



ANNUAL REPORT

for

2015

NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA
(Northern Territory)

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

Annual Report 2015

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Council of the National Trust

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Vice-President	Ms Laurelle Halford
Treasurer	Ms Petrena Ariston
Councillors	Mr Orchard Somerville-Collie (Larrakeyah Branch) Mrs Stephanie Hill (Katherine Branch) Ms Janet Leather (Gulf Branch) Ms Prue Crouch (McDouall Stuart Branch) Dr Jan Hills Dr Bill Low Mr David Hewitt OAM

Staff

Ms Elizabeth Close	Director
Cylie Lavelle	Administration Assistant

The National Trust office at Audit House, Darwin, is the headquarters and main point of contact for the National Trust in the Northern Territory. The office manages the affairs of the Trust and provides secretariat support for Council, committees and branches. It also serves the research requirements of the community and government in relation to heritage places and manages the membership of the Trust.

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OUR YEAR IN REVIEW

There were three major events for the National Trust to manage in 2015. The first was acquiring Stella Maris, the second managing an election for Councillors and the third the very challenging process of changing our financial reporting from financial year to calendar year.

1 McMinn Street: the Stella Maris Lease.

After the Commissioner investigating the matter of Stella Maris handed down his recommendations, a call was made for Expressions of Interest in managing and developing the site.

The Council of the National Trust agreed to submit an EOI and this was subsequently prepared and sent to the Government.

It transpired that the National Trust was the preferred candidate and it then entered into discussions with the Department of Land Administration to determine the best lease for the site.

The Council of the National Trust was granted a Crown Lease Term over the 1 McMinn Street site, initially for 6 months, while the Trust explored the viability of its plans for the site. Once the way forward was satisfactorily determined, the initial lease could have been converted into a ten-year lease.

There is much to be done on the site and the Trust will need the support of its members and the community in general if this unique and fascinating site is to be attractive and accessible to the general public.

A lot of work by dedicated members of the National Trust Council together with energetic supporters resulted in a huge clean up of the grounds of the old Stella Maris hostel.

Former Surveyor-General Trevor Menzies confirmed the boundary location and this will be a useful guide for replacing the missing fence along the cliff top.

The National Trust was extremely lucky to have the services of the Prison Work Crews. They assisted at the site over three weeks and undertook work that the Trust could not have managed without them. Thanks are due to Corrections Commissioner, Ken Middlebrook, for keeping this valuable program running. Special thanks also to the Prison Officers Maree Lloyd, Kieran and Craig for their efforts.

By the end of 2015 the Council of the National Trust decided that it could not take on the operation over the whole site at 1 McMinn Street as it simply did not have the resources to support it. It was agreed that an offer would be made for the Roadmasters House only and that it would be established as a museum recording the work of surveyors and engineers in the Northern Territory.

Council Election

The second major challenge was the biennial election for the Council of the National Trust. The Electoral Commission of the Northern Territory conducts the election for the National Trust. There was a major changeover this year and it has taken the new members some time to settle in and become familiar with the workings of the organisation.

The Council meets four times a year at a weekend meeting usually held in Darwin. In between these meetings there are sub-committee meetings held on a regular basis. These include an Executive Committee, Myilly Point Heritage Precinct Committee and the Stella Maris Management Committee.

Community Engagement

The heritage of the Northern Territory is the vital underpinning of our culture and one of the National Trust's most important tenets is building awareness of that heritage with the widest possible audience in our communities. Although the Trust is a very small community based organisation with a large agenda and a membership of only 153 it embraces the idea of reaching out to all parts of our communities initially through the provision of different ways to become involved in the heritage of the Northern Territory.

Open to the Public.

The National Trust has eighteen properties under its management in the Northern Territory. These places are located in various towns from Darwin to Borroloola in the east and south to Alice Springs. Not all places are open to the public but the Trust does have some properties that are designed for public access. People love investigating old places and discovering their stories so the Trust provides historic properties and museums for their enjoyment. The fact that these properties are available to the public is due to the very hard and dedicated work of a very few volunteers. People can gain access to these special places by visiting, enjoying a particular activity or in some cases hiring the place for their own event. These properties are:

Myilly Point Heritage Precinct, Darwin, Pine Creek Railway Precinct and Repeater Station Museum, O'Keeffe House and the 1926 Railway Station at Katherine, Jones Store at Newcastle Waters, Borroloola Police Station, Hartley Street School and the Stuart Town Gaol in Alice Springs.

