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Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

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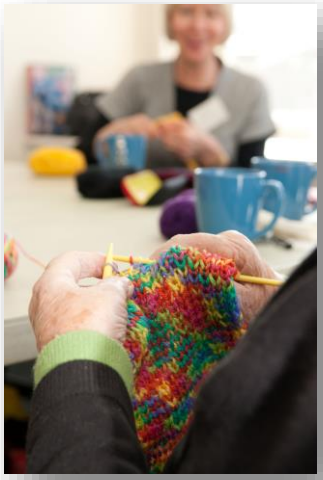

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Profile 2017/2018

Committee of Management

President:	Rosanne Pittard
Vice President:	Catherine Michael
Treasurer/Secretary:	David Holdsworth
Committee Member:	Wilma Orr
Committee Member:	Margaret Menzies
Committee Member:	Greg Menzies

KNH Staff

House Coordinator:	Ellen Prior
Bookkeeper:	Beth Ellis
Kerrie Rd Administration:	Leila Ragg
Mackie Rd Administration	Laura Orr
Community Development Worker:	Toui Ko

Volunteers

Kerrie Road Neighbourhood House:

Anne McKay
Christina Reeves
Julia Matheson
Dianne Lach
Kate Zhang
Wilma Orr

Mackie Road Neighbourhood House:

Tom Ang
Katie McCann
Anne Hayes
Mahi Joshi
Judith West
Yvonne Askews

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, 16th October 2018 at 12.30pm

Agenda

1 Open Meeting
Welcome
Attendances and Apologies

2 Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 17th October 2017

3 Business arising from previous minutes

4 Presentation of President's Report

5 Presentation of Treasurer and Secretary's Report

6 Presentation of Coordinator's Report

7 Presentation of KNH Inc. Groups Yearly Reports

8 Presentation to Volunteers

9 Election of 2018/2019 Committee of Governance

A light lunch will be available throughout the meeting.

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
KERRIE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC

Date: Tuesday, 17 October 2017 Commenced at 12:30 pm

Location: Kerrie Neighbourhood House, 36 Kincumber Drive, Glen Waverley

Present:

Name	Group or Organisation
Rosanne Pittard	KNH President
David Holdsworth	KNH Treasurer
Catherine Michael	KNH Vice President
Wilma Orr	KNH Committee
Mini Mittal	KNH Committee
Ellen Prior	KNH Coordinator
Leila Ragg	KNH Office Administrator
Lois Vincent	KNH Member/Volunteer
Siobhan Wood	MCC Com. Dev. Coordinator (Guest)
Merial Clarke	NIECH Networker (Guest)
Beryl Henderson	KNH Knitting Group
Luciano Pirrottina	Italian Tutor
Margaret Menzies	KNH Member
Greg Menzies	KNH Member
Kate Zhang	KNH Playgroup Volunteer

Apologies:

Name	Group or Organisation
Julian Hill MP	Federal Member for Bruce
Trevor Vincent	KNH Member / Volunteer
Tracey Grigg	Notting Hill NH
Rebecca Paterson	Mayor of Monash
Geoff Lake	Councillor for Glen Waverley - MCC
Judy Pybus	Waverley Widowed Support Group
Anne McKay	KNH Volunteer
Dianne Lach	KNH Knitting Group
Lisa Sun	Waverley Community Learning Centre
Beth Ellis	KNH Staff Member

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Open and Welcome
Rosanne Pittard (Chair) opened the meeting after establishing there were sufficient members present for a quorum.
Apologies accepted.

Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
Minutes of 2016 AGM held on Tuesday 18th October 2016 taken as read and accepted.

Moved: Lois Vincent Seconded: David Holdsworth
Motion carried

Business arising from previous minutes
None

Presentation of Presidents Report
Rosanne Pittard presented this report.

Highlights

- It has been a very successful year for the house in terms of financials, usage and growth
- Rosanne thanked all the Committee members, staff, volunteers and Monash City Council members involved in the continued success of the house
- Last year at the AGM space was recognised as a challenge for the House
- Assuming responsibility for revitalising Mackie Road Neighbourhood House partly addresses that

Motion to accept report: Moved: Rosanne Pittard Seconded: Catherine Michael
Motion carried

Presentation of Treasurer's Report
David Holdsworth presented this report.

Highlights

- Really good year reflective in the financial statistics
- Surplus of $10,043
- All liabilities are covered and we are able to pay bills as they come
- Healthy level of investments
- Rental income down because last year was extraordinary and we are using our spaces to run community programs
- Budgeting for combined surplus of $16,750 for both houses

Motion to accept report: Moved: David Holdsworth Seconded: Catherine Michael
Motion carried

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Coordinators Report
Ellen Prior presented this report.

Highlights:

- A year of growth in many ways
- The new Mulgrave site has required a whole team approach
- The new CALD position is an example of KNH Inc. responding community needs and there is a need to expand the role
- KNH Inc now hosts 11 weekly children's art classes
- Our 2017 Open day was very successful
- The Front garden project
- ACFE classes at Mackie Rd

Merial mentioned the wonderful partnership between the Committee and Coordinator

Motion to accept report: Moved Lois Vincent Seconded: Wilma Orr
Motion carried

Presentation to Volunteers
Ellen Prior thanked volunteers Christina Reeves, Anne McKay, Julia Matheson, Kate Zhang, Wilma Orr from the walking group and Diane Lach from the Knitting group for their contributions to KNH.
Ellen Prior will present a card to Christina Reeves and Julia Matheson (apologies) on behalf of KNH Inc.
Ellen Prior presented Beryl Henderson (Knitting Group) and Wilma Orr (Walking Group) with flowers on behalf of KNH Inc.
Ellen Prior will present a card and gift to Anne McKay (apology) on behalf of KNH Inc.

Presentation of Yearly Reports
Reports from groups were presented:
Chinese Mothers Group/Playgroup - taken as read
Hungarian Social Group – taken as read
Japanese Playgroup –
Kerrie Neighbourhood Playgroup –
Knitting Group –Pioneers Group – taken as read
Walking Group – taken as read

Motion to accept all reports: Moved: Catherine Michael Seconded: Mini Mittal
Motion carried

Election of 2017/2018 Committee of Governance

Motion by outgoing committee to allow between two and five additional members in addition to official members:
Moved:Rosanne Pittard Seconded: David Holdsworth
Motion carried

Rosanne Pittard declared all committee positions vacant.
Nominations were read and accepted.

