Representative Sport

International

Brendon Reeves, Steve Carlon and Ratu Suka were selected in the Australian University Rugby League team which toured Great Britain and Europe in the second half of the year. Their selections followed very successful performances for NSW who triumphed over QLD in the University State of Origin series. All three students performed exceptionally on tour.

On the sporting field UOW had strong performances in all sports and was a credit to the region. Overall we finished second to a very strong Sydney University team. Baseball and softball teams were fielded for the first time in nearly a decade. Those teams deserve a special mention for placing 1st and 3rd respectively in their first attempts at an EUG. Once again I would like to thank all the students involved for such great efforts on and off the field.

National

UOW was represented by 170 students at the 2004 Australian University Games (AUG) in Perth. This was an outstanding effort and I would like to thank all the students involved for their tremendous efforts in fund raising to get to there. Our previous team to a Perth AUG was comprised of only 90 students at the 1999 AUG. Team spirit in 2004 was at an all time high and the team performed well. Performance highlights included:

- Women's Soccer – Gold (2nd year in a row)
- Women's Touch – Gold
- Women's Rugby – Silver
- Baseball – Bronze

Our women's netball team has also shown marked improvement over the last 12 months with a 4th placing at the AUG after qualifying 2nd at the Eastern University Games.

Regional

UOW hosted the Eastern University Games (EUG) in 2004 and our UOW Sport team enjoyed competing against other NSW & ACT universities on home soil. These games laid the platform for the team spirit so evident in our 2004 AUG team. In addition the games also allowed the team an opportunity to develop relationships with our local community which enabled them to fund raise for the AUG. We would like to thank all the businesses that supported our EUG and AUG teams in 2004 and look forward to continuing those relationships in 2005.

Our Netballers provide the half time entertainment at the Basketball finals

UOW Softball is back!
### Australian University Games 2004 – Perth W.A.

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Recreation

2004 Key Events

- More gym supervision
- New air conditioning installed
- Health 4 Life improved
- Australian University Games - Perth
- Eastern University Games - Wollongong

More gym supervision

In 2004 we budgeted for and increased the amount of casual gymnasium supervision available to clients during our operating hours. This was in expectation of an increase in patronage as well as to continue to improve our customer service delivery.

Air conditioning

A major upgrade (approximately $30,000) to our air conditioning system in the gymnasium was installed during the year. We would like to thank all of our affected customers who were patient and understanding during the process. The upgrade has greatly improved the temperature and airflow in our Fitness Studio without affecting Cardio Room or Gymnasium.

Health 4 Life Program

At the end of 2003 we reviewed our Health 4 Life lifestyle program and in 2004 we were able to implement a number of changes:

- An improved instructor to participants ratio 1:8
- A move towards group educational sessions and individualised nutritional assessments

These changes were implemented in 2004 and in 2005 our objective to promote the program in a greater number of time slots throughout the week to offer prospective participants more choice.

Australian & Eastern University Games

The combination of hosting an Eastern University Games in Wollongong and planning to compete in the Australian University Games in Perth galvanised the efforts of our sports representatives in 2004. Our “Games Teams” were united in their fund raising efforts off the field and in their support of each other on the field. The EUG yielded very pleasing results on the field across all sports and at the AUG the female teams once again demonstrated the popularity and strength of women’s sport on campus by clinching 2 national titles and placing well in several others. We look forward to this trend continuing in 2005.

Key changes in usage patterns for fitness activities

URAC Gym/Fitness Membership Types 2004

In a similar trend to previous years, longer term memberships again demonstrated growth – although the trend suggests the growth will start to plateau over the next few years. Our commitment to keep members’ pricing at 50% of commercial rates has proven to be an effective strategy to offer students affordable long term fitness opportunities.

URAC Gym Casual & Prepaid Visits 2000 to 2004
Several years of successive price increases have slowly increased the cost of a casual visit to the gym or a fitness class. Whilst on average the price remains 50% or less of commercial rates for student and other members, the plateau in sales is an indication that the price may be approaching a threshold above which students will either choose to purchase longer term memberships or choose alternate providers.

Social Sport
Lunchtime sport again featured:
- Netball (Monday)
- Touch Football (Tuesday)
- Volleyball (Wednesday)
- Outdoor Soccer (Wednesday)
- Indoor Soccer (Thursday)
- Basketball (Friday)

Feedback from participants in 2004
We received feedback from participants that indicated the program should be improved in the areas of refereeing standards, equipment quality and social outcomes. Soccer in particular has suffered due to a move from the synthetic hockey surface to grass. Participants requested new goals to be used on the ovals for 5-a-side. These areas will be addressed in 2005 to ensure that we continue to attract approximately 1500 participants each semester.

Outdoor Activities
Outdoor Adventure activities included the following:
- Scuba – 8 courses
- Horse riding – 2 courses
- Whitewater Rafting – 2 courses
- Sea Kayaking – 2 courses
- Rock Climbing – 2 courses

The majority of participants in our outdoor adventure courses were international students from the Wollongong University College and Campus East.

Grant Jacobs
Recreation Manager

Facilities

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There was an overall increase of 3% in the total income for facilities.
The income for the majority of URAC facilities remained constant in 2004.

The most disappointing reduction of income is for tennis courts. The tennis courts are difficult to supervise and one thought is that people are actually playing longer than they book. In 2005 new strategies are being introduced to alleviate this problem.

The ovals and sports hall are running near full capacity. There is a delicate balance with the ovals between filling every time slot and maintaining a level of usage to maintain oval quality. I believe this is the balance we are meeting and income has remained high as has field quality.
The sports hall is a highly used resource. The hall is booked every evening and weekends are extremely popular with casual users. The Illawarra Netball Association continues to hire the facility 2 nights per week. The only down time in the sports hall is from 7am until approximately 11.30am.

Income for the Studio decreased in 2004 by 29%. This decrease is actually not a true reflection of the usage of the room. The ability to hire the Studio to groups is limited as it is increasingly used for URAC Group Exercise Classes. The decrease in outside use of the Studio I believe has resulted in increase in income for both the Sports Lounge and rejuvenate as these rooms are now the rooms available for hire.

The Artificial Hockey surface retained the same level of income.

**Leisure Courses:**

Leisure courses continue to provide cost effective recreational options to users. Dance, tennis, and self defense classes were the most popular.

25 courses were offered in 2004 and 276 places were filled. This is down slightly from 2003 and I believe is a reflection of the reduced demand for Pilates and Yoga courses as these are now offered as part of URAC Group Exercise Program. Approximately 85% of participants were students. Participation has remained steady over the past 3 years. We are always on the lookout for new relevant courses but as we are already offering a wide range it is difficult.

Leisure Courses are general only conducted when the income covers the cost of the Instructor. URAC absorbs the cost of advertising, materials, administration and venue hire.

**Staffing:**

There were several changes to the facilities team in 2004.

- Mick Cuthbert replaced Lorena King as a Facilities Assistant and did a great job. After 4 months however he decided to return to Europe.
- Danielle Gallagher replaced Mick and is proving an asset to URAC
- Jaime Hart, Facilities Assistant, went on maternity leave. Her position was competently filled by Emma Alexander.
- Grosda Topic took extend leave to visit family in Europe and our great team of cleaners filled her position.

**2004 Highlights:**

- The continuation of URAC being the “premier” recreation facility in the Illawarra
- The opportunity to investigate Recreation Computer Management Systems. And the subsequent purchase of a new Point of Sales System.
- Continuing relationships with URAC users.
- The continued commitment and dedication of the Facilities Team.

**Challenges for 2005:**

- VSU.
- Ensure that income grows in 2005
- Ensuring that customers continue to have a quality experience while accessing URAC services and facilities.
- Meeting the demands of a large multi purpose building including cleaning, maintenance and customer service.
- Keeping staff motivated and challenged.

*Jodie Douglas*

*Facilities Manager*
Aquatics

The continued popularity of the Aquatic Centre this year was reflected in another year of income growth. Thanks once again must go to the staff for their help and support over the past year. We will continue to provide a range of services and programs to fulfil our customers' expectations and requirements.

FINANCE

A financial outline of Aquatic Centre performance over the previous years is shown below. The level of operational subsidy for 2004 has grown from last year's level. This was due in part to ageing plant requiring extra maintenance and also to some extent the transition to the new accounting system (JDE) with some teething problems identifying and allocating costs to correct areas. This year has been our best yet in income terms.

![Operating Income v Expenditure](chart)

PROGRAMS

Learn to Swim

The Uni Swim School has been a profitable program even though the range of classes offered has been reduced. Our customers continue to provide positive feedback identifying the Aquatic centre environment, cleanliness and professional friendly staff as key components to their decision to patronise our Learn to Swim classes. As with all our programs, access to URAC with restricted parking is the greatest complaint we receive.

Swim For Fitness (SFF)

Scot, Tara, Josh and Stuart have taken up Jamie's banner and continued to improve this program. Jamie has taken a coaching scholarship with Triathlon Australia for 12 months and will coach when available. The lunch-time sessions in particular have taken on a new life with a very committed and enthusiastic core group of followers.

Schools

Carnival bookings are very full for the start of the year and looking good for 2005. Shade cover provided has been adequate for students and spectators. Once again the parking for spectators (parents) will be a limiting issue for continued use of the facility for school carnivals. A consultative approach with the schools is being taken to keep them informed of developments and changes as they occur. School learn to swim, fitness swimming, water polo and lifesaving programs have also run very successfully again this year.

BOOKINGS

Lane hire year round with Ron McKeon utilising any available space insures a valuable income stream. We also provided a training base for a number of national, state and regional swimming, water polo, underwater hockey and triathlon groups here for competition or training. Casual bookings continue for a range of user groups including scuba groups, schools, professional & amateur sports teams, emergency services, etc... The use of the bulkheads to split 4 of the lanes allows for a far more efficient use of pool space for casual swimmers and squads during both summer and winter peak periods.

2005 and beyond

Just for a change our greatest challenges for next year and thereafter may be the introduction of VSU (voluntary student unionism) and not parking. If VSU is introduced as expected in mid year all
programs will have to stand alone as profitable units as there will be no subsidy available. A much more commercial focus on pricing and program offering will result in increased prices and restricted choice. Some very interesting challenges ahead.

Access to both internal and external users is being severely limited by restricted parking availability. The pay and display spaces in the ovals and northern car parks have helped to some degree. Programs such as swim school and swim for fitness and use of the centre for school groups are most at risk and will require novel interventions to maintain or improve the current levels of use. Maintenance issues as with all facilities the Aquatic Centre is ageing. A continuing preventative maintenance program will ensure that we maintain the Centre as a safe, clean facility.

B. Power
Aquatics Manager

Club Sport

Badminton

The year 2004 has been one of the most successful years in the club’s history on and off the courts. The club had 143 members, the highest in several years with a 50% increase from last year’s membership numbers (from 95 to 143). The increased membership is due to extensive advertising through the club’s newly built website and through the notice boards around the university. Being present at the clubs days in March & July has also helped to generate membership numbers but by far the most effective mode of advertising has been through student associations such as the Indonesian, Chinese & Malaysian Student Associations.