The heritage properties need constant care and attention to keep them in good order so that our visitors enjoy the experience of investigating the buildings. It would be very difficult without the dedication of volunteers.

Working with Young People

The McDouall Stuart Branch runs a special old time school experience for classes that come to the Hartley Street School Museum. During this year the

Trust had a number of schools visit and experience the Hartley Street School program in Alice Springs.

In Katherine the Junior Rangers from Parks and Wildlife have visited O’Keeffe House on several occasions.

Students and teachers are encouraged to make use of our properties as primary resources for their work in Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs.

History lectures, publications and activities

The Larrakeyah Branch of the National Trust together with the Historical Society of the NT present a joint monthly series of lectures on many aspects of the Territory’s history. Some of the topics explored have been:

Recollections of Darwin pre WW2 – with Joy Davis

Maritime Archeology and the Wreck of the *Booya* – with David Steinberg

In the Footsteps of the Original Anzac Nurses – with Janie Mason.

Gull Force – with Allan Mitchell

During the Heritage Festival the Trust presents two significant lectures that honour past members of the National Trust. In Alice Springs this is the **Doreen Braitling Memorial Lecture** and in Darwin the **Barbara James Memorial Lecture**.

The speakers were Stuart Traynor in Alice Springs who spoke about a lifetime of journeys in the Territory and Hon. Fred Chaney AO in Darwin.

On occasions during the year there are often other activities in the regional branches including film nights, “back to” events and many opportunities to engage with our heritage in the community.

The Gulf Branch published the next book in its series of stories about the Borrooloola region. It was launched at Borrooloola by the Member for Barkly, Gerry McCarthy. Congratulations to Janet Leather and Eddie Webber for another job well done.

Heritage Festivals in Darwin and Alice Springs

The Darwin Heritage Festival and the Alice Springs Heritage Festival have been strong anchors for community- based celebration of our heritage for many years. Both festivals provide a variety of ways to access built and intangible aspects of the Territory’s heritage and are keenly anticipated by both the Trust’s partners and the wider community. There are many opportunities for the involvement of other community based organisations, multicultural groups and individuals to take an active role in the Festivals.

The Territory government has been a consistent financial supporter of our work in this area and the Trust is most appreciative of its contribution.

The Festival theme for 2015 was 'Conflict and Compassion'.

It was celebrated by all the National Trust branches, each of which offered a range of popular activities. In Katherine, both O'Keeffe House and the Railway Station were open for World Heritage Day on the 18th April. A Heritage Trail bus tour took visitors around Katherine's historical sites, followed by lunch in the gardens of O'Keeffe House.

In Alice Springs the Festival opened with a special heritage night at the Telegraph Station and wound up with morning tea at the Hartley Street School.

In Darwin, events for Heritage Week listed a number of well-attended public talks including the very popular Heritage Symposium, guided tours around Palmerston, Myilly Point and the CBD and a History Mystery driving tour around Darwin's historic places. There was a special tour of the WWII 16 Mile Camp and the perennial favourite the Cemetery Ghost tour was well overbooked.

There was also an open day at Myilly Point with guided walks around the grounds of the houses and, naturally, Sunday afternoon tea at Burnett House.

Goyder's Day

Established by the National Trust in 2007 as a way to bring the early history of the fledgling city of Darwin - then called Palmerston – alive, the 5th February has now become a significant day on the National Trust calendar. The re-enactment of the moment Goyder stepped ashore captures the imagination of many. Each year the partnerships and activities associated with the day expand and the Trust looks forward to developing long-term relationships with the Larrakia people and local families that will lead to a much anticipated heritage experience each year.

Goyder's Day was once again held at the Deckchair Cinema and the National Trust is most appreciative of the Darwin Film Society's support in giving us the space so that the event can be held there. It was well attended and many of those organisations who claim a long term connection with the beginnings of Darwin had a chance to speak. Special thanks to Trevor Menzies, former Suveyor General, to Daryl Manzie and especially to Chris Renehan who was an excellent stand in for Goyder.

