

St Kilda Community Sports Society Annual Report 2011

We are a Charitable Trust raising funds through gaming machines for distribution to the local community. We fund sport, education, welfare and other community organisations.

During the year the Society endured difficult times, with turnover and grants down on previous years.

Grant funding was available and applications for funding were considered by the Trustees for organisations from the groups above. Application forms were available from our website www.stkilda-society.org.nz or our venue at the St Kilda Tavern, 2 Prince Albert Road, Dunedin.

The Trustees met as required and applicants were informed by letter whether their application had been successful or not. When funds were available, account was taken of the greatest community benefit – in the Trustees opinion – when making grants. Grants were only made to City organizations. These criteria are reviewed annually.

The Trustees were: E.R.Moore LL.B.; B.D.; Solicitor, a Trustee since 1990 and a member of several community organisations. L Rodgers, Businessman and Company Director, a Trustee since 2001. Sue Keith, Legal Personal Assistant and Trustee since 2010. M.R.Thompson Dip.Ag.; LL.B.; Administrator, a Trustee and Secretary since 1990 and former member of many organisations.

Any complaints regarding the distribution of grants could be sent to The Secretary, St Kilda Community Sports Society, 37 Fingall Street, Dunedin. The Society would attend to them on receipt and notification to complainants made within 10 days.

Applications had to comply with the Gambling Act 2003, the licence conditions made by the Secretary of Internal Affairs pursuant to the Act, any regulations made under the Act and the Society's rules found attached to the application forms. Applications which did not comply with the above or were incomplete were not considered.

Income

Gaming Machine Income for the year ended 30 September 2011 was \$1.098m which was down on the 2010 year, due to the downturn in the economy during the year. We thank the St Kilda Tavern for their conscientious work in maintaining standards. We also maintained good gaming machines.

Grants

Grants to Authorised Purposes were \$517,271 or 47.11% of GM Income. The Trustees aimed to maximise returns to the community and kept costs to a minimum.

Procedures

Grants procedures were examined by the Trustees and the decision was made to continue with the present formula. Sport was the main recipient of funding with the balance going to Welfare, Arts & Culture, Community Organisations, Health and Education.

Prospects

The future is difficult to predict due to the hard economic times. Returns since balance date have been steady and we expect a similar year again in 2012.

The Society continues to have a problem with the high costs set by the Department. The community is the loser.

Venue staff continued to receive Harm Minimisation training.

E R Moore L Rodgers S Keith

M R Thompson Trustees January 2012