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## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

Our Patron Paul Currie, members and supporters.

Parafed Wellington had a particularly good year in 2013. I recommend you locate and read the brochure 'A Year of Action' released in December 2013. It shows activities undertaken by members from recreation to sport to fund raising to taking part and to winning. As President, I have been fortunate in receiving good advice from a few members assisting me in leading the organisation in a way members wish it to go. Without such commitment and advice, time and energies can be wasted and progress slow.

The committee met in person every second month of the year with much business being done in between the face-to-face meetings through email. This medium has pitfalls but it certainly saves time and, if all are involved, works for an organisation such as ours. The role of a committee member is vital at a strategic level so all operational actions can happen within the direction agreed by the committee. In our case that is to inspire, enable and achieve. If the reason for being on the committee is for oneself then you will slow down the development of our organisation and of all our members. Committee members who support the activities of our members either by attendance or involvement are most appreciated.

Financially we have had a healthy 2013. A surplus of \$24,247 is a positive increase on the small deficit we had last year. There has been a concerted effort to ensure funding is available to contract staff and to this end we have retained the part time positions of the manager and a sport development officer. Applications for all funding were well presented and generally successful. Active members were the other recipients of such funding and while it at times did not cover all expenses, the amount meant we were able to participate in most tournaments and planned activities.

The development of an Asset Register for Parafed Wellington is long overdue and every effort has been made in 2013 to ensure we have all our equipment sighted, labelled and registered. As noted in the Financial Statements we have \$68,601 worth of property, plant and equipment. \$41,900 of this is the wheelchairs Parafed Wellington has purchased for use by members. The membership is the only reason we buy, insure, maintain and issue equipment. But every year we need to physically gather it in to 'count it' for our Asset Register, check what might be needed for the following year and for it to be audited independently by our Auditors. Now we have established the register, I am looking forward to this process being much smoother in years to come.

Finally thank you to our part time manager Catriona McBean and sport development officer Evan Gray and to members of the committee who have committed themselves to working for the membership. Thank you too, to members and their supporters for their commitment to the organisation and what we do and we look forward to 2014 being another year of action - with perhaps a little more winning!

Colleen Dryden  
President  
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