The self-drive tour of sites related to Goyder's survey of the Territory was well attended again. The tour started at Burnett House and followed in the 'footsteps' of George Goyder to experience his former campsites. The participants were given first hand knowledge of the extent of the work done and the difficulties endured in 1869.

Partnerships

The development of partnerships in the community has been a constant in the work of the Trust over the past year. Through our events there has been a significant growth in contact with businesses and community groups.

Through **Goyder's Day** we have developed links with various surveying businesses, Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute, Institution of Engineers, Darwin High School, Larrakia Nation, The Historical Society of the NT, Field Naturalists, Top End Folk Club, Territory FM, Deckchair Cinema, Darwin City Council and the Waterfront Development Corporation.

Through our **heritage festivals** the list of contacts in the community covers many businesses, community groups and government departments across the Territory including Councils in Alice Springs, Katherine, Borroloola and Darwin, Conservation Volunteers, Westpac, RAIA, NT Library, Mataranka Festival, Volunteering SA & NT Inc, Top End Tourism, Territory FM and many other groups and individuals.

Involvement with other Organisations.

The Director, Elizabeth Close, represents the National Trust on the Heritage Council and the National Archives of Australia Consultative Committee. Working with these Boards ensures that the Trust has access to a very wide network of cultural and heritage organisations.

In the regional areas of the Territory our Branches have close links with organisations and individuals who support our heritage work. In Borroloola the McArthur River Mine operators have been very generous to the Gulf Branch of the National Trust with their community assistance fund. In both Katherine and Alice Springs the National Trust works with the Town Councils and the local tourism office to support and promote its work.

Australian Council of National Trusts

The National Trust (NT), together with the National Trusts in each state and territory are partners in this national organisation. The President, Trevor Horman, is the nominated delegate for the Board and the Director, Elizabeth Close, is a member of the national CEO's group. Both the Board and the CEOs meet regularly to discuss matters of importance to all National Trusts. This is an important network that informs the work of the National Trust in the Northern Territory.

Grants

Each year the National Trust applies for grants to assist in carrying out its work. This year the following grants were achieved:

From the **Northern Territory Heritage Grants** program - funding for installing a fence around Jones Store at Newcastle Waters, for much needed conservation work to the Pine Creek Railway Employees House, for Goyder's Day and for the heritage festivals in Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs.

The National Trust is most appreciative of the grants received from the government to assist with conserving the Territory's heritage places.

This year the Trust also received a grant under the **Tourism Infrastructure Development Fund** to install gates and undertake upgrade work on the Stahl Garden that will increase the useability of the Myilly Point Heritage Precinct in Darwin.

There was money allocated from the **Regional Museums Development Fund** to digitise important records at the Hartley Street School Museum and a **Katherine Town Council Community Grant** funded the purchase and installation of a DVD player and screen for use at O'Keeffe House.

Report: July 2014 to June 2015.

The third challenge for the National Trust was the changeover in financial years. As part of the changeover it was necessary to provide an interim "Annual Report" to the government. It is included here for information and completeness. The financial documents associated with the report are available on the National Trust website.

The Council of the National Trust determined that it would alter its financial year so that the audit was undertaken at the end of December. As a result it undertook a six month audit and provides this brief report to the Heritage Branch for the Minister's information.

In 2014 the activities of the National Trust included:

- ❖ Two regular meetings of its Council, which provide the Trust with input into its heritage work from its Branches in all parts of the Northern Territory.
- ❖ Ongoing management of the Trust's property portfolio as follows:

Audit House, Mines House, Burnett House, Magistrates House and the Stahl Garden in Darwin

Pine Creek Museum and Pine Creek Railway Precinct
Katherine Railway station and O'Keeffe House
Jones Store at Newcastle Waters
Tuxworth Fullwood House at Tennant Creek
Former Police Station Museum at Borroloola
Les Hansen House and Stuart Town Gaol in Alice Springs
- Also operating the School Museum at Hartley Street School.