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

President:	Rosanne Pittard
Vice President:	Catherine Michael
Treasurer & Association Secretary:	David Holdsworth
Committee Member:	Mini Mittal
Committee Member:	Wilma Orr
Committee Member:	Margaret Menzies
Committee Member:	Greg Menzies

*note David Holdsworth remains the Association Secretary until such time as he stands down.

No further nominations were put forward.

Rosanne Pittard declared the nominations accepted and Committee elected.

Rosanne Pittard declared the meeting closed at 1.40pm

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

President's Report

It is my great pleasure to report that Kerrie Neighbourhood House Incorporated – operating for the first time 2 neighbourhood houses – has had a busy and successful year.

When we reported to you last year we had just acquired the house at Mackie Road and committed to a 2-year revitalisation program. Now part-way through that program we have experienced growth in income and participation in both houses.
We govern and operate both houses with a single dedicated committee and a single coordinator complemented by administrative staff at both houses.

Early in the year we realised that the administrative effort required at the Mackie Road house was more than we had anticipated, and we are very grateful to the Monash Council and in particular Councillors Robert Davies and Shane McCluskey for responding to our request and assisting us with funds to support this administrative effort.

During the year we farewelled our coordinator of 4 years and welcomed Leila Ragg into the position. Leila is making the transition to management very well. It is worth noting that during the year, she has completed her studies in Community Development. Well done Leila.

We also welcomed 2 new staff members, Laura Orr and Yvette Botha, both doing well. We enjoyed continuing solid contribution from Beth Ellis as our book keeper. Our CALD worker Toui Ko has continued to provide essential communication links with our non-English speaking community members.

Kerrie Road has benefited for a number of years from the services of several dedicated volunteers including Anne McKay, Christina Reeves, Julia Matheson, Dianne Lach, Kate Zhang and Wilma Orr. And we are ever grateful for their knowledge, experience and quiet competence. We are also grateful for the hard work of our volunteers at Mackie Road Neighbourhood House including Community Garden volunteer Tom Ang, Homework Club volunteer Katie McCann, Mahi Joshi and Judith West who support our English for Work and Study students, Craft Group Leader Anne Hayes and Yvonne Askews for her quiet commitment to Mackie Road Neighbourhood House including regularly cleaning tea towels and helping to sort and tidy the newspapers.

The houses are supported by a small but terrific team of tutors all of whom are to be commended for their efforts and results.

Our Committee of Governance meets monthly and does the basic governance work, reviewing the financials, receiving reports on activities at both houses, taking responsibility for Occupational Health and Safety and directing Policy. This year we have seen the development of our 3-year Strategic Plan for the 2018-2021 period as well as the annual Business Plan.

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

I am very satisfied with the effective workings of the Committee over the year with new members Margaret Menzies and Greg Menzies complementing the contributions of David Holdsworth, Catherine Michael and Wilma Orr. During the year Mini Mittal took leave of absence to visit India with her family and then indicated she would be unable to continue on the Committee. We also granted Leave of Absence to Wilma Orr to accompany her daughter and grandson back to the US, We welcomed her back this month. Our Committee is very conscious of ensuring that both houses are treated equally and we alternate meetings between both houses and are able to review financial performance separately for each house.

Leila will report separately on the activities, but in general we have had growth in both the range and participation of many activities - particular growth in children's art classes, and French (my personal interest); our physical activities such as yoga continue to be very popular and run at capacity. It is worth noting that we are now registered for and are delivering classes under the ACFE funding arrangement. (Adult Community and Further Education.) Classes include English for Work and Study, Digital Literacy Skills for the Workplace, Financial Skills for Small Business, Bookkeeping Basics and Prepare for Work.

We held two Open Days in March – one for each house. Both were very successful, bringing in well over 350 people into the houses. These are a lot of work for our staff and we are thinking of staggering the two houses for future events. The benefits of Open Days are tangible in the sense of new enrolments but also intangible in welcoming the broader community into our space.

Re-development of the front garden at Kerrie Road was finalised and has received positive feedback – as well as some publicity in the local member's newsletter.

I would like to thank all Committee members for their tireless efforts, our staff for their wonderful contribution and our volunteers for their commitment. Thanks also to the Monash Council officers - Fee Harrison, Siobhan Wood and Colin Bostock for their support over the year. Thanks also to the Department of Health and Human Services which provides substantial funding.

If I could single out any one contribution it would be a little unfair but I do choose to recognise David Holdsworth's contribution as Treasurer, official secretary and also for his good business acumen and general common sense.

We can look forward to an exciting future serving the community through both houses and fully expect another good year in 2018-19.

Rosanne Pittard

President
Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Treasurer and Secretary's Report

Following are the letter from our auditors and accounts for the 2017/18 financial year. The accounts were formally accepted by the Committee of Governance at its meeting on 13 September and have been certified by two members of the Committee as required by The Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

The accounts are prepared on an 'accrual' basis meaning that income and expenditure is accounted for in the period to which it relates rather than when it is received.

The inclusion of Mackie Road Neighbourhood House under the KNH umbrella has dramatically increased both our total income and expenses which should be kept in mind when comparing the financial results for this and last year.

Given the unknowns in taking on Mackie Road, I am very pleased to report that the results for the 2017/18 financial year were, again, very satisfactory. A surplus of $14,042 was achieved of which $9,156 and $5,276 was attributable to Kerrie Road and Mackie Road respectively.

As Mackie Road was not our responsibility until the end of July last year, this report provides commentary on Income and Expenses for Kerrie Road and Mackie Road separately. Comments pertaining to the Balance Sheet later in the report relate to the Association as a whole.