In previous years the membership as been primarily comprised of Asians however this year there has been a greater surge in non-Asian members which make up ~8% of our members as compared to 3-4% in previous years. The goal of the club is to dispel the misconception that badminton is an exclusively Asian sport because it is not, the sport originated from England after all. The member retention rate has increased dramatically with at least 80% of the members being active (has attended at least 3 club activities and/or playing sessions). As an incentive new members receive a free club T-shirt valued at $25 after 5 playing sessions. Complimentary passes have been introduced in the second semester; the pass entitles a new member to try out the club free of charge the first time. It has been introduced because in the past many people have been hesitant to pay the membership fee in fear that they may not like the club.

The badminton club has organized many social activities during the year most of which is free or heavily subsidized by the club. This year’s social activities included; 2 welcome lunches, 3 BBQs, 2 farewell dinners, tenpin bowling and the AGM. The social activities were well received by all club members; they were great opportunities for our members to interact off the courts. In addition to these events the club hosted a friendly tournament with the Sydney University Badminton Club, the first in 4 years. The event was a huge success with both the host and guest club, it is envisaged that there will be more of these tournaments in 2005.

On the competition side of things, the club hosted club tournaments in both the autumn and spring sessions. Upon completion of the tournaments trophies were presented to the winners, runner-ups and second runner-ups at a special trophy presentation ceremony. The year also saw the club producing a women’s and men’s team for the Eastern University Games for the first time in 3 years. The women’s team placed fourth and the men placed fifth respectively. In early March of this year the club coach Ignatius Gann competed in the Australian Masters Games and returned with four gold medals (U65 Men’s Singles, U65 Men’s Doubles, U65 Mixed Doubles & U55 Men’s Singles).

The badminton club was financially stable in 2004 with a net income of $3629.26
despite receiving a small clubs grant from the previous year. Due to the prosperous nature of the club’s finances, we were able to provide better quality shuttles to our members in addition to replacing some of the older nets & club racquets. For any further information relevant to the club please refer to the Badminton Club’s 2004 Annual Report.

Thuy Nguyen
President – UOW Badminton Club

Basketball

After increased membership and a high score in the Performance Indicators in 2003, the Basketball club started the year on a positive note with more funding to pay for court fees than in the previous year.

The club continued to have a steady turnout at club playing times with memberships only slightly down this year compared to the previous with 48 members. Still much higher than the previous year. The club began the year without any assets. With the amount of funding received this year the club was able to pay for the courts using only club funding, and not use money from the back, and purchase new basketballs and a set of jerseys that could be used for basketball club team. The club sponsored a team in the Tuesday night competition at Beaton Park, which came 2nd in the Winter competition, as well as lunchtime sport teams.

I am confident that the rebuilding of the basketball club can continue in the years to come and that it will continue to operate in the social and semi-competitive manner that it is known for.

McArthur Fryz
President – UOW Basketball Club

Cricket

The University of Wollongong Cricket Club (UWCC) represents over 100 players, and this year fielded seven men’s teams over four grades – first, second, and third grades and four fourth grade teams. Overall another successful season was enjoyed by the club, with the highlights being representation in 2nd 3rd and 4th grade semi finals, with second grade going on to win the Major Premiership, the 4-Golds being defeated in the final, a minor premiership and one day win for third grade, and second overall in the ICA Club Championship. In particular, congratulations to Stu and his players, for their efforts over the course of the season. WELL DONE!!!!

On the organisational/administrational side of things, this past season saw our club take a major step in its future development by accepting a Sponsorship agreement with the Illawarra Master Builders Club. Thanks must go to Mark Mulready, who was instrumental in the original deal, and to Matt Mitchell and Scotty Davies who organised our involvement with the Builders on a week to week basis. Of course, this meant moving away from what has been our “spiritual home” for much of our clubs life – the Sports Pavilion, and this was not easy. However, the jump was made, and it proved very successful, with good patronage each Saturday night back at the Club, plus a couple of very well attended special nights. Many thanks Mark, Matt and Scotty in particular who made it all possible for us, but also to those club members who made the effort and came back, many with families in tow, and made it a success for all. I am heartened by the experience of one Jim Scardanas, who after not venturing back to the Builders at all until being harassed by the President on the last weekend, “clubs are all smokey and not my scene”, was suitably impressed by his experience, “this is not at all what I expected, we have done a good thing here and I’ll definitely be back.” I implore to all club members, take this experience on board, support your club – its not too much to expect each member to get back at least a couple of times over the season.

UWCC continues to be one of the strongest clubs, both in the Illawarra Cricket terms and in respect of the UOW campus. Seven senior teams is the most of any ICA club; three synthetic training wickets, two ovals, training sessions twice a week and match days Saturdays give UWCC exposure unrivalled by any other club on Campus or over the summer months. Additionally University club members are also actively involved in various
“sports management” capacities – Ricky Adams as a Vice President of the Illawarra Cricket Association and a key member of its management/Match Committee; John Pemberton in his role as the Illawarra Cricket Associations paid administrator and as a member of the University Sports Association Executive Committee; and Geoff Mettam as Vice President of the UOW Sports Association. All have contributed enormously to UWCC Cricket and club members should be proud of their contributions.

We again offered Student Scholarships this past season – Shaun Kempton, Daniel Shipp, and Glenn Jones. All scholarships were incentives schemes, based around the number of first grade matches played and personal performances – which they all achieved. Our future relies on being able to expand such programs to encourage students to play for our club while they are at the UOW.

As is usual with any UWCC season it cannot go by without recognising the contributions made by John and Margaret Pemberton – I say it all the time, but it still remains true .... They are the heart and soul of our club and a significant reason we are successful both on and off the field. Margaret, as always, does a magnificent job with the stats; she keeps our finances in order and keeps first grade score (when she’s in the country!!!!). John keeps the club administration moving forward, always providing that gentle reminder that something needs to be taken care of. Many thanks to you both form all of us.

On the administration side we saw a significant up-surge in involvement this past season, which was a very pleasing thing. I have already mentioned the efforts of Mullos, Matt, and Scotty, who were the drivers behind our Master Builders Arrangement. This was recognised for Matt and Mark when they were jointly awarded the UWCC Club Person Award. But beyond that there were others who gave time and effort – all Grade Captains who tirelessly carried out the selections job week after week; Stu Barker for some extra efforts around Club development and Sponsorship; Michael Knight and Carn Matheson as ICA delegates, Pembo for his "le House of Pemberton" fashion extraordinaire for the University Cricketer; Paul Jones for his fundraising efforts with chocolates and sourcing much of our equipment; Andrew Weekes for being the chief at training days most of the time; Rowdy Barker for his monthly meeting minutes, Steve Jancetic – the Organ writer, and as usual Garry Mockler deserves our thanks – The best gear steward in the world.

Lastly, our faithful sponsors deserve some thanks also – principally the Master Builders Club, but also the UOW Sports Association through whom we make most of our equipment purchases, capital improvements; Aceit Sportswear; Assurance Investigations Group; HP Security, KPMG, House, RJ’s Variety Discount Store – a novel sponsorship involving ‘hit the sign win the cash’; all of whom contribute in some fashion; and last but by no means least, Margaret and John through their company Diskray.

Well that’s enough from me for the moment. See you in season 2004/05..... Let’s hope we taste more premiership success.

Yours in ‘the V’

Geoff Mettam
President – UOW Cricket Club

Dance

The University of Wollongong Dance Club has had an extremely successful year. At the Sports Awards Dinner in May we won Club of the Year (2003), for which we received a $250 cheque from URAC and a perpetual trophy for our efforts. This year in 2004, we aimed at maintaining and promoting the clubs status both within the campus and in the general community.

This year the University of Wollongong Dance Club has yet again increased its active membership from 248 active members in 2003 to an overwhelming 349 in 2004. This increase in membership can be attributed to the hard working committee members of the dance club as well as the increased recognition and promotion of Dance Club as a whole.
University Recreation and Aquatic Centre

Annual financial report for the year ended 31 December 2004
University of Wollongong
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited

Directors' report

The directors present their report together with the financial report of University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited ("the company") for the year ended 31 December 2004.

Directors

The directors of the company at any time during or since the financial year are:

Name and qualifications

Prof John Patterson, MSc Oregon, MEd
Syd, EdD N Colorado, FAICD
Appointed Director in June 1998

Cheryl Battaerd, B.Ed
Appointed Director in June 1998

Prof Don Iverson, B.Sc Nth Dak, M.Sc
Ph.D Oregon
Appointed Director in October 2001

Peter Maywald B.A
Appointed Director in November 2001

Michael Kelly
Appointed Director in May 2002

Paul Manning, B.ED (Syd), M.Mgmt
GAICD,
Appointed Director in June 1998

Prof Margaret Sheil, B.Sc(Hons) PhD
Appointed Director in May 2002.
Resigned, December 2004

Canio Fierravanti B.Com
Appointed Director in October 2001

Murray Reid, FCA, B.Com
Appointed Director in June 1998

Diane Harland (nee Riddiford), B.Ed
M.Sc (Hons)
Appointed Director in June 1998

Dr Paul Webb, DipPhysEd
GradDipSpEd, B.Ed, Tas CAE, MH
Kinetics Windsor, MSc PhD Oregon
Appointed Director in June 1998

Tempe Lees, BSc (Macq Uni)
Grad Dip in Museum Studies (Syd Uni)
Bachelor of Legal Studies (Macq Uni)
Grad Dip Legal Prac. (UTS) MBA (Dist)
UOW Admitted as a solicitor in NSW
Appointed Director in December 2004

Experience and special responsibilities

Executive Chair, since November 1998
Pro Vice-Chancellor (Operations), University of
Wollongong

NSW State Manager, Active After-School
Communities Australian Sports Commission

Dean, Health and Behavioural Sciences at
University of Wollongong

Professional Officer, Faculty of Education at
University of Wollongong

Executive, Sports Association Inc.
University of Wollongong

Executive Director, Sports Association Inc.
Director, Australian University Sports Inc;

Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research), University of
Wollongong

Public Affairs Manager at University of Wollongong

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants.
Principle of RM Chartered Accountants

PhD student, Biomedical Sciences at University of
Wollongong

Senior lecturer, Faculty of Education at University
of Wollongong

President, Sports Association Inc.

Legal Officer & Company Secretary
Illawarra Technology Corporation Limited
### Directors' meetings

The number of directors’ meetings held and number of meetings attended by each of the directors of the company during the financial year are:

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<td>Diane Harland</td>
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<td>Dr Paul Webb</td>
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<td>Michael Kelly</td>
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<td>Tempe Lees</td>
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*A – Number of meetings attended.*

*B – Reflects the number of meetings held during the time that the director held office during the year.*

### Principal activities

The principal activity of the company during the course of the year was the provision of aquatic and recreation facilities to the University community and the general public. There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the company during the year.

### Results

The operating profit after income tax of the company for the year amounted to $105,355 (2003: $133,241).

### Dividends

Dividends are not payable by companies limited by guarantee. Therefore no dividends were declared or paid during the year (2003: nil).

### Review of operations

2004 involved no significant capital works but was distinguished for 3 other major events. The first was the hosting of the 2004 Arrive alive Eastern University Games, which became a major focus for the organisation leading up to and following July. Although the brief was to run a professional event without generating significant profits, the event was a major success. Not just utilising the majority of URAC facilities, it produced over $3m in economic impact for the region.
The second major event was the transfer of financial system to the University. This involved a significant mapping exercise and staff training. The benefits have been minor to date, but it is hoped they will multiply as the system becomes more fully integrated. Staff have had to grapple with a major shift in not only how they process payments and receipts, but also the change to electronic rather than hard copy records.

