

2018

ANNUAL REPORT

renew.
Leading in sustainability



Contents

COVER PHOTO CREDIT: AJAR
WORKSHOP/T8 PHOTOGRAPHY

renew.

Leading in sustainability

About Renew	PAGE 2
CEO's Report	PAGE 4
President's Report	PAGE 5
Sustainability Report	PAGE 7
Our Reach	PAGE 8
Inspiring Change	PAGE 9
Enabling Change	PAGE 12
Advocating Change	PAGE 15
Treasurer's Report	PAGE 17
Financial Reports	PAGE 18
Major Supporters	PAGE 22
Thank you	PAGE 23
Our Team	PAGE 25
Our Governance	PAGE 26

About Renew

Our vision

A world in which communities thrive in a way that does not cost the earth.

Our mission

To inspire, enable and advocate for people to live sustainably in their homes and communities.

Our Goals

United with our members and partners, by 2025 sustainable living in Australia will be:

- A common expectation for Australian households
- Affordable and accessible
- Supported and promoted by all levels of government
- Occurring at a scale where it is self-sustaining



Renew (Alternative Technology Association trading as Renew) is a national, not-for-profit organisation that inspires, enables and advocates for people to live sustainably in their homes and communities. Established in 1980, Renew provides expert, independent advice on sustainable solutions for the home to households, government and industry.

We have helped thousands of households save money and reduce their environmental footprint with information on energy efficiency, solar power, rainwater tanks, materials reuse and waste.

Renew advocates in government and industry arenas for easy access to sustainable solutions as well as continual improvement of the technology, information and products needed to change the way we live. Renew also provides consultancy services based on our technical expertise.

“Australians will live in comfortable, healthy and resilient homes that consume minimal energy, water and resources, and produce zero emissions from energy and transport.”

Renew acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of this nation. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which our organisation is located and where we conduct our work.

We pay our respects to ancestors and elders, past and present. Renew is committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to society.



CEO's Report

In recent months we have experienced record-breaking hot weather around the world, large parts of Australia moved into extreme drought and there have been bushfires in winter!

These events highlight why we need urgent action on climate change.

To meet challenges such as these, Australia needs strong organisations capable of scaling-up to have a greater impact. In 2017-18, Renew undertook major capacity building to ensure our growing organisation is fit-for-purpose. This included a rebranding of the organisation, developing a new organisation-wide CRM system and an overhaul of our online presence – combining five of our websites into one. While many of these projects were finished in the second half of 2018, much of their development took place in the 2017-18 financial year.

Thank you to our staff, who worked hard on these projects and at the same time provided services and organised events for our more than 6700 members and network of 16 active branches throughout the country. Renew continued publishing our market-leading sustainability magazines *Renew* and *Sanctuary* and ran 11 Speed Date a Sustainability Expert events, an Electric Vehicle Expo and Sustainable House Day.

We launched an updated version of our ground-breaking research on all-electric homes, led the development of ZNET Hepburn and helped other not-for-profit organisations reduce their energy bills and emissions. We continued to be a vital advocate for consumers in the energy market.

We also released the organisation's first long-term strategic vision, *Strategy 2025: Renewing Australia*. One of the major issues in the strategy was the need to advocate for better, more sustainable housing in Australia.

As an organisation that represents households and that has been providing independent information on sustainable technology and living for 38 years, we know

the benefits of energy-efficient homes.

A move to better-designed, zero-carbon housing has overwhelmingly positive benefits for Australian households with improved health and comfort, lower running costs, reduced emissions and homes more resilient to a changing climate. While we have seen immense growth of rooftop solar—so far more than 1.8 million Australians are already receiving the benefits of clean energy—overall our housing stock remains poor.

Despite this, there has been limited consumer advocacy on improving the energy efficiency standards of our buildings. Yet the home occupant ultimately pays the price for low building standards through high running costs and poor health. Our housing stock is going through a massive transformation and we need to act now or risk locking more people into houses that are not fit-for-purpose, especially as we face a changing climate.

Renew has started to form a broad coalition of groups to be the voice for households and advocate to improve the quality of new and existing houses. Our advocacy is supported by the ongoing independent information we provide to households through our magazines, research, events and online resources.

The time is right to act now.

The cost of doing nothing is too high for our health, our livelihoods and our planet.



Donna Luckman
CEO

President's Report

Welcome to Renew. Welcome to our renewal of the Alternative Technology Association (ATA).