Income and Expenditure

Kerrie Road

The most significant factors for the year were:

Income

- Total income increased by $14,200 or 6.5%. Of this, $7,273 was a grant for the redevelopment of the front garden from the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure so the underlying growth was $6,927 or 3.2%
- Kerrie Road Classes income grew strongly, by $8,102 or 7.3%, a wonderful result after the 25% increase recorded in 2016/17
- The grant from the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) was $3,387 or 5% higher
- Rental income fell by $4,885 as more classes used the available space and we lost a couple of rentals, one only temporarily

Expenses

- Total Expenses were $15,127 or 7.3% higher than last year
- Class requirements - consumable items used in our classes e.g. paints rose by $1,691 which included some $300 in stocking up for next year
- The Front Garden Project generated $2,709 in costs written-off this year. The balance, paving and barbeque totalling $6,800 are being depreciated
- Tutor costs rose by $3,650 or 5.0%
- Staff costs increased by $7,150 or 6.6% largely due to having our Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) resource for a full year and because of higher wage rates which were both partially offset by sharing costs with Mackie Road

Mackie Road

We started from a zero base: no classes running, no details of previous enrolments and a poor reputation due to the circumstances of the previous neighbourhood house closing down.

The work done by Ellen Prior, ably supported by her staff resulted in a modest surplus this year. There are no prior year comparisons but it was very encouraging to see our income from classes growing steadily as the following figures show:

Term 3 2017 $1,366 (8 weeks)
Term 4 2017 $3,172 (11 weeks)
Term 1 2018 $4,458 (9 weeks)
Term 2 2018 $7,759 (11 weeks)

A special grant of $10,919 from the City of Monash at the end of December 2017 enabled us to employ an Office Administrator for the second half of the year which allowed the Coordinator to concentrate more on the community development work needed - this, no doubt, contributed to the growth in class activities and income.

We had a number of set up costs - website, advertising, IT and non-capital equipment totalling around $4,500. Telecommunications expenses were originally costing far too much but were brought down to acceptable levels by the end of the year.

We received a $3,000 donation from the Lions Club and $2,000 from the sale of assets passed to us by Lions Club. The former was used to buy and install a smart TV and cubby house which are being depreciated. The latter was used to purchase furniture for the new lounge some of which is being depreciated

Adjusting for the donations and related expenses, the underlying result for Mackie Road was $2,476, a respectable outcome for our first year in difficult circumstances.

Balance Sheet

Once again, I'm pleased to report that the balance sheet remains clean and healthy. We have paid or provided for all employee entitlements and can pay our bills as and when they fall due. Our cash reserves are adequate for our current and foreseeable needs. The notes to the accounts provide more detail of the Income in Advance category which reflects cash that we have received but for activities to be delivered next term.

The 2018/19 budget is based on conservative assumptions about income and expenses and reflects a continuation of creative management, good financial control and the synergies from operating over two sites. We have budgeted for a surplus of $ 26,770 (Kerrie Road $21,555 and Mackie Road $5,215)

Having now registered with the Board for Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE) we are required to have our accounts externally audited. Furthermore, as a result of Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc assuming responsibility for the revitalisation of the Mackie Road Neighbourhood House our total income increases to a level requiring our accounts to be independently audited so no formal motion to that effect is required as it was last year. The appointment of an auditor can be left to the discretion of the committee.

Last, but not least, I'd like to thank the office staff, Ellen, Leila, Toui, Laura, Rosanne our President and, in particular, our bookkeeper Beth Ellis for their assistance during the year.

Secretarial Matters

The 2017 AGM was held in accordance with the Act and the Annual Statement was lodged with Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) as required. All other obligations were met.

This year, because we are registered with the National Charities and Not For Profit Commission (NCNP) it is no longer necessary to lodge an Annual Statement with CAV. We must complete the NCNP return and this will be shared with CAV.

David Holdsworth
Treasurer

October 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF KERRIE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of KERRIE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC., which comprises the financial position as at 30th June 2018, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including summary of significant accounting policies and managements assertion statement.
In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of KERRIE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC. as at 30th June 2018, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.
We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter-Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist KERRIE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC. to meet the requirements of Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the *applicable legislation* and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.
Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

Lionel R. Arnold
Director
J L Collyer & Partners
6th September 2018

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Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Balance Sheet
As at 30 June

	2018	2017
	$	$
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash On Hand		
ANZ Cheque Account	5,185	5,546
ANZ Websaver Account	15,767	26,748
Cash Drawer Float	300	150
Petty Cash	859	400
Total Cash On Hand	22,111	6,096
Debtors	203	0
Investments		
Term Deposits	203,609	153,894
Total Investments	203,609	180,642
Total Current Assets	**225,923**	**186,738**
Other Assets		
Non Current Assets		
Capital Equipment at cost	44,742	32,677
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(30,441)	(28,382)
Total Capital Equipment	14,301	4,295
Total Non Current Assets	**14,301**	**4,295**
Total Assets	**240,224**	**191,033**

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Balance Sheet
As at 30 June

	2018	2017
$		**$**
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	12,108	3,155
Trade Creditors	2,025	477
Income Received in Advance	33,412[3]	28,296
GST Liabilities		
GST Collected	4,692	1,848
GST Paid	(2,400)	(720)
Total GST Liabilities	2,292	1,128
Payroll Liabilities		
PAYG Withholding Payable	14,158	6,070
Superannuation Payable	7,168	0
Total Payroll Liabilities	21,326	6,070
Total Current Liabilities	71,563	34,688
Non Current Liabilities		
Provision for Long Service Leave	14,423	11,987
Total Non Current Liabilities	14,423	11,987
Total Liabilities	**85,986**	**51,227**
Net Assets	**154,238**	**139,806**
Equity		
Kerrie NH Member's Funds	39,163	39,163
Retained Earnings	100,643	90,600
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	14,432	10,043
Total Equity	**154,238**	**139,806**

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Statement of Income and Expenses
For the period 1 July to 30 June