Add to the above a “normal” year of growth (and facilities that are full to overflowing), the final quarter of the year was complicated by the foreshadowed closure of the old PE gym. This lead to the hurried and difficult process of housing some PE equipment and staff temporarily in an already crowded building. It is hoped that this unsatisfactory arrangement for all will only be temporary, but no major capital works have yet been approved.

**Environmental management**

The company’s operations are not subject to any significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth or State legislation. However, the Board believes that the Company has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements and is not aware of any breach of those environmental requirements as they apply to the company.

**Events subsequent to balance date**

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the company, to affect significantly the operations of the company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the company, in future financial years.

**Likely developments**

A preliminary proposal for a 3,000 sq m stage 10 has begun to take shape, but is not envisaged for 1-3 years. At this stage little or no confirmed development is expected in the short to medium term, with a commitment to consolidation of the company’s cash position and a small growth in reserves the agreed aim for 2005. It is hoped this will create the springboard for the dramatic growth expected from 2006.

**Directors’ emoluments**

During the financial year ended 31 December 2004, no director of the company has received or become entitled to receive a benefit (other than a benefit disclosed in Notes to the financial statements) by reason of a contract made by the company or a related corporation with a director or firm of which a director is associated.

**Indemnification and insurance of officers**

**Indemnification**

The University of Wollongong carries insurances to indemnify officers and directors of the company. The University of Wollongong charges the company on an annual basis for this service.
Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Prof John Patterson
Director

Paul Manning
Director

Dated at Wollongong this 7th day of April 2005.
INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

University Of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited

To Members of the New South Wales Parliament and Members of the University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report of the University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited is in accordance with:

(a) the Corporations Act 2001, including:

   (i) giving a true and fair view of the University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited’s financial position as at 31 December 2004 and financial performance for the year ended on that date, and

   (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia, and the Corporations Regulations 2001,

(b) other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, and

(c) section 41B of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983.

My opinion should be read in conjunction with the rest of this report.

The Directors' Role

The financial report is the responsibility of the company's directors. It consists of the statement of financial position, the statement of financial performance, the statement of cash flows and the accompanying notes, and directors’ declaration.

The Auditor’s Role and the Audit Scope

As required by the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983 and the Corporations Act 2001, I carried out an independent audit to enable me to express an opinion on the financial report. My audit provides reasonable assurance to Members of the New South Wales Parliament and the members of the University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited that the financial report is free of material misstatement.

My audit accorded with Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards and statutory requirements, and I:

- evaluated the accounting policies and significant accounting estimates used by the directors in preparing the financial report, and
- examined a sample of the evidence that supports the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report.

An audit does not guarantee that every amount and disclosure in the financial report is error free. The terms ‘reasonable assurance’ and ‘material’ recognise that an audit does not examine all evidence and transactions. However, the audit procedures used should identify errors or omissions significant enough to adversely affect decisions made by users of the financial report or indicate that the company's directors had not fulfilled their reporting obligations.
My opinion does not provide assurance:

- about the future viability of the company,
- that it has carried out its activities effectively, efficiently and economically, or
- about the effectiveness of its internal controls.

Audit Independence

The Audit Office complies with all applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Corporations Act 2001. The Public Finance and Audit Act 1983 further promotes independence by:

- providing that only Parliament, and not the executive government, can remove an Auditor-General, and
- mandating the Auditor-General as auditor of public sector agencies but precluding the provision of non-audit services, thus ensuring the Auditor-General and the Audit Office are not compromised in their role by the possibility of losing clients or income.

Kheir B Ec, FCPA
Director, Financial Audit Services

SYDNEY
11 April 2005
University of Wollongong
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited
ABN 99 082 907 382

Financial report
for the year ended 31 December 2004
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited
Statement of financial performance
for the year ended 31 December 2004

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<td>Revenue from rendering of services</td>
<td>3,502,650</td>
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<td>Other revenues from ordinary activities</td>
<td>253,134</td>
<td>302,644</td>
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<td><strong>Total revenue from ordinary activities</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,755,784</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,105,421</strong></td>
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<td>Employee expenses</td>
<td>1,436,347</td>
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<td>Depreciation and amortisation expenses</td>
<td>480,593</td>
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<td>Written down value of assets disposed</td>
<td>89,868</td>
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<td>Repairs and maintenance</td>
<td>177,444</td>
<td>220,984</td>
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<td>Borrowing costs</td>
<td>314,989</td>
<td>216,344</td>
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<td>Operating Expenses</td>
<td>899,965</td>
<td>522,467</td>
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<td>Utilities expenses</td>
<td>141,309</td>
<td>123,647</td>
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<td>Other expenses from ordinary activities</td>
<td>109,914</td>
<td>71,435</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses from ordinary activities</strong></td>
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<td><strong>2,972,181</strong></td>
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<td>Profit from ordinary activities before related income tax expense</td>
<td>105,355</td>
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<td>Income tax expense relating to ordinary activities</td>
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<td><strong>Net profit</strong></td>
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<td>133,240</td>
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<td>Total Revenues, Expenses and valuation adjustments recognised directly in Equity</td>
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<td><strong>Total changes in equity other than those resulting from transaction with owners as owners</strong></td>
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<td>133,240</td>
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The statement of financial performance should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 8 to 31.
University of Wollongong  
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited  

Statement of financial position  
as at 31 December 2004  

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<td>Inventories</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td><strong>Total current assets</strong></td>
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<td>Property, plant and equipment</td>
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<td>Occupancy contribution</td>
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<td>5,769,048</td>
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<td><strong>Total non-current assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
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<td>Other Liabilities</td>
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<td><strong>Total current liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>Provisions</td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Equity</strong></td>
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<td>Retained profits</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>3,135,336</td>
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<td><strong>Total equity</strong></td>
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University of Wollongong
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited
Statement of cash flows
for the year ended 31 December 2004

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<td><strong>Cash flows from operating activities</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash receipts in the course of operations</td>
<td>3,455,638</td>
<td>3,355,895</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash payments in the course of operations</td>
<td>(2,892,409)</td>
<td>(2,343,183)</td>
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<td>Interest received</td>
<td>17,179</td>
<td>8,954</td>
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<td>Borrowing costs paid</td>
<td>(176,097)</td>
<td>(239,381)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net cash provided by operating activities</strong></td>
<td>19(ii)</td>
<td>404,311</td>
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<td><strong>Cash flows from investing activities</strong></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Payment for property, plant and equipment and occupancy contribution</td>
<td>(259,974)</td>
<td>(825,430)</td>
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<td>Proceeds on disposal of non-current assets</td>
<td>103,482</td>
<td>178,545</td>
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<td><strong>Net cash used in investing activities</strong></td>
<td>(156,492)</td>
<td>(646,885)</td>
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<td><strong>Cash flows from financing activities</strong></td>
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<td>Proceeds of borrowings</td>
<td>750,000</td>
<td>600,000</td>
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<td>Repayment of borrowings</td>
<td>(1,050,000)</td>
<td>(600,000)</td>
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<td>Repayment of leases</td>
<td>(72,403)</td>
<td>(58,656)</td>
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<td><strong>Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities</strong></td>
<td>(372,403)</td>
<td>(58,656)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net increase/(decrease) in cash held</td>
<td>(124,584)</td>
<td>76,744</td>
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<td>Cash at the beginning of the financial year</td>
<td>109,931</td>
<td>33,187</td>
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<td><strong>Cash at the end of the financial year</strong></td>
<td>19(i)</td>
<td>(14,653)</td>
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The statement of cash flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on pages 8 to 31.
1 Statement of significant accounting policies

The significant policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report are:

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views, the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983, the Public Finance and Audit Regulation 2000, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001. It has been prepared on the basis of historical costs and except where stated does not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets. These accounting policies have been consistently applied and, except where there is a change in accounting policy, are consistent with those of the previous year.

(b) Revenue recognition

Revenues are recognised at fair value of the consideration received net of the amount of goods and services tax (“GST”). Revenue is recognised when URAC has control of the good or right to receive, it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to URAC and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably. Additional comments regarding the accounting policies for the recognition of revenue are discussed below.

Members fees

Members’ fees are brought to account in the year to which the fees relate, and not necessarily the year in which the University of Wollongong or Illawarra Technology Corporation Ltd, which collect those fees on behalf of the Company, remit them to the Company.

Sales of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised (net of returns, discounts and allowances) when control of the goods passes to the customer.

Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering services is recognised once the service has been fully provided.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised as it accrues, taking into account the effective yield on the financial asset.

Sale of non-current assets

The gross proceeds of non-current asset sales are included as revenue at the date control of the asset passes to the buyer, usually when an unconditional contract of sale is signed.

The gain or loss on disposal is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset at the time of disposal and the net proceeds on disposal.
1 Statement of significant accounting policies (cont’d)

(c) Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (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 are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

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

(d) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs include interest, amortisation of discounts or premiums relating to borrowings, amortisation of ancillary costs incurred in connection with arrangement of borrowings, foreign exchange losses net of hedged amounts on borrowings, including trade creditors and lease finance charges.

Ancillary costs incurred in connection with the arrangement of borrowings are capitalised and amortised over the life of the borrowings.

Borrowing costs are expensed as incurred unless they relate to qualifying assets. Qualifying assets are assets which take more than 12 months to get ready for their intended use or sale. In these circumstances, borrowing costs are capitalised to the cost of the assets. Where funds are borrowed specifically for the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset, the amount of borrowing costs capitalised is those incurred in relation to that borrowing, net of any interest earned on those borrowings. Where funds are borrowed generally, borrowing costs are capitalised using a weighted average capitalisation rate.

(e) Taxation

The operations of the company are exempt from income tax under sections 50-5 and 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act (1997).
1 Statement of significant accounting policies (cont’d)

(f) Acquisition of assets

All assets acquired including property, plant and equipment and intangibles other than goodwill are initially recorded at their cost of acquisition at the date of acquisition, being the fair value of the consideration provided plus incidental costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

Expenditure, including that on internally generated assets other than research and development costs, is only recognised as an asset when the entity controls future economic benefits as a result of the costs incurred, it is probable that those future economic benefits will eventuate, and the costs can be measured reliably. Costs attributable to feasibility and alternative approach assessments are expensed as incurred.

Items of plant and equipment less than $5,000 are expensed as incurred.

Subsequent additional costs

Costs incurred on assets subsequent to initial acquisition are capitalised when it is probable that future economic benefits in excess of the originally assessed performance of the asset will flow to the company in future years.

Costs that do not meet the criteria for capitalisation are expensed as incurred.

(g) Occupancy contributions

The company from time to time contributes to the cost of construction of buildings, their improvements and landscaping on land over which it has no security of tenure. The company does not retain legal title to the buildings, this remains with the University of Wollongong. The costs of these contributions are capitalised on the Statement of Financial Position as Occupancy Contribution, based on agreement reached with the University of Wollongong.

