michael | Booth | Bernadette | Goodwin |
| Alejandro | Boue | Alexandra | Gordon |
| Andrew | Bowker | Malcolm | Gordon |
| Alexander | Brown | Mark | Grant |
| Lisa | Brown | Chris | Gray |
| Tom | Burton | David | Griffith |
| Ian | Campbell | Bernd | Grunewald |
| Sandra | Campbell | Don | Guadagni |
| Wai Keat | Chang | Hisham | Hammodat |
| Peter | Chin | Cheyaanthan | Haran |
| Michael (Jen Jie) | Chu | Neil | Harding-Roberts |
| Rick | Cirolli | Jaquille | Haribhai-Thompson |
| Ian | Civil | Richard | Harman |
| Matthew | Clark | Christopher | Harmston |
| Andrew | Connolly | Simon | Harper |
| Saxon | Connor | Nigel | Henderson |
| Gary | Cooper | Andrew | Hill |
| Richard | Coutts | Ali | Hooshyari |
| Isaac | Cranshaw | Todd | Hore |
| Gowan | Creamer | Li | Hsee |
| Benjamin | Cribb | Steven | Hudson |
| Andrea | Cross | Michael | Hulme-Moir |
| Alex | Dalzell | A J | Ing |
| Emily | Davenport | Lincoln | Israel |

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| John | Jarvis | Alexander | Ng |
| Bertrand | Jauffret | Michael | O'Grady |
| Bevan | Jenkins | Mark | Omundsen |
| Wayne | Jones | Jonathan | Pace |
| Eva | Juhasz | Blaithin | Page |
| Celia | Keane | Somnath | Palit |
| Mark Anthony | Kelly | Sanjay | Pandanaboyana |
| Steven | Kelly | Rajesh | Patel |
| Steven | Kelly | Riteshkumar | Patel |
| Ayman | Khan | Richard | Perry |
| Burton | King | William | Perry |
| Burton | King | Tony | Phang |
| Karl | Kodeda | KianLiun | Phang |
| Jonathan | Koea | Garth | Poole |
| VICTOR | KONG | Aleksandra | Popadich |
| Suheelan | Kulasegaran | Jonathan | Potter |
| Avinesh | Kumar | Shalvin | Prasad |
| Pravin | Kumar | Jevon | Puckett |
| Stephen | Kyle | Jack | Pullman |
| Yee Chen | Lau | Michael | Puttick |
| Matthew | Leeman | Braden | Pyle |
| Universe | Leung | Siraj | Rajaratnam |
| Marianne | Lill | Nigel | Rajaretnam |
| Yukai | Lim | Rishi | Ram |
| Anthony | Lin | Kate | Rapson |
| Ian | Lord | Rukshan | Ravindra Ranjan |
| Jasen | Ly | Amit | Reddy |
| Andrew | MacCormick | C K | Reddy |
| Daniel | Mafi | Michael | Reeves |
| Stephanie | Manning | Sarah | Rennie |
| Paul | Manuel | Bruce | Rhind |
| Jacques | Marnewick | Simon | Richards |
| Richard | Martin | Konrad | Richter |
| Bernard | McEntee | Ross | Roberts |
| James | McKay | Jason | Robertson |
| sameer | memon | Michael | Rodgers |
| Philippa | Mercer | Jeremy | Rossaak |
| Arend | Merrie | Mike | Russell |
| Arend | Merrie | Robert | Sahakian |
| Diederik | Meylemans | Magdalena | Sakowska |
| Graeme | Millar | Paul | Samson |
| Anupam | Modi | Mark | Sanders |
| Andrew | Moot | Rohit | Sarvepalli |
| Thomas | Morgan | Adrian | Secker |
| David | Morris | Susan | Seifried |
| Anna | Morrow | Sean (Ho Beom) | Seo |
| David | Moss | Michael | Sexton |
| Tamara | Mullaney | Usha | Shan |
| Mark | Murray | Peter | Shapkov |
| Anantha | Narayanan | James | Shaw |