	2017/18	2016/17
	$	$
Income		
Classes	138,243	110,250
Groups	6,649	6,812
Grants		
Dept of Human Services	150,978	71,508
Dept of Education - ACFE	14,290	-
City of Monash Grants	20,919	8,400
Federal Dept of Infrastructure	7,273[1]	-
Total Grants	193,460	79,908
Rent	28,182	11,654
Donations	3,020	-
Membership Subscriptions	46	18
Interest Income	3,677	4,311
Other Income	3,756	3,534
Total Income	**377,033**	**216,487**
Expenses		
Finance Expenses		
Audit Fees	965	830
Bank Fees	1,626	1,374
Depreciation	2,059	2,736
Total Finance Expenses	4,650	4,940
Administration		
Advertising	4,205	1,090
Class Requirements	3,002	827
Cleaning	13,885	4,046
Computer Software Support	3,814	590
Consultants	2,200[2]	-
Consumables	3,418	1,541
Front Garden Project (Kerrie non-capital)	2,709[1]	-
General Insurance	968	452
Gifts and Entertainment	1,562	1,045
Non-capital equipment	3,087	302
Office Supplies & Stationary	2,308	1,961
Open Day	4,140	1,569

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

	2017/18	2016/17
	$	$
Playgroups	865	1,031
Subscriptions & Memberships	737	686
Telecoms	4,301	1,531
Utilities	8,319	2,308
Sundry Items	323	112
Total Administration	59,843	19,091
Employment		
Administration Salaries	64,226	29,496
Bookkeeper	18,092	14,205
CALD Officer	16,139	6,225
Coordinator Salary	67,923	44,348
Long Service Leave Expense	3,097	3,842
Recruitment	274	-
Staff Allowances	-	279
Staff Training	1,443	1,360
Superannuation Expense	21,835	12,062
Tutors - Contracted	43,552	27,128
Tutors - Salaried	58,308	42,029
Workcover Insurance	3,219	1,439
Total Employment Expenses	298,108	182,413
Total Expenses	**362,601**	**206,444**
Surplus	**14,432**	**10,043**

We certify that the Statement of Income and Expenses and Balance Sheet for the 2017/18 financial year give a true and fair view of Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.'s financial position and performance.

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David Holdsworth
Treasurer

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Rosanne Pittard
President

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended 30th June

	2018 $	2017 $
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from operations	373,153	213,014
Payments to suppliers and employees	-325,783	-195,314
Interest received	3,677	4,311
Net cash flows from operating activities	51,047	22,011
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and motor vehicles	-12,065	0
Net cash flows from investing activities	-12,065	0
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from borrowings	0	0
Repayment of borrowings	0	0
Net cash flows from financing activities	0	0
NET CASH MOVEMENT		
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	38,982	22,011
Cash at the beginning of the period	186,738	164,727
Cash at the end of the period	225,720	186,738
CASH FLOWS INFORMATION		
Reconciliation of cash flows from operations with Net profit (loss) for the period after income tax		
Net profit (loss) for the period after income tax	14,432	10,043
Non-Cash flows in Retained Earnings	0	0
Depreciation and amortisation	2,058	2,736
Change in Assets and Liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	-203	838
(Increase)/decrease in other assets	0	0
Increase/(decrease) in payables	26,808	2,951
Increase/(decrease) in income in advance	5,116	1,601
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	2,436	3,842
Increase/(decrease) in rental bond	400	0
Net cash provided by operating activities	51,047	22,011

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Notes to 2017/18 Accounts

1. Grant of $7,273 received from the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure to redevelop the front garden at Kerrie Road. This grant was matched dollar for dollar by Kerrie Neighbourhood House in cash and kind.

   The project was completed in March 2018. $2,709 in expenses covered tutor costs and materials for the mosaic, wool for the tree sock, a portable marquee, planters, plants and potting mix.

   Major outlays for paving, installation of seats provided by Monash Council and purchase of a barbeque totalling $7,249 excluding GST were capitalised and are being depreciated.

2. Consultants costs $2,200 for facilitation of a new Strategic Plan for the period July 2018 to June 2021 so, a periodic but not annual cost.

3. Income Received in Advance - income for programs yet to be run which, with the possible exception of the funds from ACFE will occur in the next term.

• Classes Kerrie Road	$21,382
• Classes Mackie Road	$ 4,820
• ACFE	$ 7,035
• Kerrie Road Groups	$ 45
• Mackie Road Groups	$ 130

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Coordinator's Report

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc. (KNH) operates across two locations. Kerrie Road Neighbourhood House (Kerrie Rd) is situated at 36 Kincumber Drive, Glen Waverley and Mackie Road Neighbourhood House (Mackie Rd) is located within the Wellington Reserve Community Centre, 36-42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave.

As the new KNH Coordinator of Kerrie Rd and Mackie Rd Neighbourhood Houses, I am proud to work for such a wonderful organisation with a 40 year history of strengthening our community and meeting the needs of local residents.

KNH works to enrich our community by developing social connectedness, promoting healthy lifestyles and providing opportunities for lifelong learning, recreation and support within an inclusive, safe and welcoming environment.

I am privileged to work alongside a dedicated Committee, team of staff and volunteers and talented group of tutors. I sincerely thank them all for the expertise, hard work and commitment they give each term and for all the support they have given me during my first term as Coordinator.

We have had a year of success, growth and above all change at KNH. In June 2018, after four years as KNH Coordinator, Ellen Prior left KNH to move to Sydney with her family and was farewelled at a well-attended lunch.

Ellen's achievements in the role of Coordinator were many and varied including:

- The Front Garden Project at Kerrie Rd Neighbourhood House
- The establishment of Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House as part of the Mulgrave Community Strengthening & Neighbourhood House Revitalisation Project
- The growth of our Children's Art Program at Kerrie Rd from four classes to eleven classes per week.

We wish Ellen and her family all the best for their new life in Sydney.

I am pleased to welcome Yvette Botha to our office team. Yvette is our new Office Administrator at Kerrie Rd and also facilitates the Kerrie Rd Multicultural Playgroup on Thursday mornings.

CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) Community Development Project
KNH works towards increasing awareness of and participation at KNH amongst CALD communities as part of this project and employs a part time Community Development Worker to assist with this.