The Occupancy Contribution is amortised over the expected useful life of the asset. The expected useful life is as determined by the University of Wollongong.

(h) Revisions of accounting estimates

Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised prospectively in current and future periods only.

(i) Receivables

The collectibility of debts is assessed at balance date and specific provision is made for any doubtful accounts.

Trade debtors settled within 60 days are carried at amounts due.
Notes to and forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2004

1 Statement of significant accounting policies (cont’d)

(j) Inventories
Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(k) Recoverable amount of non-current assets valued on cost basis
URAC’s assets are not held for the primary purpose of generating net cash inflows, therefore the requirement to right down assets to their recoverable amount under AAS10, ‘Recoverable Amount of Non Current Assets’ do not apply.

(l) Depreciation and amortisation
All assets, including intangibles, have limited useful lives and are depreciated/amortised using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives.

Assets are depreciated or amortised from the date of acquisition or, in respect of internally constructed assets, from the time an asset is completed and held ready for use.

Depreciation and amortisation rates and methods are reviewed annually for appropriateness. When changes are made, adjustments are reflected prospectively in current and future periods only.

The depreciation/amortisation rates used for each class of asset are as follows:

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<td>Property, plant and equipment</td>
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<td>Building improvements</td>
<td>3.33%</td>
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<td>Plant and equipment **</td>
<td>10%-20%</td>
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<td>Occupancy contribution</td>
<td>2.78%-7.69%</td>
<td>2.78%-7.69%</td>
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** Plant and equipment includes the following sub categories: general equipment, unigym/unicircuit equipment, leased equipment, furniture and fittings, motor vehicles, pool equipment and hockey equipment.

(m) Payables
Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received. Trade accounts payable are normally settled within 60 days.

(n) Bank loans
Bank loans are carried on the statement of financial position at their principal amount, subject to set-off arrangements. Interest expense is accrued at the contracted rate and included in Note 12.
1 Statement of significant accounting policies (cont’d)

(o) Employee entitlements

Wages, salaries, annual leave and sick leave

Liabilities for salaries and wages (including non-monetary benefits), annual leave and vesting sick leave are recognised and measured in respect of employees’ services up to the reporting date at nominal amounts based on the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The outstanding amounts of workers’ compensation insurance premiums and fringe benefits tax, which are consequential to employment, are recognised as liabilities and expenses where the employee benefits to which they relate have been recognised.

Unused non-vesting sick leave does not give rise to a liability as it is not considered probable that sick leave taken in the future will be greater than the benefits accrued in the future.

Long service leave

Provisions made in respect of long service leave which is not expected to be settled within 12 months is measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the company in respect of services provided by employees up to reporting date.

Superannuation plan

The Company contributes to “Superannuation Trust of Australia” superannuation plan. Contributions are charged against income as they are made.

(p) Provisions

A provision is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

If the effect is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability, except where noted below.

(q) Leased assets

Leases under which the Company assumes substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership are classified as finance leases. Other leases are classified as operating leases.

Finance leases – finance leases are capitalised. A lease asset and lease liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments is recorded at the inception of the lease.

Operating leases – payments made under operating leases are expensed on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased property.
1 Statement of significant accounting policies (cont’d)

(r) Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

The Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) is adopting IFRS for application to reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. The AASB has issued Australian equivalents to IFRS, and the Urgent Issues Group has issued interpretations corresponding to IASB interpretations originated by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee or the former Standing Interpretations Committee. The adoption of Australian equivalents to IFRS will be first reflected in the company’s financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2005.

Entities complying with Australian equivalents to IFRS for the first time will be required to restate their comparative financial statements to amounts reflecting the application of IFRS to that comparative period. Most adjustments required on transition to IFRS will be made, retrospectively, against opening retained surplus as at 1 January 2004.

The company is participating in a project team established by the University to manage the transition to Australian equivalents to IFRS, including training of staff and system and internal control changes necessary to gather all the required financial information. In addition, the University engaged consultants early in 2004 to undertake an impact assessment of the changes. The project team is chaired by the University’s Assistant Director, Finance. The project team has analysed most of the Australian equivalents to IFRS and has identified a number of accounting policy changes that will be required. In some cases choices of accounting policies are available, including elective exemptions under Accounting Standard AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards. Some of these choices are still being analysed to determine the most appropriate accounting policy for the company.

Major changes identified to date that will be required to the company’s existing accounting policies include the following (references to new AASB standards below are to the Australian equivalents to IFRS issued in July 2004):

(i) Financial instruments

Under the new AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation the current classification of financial instruments issued by entities in the company will not change.
Statement of significant accounting policies (cont’d)

(r) Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) (cont’d)

(ii) Impairment of assets

Under the new AASB 136 Impairment of Assets, assets will be subject to assessment for impairment. Impairment must be measured for assets with indications of impairment and for intangible assets not yet available for use. Impairment is measured by comparing the asset’s fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. The greater of these two measurements must not exceed the asset’s carrying value. ‘Value in use’ is determined as either:

(a) net present value of net cash inflows (for-profit assets); or
(b) depreciated replacement cost (all other assets).

This will result in a change to the current accounting policy, under which the recoverable amount of for-profit assets is generally only measured where there is an indication of impairment.

(iii) Borrowing costs

Under the new AASB 123 Borrowing Costs, borrowing costs are generally expensed. AASB 123 includes the option to capitalise borrowing costs where they relate to qualifying assets. The company has decided that it will expense all of its borrowing costs on adoption of the new accounting standards.

The above should not be regarded as a complete list of changes in accounting policies that will result from the transition to Australian equivalents to IFRS, as not all standards have been analysed as yet, and some decisions have not yet been made where choices of accounting policies are available. For these reasons it is not yet possible to quantify the impact of the transition to Australian equivalents to IFRS on the company’s financial position.

2 Corporate information

University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited is a company limited by guarantee. It is incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The registered address of the company is:

Northfields Avenue
North Wollongong NSW 2500
### 3 Revenue from operating activities

**Revenue from rendering of services**
- Trading income: $1,758,674, $1,234,324
- Members fees paid by related parties: $1,678,617, $1,544,952
- Members fees paid by other parties: $65,359, $23,501

**Total revenue from operating activities:** $3,502,650, $2,802,777

### Other revenues

- **From operating activities**
  - Interest - Other Parties: $17,179, $8,954
  - Rent: $82,880, $56,145
  - Grants - Related Parties: $59,000, $59,000

- **From outside operating activities**
  - Gross proceeds from sale of non current assets: $94,075, $178,545

**Total other revenue:** $253,134, $302,644

**Total revenue from ordinary activities:** $3,755,784, $3,105,421

### 4 Profit from ordinary activities before income tax expense

(a) Profit from ordinary activities has been arrived at after charging/(crediting) the following items

**Depreciation of:**
- Property, plant and equipment: $125,334, $109,198

**Amortisation of:**
- Occupancy contribution: $278,269, $267,212
- Leased equipment: $76,990, $70,665

**Total depreciation and amortisation:** $480,593, $447,075

**Written down value of assets disposed:** $89,868, $162,824

**Borrowing costs**
- Interest: $168,625, $211,717
- Finance charges on capitalised leases: $8,819, $9,267

**Total borrowing costs:** $177,444, $220,984

**Net bad and doubtful debts expense including movements in provision for doubtful debts:** $5,004, $1,131

**Net expense from movements in provision for:**
- Employee entitlements: $67,962, $62,358

**Net (loss)/gain on disposal of non-current assets:**
- Property, plant and equipment: $4,207, $15,721
## 5 Auditors’ remuneration

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## 6 Cash assets

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## 7 Receivables

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## 8 Inventories

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## 9 Other current assets

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10 Property, plant and equipment

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<td>106,674</td>
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<td>Leased gym equipment - at cost</td>
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<td>Hockey equipment - at cost</td>
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<td>Total property, plant and equipment net book value</td>
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The recreation centre, pool centre, swimming pool, tennis courts and hockey field are erected on land made available by the University of Wollongong and in respect to which there is no formal lease or any other agreement.
10 Property, plant and equipment (cont’d)

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment are set out below:

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### Motor vehicles

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<td>Additions</td>
<td>89,982</td>
<td>147,535</td>
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<td>Disposals</td>
<td>(89,868)</td>
<td>(137,856)</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>(30,302)</td>
<td>(28,611)</td>
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<td>Carrying amount at end of year</td>
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<td>139,714</td>
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### Capital works in progress

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<td>Additions</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Transfers to occupancy contribution</td>
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<td>(602,991)</td>
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<td>Carrying amount at end of year</td>
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### Total property, plant and equipment

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<td>811,254</td>
<td>815,252</td>
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<td>241,697</td>
<td>941,680</td>
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<td>Disposals</td>
<td>(89,868)</td>
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<td>(179,863)</td>
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<td>Transfers to occupancy contribution</td>
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<td>Carrying amount at end of year</td>
<td>760,759</td>
<td>811,254</td>
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11 Occupancy contribution

Non-current

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<th>2003</th>
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<tr>
<td>Occupancy contribution</td>
<td>$7,403,809</td>
<td>$7,403,809</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less: Accumulated amortisation</td>
<td>$(1,634,761)</td>
<td>$(1,356,492)</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>$5,769,048</td>
<td>$6,047,317</td>
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Occupancy contribution is amortised at the rate nominated by the University of Wollongong, rather than at the standard rate of depreciation provided for building improvement and buildings at cost.

Reconciliation

A reconciliation of the carrying amount of occupancy contribution is set out below:

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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Occupancy contribution</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Carrying amount at beginning of year</td>
<td>$6,047,317</td>
<td>$5,711,538</td>
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<td>Additions</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>$602,991</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transfers from capital works in progress</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amortisation</td>
<td>$(278,269)</td>
<td>$(267,212)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carrying amount at end of year</td>
<td>$5,769,048</td>
<td>$6,047,317</td>
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12 Payables

Current

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>2004</th>
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<tr>
<td>University of Wollongong</td>
<td>$127,785</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other creditors</td>
<td>$90,613</td>
<td>$162,318</td>
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<td>$218,398</td>
<td>$162,318</td>
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13 Income in Advance

Current

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<tr>
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<th>2004</th>
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<tr>
<td>Members Fees Received in Advance</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>$250,000</td>
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<td>Other Income received in Advance</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>$9,062</td>
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14 Interest bearing liabilities

Current

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<tr>
<td>Bank overdraft</td>
<td>17,753</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lease liabilities</td>
<td>72,448</td>
<td>75,358</td>
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<td>90,201</td>
<td>75,358</td>
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Non-current

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<th>Description</th>
<th>2004</th>
<th>2003</th>
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<tr>
<td>Bill facilities</td>
<td>$3,050,000</td>
<td>$3,350,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lease liabilities</td>
<td>61,385</td>
<td>133,833</td>
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<td>$3,111,385</td>
<td>$3,483,833</td>
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</table>
(i) **The company has access to the following facilities:**

Total facilities available:
- Bill acceptance facility: $3,050,000, $3,350,000
- Leasing facility: $333,833, $409,191
- Business credit card facility: $50,000, $10,000

**Total: $3,433,833, $3,769,191**

Facilities utilised at balance date:
- Bill acceptance facility: $3,050,000, $3,350,000
- Leasing facility: $133,833, $209,191
- Business credit card facility: $50,000, $10,000

**Total: $3,233,833, $3,559,191**

Facilities not utilised/(exceeded) at balance date:
- Bill acceptance facility: -
- Leasing facility: $200,000, $200,000
- Business credit card facility: -

**Total: $200,000, $200,000**

The bill acceptance facility is secured by way of:
- registered mortgage debenture over the assets and undertakings of University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited; and
- guarantee and indemnity for the amount of $3,550,000 from the University of Wollongong.