We have begun an important transformation of the ATA into Renew, building upon its fabulous foundations from the 1980s and preparing it for greater reach and impact in the 21st century. The extensive transformation currently under way is perhaps best signified by the name change. 'Renew' has been the name of our iconic, very popular and longest-published magazine; and as one word our new name signifies a positive vision, a 'can-do attitude', as well as a call to action.

The name change had been planned for some time and formed part of our Strategy to 2025. This bold strategy required us to make many changes internally, and to change our business focus. We commenced our new trajectory to reach out to mainstream Australia, and to work with our growing network of members and partners to make sustainable living more affordable and accessible to Australians.

We decided that the time had come for us to do more than support our members and stakeholders in their sustainable living journeys; we realised the organisation occupied a special position and capacity from which it should support a shift that would benefit all Australians. And we believed this was urgent due to cost-of-living increases and climate change continuing as predicted.

Our 2025 Strategy is based on an extensive analysis of the trends and challenges for Australians in our homes, transport, technology, demographics, economy, environment, and capabilities. We recognised that Renew occupied a crucial position in Australia with some invaluable and unique features: a charity, member-based, national organisation financially independent of government, industry or special group. With solid evidence and innovation at its core, Renew could sustainably flourish and expand its operations and impact with the right framework.

For these reasons, we have made significant investments and changes in the past few years, and especially in the past 12 months. These are both external and internal in focus and significance.

Recent achievements:

- Launch of the new name Renew and roll-out of the new brand
- Uniting of many fragmented websites
- Formation and commencement of our Sustainable Housing Campaign

- Recruiting a Fundraising Manager and holding our first major fundraising event, reaching a high of \$40,000
- Raising of funds and recruitment of our first Sustainable Housing Advocate
- Launch of a new advisory service for members, the public and other NFPs
- Expansion of Sustainable House Day to attract more than 30,000 people
- Expansion of the Electric Vehicle Expo to attract 5000 people
- Running public events across the country
- Rolling the Strategy 2025 into three and one year Business Plans
- Shifting systems into smart customer relationship management (CRM) so we can increase our reach, membership, revenue, fundraising and market intelligence.

2018-19 will see the completion and realisation of a number of these initiatives. We look forward to the closer collaboration and support of our members, branches and partners with our Climate Resilient Homes campaign. We look forward to increased revenue into the organisation so we can extend our reach and influence

This has been a hard year of long hours endured by a determined team working to form a stronger organisation. My deepest thanks to my Board colleagues, Renew staff, branch committees, volunteers, our partners in many companies and organisations, donors and members.

In closing, I especially want to thank retiring members of the ATA/Renew Board:

- John Bailey, Chair of the Finance Committee and Vice-President for six sterling years of wise counsel
- Russell Anderson, Chair of Governance and Risk, member of the Finance Committee and Corporate Secretary for five years of intelligent direction
- Simon Molesworth, member of the Strategy and Business Development Committee for two years of worldly overviews.

Renew looks forward to continuing its work inspiring, engaging and advocating for sustainable homes and communities, and to this end your continued support of Renew. We look forward to the forthcoming years of growth, value and impact.



*Helen Millicer
President*



Sustainability Report

Renew walks the talk by ensuring that our own practices and operations are sustainable. We make sure that we have a low environmental footprint, reduced carbon emissions and a comfortable and healthy work environment.

MATERIALS & RECYCLING

All office food waste is composted and the compost used in staff members' gardens. Paper, glass, cardboard, plastic containers and aluminium are recycled, as well as electronic waste, polystyrene, CDs, ink and toner cartridges, plastic film, batteries and light globes.

TRANSPORT

The Renew office is located in Melbourne's CBD with staff walking, using public transport or riding a bike to commute to work. Renew uses the GoGet carshare company, and the hybrid and wholly electric vehicles in its fleet when they are available.

Air travel emissions are offset through the Community Climate Chest (C3), a joint project of Renew and ACX Argyle. The initiative allows proceeds from the purchase of carbon offsets and GreenPower to go back to environment groups.

OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

We choose fair-trade, organic products for staff tea, coffee and sugar. Honey and soy sauce are sourced from an organic supplier and our own containers taken and refilled. We purchase 100%

post-consumer waste tissues and toilet paper and bulk eco dishwashing liquid and eco hand wash to refill our own dispensers. The most environmentally friendly stationery options, postage bags and packing materials are purchased where possible and items reused, refilled and recycled when they can be.

