

# Animal Emergency Incident Management Network Australia and New Zealand

Annual Report 2023



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## The first year of operation

The 2023 AGM marks the first year of formal operation of the Network. This year, we have progressed toward our goal of joining up the skills and expertise of emergency responders, veterinarians, veterinary nurses and technicians and related disciplines from around Australia & New Zealand. This has been made possible through the support of our members, supporting organisations, in particular Melbourne Veterinary School and New South Wales State Emergency Service, and sponsors, including Resquip, Large Animal Rescue Australia and private donors. We are grateful to everyone who has facilitated the growth of the AEIMN through their support and sponsorship. The AEIMN is also grateful to the British Animal Rescue and Trauma Care Association (BARTA) for their generous support through attendance at meetings, provision of advice, access to their Moodle training platform and wealth of educational resources.

The Treasurer's report summarises the stronger financial position of the AEIMN at the end of our first year of formal operations. The Board of Directors, using our learnings from the conference, stakeholder forums and other feedback mechanisms, is currently updating the strategic plan to reflect the organisation's growth and set our ambitions for the next three years.

We have been able to promote AEIMN's activities through opportunities such as ABC Breakfast Radio, Channel 7 Sydney 6 pm news, supporting organisations' webpage stories, including the Australian Veterinary Association and the NSW State Emergency Service, and community meetings and events. A member's Facebook page has been established to share ideas.

We have been actively working to develop national and international collaborations throughout 2023. The AEIMN has given support to the International Joint Education Coalition, an initiative of BARTA, to guide information exchange about responder education, training and standards. The AEIMN has also joined Skills Insight, the organisation with oversight of the Units of Competency for Animal Incident Management in Australia.

## Activities

**National Conference:** The second national conference was held at the Fire and Rescue Emergency Services Academy, Orchard Hills, NSW, in May. A wide variety of topics were covered, including mental

health, zoonotic diseases, managing a highly adrenalised animal in a rescue situation, the anatomy of a lifting operation, boat rescues and more. Many of the presentations and a summary report are uploaded to the Network's [website](#). The conference is now established as an important event in the organisation's annual calendar.

**Stakeholder Forums:** Stakeholder Forums were conducted online in October 2022, March and August 2023, with a face-to-face opportunity for members to meet provided at the annual conference held in May. The Forum is an opportunity to share operational, training and policy expertise. The program has three elements: (1) an educational component, for example, veterinary considerations for the treatment of bushfire-affected horses; (2) a Community of Practice, where emergency responders or related practitioners share information about rescue techniques or agency responses for discussion with forum members to develop best practice; and (3) AEIMN updates from Australia, New Zealand and BARTA.

**Education online:** The Network is commencing online education sessions to complement the conference and forums. We would like to thank Jim Green of BARTA and Dr Rebecca Husted of Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue for contributing their time.

The Australian Equine Veterinary Association held a two-day Large Animal Incident Management continuing professional development event at Melbourne Vet School's Werribee campus earlier in the year, with Josh Slater, Dr Christine Smith, David King and Anthony Hatch contributing to the program content and demonstrations.

**Resources:** The knowledge and skills of members have contributed to the continued development of resources, including an animal welfare information sheet. Projects underway include updating the Large Animal Operations Resource and developing a Glossary of Terms.

This has been an important year for our Network – we are now an established organisation with a membership and financial base, sponsors and a cadence to our calendar and events. Our focus for the coming year will be to further grow membership, enhance member benefits, expand our range of stakeholders, grow the conference, and refine our Board operations. I am very grateful to my fellow directors and to all of you for your ongoing support of the AEIMN.

Josh Slater

Chair of the AEIMN Board of Directors

## **AEIMN ANZ - Financial Report (2022-2023)**

### **Year 2022-2023 Highlights:**

*The financial health of AEIMN ANZ has experienced significant growth in the 2022-2023 financial year. The following key financial metrics and highlights demonstrate the organisation's progress:*

#### **Profits and Loss**

Revenue: The majority of our earnings have been generated from conference registration, totalling \$4,046, and membership registration fees, totalling \$2,140.

Sponsorship: Thank you to Melbourne University for their generous sponsorship, which contributed \$2,365.46 to our revenue.

Donations: We are grateful for the donations received, amounting to \$5,991.00, which have further bolstered our financial standing.

Expenses: The organisation's most significant expenses for the year were related to the conference and insurance, followed by administration costs. Our financial records and bookkeeping services are expertly managed by KAW Bookkeeping Solutions. The total expenses for the year amounted to \$5,932.68.

Net Profit: AEIMN ANZ achieved a remarkable net profit of \$8,609 during the 2022-2023 financial year, a substantial increase compared to the net profit of \$1,216.90 in the previous year (2021-2022).

#### **Balance Sheet**

Total Assets: On June 30, 2023, the organisation held \$9,826.68 in the Commonwealth bank account, a significant increase compared to the balance of \$1,216.90 in June 2022. This balance also reflects the total equity of AEIMN ANZ.

Liabilities: It is worth noting that the organisation currently holds zero liabilities, indicating a healthy financial position with no outstanding debts.

In conclusion, the financial report for the 2022-2023 financial year demonstrates AEIMN ANZ's significant growth, robust financial position, and commitment to responsible financial management. For a comprehensive overview of our financial performance, including the Balance Sheet and other detailed financial statements, please refer to the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statements.

#### **Acknowledgments:**

I extend my appreciation to the AEIMN ANZ Board for their dedication and support throughout the year.



*Erica Honey Treasurer, AEIMN ANZ  
6 September 2023*



*Josh Slater, President  
14 September 2023*

## EOM - Profit & Loss [Year to Date]

Cash mode

01 Jul 2022 - 30 Jun 2023

	<b>Total</b>
<b>Income</b>	
<b>4-2000 Donations &amp; Sponsorship</b>	
4-2030 University Sponsorship	2,365.46
4-2035 Donations (Public collections)	5,991.00
<b>Total Donations &amp; Sponsorship</b>	<b>8,356.46</b>
<b>4-4000 Revenue</b>	
4-4010 Conference & Workshop Sales	4,046.00
4-4080 Membership Fees	2,140.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>6,186.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>14,542.46</b>
<b>Cost Of Sales</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>14,542.46</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>6-0010 Other Expenses &amp; Payments</b>	
6-0015 Events/Workshop Expenses	2,850.98
6-0052 Bookkeeping	616.50
6-0055 MYOB Expenses	197.59
6-0075 Trybooking Expenses	86.75
<b>Total Other Expenses &amp; Payments</b>	<b>3,751.82</b>
6-1560 Insurance - Business	2,180.86
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>5,932.68</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>8,609.78</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>8,609.78</b>

## Balance Sheet Report

Cash mode

30 Jun 2023

	<b>Total</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
<b>1-1000 Current Assets</b>	
<b>1-1100 Bank Accounts</b>	
1-1110 Working - Society Cheque Act	9,826.68
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>9,826.68</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>9,826.68</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>9,826.68</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>9,826.68</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
3-9000 Current Year Earnings	8,609.78
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>8,609.78</b>