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Society News

Treasurer's Report for AGM 2018

The accounts have been reviewed by an independent party in May 2018. Based on the review, nothing has come to the reviewer's attention that caused him to believe that the financial statements didn't give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Swiss Society for the year ended 31 March 2018. Without modifying his conclusion, the reviewer drew attention to an adjustment made to the Members Funds which represented a minor re-statement of the Accumulated Funds as at 31 March 2017.

The Swiss Society of New Zealand has made a net loss of \$1,242 compared to a net profit of \$453 for the year ending 2017. The Swiss Society donated \$2,000 to Eli's assistance dog through Give a Little.

Six issues of the Helvetia were produced. The costs of the 6 issues was \$13,634. The income froms the subscriptions and adverts were \$17,125. A profit of \$3,490 for the year or \$581 per issue has been achieved.

The Society has approximately 594 paying members:

- Sandrine Smith, Treasurer

Swiss Society of New Zealand Incorporated Society Number: 215929 Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31 March 2018 31-Mar-17 31-Mar-18 Subscriptions incl. oversea postage \$ 14,682 14,865 Advertising 1,975 2,160 \$ Interest 1,523 \$ 1,333 Donation 6 Competitions subscriptions - Medal \$ 1,275 1,180 Postage for Switzerland \$ 25 \$ 19,486 \$ 19,543 Expenditure Helvetia - Printing 6,857 6,741 Packing/Postage \$ 5,693 4.972 \$ Publishing \$ 2,414 \$ 2,624 Stationery/Administration \$ 16 \$ 32 Competitions - Medals \$ 1,725 1,755 \$ Website costs 152 152 Conference/AGM 2,000 2,633 Bank Fee 23 28 Donation Give a Little - Eli's assistance dog 2,000 \$ \$ 19,033 \$ 20,785 -\$ 1,242 Net profit for the year 453 Balance sheet as at 31 March 2018 **Current Assets** Cash at bank \$ 7.037 5.288 Savings accounts and term deposit \$ 64,078 64,636 Accounts receivable (1) Total current assets \$ 71,165 69.923 **Current liabilities** Subscriptions in advance Accounts payable Total liabilities **Net Assets** 71,165 69,923 Represented by: Members funds Accumulated funds at beginning of \$ 70,923 71,376 Prior year re-statement 211 Add profit for the year Accumulated funds at end of year \$ 71,376 Hamilton, April 2018

Willetta Staheli attends 8th Australian Jass Tournament.

I attended the 8th Australian Jass Tournament in Gold Coast – 9th June 2018.

Rather daunting arriving at the venue with 68 participates from Perth, Sydney, Brisbane and the Gold Coast and myself from NZ. But fears were quickly allayed with a warm welcome, all the way from NZ!!! and after registration and coffee, cards promptly starting at 9.00am with the traditional handshake and introductions before each round, we played through to 12, followed with a delicious lunch and then cards again from 1 to 4pm. 10 rounds of 8 hands in total.

Cards are played as we do at our cards evenings but additionally one could play uno ufa and oba aba but all single points, which is something that we could consider to introduce.

Top winner was 6880 points, and my score was 6260 points which on average per game = 688 and my average was 626, not much in it!!! just an interesting statistic, exactly half way. At the days end we were all winners receiving a pot of honey which sadly mine was confiscated at customs. (I understand).

Talking with people at the event, they would love to come to NZ to play Jass, which usually needs to happen the second weekend in June for them, next event will be held in Darwin unconfirmed with a possibility of a card event in NZ the following year and possibly in Auckland.

A very well organised event and thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Willetta Staheli