(ii) **Commercial bill repayment commitments**

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<th>Duration</th>
<th>2004</th>
<th>2003</th>
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<td>Not later than one year</td>
<td>350,000</td>
<td>300,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Later than one years but not later than five years</td>
<td>2,000,000</td>
<td>1,750,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Later than five years</td>
<td>700,000</td>
<td>1,300,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>3,050,000</td>
<td>3,350,000</td>
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The commitment schedule is based on projected budget and is subject to renewal and review by the financial institution on December 2005.

15 **Provisions**

**Current**
- Annual leave: $51,116, $49,938
- Long service leave: $34,246, $40,237

**Total: $85,362, $90,175**

**Non-current**
- Long service leave: $29,830, $11,925

**Total: $29,830, $11,925**

**Number of employees**
- Average number of employees during the year: 28, 27

**Aggregate employee benefits and related on-costs**
- Accrued salaries, wages and on-costs: $15,354, $7,947
- Provisions - current: $85,362, $90,175
- Provisions - non-current: $29,830, $11,925

**Total: $130,546, $110,047**
16 Other Liabilities
   Non-current
       Unclaimed Money
       
       2,764

17 Retained profits
   Retained profits at beginning of year
   Adjustment to opening balance
   Changes in equity - transactions with owners as owners
   Changes in equity - other than transactions with owners as owners
   Net profit
   Retained profits at the end of the year

18 Commitments
   Capital expenditure commitments (occupancy contribution)

19 Notes to the statement of cash flows
   (i) Reconciliation of cash

   For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and at bank. Cash as at the end of the financial year is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

   Cash on hand 6
   Bank Overdraft 14

   (ii) Reconciliation of operating profit after tax to net cash provided by operating activities

   Net profit 105,355
   Add/(less) items classified as investing/financing activities
   Loss/(profit) on disposal of non-current assets (4,207)
   Add non-cash items:
   Amortisation and depreciation 480,593
   Bad debts expense not previously provided for 5,004

   Net cash provided by operating activities before change in assets and liabilities 586,745

   Change in assets and liabilities during the financial year:
   ■ receivables; (36,538)
   ■ prepayments; 42,679
   ■ inventories; 713
   ■ trade creditors and accruals; and 201,974
   ■ provisions. 13,091

   Net cash provided by operating activities 404,716
### 21 Commitments

**Finance lease payment commitments**
Finance lease commitments are payable:

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<td>Within one year</td>
<td>84,202</td>
<td>84,202</td>
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<tr>
<td>Later than one year but not later than five years</td>
<td>57,444</td>
<td>141,646</td>
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<tr>
<td>Later than five years</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Less: Future lease finance charges</td>
<td>7,813</td>
<td>16,657</td>
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<thead>
<tr>
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<tr>
<td>Total lease liability</td>
<td>133,833</td>
<td>209,191</td>
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The entity leases equipment under finance lease expiring in three years.

### 22 Directors' remuneration

The number of directors of the company whose income from the company or any related party falls within the following bands:

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<td>$0 - $9,999</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$80,000 - $89,999</td>
<td>1</td>
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Total income paid or payable, or otherwise made available, to all directors of the company from the company or any related party.

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<th>2003</th>
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<td>93,047</td>
<td>86,749</td>
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The amounts are disclosed in aggregate as the directors believe the provision of full particulars would be unreasonable.

### 23 Related parties

**a) Directors**

The names of each person holding the position of director of University of Wollongong Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited during the financial year are Murray Reid, Prof John Patterson, Dr Paul Webb, Bridget Munro, Diane Harland (nee Riddiford), Paul Manning, Cheryl Batteard, Prof Don Iverson, Nathan Hart, Peter Maywald, Canio Fierravanti, Michael Kelly and Prof Tempe Lees. Prof Margaret Sheil resigned as directors during the year.

**b) Ultimate controlling entity**

The ultimate controlling entity of the company is the University of Wollongong.
23 Related parties

(c) Non-director related parties
The classes of non-director related parties are:
- controlling entity of the company; and
- commonly controlled entities.

(d) Controlling entity disclosures – University of Wollongong

The University of Wollongong collects student membership fees on behalf of the company. The amount of fees collected during the year was $1,636,519 ($1,794,952). The University of Wollongong hires the company facilities, from time to time. The controlling entity also pays certain expenses on behalf of the company. These expenses are on-charged to the company. These expenses include grounds maintenance, telephone charges, internet fee, printing, accounting service fee and general maintenance. All of these transactions are charged in accordance with the provisions of a “Memorandum of Understanding” between the company and the controlling entity.

(i) Other transactions with the controlling entity:

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<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Sales</td>
<td>25,336</td>
<td>20,719</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grants for specific purposes</td>
<td>59,000</td>
<td>59,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total income</strong></td>
<td>84,336</td>
<td>79,719</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Expenses</strong></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Goods and services</td>
<td>603,390</td>
<td>508,165</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
<td>603,390</td>
<td>508,165</td>
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(ii) Balances with the controlling entity:

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<td>Receivables</td>
<td>1,146</td>
<td>1,985</td>
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<td>Intercompany balance</td>
<td>127,785</td>
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<td>Payables</td>
<td>2,487</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>130,272</td>
<td>40,027</td>
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23 Related parties

(e) Other related parties

The company enters into transactions with other entities controlled by the University of Wollongong: Wollongong UniCentre Ltd and Illawarra Technology Corporation Ltd.

(i) Transactions with other related parties:

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<td>Income from sales</td>
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<td>1,169</td>
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<td>Expenses</td>
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<td>Goods and services</td>
<td>12,185</td>
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<td>Grants for specific purposes</td>
<td>2,500</td>
<td>10,000</td>
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<td>14,685</td>
<td>17,075</td>
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(ii) Balances with other related parties:

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<td>Receivables</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>86</td>
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<tr>
<td>Payables</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>18</td>
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From time to time, directors of related parties or their director-related entities may hire the company’s facilities. The provision of these facilities is made on the same commercial terms and conditions available to other customers and is trivial or domestic in nature.

24 Contingent liabilities

There are no known contingent liabilities existing at balance date.

25 Economic dependency

The company’s trading activities do not depend upon a major customer or supplier. However, the company is economically dependent upon the continued existence of the operating and financial arrangements it has with the University of Wollongong.

26 Subsequent events

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the company, to affect significantly the operations of the company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the company in subsequent financial years.

End of audited financial report
### University of Wollongong
#### Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited

**Detailed statement of financial performance**
for the year ended 31 December 2004

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<td>Members’ fees</td>
<td>1,743,975</td>
<td>1,568,453</td>
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<td>Interest</td>
<td>17,180</td>
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<td>Squash court hire</td>
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<td>Tennis court hire</td>
<td>24,750</td>
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<td>Facility hire</td>
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<td>Pool trading income</td>
<td>350,454</td>
<td>337,404</td>
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<td>Hockey field income</td>
<td>50,398</td>
<td>34,513</td>
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<td>Recreation program</td>
<td>618,457</td>
<td>582,719</td>
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<td>Rent and commission received</td>
<td>82,879</td>
<td>102,416</td>
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<td>Grant income</td>
<td>59,000</td>
<td>59,000</td>
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<td>Profit on sale of property, plant and equipment</td>
<td>4,207</td>
<td>15,721</td>
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<td>Special Events</td>
<td>321,260</td>
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<td>Other income</td>
<td>247,137</td>
<td>74,807</td>
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<td><strong>Total income</strong></td>
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<td>Advertising</td>
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<td>Amortisation of occupancy contribution</td>
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<td>Accounting and audit fees</td>
<td>32,363</td>
<td>37,983</td>
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<td>AUSA subsidy</td>
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<td>Bad debts</td>
<td>5,003</td>
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<td>Catering</td>
<td>3,425</td>
<td>3,628</td>
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<td>Club funding and equipment</td>
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<td>Cleaning and garbage removal</td>
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<td>Computer maintenance</td>
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<td>21,537</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>202,324</td>
<td>179,864</td>
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<td>Electricity and gas</td>
<td>142,864</td>
<td>123,647</td>
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<tr>
<td>Equipment</td>
<td>19,945</td>
<td>35,439</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insurance</td>
<td>47,995</td>
<td>42,227</td>
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<td>Borrowing costs and bank charges</td>
<td>177,444</td>
<td>228,077</td>
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<td>Motor vehicle expenses</td>
<td>14,612</td>
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<td>Outdoor adventure expenses</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>15,664</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pool chemicals</td>
<td>57,133</td>
<td>23,465</td>
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<td>Printing</td>
<td>23,986</td>
<td>22,058</td>
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<td>Prizes and awards</td>
<td>25,974</td>
<td>27,624</td>
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<td>Repairs and maintenance – general</td>
<td>245,538</td>
<td>181,485</td>
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<td>Superannuation</td>
<td>79,984</td>
<td>53,037</td>
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<td>Telephone, stationery and postage</td>
<td>41,653</td>
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<td>Training</td>
<td>9,494</td>
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<td>Travel and conferences</td>
<td>198,910</td>
<td>25,932</td>
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<td>Vending machine expenses</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>23,582</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wages and salaries</td>
<td>1,356,363</td>
<td>1,157,186</td>
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<td>Other expenses</td>
<td>445,785</td>
<td>139,593</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenditure</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,560,560</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,809,358</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Operating profit</strong></td>
<td><strong>105,355</strong></td>
<td><strong>133,240</strong></td>
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University of Wollongong  
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited  

Certificate under Section 41C (1C) of the Public Finance and Audit Act, 1983 for the year ended 31 December 2004

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983, Public Finance and Audit Regulations 2000, applicable Accounting Standards and Urgent Issues Group Consensus views.

In our opinion the statements exhibit a true and fair view of the financial position of the company for the year ended 31 December 2004 and the transactions for the period then ended.

The directors are not aware of any circumstances, as at the date of this certificate, which would render any particulars to be misleading or inaccurate.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Prof John Patterson  
Director

Paul Manning  
Director

Dated at Wollongong this 7 day of April 2005
University of Wollongong
Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of the University of Wollongong Recreation & Aquatic Centre Limited:

the financial statements and notes, set out on pages 8 to 24 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the company as at 31 December 2004 and of its performance, as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows, for the year ended on that date; and

- complying with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and

there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Prof John Patterson
Director

Paul Manning
Director

Dated at Wollongong this 7 day of April 2005.
Dear Professor Patterson

STATUTORY AUDIT REPORT
For the Year Ended 31 December 2004

University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited

I have audited the accounts of the University of Wollongong Recreation and Aquatic Centre Limited as required by the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983 (the Act). This Statutory Audit Report outlines the results of my audit for the year ended 31 December 2004, and details any significant matters that in my opinion call for special notice. The Act requires that I send this report to the Minister and to the Treasurer.