❖ Regular events:

Heritage and History talks at Burnett House
Afternoon Teas at Burnett House and O'Keeffe House
Exhibitions in the O'Keeffe Pavillion
School visits to Hartley Street School

- ❖ Hiring of properties to ensure the community gets an opportunity to experience the heritage places
- ❖ Various special excursions – including one to Talc Head in Darwin
- ❖ Preparation work for the 2016 Heritage Festival and Goyder's Day
- ❖ Negotiations over the leasing and management of the Stella Maris site in Darwin.
- ❖ Strategic Planning for the Myilly Point Heritage Precinct
- ❖ Development of partnerships with the Friends of Kahlin.

In 2015 the activities were as follows:

The Branches of the National Trust do not open the properties or undertake events until April in each year as volunteers are away and the weather does not encourage many visitors.

- ❖ The first event for the year was Goyder's Day, which has been held on the 5th February – the date of Goyder's arrival - for 8 years to date. There were quite a few partnership organisations involved including the Top End Native Plants Society and the SSSI.
- ❖ Heritage Festivals in Alice Springs, Darwin and Katherine began around the 18th April and ran for a week in most places. They are the result of extensive planning in the previous year and are seen as the major heritage events run by the Trust each year.

- ❖ Developed a Landscape Plan and Business Plan for Myilly Point. This has begun to inform development of the site into a tourist destination.
- ❖ Held NAIDOC week event on the Stahl Garden with Friends of Kahlin and continue to work with them. A brochure is now in production.
- ❖ Director undertook a driving tour of all National Trust properties and related sites in the Northern Territory. Reported to Council. This is seen as an important management tool for the Trust so that it can focus its limited resources to the best effect.

Operations and Management of the National Trust.

In the Northern Territory, more than any other jurisdiction, the National Trust relies on its volunteers to carry out the many and varied tasks required to keep the organisation going. They are supported by the very small office staff.

It is to these wonderful volunteers that the Territory owes a debt of gratitude because they keep the heritage places of the Northern Territory open and accessible to the community and to the many visitors who are keen to see these special places. Thank you to you all.

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

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National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

Council's Report

31 December 2015

The Council members submit the financial report of the National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) ('the Trust') for the financial year ended 31 December 2015.

Council members

The names of Council members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Trevor Horman

David Hewitt

Bill Low

Jan Hills

Judy Boland

resigned 29 August 2015

Roddy Calvert

resigned 29 August 2015

Colin Beard

resigned 29 August 2015

Janet Leather

Margaret Clinch

resigned 29 August 2015

Gillian Banks

Laurelle Halford

appointed 29 August 2015

Orchard Somerville-Collie

appointed 29 August 2015

Prue Crouch

appointed 29 August 2015

Petrena Ariston

appointed 29 August 2015

Objectives and principal activities

The objectives of the Trust are to promote the preservation and awareness of heritage in the Northern Territory of Australia.

Its primary activities are to manage a portfolio of heritage buildings - some of which are owned by the Trust and others which are operated under crown lease or a licence to operate. It also maintains an archive and research library relating to historic places.

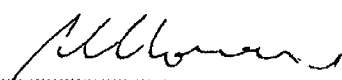
Significant changes


No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating result

The Surplus of the Trust for the financial year amounted to \$95,634 (2014: Deficit of \$116,331).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Council:

President: 
Trevor Horman

Treasurer: 
Petrena Ariston

Dated this 10th day of April 2016

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 12 months \$	2014 6 months \$
Income			
Grant income		141,682	140,414
Contributions from National Trust of Australia		18,000	8,000
Donations and fundraising income		42,553	30,800
Membership subscriptions		8,607	4,399
Other branch revenues		21,450	8,051
Rental income		84,331	47,406
Interest income		9,547	5,451
Other income		760	1,254
Gain on sale of property		179,511	-
Total Income		506,441	245,775
Expenditure			
Employee benefits expense		178,753	69,005
Merchandise and publishing		8,617	6,261
Repairs and maintenance		43,855	161,886
Depreciation expense		7,141	3,458
Electricity		9,044	7,010
Sewerage and water		26,463	62,700
Other property expenses		8,402	1,884
Advertising and promotion		11,569	1,860
Consultants		26,817	3,415
Insurance		17,713	9,484
Meetings		9,556	5,902
Audit and bookkeeping		13,672	11,294
Travel expenses		10,359	780
Archival fees		2,809	1,373
Memberships and subscriptions		8,406	3,123
Other administrative expenses		12,724	6,964
Fundraising expenses		9,681	4,243
Events		5,105	391
Other expenses		121	1,073
Total Expenses		410,807	362,106
Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax		95,634	(116,331)
Income tax expense	1(b)	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) after income tax		95,634	(116,331)
Other comprehensive income for the year			
Revaluation of property to value as determined by the Valuer General		-	53,000
Total other comprehensive income for the year		-	53,000
Total comprehensive income for the year		95,634	(63,331)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 December 2015