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| Laila | Sheikh | <u>Retired General Surgeons</u> | |
| Ali | Shekouh | Philip | Allen |
| Rebecca | Shine | Pat | Alley |
| Paul | Silvester | Terry | Burcher |
| Parry | Singh | Robert | Cable |
| Alexander | Skavysh | Thomas | Clements |
| Nick | Smith | Hugh | Cooke |
| Mark | Smith | Grant | Coulter |
| Maiko | Smith | Isaac | Cranshaw |
| Trevor | Smith | John | Eastwood |
| Christoffel (Gerrie) | Snyman | Robert | Fris |
| Julian | Speight | Bill | Gilkison |
| Sanket | Srinivasa | Phillip | Godfrey |
| Ian | Stewart | Don | Guadagni |
| Mark | Stewart | David | Innes |
| Roberto | Sthory Sosa | Robin | Irwin |
| Peter | Stiven | Douglas | Knight |
| Zeke | Stokes | John | Kyngdon |
| Gary | Stone | Robert | Loan |
| Jane | Strang | John | MacDonald |
| Aleisha | Sutherland | Kenneth | Menzies |
| James | Tan | Charles | Mixer |
| Richard | Tapper | David | Morris |
| Jeni | Thomas | Ian | Burton |
| Megan | Thomas | George | Ngaei |
| Mark | Thompson-Fawcett | Stephen | Packer |
| James | Tietjens | Murray | Pfeifer |
| Josie | Todd | Bruce | Rhind |
| Sidharth | Trivedi | Robert | Robertson |
| Etienne | Truter | Alan | Shirley |
| Greg | Turner | Paul | Silvester |
| Stephanie | Ulmer | Graeme | Skeggs |
| Rene | van den Bosch | Trevor | Smith |
| Alena | Vasilenko | William | Sugrue |
| Ryash | Vather | James | Tyler |
| David | Vernon | Stephen | Vallance |
| Christopher | Wakeman | Warren | Watson |
| Hayley | Waller | Denis | Whittle |
| Bridget | Watson | Colin | Wilson |
| Fraser | Welsh | Gavin | Wilton |
| Susrutha | Wickremesekera | John | Windsor |
| Delendra | Wijayanayaka | Alastair | Yule |
| James | Wilkins | | |
| Alec | Winder | | |
| Deborah | Wright | | |
| Linus | Wu | | |
| Chun-yen | Wu | | |
| Shahed | Yassaie | | |
| Mike | Young | | |

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| Jaclyn | Aramoana | Nicholas | McIntosh |
| Bryan | Bae | Tony | Milne |
| Hannah | Bascand | Omar | Mohyeldin |
| Finn | Battleday | Mathew | Morreau |
| Fiona | Bellamy | Ella | Nicholas |
| Lachie | Birrell | Ahmed | Omar |
| Ben | Black | Hwa Ian | Ong |
| Leah | Boyle | Sue Hui | Ong |
| Anna | Brownson | Preekesh | Patel |
| Phillip | Chao | Samuel | Pau |
| Jenny | Choi | Jenni | Perrin |
| Lisa | Chung | Ashwini | Pondicherry |
| Jamie | Crichton | Rennie | Qin |
| Jemma | Davies | Jamie-Lee | Rahiri |
| Kirsten | de Burlet | Dhruvesh | Ramson |
| Brendan | Desmond | Poppy | Redman |
| Samuel | Dickson | Janet | Rhodes |
| Joel | D'souza | Elisabeth | Riordan |
| Lucinda | Duncan-Were | Rachel | Robertson |
| Melissa | Edwards | Ryan | Ruxton |
| Devlin | Elliott | Kai Sheng | Saw |
| William | Fleischl | Holly | Sprosen |
| Grace | Gatenby | Gajan | Srikumar |
| Megan | Grinlinton | Bruce | Sua |
| Ashok | Gunawardene | Jeffrey | Tan |
| Jeong | Ha | Rebecca | Teague |
| Khaleel | Hamdulay | Isaac | Tranter-Entwistle |
| Matthew | Haydock | Oliver | Waddell |
| Lucy | Hinton | Tim | Wang |
| Katie-Ross | Holloway | Jeremy | Wild |
| Teresa | Holm | Heath | Wilms |
| Rachel | Hunter | Sai Tim | Yam |
| Alexandra | Jacobson | Tristan | Burnett |
| Greer | Janssen | Fardows | Mohamed |
| Sharon | Jay | Divyansh | Panesar |
| Tracey | Barnes | Jasmin | King |
| Mosese | Karalus | Young-Min | Lee |
| Olga | Korduke | Demi | Poynter |
| Malsha | Kularatna | Mostafa | Amer |
| Anna | Lam | Jin Xin | Lin |
| Helena | Lee | Celina | Ledgard |
| Tara | Lintern | Henry | Witcomb Cahill |
| Tara | Linton | Renee | Christmas |
| Chen | Liu | Keith | Teo |
| Jay | Maloney | Lydia | Pearson |
| Kopa | Manahi | Brodie | Elliott |
| Howe | Mao | Jayvee | Buchanan |
| Samuel | Matthews | Yi Hai | Li |
| | | Brian | O'Sullivan |