This report is not the Independent Audit Report, which expresses my opinion on the company's financial report. The Independent Audit Report, together with the company's financial report, are attached.

Audit Result

I expressed an unqualified opinion on the company's financial report and I have not identified any significant matters since I wrote to you on 13 April 2004. My audit is continuous and I may therefore identify new significant matters before the Auditor-General next reports to Parliament on the company's audit. If this occurs, I will write to you immediately.

Auditor-General's Report to Parliament

Comment on the company's activities and financial operations will appear in the Auditor-General's Report to Parliament. I will send a draft of this comment to the Executive Director for review before the Report is tabled during May.

Scope of the Audit

As advised in the Engagement Letter, my audit procedures are targeted specifically towards forming an opinion on the company's financial report. This includes testing whether the company has complied with key legislation that may materially impact on the financial report. The results of the audit are reported in this context.
Acknowledgment

I thank the company's and University of Wollongong staff for their courtesy and assistance.

Yours sincerely

J. Kheir
Director, Financial Audit Services

cc Professor G R Sutton, Vice-Chancellor, University of Wollongong
The Hon C M Tebbut MLC, Minister for Education and Training
The Hon Dr A J Refshauge MP, Treasurer
The dance club ran 10 classes per week in both autumn and spring sessions with some as many as 65 per class! The overflowing enthusiasm of our members even caused us to book alternate venues so we could continue to provide a fun and social atmosphere for all those keen students out there! We offered a range of styles, which included jazz/funk, hip-hop, ballet, modern expressive, contemporary, performance, latin/salsa, and breakdancing. As well as offering a broad spectrum of styles, we also had beginners and advanced classes to cater to students of differing dance backgrounds. We also offered a free dance club t-shirt to those who attended three or more of the same class (in autumn session) to promote dance club and to reward our members for continually supporting and promoting the dance club. We also offered a free dance club cap for members who performed in the end of Session performance at the Unibar and had an article published in the University’s very own Tertangala magazine. From this promotion, we have gained new membership and have raised more money from those wishing to purchase dance club merchandise in the spring session.

Dance club performed at many different locations this year both for the University and non-University venues. Performances include; several home game University Rugby League matches, promotional dancers for the Eastern University Games, the International Food Fair at Campus East, end of session Unibar Performances week 12 and 13 of both spring and autumn Sessions, Crown St Mall 1 hour performance in may, Master Builders in September, Cooney’s Tavern and we are performing at the Viva La Gong Festival on the 23rd and 31st of October. We have also been asked to perform for the Wollongong Hawks half time entertainment, regular performances at Cooney’s Tavern and the University Soccer team on a regular basis for 2005. We have also been verbally offered sponsorship by Cooney’s Tavern in Wollongong, which will be confirmed later this year.

Within the dance club, we have had many members who hold current first aid, sports administration or dance certificates which not only contributes to our sense of professionalism but also means there is less potential risk for our members within the club. Dance club attended the first aid course held in September, had a representative at every week of the Wollongong Council Sports Administrations Course, attended GST workshops and also has two members who have successfully completed the ASSA course in 2003.

Dance club’s mission is to encourage movement through dance, socially within the University. In addition to the fun and social classes that are held each week in both autumn and spring session, dance club encouraged a social atmosphere outside the walls of URAC. We held five social events as well as fully funding tickets to the annual Sports Awards Dinner, a Hip Hop Master Class taught by Rachael Mant in Nowra and our end of year social event held at Cooney’s Tavern for which free food and entertainment was provided.

To maintain and increase the club’s finances we focused on selling dance club t-shirts, dance club hats, sold fundraiser chocolates and organised a dance club style workshop for all students for the University for which we raised over $300. As a whole, fundraising ventures (including membership fees) raised over $5700 for 2004 alone.

Dance club’s popularity seems to have flourished this year. We have been promoting ourselves within and outside the University at performances as well as being closely affiliated with clubs such as Rugby League and the UOW Juggling Club for which we have benefited mutually. A huge thank you must go out to all those who arranged performance venues for us, to those in the committee and of course all the excellent enthusiastic dancers within the dance club who contributed to the success it is today.

Kelly Cuzner
President – UOW Dance Club
Gymnastics

After no classes occurred during the first session this year, the Club has made severe improvements during the second session of this year. After the president requalified as a coach, classes were restarted in two different venues – University of Wollongong PE Gymnasium, and the Wollongong PCYC. Our campus venue saw a few short lessons for beginners before the venue was closed due to the discovery of asbestos. In light of this a beginner’s class was held at the Wollongong PCYC, in addition to the advanced class that had been held there since the start of the year.

Four members of our club competed at an invitational competition that was run by Sydney University gym sports club. In the Women’s Competition, Leigh McIndoe and Lee Griffiths placed first and second in Level 3 Women’s Artistic Gymnastics (WAG). In Trampolining, they also placed with Leigh coming second in Level Four and Lee coming third in Level Three. Andrew Baird placed First in Level Four of the Men’s Artistic Gymnastics competition. James Martin also performed commendably in his second competition after returning from injury with only a few weeks prior.

After building a small membership base, the club now has 18 financial members and 12 active members.

Andrew Baird
President – UOW Gymnastics Club

Hockey

WOW, what a sensational year for the Uni hockey club. With six teams making the grand final, and then all six winning there has been plenty of celebration this year. To ass to this excitement, we have also engaged a new sponsor, with a great outlook for the future.

Firstly, congratulations must go to the players, coaches and captains of the six premiership winning squads, being Women’s 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades, Men’s 3rd grade and the U11’s and U13’s. A brilliant club effort!

At the end of the season our teams ended up as follows:

Men’s 1st Grade finished 4th (Only just missing out on making the final with a 1-1 draw)
Men’s 2nd Grade finished 5th
Men’s 3rd Grade finished as PREMIERS!
Men’s 4th Grade finished 5th
Men’s 5th Grade Reds finished 5th
Men’s 5th Grade Blues finished 7th
Women’s 1st Grade finished as PREMIERS!
Women’s 2nd Reds finished as PREMIERS!
Women’s 2nd Blues finished 6th
Women’s 3rd Grade finished as PREMIERS!
Women’s 4th Grade finished 4th
Juniors U15’s finished 5th
Juniors U13/s Reds finished as PREMIERS!
Juniors U/13’s Blues finished 5th
Juniors U/11’s finished as PREMIERS!
Juniors Minkey (U9’s) is a development squad

Special thanks must go to our coaching staff in 2004. These consisted of Rob Davis, Andy Fenton, Melissa Davis, Hayden Govers, Glenn Harris, Paul Bergman, Matt Davis, Peter Huk, Scott Ogilvie, Adam Rounsley, Steve Downing and Justin Reed.

Another area of great improvement in 2004 was our attitude to training. This started early out, with Melissa Simpson running pre-season fitness training on Monday afternoons from early January. This re-vamped attitude to training seems to have paid off. The club ran four separate training sessions to ensure all levels of the club were getting time to be adequately coached at their skill level. On Tuesday nights, there was Juniors training, followed by lower grade seniors training (both at the University turf), whilst later at night (8:30pm) on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, we ran separate sessions for the 1st and 2nd grade Men’s and Women’s teams.

With the interest displayed by our former sponsor Wisemans park Bowling Club, we decided to find a new social base for our club. A large effort was put into visiting several prospective clubs, with the main approach aimed at the City of Wollongong Tennis Club. With the approach a bit unexpected, the Tennis Club baulked at first at the prospect of
forming a partnership, however they agreed to a trial period, with financial regard to be given based on support for the club. This became a resounding success, with both our club and the Wollongong Tennis Club agreeing to further develop the partnership in 2005.

This new social base allowed the re-establishment of the club’s traditional Saturday night Members Badge Draw. This became a very successful weekly outing for a large section of the club’s members. To build on the social progress in 2004, a small group designed and ran a brilliant trivia night, held at the Tennis Club. Many thanks go to Nigel Thorne, Paul Bergman, Simon Louis, Glenn Harris, Michael Kelly, and the entertainment... Matt Davis. Who can probably guess what they will produce next year, but there must be an encore.

A horse racing night was also held in the course of the season, with 40 people coming out to the URAC Sports Pavilion for a very entertaining night.

The Juniors arm of the club has exploded into success, with a total of 5 teams competing in the Illawarra Juniors Competition, and another 10 teams in the Illawarra Indoor competition. This is two more teams than in 2003. We are developing the parent’s respect, and the kids keep wanting to come and take up hockey. Hopefully we can develop this growth through the next two ears, then we will have a direct path from the Minkey Hockey right through to seniors. Te key to this success has been the keen coaching staff. With the likes of Hayden, Scott, Peter, Adam, Steve and Justin the kids are kept excited and are learning to play smart hockey.

Special merit and congratulations goes to Melissa Simpson, for playing at the Australian Championships this year as part of the NSW team (and being one of the leading goal scorers of the tournament!).

Special merit and congratulations also goes to Keegan Smith, playing in the 2004 AHL competition for the NSW team, and being re-selected in the AHL squad for 2005.

Special merit and congratulations also goes to Kurt Ogilvie and Scott McGlinn, play as part of the victorious Illawarra team, winning the State Championships, and also being selected as part of the 2005 AHL squad for the NSW state team.

Also making NSW State teams are:
- Melissa Davis U/21’s NT and U/21’s Indoor NSW teams
- Matt Burke NSW U/21’s squad for 2005
- Alex Ford U/21’s NT
- Sam Gillard U/21’s NT and U/21’s Indoor NSW

Congratulations and thanks to the efforts of the 2004 student scholarship holders, Alex Ford, Dave Rosser and Hayden Govers. All three showed their full potential this year, with Alex being a large part of the women’s 1st Grade premiership, Hayden coaching TWO sides to premierships (W3rd grade and U/13’s) and Dave captaining, managing and playing in the Men’s 1st grade team.

A special mention of the efforts put in by the executive in this successful year. Without the drive and direction of Justin Reed, Mary Murray, Bridget (and Rob) Davis, John Pemberton, Nadine Reed, Adam Rounsley, Michael Kelly, Erin Gray, Nigel Thorne, Craig Johnston, Melissa Simpson, Glenn Jones and Emma Cunningham, the club would never have reached such success. A special mention must be made of the efforts of Garry Bull, acting as an administrator of Illawarra Hockey, Illawarra Men’s Hockey and the Uni hockey club.

In 2004, there were 154 players in the University of Wollongong Hockey Club. These consisted of 81 Men and 73 Women. The juniors have exploded from 25 players in 2003 to 51 players this year.

Again, I wish to thank everyone for their efforts in such a wonderful result, and only hope we can build the might of the University Hockey Club further in Competitive, Social and Administrative strains in 2005.

Greatly Appreciated,

Justin Reed
President – UOW Hockey Club
Kendo

2004 has been a year of steady progress for the University of Wollongong Kendo Club. In Kendo our level of skill, as recognised by the rising level of gradings acquired, our auxiliary arts instructor Mr Robert Brown reached the rank of 3rd dan in both the arts of Seitei Gata laido and Seitei Gata Jodo.

We enjoyed regular visits from Mr Paul Rixon (6th dan), the NSW Kendo Coach to our trainings, as well as visits from senior practitioners based in Perth, Sydney and Melbourne.