Our specialist multi-lingual CALD Community Development Worker, Toui Ko:

- Regularly translates promotional material into simplified Chinese including term flyers
- Translates signage into Chinese and Japanese
- Meets with CALD community leaders, groups and participants
- advises KNH committee members and staff about the needs of our local CALD communities

- helps to build the capacity of KNH to support identified strengths and respond to needs
- Increases awareness among the local CALD Community of the services offered by KNH and the role of Neighbourhood Houses generally

Key project achievements:

- Term flyers at both Houses translated into simplified Chinese and uploaded to our websites: www.knh.org.au and www.mackierdnh.org.au
- New CALD families enrolled in playgroups at both houses including 6 new CALD families in our Kerrie Rd Playgroup, 4 new families enrolled in our Kerrie Rd Chinese Playgroup and over 30 new families enrolled in our Mackie Rd Playgroup (most of whom are CALD families).
- 1:1 support/referral provided, in Chinese, to House visitors
- Chinese speaking and other CALD groups/individuals consulted and interviewed to develop our understanding of CALD community needs and new programs planned, in response, e.g. Chinese Grandparents Playgroup and English Conversation Classes for delivery in 2018/2019.

This project was funded by City of Monash's Community Partnerships (Neighbourhood Houses) Program.

Open Days

Open Days were held at both Houses this year in March. At the Kerrie Rd Open Day we had approximately 150 people attending. Julian Hill MP (Federal Member for Bruce) officially opened our Front Garden project which included the addition of paving, bench seating, a mosaic mural/pavers, knitted tree sock and portable BBQ. Other highlights included our Children's Art Exhibition and Competition, sausage sizzle, Devonshire tea, face painting and outdoor play gym.

Our first Open Day at Mackie Rd was an extremely successful community engagement event, with approximately 250 people attending. Participants enjoyed trial classes, a sausage sizzle and Devonshire tea and free coffee van.

These free community events provide an important opportunity for local families to get to know one another and create a fun and friendly neighbourhood space in which to enjoy spending time together. They are a lot of work each year and we intend to stagger the two open days next year, holding one in March and one in November 2019.

Playgroups

All of our playgroups have welcomed new families in 2017/2018 and are now supported by two new playgroup facilitators. Yvette Botha is the new Kerrie Rd Playgroup Facilitator and Shanila Surani is the new Mackie Rd Playgroup Facilitator. Yvette and Shanila, along with Kate Zhang, our Chinese Playgroup Volunteer and the committed team of Japanese Playgroup Leaders, provide a welcoming, safe environment for children to learn through play and socialisation.

New Programs

The following new programs were introduced this year to meet community needs:

1) Kerrie Rd: Mosaic and Musical Theatre Workshops were offered as part of our July 2018 School Holiday Program and proved popular attracting 16 participants between them. Additional Pilates and French language classes were added to the program to meet increasing demand.
2) Mackie Rd: A completely new program of activities commenced at Mackie Rd in Term 3 2017 and new activities have been added in each successive term including health and wellbeing classes, social and support groups, adult education courses and children's activities.

Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE)

I'm proud to report that in 2018, following our successful registration with the ACFE Board as a Learn Local in 2017, KNH delivered ACFE funded pre-accredited training to adults in our community for the first time including the following courses:

- Bookkeeping Basics
- Financial Skills for Small Business
- Prepare for Work (in an Office)
- Digital Literacy for the Workplace
- English for Work and Study

The purpose of pre-accredited training is to provide learners with a pathway to employment and/or further training with a focus on supporting priority groups such as women returning to work/study and culturally and linguistically diverse learners navigating training and employment pathways. Eligible places are funded by the State Government of Victoria.

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Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House

Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House opened to the public at the Wellington Reserve Community Centre, 36-42 Mackie Rd, Mulgrave, on Monday 24th July 2017 with an initial program of activities commencing in Term 3 2017.

We have experienced growth in our first year of operation in both the number and variety of activities offered and participant numbers as shown in the participation table below.

The Mackie Rd office is now staffed and open to the public for 28 hours per week during school terms.

Participation at Mackie Rd

	Avg. no. of users/week			
User Group	Term 3 2017	Term 4 2017	Term 1 2018	Term 2 2018
New KNH Inc. Members	-	2	-	-
MRNH Groups (Playgroup, Craft Group etc.)	9	37	52	52
MRNH e-Café*, information and referral	50	60	60	60
MRNH Classes**	**25**	**41**	**107**	**112**
MRNH Community Garden	20	20	20	46
MRNH Volunteers	5	5	4	2
Other MRNH Activities	-	-	28	4
Total MRNH Activity	**109**	**165**	**271**	**276**

* this figure does not include all the parents or library users who use our e-Café facility outside of Office hours i.e. the figure relates to people who have direct contact with MRNH staff.
** it was wonderful to see the number of eligible ACFE course participants more than double in Term 2 (9 in Term 1, 22 in Term 2).

A new Cubby House was purchased using a generous donation from the Mulgrave Sandown Lions Club and is now in use in the Children's Centre Playground. We have had lots of wonderful feedback already from all the groups who use this space.

So many people have contributed to the successful establishment of Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House. I sincerely thank Ellen, all our staff, Committee, Tutors and Volunteers for all their hard work and vision. I must also thank the following key stakeholders for the support and advice they have provided over the last twelve months: the City of Monash, Department of Health and Human Service (DHHS), Department of Education and Training (DET), and Network of Inner Eastern Community Houses (NIECH).

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Here is a snapshot of achievements and highlights of Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House's first full year of operation in Mulgrave:

September 2017 Snapshot

- ☐ Moved into premise 21st July…opened 24th July 2017
- ☐ Room Hire and Garden Agreements developed and implemented
- ☐ Small program of CD activities planned and advertised late July 2017
- ☐ Phone, Internet and EFTPOS machine installed and online booking system launched
- ☐ New logo and website launched first week August 2017
- ☐ Cleaning contractor and tutors employed
- ☐ First MRNH classes (Tai Chi & Painting and Drawing) commenced and first MRNH social/support group met August 2017
- ☐ Term 4 program planned, flyer published and delivered to 9,500 households
- ☐ ACFE registration approved and Business Governance Status Audit successfully completed
- ☐ New ACFE Pre-Accredited courses under development for delivery in 2018

September 2018 Snapshot

- ☐ Ever increasing program of activities run in each term of 2018
- ☐ Weekly Community Morning Tea proving to be important support for local Chinese grandparents
- ☐ Term programs translated into simplified Chinese and uploaded to website
- ☐ First Open Day held in March 2018 (to become an annual event
- ☐ Children's holiday program run for the first time in July 2018
- ☐ 2018-2021 Three year strategic plan completed
- ☐ ACFE Pre-accredited training courses running throughout 2018
- ☐ New Office Administrator engaged allowing for increased opening hours
- ☐ Community Garden plots hired out to community groups and residents and used for our own gardening courses
- ☐ Office now open for 28hrs per week

Funding and Statistics:

KNH is funded through the Department of Health and Human Service's 'Neighbourhood House Coordination Program'. We are funded for twenty-five hours per week at each House and must deliver twice as many activity hours for this payment at Kerrie Rd currently and at Mackie Rd by the end of the 2 year revitalisation project. We consistently deliver many more hours at Kerrie Rd than our funding body requires. The Kerrie Rd figures below show classes and courses only and does not include groups at the House. Group reports are following. We have enjoyed healthy growth in 2017/2018.