		2015	2014
	Note	\$	\$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	1,090,284	598,745
Trade and other receivables	3	27,650	7,683
Inventories	4	6,228	2,000
Other assets	5	4,417	4,639
Property held for sale	6	-	400,000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,128,579	1,013,067
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	7	5,891,349	5,889,796
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		5,891,349	5,889,796
TOTAL ASSETS		7,019,928	6,902,863
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	14,960	69,397
Employee provisions	9	77,946	62,829
Other current liabilities	10	134,384	73,633
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		227,290	205,859
TOTAL LIABILITIES		227,290	205,859
NET ASSETS		6,792,638	6,697,004
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Asset revaluation reserve	11(a)	3,901,964	4,301,964
General reserves	11(b)	501,721	425,332
Accumulated surplus		2,388,953	1,969,708
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUND		6,792,638	6,697,004

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

2015

12 months

	Accumulated Surplus	Asset Revaluation Surplus	General Reserves	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2015	1,969,708	4,301,964	425,332	6,697,004
Surplus for the year	95,634	-	-	95,634
Transfers to General Reserves	(76,389)	-	76,389	-
Cumulative revaluation surplus relating to sold property, transferred to accumulated surplus	400,000	(400,000)	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2015	2,388,953	3,901,964	501,721	6,792,638

2014

6 months

	Accumulated Surplus	Asset Revaluation Surplus	General Reserves	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2014	2,119,230	4,248,964	392,141	6,760,335
Deficit for the period	(116,331)	-	-	(116,331)
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	53,000	-	53,000
Transfers to General Reserves	(33,191)	-	33,191	-
Balance at 31 December 2014	1,969,708	4,301,964	425,332	6,697,004

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

		2015	2014
		12 months	6 months
	Note	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers		131,118	72,839
Payments to suppliers and employees		(475,009)	(334,924)
Donations received		42,553	30,799
Interest received		9,547	5,451
Receipt from grants		194,513	91,575
Other contributions received		18,000	8,000
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	12	<u>(79,278)</u>	<u>(126,260)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from sale of property		579,511	-
Purchase of plant and equipment		(8,694)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>570,817</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		491,539	(126,260)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		598,745	725,005
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	2	<u><u>1,090,284</u></u>	<u><u>598,745</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) Act*. The Council has determined that National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) ('the Trust') is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The amounts presented in the financial statements are in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the prior year unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a). Revenue and other income

Grant income is recognised when the Trust obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt. If conditions are attached to a grant that must be satisfied before the Trust is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Membership income, donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the point of delivery as this corresponds to the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods and the cessation of all involvement in those goods.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon delivery of the service to the recipient.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(b). Income tax

The Trust is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(c). Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included within other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts or payments.

(d). Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

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(e). **Financial instruments**

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Trust becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is the equivalent to the date that the Trust commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss', in which case the transaction costs are expensed to the profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest method, or cost.

The financial instrument classifications relevant to the Trust and the subsequent measurement of these have been detailed below.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial asset is derecognised.

Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial liability is derecognised.

Impairment of financial assets

A financial asset (or a group of financial assets) is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events (a 'loss event') having occurred, which has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset(s).

In the case of financial assets carried at amortised cost, loss events may include: indications that the debtors or a group of debtors are experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal repayments; indications that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; and changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

When the terms of the financial assets that would otherwise have been past due or impaired have been renegotiated, the Trust recognises the impairment of such financial assets by taking into account the original terms as if the terms have not been renegotiated so that the loss events that have occurred are duly considered.

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Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual right to the receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the Trust no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the related obligations are discharged or cancelled, or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in the profit or loss.

(f). Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business, as well as any outstanding grant receipts.

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment.

Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days.