In the 2004 Australian Kendo Championships at Tallebugura on the Gold Coast, for the 11th year in a row, Wollongong provided members of the NSW team, with a member of the NSW Open team, and a Kyu grade representative in the gold medal winning NSW Kyu Team. We were also represented in the NSW team at the 2004 Australian laido Championships in Melbourne.

As well as this representation in state teams, since the last annual report we entered teams in the 2004 Founder Cup (August 7-8th), the 2004 Korean Kumdo Championships (April 17th), the 2003 NSW Open Championships (December 13th).

The University of Wollongong kendo club complied with the requirements for incorporation by completing and submitting the annual statement at the URAC meeting of 24th March 2004. A copy of the financial statement submitted can be seen in section 5 of this document.

Min-ji Hwang
President – UOW Kendo Club

Lacrosse

This year for the Lacrosse Club has been mainly a quiet year, with low membership. The highlight of the year was the trip to Surfers Paradise, which the team had a wonderful time and played really well. The hope is that next year Wollongong Lacrosse will be able to take both a women and a men’s team. In second session we had 14 members training each week, in the competition in Surfers paradise, Elizabeth White was name in the All Star team.

In the women’s winter competition, the University of Wollongong “She Devils“ women team had a convincing win in the B grade competition, the men’s winter competition; the University of Wollongong Demon’s fought out for a tough win in the play-off for Third.

The club was also involved in a come and try day out at Berkeley, which both primary and high schools from around the area. This event was a volunteer every run by the Wollongong Council, from this event the University of Wollongong Lacrosse Club was given a certificate for the efforts in the event from the Lord Mayor of Wollongong.

For the first time the club has now obtained a bank account at the National Bank, this has made the club more stable for the future.

The club for the first time had members who coached at a local primary school.

President – UOW Lacrosse Club

Outdoors

This year has seen the club continue to grow and improve since being re-established in 2003. While slightly down on last year’s figures, the club’s paid membership for 2004 was 52. However, with the organization of a total 13 activities and weekly climbing nights, the club’s active membership reached 21, an increase from last year.

The club achieved many things throughout 2004 including a ski trip to Perisher, which was possible the largest and most challenging trip to organise so far. 2004 has also seen the club reach many objectives that were set last year which has added strength to the club. Some of these include more regular and formal meetings, the purchase of more safety equipment and the management of such equipment, and the creation of a website that has provided a link between all members and also allows prospective members to gain insight into the club.

In addition to this, the club has seen a number of its members take part in various activities outside of those organised by the club including a 12 hour bike race in which the three
club members (Craig Lobb, Matthew Piper and Diana Dickenson) finished 4th place. Other members have taken part in a challenging 3 day hike and a week of climbing in Victoria. The club has also been trying to build on its funds which will be a continuous effort in the near future in order to ensure the necessary equipment is available for club trips to run with maximum safety.

E.S. Edwards
On behalf of President Julie Whitton
- UOW Outdoors Club

Rugby Union

The University Rugby Club overall had a successful season in 2004. Our senior teams were competitive; we entered a team in the u/8 competition; our finances and club administration are strong. We plan to improve all aspects of Uni Rugby in 2005.

Our on field performance was disappointing compared to the improvements of the previous season due to mainly severe disruptions to player recruitment in January and February. First Grade finished 7th just avoiding the wooden spoon on the last day of the competition. They were, however, a very competitive side and our plans to are to improve again next year and make the finals. Second Grade also finished 7th whilst our u/19’s finished a credible 5th and just missed out on the semi finals. Third Grade made the semi-finals and went on to compete in the final before bowing out.

The Club did field a junior team this year – in partnership with TIGS (the TIGS/Uni u/8 “Bullants”). In 2005 TIGS/Uni plan to enter both an u/8 and u/10 age group and plan to build progressively in the years to come. Similarly, if a women’s competition was resurrected in the Illawarra, Uni would certainly be interested in fielding a team.

Our Annual University of Wollongong Rugby Union/KPMG fundraising dinner was a great success with 350 people attending the Fraternity Club in August 2004 to hear John Eales and Nick Farr-Jones speak followed by a Memorabilia Auction. This seasons Dinner will be held on the 5th November with guest speakers Olympians Brad McGee, Sarah Ryan, Jana Pittman, and Craig Stevens. Thanks are extended to Canio Fierravanti and the hardworking committee for all their efforts. In addition, we have a social committee who has been very active in arranging various functions including the annual Rugby Ball.

Our club is very fortunate in having many hard workers behind the scenes and many thanks are extended to the committee, John Pemberton (our administration officer) and the coaches and managers. In addition, our thanks go to our major sponsor the Fraternity Club as well as other very valuable sponsors including RICOH, Ledacon Pty Ltd, Champions Original Memorabilia, WB Sports Supplies, Ryans Dry Cleaners, Diskray, Dave Petty Conveyancing, Keiraville Pharmacy, Quotatraders, Leaf It To Me, INCLEAN, and South Coast Wholesale Meats.

In conclusion, we look forward to an even better year in 2005.

Dr. Paul Webb
President – UOW Rugby Club

Scuba

After an excellent start to the dive year, the Scuba Club experienced the loss of use of the dive Zodiac due to a damaged motor for close to seven months, including several months during prime dive season. Not surprisingly, Club membership did not grow as expected in 2004, with active membership relatively stable. Despite this major blow to Club operations. The Club continued to run dives, and in fact managed to ramp up training activity, implement a new website, bed down a new email distribution list and make improvements to the clubs Membership Database.

When the Zodiac dive boat was available, dives were held regularly at local venues, mainly Bass Point (Shellharbour) and the Five Islands. Some weekends in December/January saw dives held both days of consecutive weekends, with up to 15 members attending a dive day. The ‘club dive total’ (no. dives by members) during 2004 was measured at 229 – a very healthy result under the circumstances. An increase in
active membership in 2005 is essential for the health of the club.

All club dive equipment and was well utilised by club members and regularly serviced over the past year. In peak dive periods, the club experiences shortages of equipment, especially regulator sets. Should the club show sustained activity and strong membership over the coming months, the purchase of additional regulator sets must be considered.

Following advice to replace rather than repair the old 75hp boat motor, the dive Zodiac is now powered by a new Evinrude 90hp v-tec motor. Thanks go to URAC for delivering the funding required for motor purchase. Other incidental maintenance has occurred on the boat over the year, including replacement of the depth sounder’s power lead due to a broken plug, and ongoing general maintenance of the boat trailer.

Club equipment hire costs and membership fees have continued to remain frozen (and have done since 1998), continuing members access to affordable diving. In the past few months, boat dive charges were increased to $10 per dive from $5 per dive to allow for increased fuel costs and to repay the costs of the new boat motor. The club has continued to obtain discounted air fills and equipment hire from United Divers (Wollongong) and Leisure Coast Divers (Shellharbour). This valuable sponsorship has also ensured that the cost of diving is kept to a minimum.

Finance continues to challenge the club in several ways. The treasurer’s position was vacant for much of the year, placing additional burden on the remaining executive. Income from dive trips was depressed over the year due to the lack of a dive boat (using commercial operators was investigated but costs proved prohibitive). On the positive side, excellent fundraising efforts by Avril Davey over the year will see the club meet its initial financial commitments to the purchase of the new boat motor.

The club has maintained an excellent safety record this year with no major incidents. One minor incident did occur, when divers frustrated by lack of a boat attempted to dive off the rocks at “The Arch.” Unfortunate timing led to the loss of some dive fins, cuts to wetsuits and grazes and cuts to the hands of one diver. Advice has been issued to the club regarding dives from this site, and shore dives in particular.

A major refresh of the club website is now complete, thanks to the excellent efforts of Ivo Bozic and Inthanom Vongkeneta of “The Factory” Graphic Design Studio. The club appreciates the kind support of the One Earth Internet Pty Ltd for their hassle-free and spam-free hosting services. It is anticipated that the many benefits of the upgraded site will include the presentation of essential club information (eg the dive calendar) to all club members and the efficient retention and retrieval of important club documents.

One page of the website is now dedicated to information on the clubs training courses. A highlight of the past year was the running of two Advanced Open Water training courses by club instructor Tip Lancaster, and the running of several Open Water courses in a profit-sharing arrangement with United Divers (Thanks to Jason Stangroom for establishing this arrangement). The ability to offer Open Water courses with complementary membership has proven to be a profitable and effective way to attract new members to the club.

My sincere thanks go to every member of the Club Executive for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. The club could not exist without you! Without wishing to diminish the contributions of the remainder of the Executive, Avril Davey deserves special mention for her sustained hard work and dedication to the club throughout 2004. In addition to organising many dive events and fundraising events, Avril has taken up much of the club workload normally carried out by the club president as I have found it difficult to contribute sufficiently throughout the year due to work commitments. Thank you, Avril! The club is now well positioned for solid membership growth and a summer season of affordable diving with well maintained equipment!

Alan Pauza
President – UOW Scuba Club
Ski

2004 was a very good year for the University of Wollongong Ski Club. Assuming the role of President with two new Vice Presidents providing assistance, we were set up very well by the previous club exec leading into the year with a new Century Ski Craft Boat and two strong years of Performance at the Snow AUC.

Firstly thanks are in order. Since stepping down, John and Craig Gorman have still provided good advice towards the successful running of the club (and Craig still supports the club website), and Sally was fundamental to the success that was the annual Shenanigans weekend. Alex Cooke did an excellent job putting together a competitive and enthusiastic team for the University Snow Games held at Mount Buller in Victoria. The University had an excellent result with two 3rd placings, and two 2nd placings, congratulations to Katie, Shohei and Joske!

Shenanigans was a great success for the club, over 71 competitors made it onto the water, with even more cheering along from the banks (the weekend also included several competitors for whom it was their first ever attempts at wakeboarding!). The weekend also raised nearly $1000 for the club; record and nearly all members are looking forward to the next instalment in 2005.

The Wakeboarding and Water-skiing arm of the Ski Club has traditionally been difficult to expand, as winter weather dominates much of the University year and people don’t feel inclined to sign up to come Wakeboarding when it is cold! However, two successful promotional days over the last couple of months has led to over 40 students signing up to come and try Wakeboarding over the Summer months and during session one 2005, so I am very confident that we can significantly grow the club’s membership in this area. We will continue to retain strong ties to the wakeboarding clubs of other nearby Universities and provide students with the most affordable way for them to try and learn the sport.

Finally thanks to every club member that has come along and participated in all the events, cheers!!

Liam Farlow
Club President – UOW Ski Club

Soccer

With 10 teams and approximately 170 players under the club’s umbrella, logistics in providing playing gear, balls and other equipment proved a challenge. Changes to the Performance Indicators for 2004 have increased the demands on the administrative work of our committee.

The ongoing sponsorship from ‘The Builders’ of $20,000.00 is greatly appreciated.

1st Division Illawarra Soccer Association
26 games

- First grade missed out on the semi’s but did well to reach the ‘Bert Bampton’ semi-final.
- Reserve grade and youth grade both reached the semi’s
- In finals series youth grade reached the preliminary final and youth cup semi final.