Kerrie Rd NH	No. of classes		No. of students		No. of contact hrs	
	2017/2018	2016/2017	2017/2018	2016/2017	2017/2018	2016/2017
Term 3	32	32	244	226	365	357
Term 4	34	34	265	254	385	372
Summer Program	7	5	50	36	24	18
Term 1	34	38	287	266	294	348
Term 2 (includes July school holiday program)	39	38	303	274	419	387

Monash Grants

City of Monash Community Grants funding to KNH in 2017/2018 was $10,000. The funding was utilised this year to to support diversity and inclusiveness by engaging with, and increasing the participation of, local CALD community members undertaken as part of project CPNH009 ‘CALD Community Development Project’.

With the support of City of Monash Mulgrave Ward Councillors (Cr Robert Davies and Cr Shane McCluskey) and the Community Strengthening Team, KNH received additional funding in 2017/2018 of $10900.00 from the City of Monash to provide 15hrs/week administration support at Mackie Rd to allow the Coordinator to focus more on Community Development & Engagement activities.

Our Tutors

Thanks to all our tutors for your caring and professional facilitation of our classes and courses.

Angela Leiminger	Yoga
Anne Hayes	Card Making, Jewellery Making, Kids Christmas Craft Club
Arpita Kulkarni	Children’s Art Masterclass
Ava Nikbakht	English for Work and Study
Carolyn Yuen	Tai Chi and Nia Movement
Hannah Prior	Children’s Painting and Drawing
Isabelle Martin	French for Beginners, French Intermediate, French Conversation and Children’s French
Janet Stayte	Children’s Painting and Drawing
Janie Ubels	Yoga
Jess Thurling	Children’s Painting and Drawing
John Holding	Digital Photography and Introduction to Computing for Seniors
Kyongbin Lee	Pilates
Laura Orr	Pilates and Digital Literacy Skills for the Workplace
Liliana Bosancic	Yoga and Children’s Yoga and Creative Dance
Lisa Habermann	Introduction to Gardening, Life Writing and Prepare for Work
Lucia Silverii	Italian Cooking
Luciano Pirrottina	Italian for Everyone
Marcia Barry	Strength Training, Stretch and Stabilise and Gentle Exercise for Seniors
Maria Ward	Adult Art Class and Children’s Painting and Drawing
Margaret Menzies	Homework Club
Naomi Grant	Children’s Painting and Drawing
Narelle Cosstick	Bookkeeping Basics and Financial Skills for Small Business
Pauline Nicholas	Strength Training
Sandra Walsh	Strength Training
Shanila Surani	Mackie Rd Multicultural Playgroup
Suzanne McKee	Musical Theatre Workshop
Suzie Szabo	Meditation
Thanuja de Silva	Mini Chef Program, Cake Decorating
Vivien Tandos	Children’s Painting and Drawing
Yuki Reiss	Zumba
Yvette Botha	Kerrie Rd Multicultural Playgroup

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Groups
We are proud to provide a home for a range of social and support groups at both our Houses, all of whom play an important role in the community.

At **Kerrie Rd Neighbourhood House** in Glen Waverley, our groups include Chinese Mothers Group/Playgroup, Hungarian Social Group, Japanese Mothers/Playgroup, Kerrie Knitting Group, Kerrie Pioneers Group, Kerrie Playgroup, Mums for Mums Support Group and our Walking Group.

At **Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House** in Mulgrave, our groups include Craft Group, Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House Playgroup, Tat and Chat Group, Walking Group, Homework Club, MRNH Happy Ladies, Chinese Grandparents Playgroup/Support Group and our Community Morning Tea.

I thank all our groups sincerely for the work they do for our community and our volunteer group leaders for all their valuable support and commitment.

Associations and Networks
Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc. is a member of the following associations and networks:

- Neighbourhood Houses Victoria (NHV), our peak body
- Jobs Australia
- Monash Coordinators Network
- Network of Inner East Community Houses (NIECH)
- Playgroups Victoria

I also look forward to serving on the NIECH Committee for the next twelve months.

KNH Office Staff and Volunteers
The marvellous achievements of KNH at Kerrie Rd and Mackie Rd Neighbourhood Houses can be attributed to a wonderful team of committed people including the Committee, our Office Administrators Laura Orr and Yvette Botha, Bookkeeper Beth Ellis, CALD Community Engagement Officer Toui Ko, Chinese Playgroup Assistant Kate Zhang , Community Garden Volunteer Tom Ang, English for Work and Study Volunteers Mahi Joshi and Judith West, Mackie Rd Volunteer Yvonne Askews, Happy Ladies Volunteer Indrani Goonetilleke, Mackie Rd Craft Group Leader Anne Hayes and our Kerrie Rd office volunteers Anne, Christina and Julia. Thank you for your faithful service and dedication to the work of KNH. It is a pleasure to work with you all.

Leila Ragg
Coordinator
Kerrie Rd and Mackie Rd Neighbourhood Houses

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Group Reports

Kerrie Rd Chinese Mothers Group/Playgroup

The Chinese mothers group / playgroup meets each Wednesday morning to encourage and support language and culture in children aged 0-4 with some Ethnic Chinese background. Fathers and grandparents are also welcome.

Each session includes free play, arts and craft activities, group snack time, singing, dancing and story-telling. Supported by our wonderful volunteer Group Leader, Kate, Chinese playgroup has attracted five new families to the group this year. Our Community Development Officer, Toui also supports the group by translating office communications, programs and other information into Mandarin.