(g). Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Inventories acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration are measured at the current replacement cost as at the date of acquisition.

(h). Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Property

Freehold land and buildings are carried at their fair value. Fair value assigned to each property is measured using the most recent unimproved capital value as determined by the Northern Territory Valuer General.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on the revaluation of property is credited to the Asset Revaluation Reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are recognised against the Asset Revaluation Reserve directly in equity; all other decreases are recognised in the profit or loss.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and are therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Trust and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised as expenses in the profit or loss in the financial period in which they are incurred.

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Depreciation

Plant and equipment, excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a reducing balance basis over the assets useful life to the Trust, commencing from when the asset is ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are shown below:

Fixed asset class	Depreciation rate
Plant and Equipment	20-50%
Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings	10-20%
Office Equipment	33-40%

Heritage buildings are not depreciated due to their special nature.

At the end of each annual reporting period, the depreciation method, useful life and residual value of each asset is reviewed. Any revisions are accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised either in profit or loss or as a revaluation decrease if the impairment losses relate to a revalued asset.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are recognised in the profit or loss when the item is derecognised. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to the accumulated surplus.

(i). Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the Trust that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

(j). Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Trust has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

(k). Employee provisions

Provision is made for the Trust's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

(l). Unexpended grants

An unexpended grant liability is recognised in the statement of financial position when the Trust has received grant funding for a particular purpose and the full amount of those funds have not been expended as at balance date.

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(m). Economic dependence

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) is dependent on the Northern Territory Government for the majority of its revenue used to operate the Trust. At the date of this report the Council members have no reason to believe the Northern Territory Government will not continue to support National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory).

(n). Comparative figures

Where required, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(o). Change of accounting period

In the prior year, the Trust elected to change its reporting period from 30 June to 31 December. 31 December 2014 was the first financial period for which this change in reporting period came into effect.

As such, comparative information presented in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows represent six, instead of twelve, months of financial performance.

(p). Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The Council evaluates estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Trust.

Impairment

The Trust assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluating conditions and events specific to the Trust that may be indicative of impairment triggers.

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2. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Cash at Bank	86,370	27,359
Short-term deposits	1,003,914	571,386
	<u>1,090,284</u>	<u>598,745</u>

Reconciliation of cash

Cash and cash equivalents reported in the statement of cash flows are reconciled to the equivalent items in the statement of financial position as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents	1,090,284	598,745
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3. Trade and Other Receivables

CURRENT		
Trade Debtors	27,650	7,562
Other Debtors	-	121
	<u>27,650</u>	<u>7,683</u>

4. Inventories

CURRENT		
Merchandise and Publications	6,228	2,000
	<u>6,228</u>	<u>2,000</u>

5. Other Assets

CURRENT		
Prepaid Insurance	4,417	4,639
	<u>4,417</u>	<u>4,639</u>

6. Property held for sale

86 Hartley Street, Alice Springs NT	-	400,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>400,000</u>

An offer to purchase the property for \$600,000 was received and accepted by the Council in November 2014. The property settled on 30 January 2015 with selling and transaction costs of \$20,516 net of Goods and Services Tax (GST).

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7. Property, plant and equipment

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Land and Buildings		
Audit House - at fair value	1,200,000	1,200,000
Mines House - at fair value	950,000	950,000
Jones Store - at fair value	2,500	2,500
Burnett House - at fair value	950,000	950,000
Les Hansen House - at fair value	300,000	300,000
Magistrates House - at fair value	1,350,000	1,350,000
Pine Creek Museum - at fair value	66,000	66,000
Stahl Garden - at fair value	1,000,000	1,000,000
Tuxworth/Fullwood - at fair value	39,000	39,000
	<u>5,857,500</u>	<u>5,857,500</u>
Plant and equipment		
At cost	37,894	31,179
Accumulated depreciation	(14,437)	(9,802)
	<u>23,457</u>	<u>21,377</u>
Furniture, fixtures and fittings		
At cost	15,272	14,648
Accumulated depreciation	(8,982)	(7,973)
	<u>6,290</u>	<u>6,675</u>
Office equipment		
At cost	9,151	7,796
Accumulated depreciation	(5,049)	(3,552)
	<u>4,102</u>	<u>4,244</u>
Total property, plant and equipment	<u>5,891,349</u>	<u>5,889,796</u>