The Women’s Team Results

- Winners of the Bonnie Lassie Cup
- BHP Cup runners up
- 2nd place in league
- Knocked out of the final on penalties

Amateur WDASA
6 Uni Teams
22 games

1st Division

- Uni wolves finished 3rd
- Uni FT finished 6th
- University finished 10th

Divisions 3

- Uni Athletic finished 9th

Masters

- Uni Graduates finished 7th
- Uni Gangrenes finished 11th

Ø A $1000.00 scholarship was awarded to Robert Denmead
Ø Dean Triffitt was awarded 1st Division Player of the Year at the Presentation Dinner.

Congratulations are in order to the Women’s Club which again took out Gold at both the Uni Eastern Conference Games and the
National Games played in Perth.

Last but not least, congratulations to the three ISA teams for once again being awarded the 1st Div "Fair Play Award" 2004 – 5 times in the last 6 years! – a record to be proud of!

My sincere thanks to officials, coaches, players and the social committee in their tireless work to ensure the smooth running of the club.

Last, but not least, a sincere thank you to 'The Builders’ Club, executive staff and patrons for their continued support.

Peter Bannister  
President – UOW Soccer Club

Surfriders

2004 has been yet another successful year for the Wollongong University Boardriders Association (WUSA). The club has extended its presence on both the competitive and social surfing scene with strong performances in all aspects of the club.

The club has again attracted strong interest with membership numbers close to that of previous years (45 financial members). Club pointscores are regularly attended by competitive surfers and social surfers alike, all keen to hit the water and have a surf. The competitive scene has been hotly contested by several members, with the Club Championship title resting on the final pointscore. Members Peter Hopkins, Luke Hazelgrove and Mitchell Bate are all in the running for the honours which is due to be decided in the coming weeks.

Pointscores have attracted large numbers of learners who are keen to hit the water and learn the basics of surfing. Many international and local students have learnt to love the surfing lifestyle with the aid of head coach Cath McMillan. Pointscore barbeques have been attended to with the usual vigour, making sure that nobody goes hungry after a hard day in the water.

WUSA has again displayed its renowned social strength with numerous social events being attended by the masses. Our first fundraiser was another massive affair, with all the crew attending to party on in true form. Guest DJ’s pumped out the tunes as everyone enjoyed a few too many.

An alternative social event was held recently which saw the team donning the soccer boots and shin pads in place of the wetsuits. The WUSA surfing team decided to try its hand at soccer and take on the Wollongong Girls Soccer team who were recently crowned Aussie champs. It was a nervous afternoon as the boys warmed up, realising that nobody actually knew much about the game. However when the whistle blew, it was game on! The boys rallied and cam together in true team style. Devastating attack from Paul O’Connor, Andrew Tome and Dylan Robertson was aided by flawless defence by Peter Hopkins, Mitchell Bate and Simon Little, saw the team come away with a 6-4 victory. Our performance on the field was only outdone by both teams performance at the pub, with many post match drinks and a much needed barbeque being consumed by all.

After three years in a row of dominating the Australian University Surfing Titles there were high levels of competitive expectations of the club from day one, yet even with the loss of several club stalwarts including Mark Roebuck and Paul O’Connor the club again proved its depth by taking out the AUG’s. Held on home turf and with the concurrent running of the EUG’s the games were one of the biggest events in the clubs history. Donning bright red tracksuits and moving into the team headquarters for the week (Scout Hall). The stage was set for a massive affair. On Monday morning Mother Nature provided us with near perfect surfing conditions which fuelled a hotly contested first round of surfing, with the team ripping it up all day.

The fantastic surfing conditions continued throughout the next few days with the club performing exceptionally well both in the surfing and on the organisational front. Mark Roebuck and Jeremy Smith co-hosted the event and provided what many proclaimed as the best contest they had ever been to, whilst Andrew Tome and Peter Hopkins pulled themselves painfully out of bed in the early morns for long days of running around and cooking barbeques.
Competition was hot with several Wollongong surfers bowing out in the later rounds. In the men's stand-up Adam DeClouett clearly was the standout amongst the field and was unlucky to receive fourth place in the final due to the ocean providing a blatant lack of wave's at the most critical time in the contest. In the men's bodyboards, it was a repeat of 2003 with a two horse race between Adam Switzer and Michael Chappie. In the end it was Adam Switzer victorious with great wave selection and general form in the final, Chappie coming a close second.

The women's results were outstanding this year, with Cath McMillan placing 3rd in the Women's stand up event and 1st in the Women's bodyboard. Samantha Hold also preformed strongly, placing 2nd in the Women's bodyboard. The domination of the girls had them win the first inaugural Women's Team trophy, a terrific effort.

Strong performances by Mitchell Bate and Troy Keen in the longboard division saw Troy claiming victory in his first uni games with Mitchell coming in 3rd place.

The AUC was a terrific event ending in a massive presentation night at Cooney's Tavern. Some highlights of the evening included numerous dackings, tracksuit skipping rope on the dance floor, and a great game of tinnie cricket to finish off the night. Wollongong again dominated events with all major team titles remaining with the team. WUSA was successful for the 4th year in a row at obtaining the Open Men's team's titles and the overall team's titles as well as securing the Women's team trophy. An excellent effort all round.

Still to come are several major events including the Annual trip to the Races for Melbourne Cup day, the final club pointscore and the end of year party and presentation night. WUSA has grown in 2004 throughout all club aspects displaying superb performances both in and out of the competitive arena and the club is set to go from strength to strength in 2005.

Mark Roebuck
President – UOW Surfriders Association

Tennis

The university tennis club has access to two synthetic grass courts and two plexipave courts, which are ideally situated near the swimming pool and the main RSA complex. The club is an active competitor in the Wollongong District Tennis Association (WDTA) Saturday afternoon (mixed) and Wednesday night (mens) competitions. There were five teams in the autumn competitions and eight teams in the spring competitions. Our teams fared well over the past year, with a number of teams reaching the finals in their respective divisions. Two teams reached the semi-finals in the spring competitions, and 2 teams reached the semi-finals in the autumn competitions. One of the teams won their grand finals in the spring. Our other teams missed their semi-finals by one or two positions.

Our club has over 40 enthusiastic members and we organised several social occasions, with dinners, card games, and barbeques being the best attended.

During the year, the club's executive has worked hard to keep membership fees as low as possible, especially now that the club has to pay for the court use, whether it be for training or for competition use. For example, thanks to Darren Moffitt and Peter Hains, Tuesday night social tennis for students continues to be a success. A special thanks must also go to the captains of the competition teams; ensuring that members are rostered for each match week in - week out. Finally, thanks to remaining committee members for their efforts and it has been a pleasure working with everyone over the past 12 months.

Regina Schlemmer
President – UOW Tennis Club

Ultimate Frisbee

The club's 2004 membership was 35, which was great as we gained some new and very talented first year members, which will help ensure the future of the club. Club participation on Wednesday and Friday's generally have around 15-20 participating members and the Sunday
training session has 20-25 participating members.

The club has been performing consistently this year, with strong performances especially at EUG's where we came 5th. Unfortunately due to the costs involved in attending AUG's in Perth, we were unable to get a team to compete. This was very disappointing but 2005 will be a different story.

The club attended 14 tournaments this year and performed very well. It is only a matter of time until we start winning a few tournaments and become a force in Australian Ultimate.

- UNSW IV, Centennial Park, mixed 2nd
- UTS IV, Centennial Park, mixed 3rd
- Border Classic, Albury, men 5th, women 8th
- Eastern University Games, Wollongong, mixed 5th
- Seeds of Doom, men 9th, women 9th
- April Fools Tournaments, men 9th, women 7th
- Australian Ultimate Frisbee Nationals, Brisbane, men 10th, women 9th
- Australian Mixed Nationals, Newcastle, mixed 11th
- Savage Sevens, Centennial Park, Sydney, mixed 3rd and 10th
- Winter Roots, Sydney, mixed 7th
- Dr J’s Indoor tri-series Tournament, Sydney, mixed 2nd
- Longest Day Beach tournament, Sydney, mixed 4th and 11th
- DisKapital, Canberra (teams drawn from a hat)
- Melbourne Hat, Melbourne (teams drawn from a hat)

Nick Renwick, Katie Fizzell and myself all made the EUG merit team. I was also named most valuable player at EUG’s.

I was also selected in the Australian Mixed Ultimate team that competed at the world championships in Finland.

The club held 2 large parties, which were all very successful as they are the best way to get to know new members and to make them feel like they are part of the club. We also attended a few club member’s parties. The north gong hotel was a meeting place of a Friday night after training and was a great way to relax with the team and have a nice chat. Not all social activities involved partying, a lot of club member went on golf and lawn bowls day, and movie nights.

The club has also assisted in the starting of non-university indoor league to promote Ultimate in Wollongong. It was very successful and we are now in the process of helping move the league outdoors. This would provide club members a time to play competitive Ultimate in Wollongong and hopefully assist in their development.

Many club members have been out in the community teaching ultimate Frisbee. We have been running ultimate as a school sport at Keira High School, we also went to the sports expo at Berkley aimed at getting children into sports. Both have been very successful.

It has been a very successful year for the club and hopefully next year the club will continue to grow in numbers and keep on improving its performances on the field. The club has many plans to make the university club grow into a strong team and to start a night time social league to increase the profile of Ultimate in Wollongong and the university’s club members.

Andrew Craig
President – UOW Ultimate Frisbee Club

Underwater Hockey

After the efforts of last years president resulted in a ‘bumper crop’ of student members (membership up 40%) it was always going to be a hard act to follow. Owing to a concerted effort by the club executive and some effective advertising (including and article in 'Tertangala'), we have managed to maintain comparable numbers and given the solid foundation of experienced players already on hand – it’s made for an excellent year.

Wollongong maintains its position as a driving force in Underwater Hockey in NSW. Our club members are well represented on
the NSW Underwater Hockey Commission executive and our sporting achievements speak for themselves. We were well represented each week at the Sydney Autumn Competition and were rewarded with a hard fought 2nd place. A relatively inexperienced side fronted at the state championships and although we didn’t finish on the podium (for the first time in around 5 years) it was a creditable effort in what was a very competitive competition. Our loss was the sports gain – the height of the bar is being raised in NSW and that’s excellent for the sport! An excellent new venue in Sydney (Ryde Aquatic Centre) and a new competition (Engadine Aquatic Centre) are proving invaluable in getting people fired up to play some hard and fast underwater hockey. It’s a little disappointing that only two of our players will represent NSW in the Nationals in Hobart, but a committed female development squad is already in training for the January 2006 Nationals! The club will pay a major role in running these National Championships next year.

The annual and social Wollongong 4’s competition was held with players attending from Sydney, Canberra, Newcastle and Armidale. The attendance was great and everybody appreciated the social side of the tournament and thanks for organising the restaurant Sean, even if you did bring your sister! Again, on the social front, Phil Murray (Honorary Club Social Organiser) has managed to ensure that there is a good turn up at our local watering hole – the Palm Court Hotel after Tuesday club games. One night 80% of the players rolled up for a post game “post mortem”!

In summary, this year has been a great year for the club – we’ve maintained our club numbers and there’s a great deal of enthusiasm and motivation among the executive. Special thanks to those that have worked hard to make 2004 a successful year – Dave & Jenny Kennedy, Peter Condon, Sean Cleary, Andy Davis, Lena Playback and Dean Streator.

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President – UOW Underwater Hockey Club