New members are most welcome.

Kerrie Rd Hungarian Social Group

This group meets weekly on a Monday from 12.30 - 3.30.

We continue to enjoy our relationship with Kerrie Neighbourhood House.

It is lovely to arrive at the venue & be greeted by a room set up for our Monday afternoon chat & playing Bingo. Due to the advancing age of the participants (primarily 70's to 90's there are some spring chickens in their 60's!) the focus of the group has changed from being an embroidery group embroidering traditional Hungarian tablecloths, etc. to sell at the annual Easter fair to one of a social afternoon chatting & playing bingo. We still continue to enjoy our weekly coming together.

Since the last AGM we have farewelled two of our original Kerrie House members. Now there is only one of the original members still with us. Some of us are no longer driving and we appreciate the assistance given to these members by others who are able to pick them up every week. With this help we still have 11 members on our books. We have lots of laughs as we chat & share our previous week.

We still play Bingo but even this has slowed down due to hearing & sight problems. Nevertheless, we enjoy the hospitality of Kerrie house, the warm environment in winter & the coolness in summer as well as the friendliness of the staff.

As always, we look forward to continuing our good times, our relationship with Kerrie Neighbourhood House & welcoming new members.

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Kerrie Rd Pioneers Group

MUSIC THERAPY

Tuesdays 11.30am to 12.30pm
Music Therapist Tom Tuena 0400 506 884

The Pioneers are a small group of wheelchair bound adults with profound physical disabilities whose life goals are to remain active members in the community. With the assistance of their individual carers they have engaged a music therapist to meet on Tuesdays at Kerrie Neighbourhood House.

The Pioneers Music group objectives are to have an activity to attend within a community setting, listening to music for relaxation and pain management, learning about different music genres both current and historical, learning about different musical instruments and participating in playing simple instruments and song writing.
There are currently three group participants accompanied by carers.

PHYSIOTHERAPY

Physiotherapist Jan Boyd 0438 584 558
Each fortnight Jan meets 2 group participants for one hour each before Music.

Group Contact: Cassy Patience 0412 182 010 email: nopatiencefamily@gmail.com

Kerrie Rd Knitting Group

Another very enjoyable year has passed with all of us now knitting for a charity called Kogo (Knit One Give One) which, if you like, is a sort of collection agency that other charity groups can ring and ask for knitted goods. Currently they have over 250 groups asking them for help and our band of knitters have knitted or crocheted furiously to provide a great many goods for this worthy cause. A few of us went to the annual meeting of Kogo and listened as representatives from three different charities told us about how Kogo had helped them. After a delicious morning tea we were then offered some free wool to take home.

A couple of our members have also knitted a number of articles for very prem babies, deserted lambs during the drought and red poppies for Anzac Day.

We have a lot of fun and new members and yarn are always welcome!!

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Kerrie Rd Japanese Playgroup

Kerrie Neighbourhood House
Fridays (during school terms)
10.45am - 1.00pm

Aim of Our Group

Glen Waverley Japanese Playgroup endeavours to provide parents and pre-school children with a safe, fun environment where all can expand social networks and participate in educational, fun activities in Japanese. We believe that activities we deliver help children improve their Japanese skills as well as gain knowledge of Japanese culture.

We deliver a range of activities, including Craft work, Book reading, Nursing songs with finger/hand plays, Puppet shows and Eurhythmics.

Group Leaders

Name	Responsibilities
Ai, Akemi, Chika, Chizu, Jill, Kana, Mami, Michiko, Nana, Noriko, Tsukasa	Facilitating activities, Craft preparation
Jill, Tsuakasa	Financial management
Chizu, Akemi, Nana	Overall management and organization of the group

Details of Activities

- Craft work – We provide different craft work each week that often reflects Japanese culture and seasonal events

- Book reading – We read 1 to 2 Japanese books in each session and children learn stories in Japanese

- Nursery songs with finger and hand plays/Japanese alphabet song/cards – We have a variety of Japanese nursery songs with which children play moving their fingers and hands. We sing Japanese alphabet song together.

- Puppet show – We have four different types of puppet shows and play one in each week

- Eurhythmics – We use Japanese songs with which children can listen to rhythm and move their bodies. We also play music instrument.

- Yoga lesson – As a newly introduced activity in this year, we invite a Yoga teacher who voluntary teaches adult and children (Irregular).

- Christmas Party – We have Christmas party in early December every year. This event has become 'tradition' in our playgroup.

Schedule

Each week we carry out the activities based on the following schedule:

Time	Activities
10.30am	Arrive/Outdoor play
10.45am	Arts&crafts
11.30am	Hello song Story time Japanese alphabet song/flash cards Puppet show Eurhythmics activities/dance
12.00pm	Lunch
13.00pm	Leave a room (outdoor play)

Our Achievements and Future Prospects

This year we have been focusing on maintaining the quality and consistency of Glen Waverley Japanese play group inherited from previous facility members. We creatively and flexibly modify them every week so that children can feel varieties. We sing the Japanese alphabet song and play with Japanese language cards every week, which will, we believe, reinforce children to learn Japanese letters. Often we receive a comment from newcomers such that 'this playgroup has good quality of different kinds of activities. We take it as big compliment and endeavour to maintain the quality. We have certain numbers of regular members who come every week and share fun time together. This year we decided to have a Volunteer Yoga teacher and have a Yoga lesson during the playtime. This event has been successful in a way that both children and parents have mental and physical health all together. There is no doubt that this playgroup has become a social hub that provides a good environment for both children and parents.

Our future vision will be maintenance of current levels of playgroup activities into the future. We actively recruit facility members in order to give a torch into a next generation.

In the end, we sincerely appreciate Kerrie Road Neighbourhood House that allows us to continue our playgroup.

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Kerrie Rd Multicultural Playgroup

The Kerrie Neighbourhood House playgroup is a group that supports the multicultural community of Monash, providing a safe and secure environment for children 0-4 years, to learn through play and social interaction. We are fortunate to have an inviting, well-equipped, sunny playgroup room with kitchen facilities and a great outdoor play area. One of our Mums commented that she liked the view from the window, with the playground in the background.