8. Trade and Other Payables

CURRENT

Unsecured liabilities		
Trade payables	2,778	31,526
GST payable	4,805	(12,839)
Accrued expenses and sundry payables	7,377	50,710
	<u>14,960</u>	<u>69,397</u>

9. Employee Provisions

Current liabilities		
Provision for annual leave	26,137	18,205
Provision for long service leave	51,809	44,624
	<u>77,946</u>	<u>62,829</u>

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10. Other Liabilities

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Unexpended grants - NTHG	53,938	40,517
Unexpended grants - NTPP	42,511	14,121
Unexpended grants - RSMG	-	4,335
Unexpended grants - TIDF	23,275	-
C of A Endowment	14,660	14,660
	<u>134,384</u>	<u>73,633</u>

11. Reserves

(a). Asset Revaluation Reserve

The Asset Revaluation Reserve records revaluations of properties owned by the Trust. Properties are recorded at values determined by the Northern Territory Valuer General.

(b). General Reserves

General Reserves represent funds for which the Council has designated for a particular purpose in future periods.

Branches

Gulf	13,452	11,378
Katherine	11,384	13,911
Larrakeyah	170,214	161,170
McDouall Sturt	18,540	17,754
	<u>213,590</u>	<u>204,213</u>

Projects

Darwin Heritage Festival	6,064	6,064
Goyders Day Darwin	2,000	-
Foundation	117,115	117,115
Katherine Book Exchange	1,589	771
	<u>126,768</u>	<u>123,950</u>

Properties

Magistrates House	76,873	41,767
Mines House	83,239	53,390
Railway Station Pine Creek	610	2,012
Pine Creek Museum	641	-
	<u>161,363</u>	<u>97,169</u>
	<u>501,721</u>	<u>425,332</u>

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12. Cash Flow Information

Reconciliation of surplus for the year to net cash provided by operating activities:

	2015 12 months	2014 6 months
	\$	\$
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	95,634	(116,331)
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Non-cash flows in profit:		
- depreciation	7,141	3,458
- net gain on disposal of property	(179,511)	-
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposal of subsidiaries:		
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(19,967)	4,447
- (increase)/decrease in other assets	222	9,484
- (increase)/decrease in inventories	(4,228)	-
- increase/(decrease) in other current liabilities	60,751	(57,164)
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	(54,437)	39,095
- increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	15,117	(9,249)
Cashflow from operations	<u>(79,278)</u>	<u>(126,260)</u>

13. Association Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Trust is:

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

2 Burnett Place

Larrakeyah NT 0820

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Statement by Members of the Council

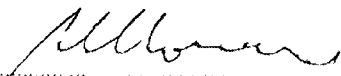
The Council has determined that the National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) ('the Trust') is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial statements should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1.

In the opinion of the Council the financial statements as set out on pages 2-15 .

1. Presents fairly the financial position of National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) as at 31 December 2015 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Council and is signed for and on behalf of the Council by:

President:



Trevor Horman

Treasurer:



Petrena Ariston

Dated this 10th day of April 2016

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of the National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

We have audited the accompanying special purpose financial report of the National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) ("the Trust"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015, the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the period then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, and the statement by members of the Council.

Council Members' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Council members are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) Act* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Council members' responsibility also includes such internal control as the Council members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal controls relevant to the Trust's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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 Trust's internal controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Council members, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

Basis for Qualified Auditor's Opinion

Branch revenues (e.g. donations, fundraising, merchandise, hire and entry fees and sponsorship) are a significant source of revenue for the Trust. The Trust has determined that it is impracticable to establish control over the collection of branch revenues prior to entry in its financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to branch revenues were restricted to the amounts recorded in the Trust's financial records. We are therefore unable to express an opinion as to whether branch revenues recorded by the Trust are complete.

Qualified Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the limitation referred to in the preceding paragraph not existed, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) as at 31 December 2015 and of its financial performance for the period then ended in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the *National Trust of Australia (NT) Act* and the accounting policies described in Note 1.

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) to meet the requirements of the *National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) Act* and to meet the needs of members. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.



Matthew Kennon
Director

Dated: 13 April 2016

Darwin