The group meets weekly on a Thursday morning during school terms and suits parents looking for some structured activities. Each fun filled weekly session includes singing/movement, an art/craft activity, story time and most of all we encourage lots of free play! We have just included “show & tell” at the request of one of our children. Some structure was identified and adapted by previous Group Leaders, Ellen Prior and Leila Ragg and was found to work extremely well.

I have come on board as playgroup facilitator at KNH since the beginning of term 3. We currently have 22 children enrolled and many families attending are mostly either new to the area or don’t have extended family support. Most families have found us by searching on the internet or other activities their child is involved in. I find weekly follow ups are very important.

I am currently focusing on encouraging children to develop skills and independence through self-help, such as washing their own hands after doing a messy activity or before eating, help setting up, picking up and packing away toys, sharing and developing good manners. I am also focusing on ways to support our other playgroups and ways to keep our babies engaged.

Whilst all the children enjoy the song/music/movement activity it’s the baby’s reactions that really put a smile on everyone’s faces. The older children seem to enjoy the simpler activities and those that are messy like painting. As we slowly go into the warmer months, I look forward to more painting, outdoor activities, water play, and pasting.

Yvette Botha
Kerrie Rd Playgroup Facilitator

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Kerrie Rd Walking Group

The purpose of the Kerrie Neighbourhood House (KNH) walking group is to connect with the local community whilst getting some fresh air and exercise. The walking group was established over twenty years ago and covers seven different walking routes of approximately 5km, taking up to an hour to complete. Over the year we have incorporated new alternative routes in case of bad weather to avoid flooding and muddy paths. Some new paths also have greater access to parking facilities.

The walking group meets every Monday morning at 10am (except for public holidays and summer school holidays) and presently consists of 21 members. Weekly attendance varies due to availability and weather conditions. Occasionally, we will have some overseas visitors (member's guests) joining us for the walk.

The KNH walking group provides a fantastic opportunity to appreciate the surrounding scenery, local wildlife and each other's company. Everyone is free to walk at their own pace, as we often walk in groups or break off into pairs. At the end of the walk, we often continue to socialise over a cup of tea or coffee (although this isn't compulsory!). There are occasions where we organise a BBQ in the park too.

Once a term we meet for morning tea at KNH, where each of us bring a plate of food to share. During this time, KNH and its office staff generously provides us with use of their kitchen facilities and front room. This term event fosters a strong sense of community and provides us with an opportunity to socialise with KNH staff and one another.

This is a free activity, and anyone interested is welcome to join for some or all the walks. A list of walks and dates are available from the office.

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Mackie Rd Community Morning Tea

Our Mackie Road Neighbourhood House Community Morning Tea is held weekly on a Tuesday and is a free event for all members of the community to attend. Fifteen to twenty local residents attend each week, including local Chinese grandparents who come along each week with their grandchildren and use the space to socialise and play. There are approximately 7 grandchildren who come with them.

Participants attending activities during this time (e.g. English for Work and Study, Digital Literacy, Prepare for Work, Zumba, Gentle Exercise), also join the morning tea.

With these classes included we have people from a range of cultural backgrounds meeting and using the eCafe space (e.g. Greek, Armenian, Chinese, Japanese, Sri Lankan etc).

We have also recently begun working with the Friends of the Children Foundation who bring us fresh bread on a Monday night. This is put out for anyone who comes into the House and has already become quite popular and has added an additional element to our Tuesday morning tea.

Mackie Rd Craft Group

The Craft Group at Mackie Road Neighbourhood House meets each Monday morning. Beading, stitching, knitting, crochet, card making, scrapbooking and some patchwork are covered over different weeks. A core group attends regularly but we will welcome others who would like company while they work on their own pieces.

Mondays, 10am – 12pm, $3 per person

Group Leader: Anne Hayes

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Mackie Rd Tatting Group

This group has been operating for more than 25 years, and we are a small group of enthusiasts of the art of making lace, using shuttles (nothing to do with tattoos!). We share patterns, techniques, books and the latest in threads over a cuppa and a chat. Tatting embraces not only treasured old patterns, but also jewellery, braids and motifs for clothing, Christmas ornaments and decorations, and much more. We would welcome anyone who would like to join us on the first Monday of each month school- and public holidays excepted.

Group meets 1st Monday of the Month during Term time from 10am-12pm
Cost $3 per session

Dorelle Rule
On behalf of Mackie Rd Tatting Group.

Mackie Rd Multicultural Playgroup

Every Friday our multicultural play group meets at Mackie Road Neighbourhood House in Mulgrave. Our playgroup provides the families and children an opportunity to be socialise and be creative.

Currently we have approximately 20 families enrolled in term 3. We do music session for half an hour and children have exposure to different puppets, props, Audio CD's and lots of musical instruments. Also, there is time for structured play which is based on children's interests including making play dough, puppets etc.

We have recently celebrated different events like "Book Week" and "Father's Day", where children made their own book mark and a decorated card for their father.

Last but not the least we provide warm and welcoming indoor and outdoor environments fully setup for the children to enjoy and have free play. With more fun learning experiences this play group will continue to provide social and learning opportunities and support the multicultural community of Monash in the future.

Shanila Surani
Mackie Rd Playgroup Facilitator

Kerrie Neighbourhood House Inc.

Mackie Rd Homework Club

Homework Club is conducted each Tuesday during school terms from 4.00-5.30pm. Currently it is a group of eight primary school aged children, all from families where English is their second language.

The group is conducted by Margaret, primary teacher trained, assisted by Katie who is studying to be a secondary teacher.

The children bring along their school or tutoring homework, and work at their own pace. Afternoon tea is provided, and the children can enjoy a snack as they work. Margaret and Katie are on hand to assist and encourage when needed.
The children also have a folder of activity sheets for times when they have finished their assigned tasks.
The session is always concluded with a game, usually UNO, which the children enjoy as a group.

Mackie Rd Community Garden

The Community Garden at Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House is a wonderful resource for local residents and community groups.

With fourteen plots available for annual hire, the garden is popular with local families, groups supporting disabled participants, disadvantaged youth, Chinese families and participants of our Introduction to Gardening class.

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