Any new office equipment, including printers and computers, are chosen based on energy consumption, consumables and recyclability.

ENERGY

Renew purchases offsets for its office electricity through our C3 social enterprise. Our solar workshop at CERES Environment Park in East Brunswick, Victoria, has a solar power system that feeds clean energy back into the mains electricity grid.

Renew's rented office has energy-efficient lighting and active heating and cooling systems. There are openable windows and fans which can be zoned. We have installed a smart-meter display which enables us to monitor in real time our electricity consumption, and ensure all standby loads are turned off at the end of the working day.

PAPER AND PRINTING

All office documents and brochures are printed on recycled stock using vegetable-based inks. Our office paper is 100% recycled post-consumer waste and is recommended by The Wilderness Society in their Ethical Paper Guide. Renew membership cards are also 100% post-consumer recycled stock, are fully recyclable and supplied by a sustainable printer.

We are always looking for ways to minimise the amount of office copy paper used and prefer e-marketing options and use of email instead of paper products for promotions.

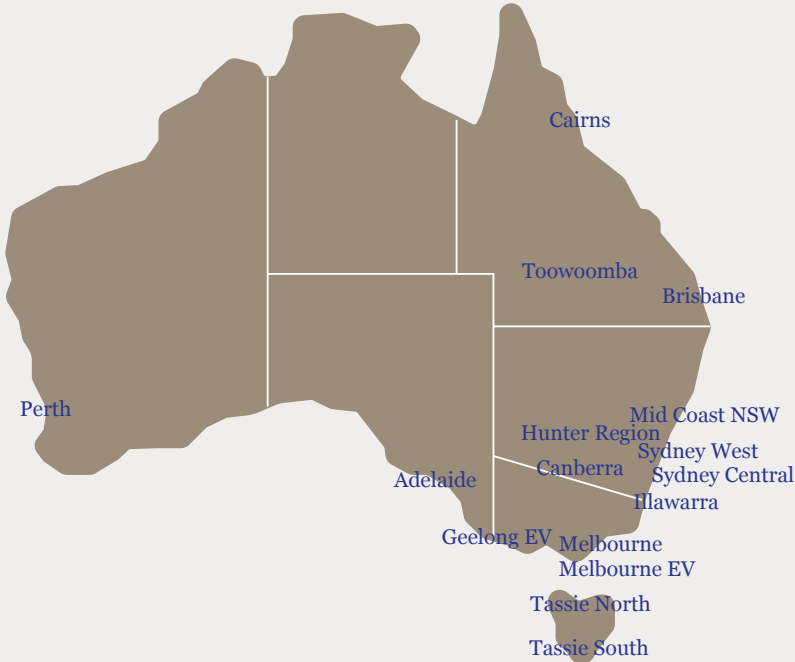
For the printing of the magazines we choose printing companies that use best practice ISO14001 Environmental Management System and print on Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified stock.

Our Reach

Renew engages with more than 250,000 people each year around Australia and beyond. We work with more than 6700 members in a network of 16 active branches throughout the country.

Our community of climate-change action includes readers of our two market-leading sustainability magazines *Renew* and *Sanctuary*, attendees at our Speed Date a Sustainability Expert, EV Expo and Sustainable House Day events, users of our online information and calculators, people contacting our advice service, and our research and advocacy partners.

Our network of branches expanded over the year to include Mid-Coast NSW and Hunter and reboot of the Perth branch.



RENEW BRANCHES ACROSS AUSTRALIA

MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS



16,660 Member reach & over 1,000 volunteers



1,000 unique donors

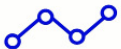


115,000 publications readership

DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS



33,000 users of tools or advice



300,000 website visitors & 55,000 news subscribers



35,000 social media followers

EVENTS



29,000 visitors on Sustainable House Day



Energy talks >1,500
SDSE dates >1,200
Branch events >5,000
SLF >2,000



6,000 EV Expo attendees (est)

ADDITIONAL IMPACTS



38,000 people benefiting from solar lighting in Timor-Leste



Media reach



Over 150 project partners and affiliations

Inspiring Change

Renew conducts popular national and local community events showcasing real-life sustainable solutions for homes. Our vital, independent and practical information includes case studies for households and communities, providing the information to act.

SUSTAINABLE HOUSE DAY

On September 17, 2017, 29,049 visits were recorded at 206 homes across Australia, an increase of 68% on 2016, and the event successfully garnered a significant level of media coverage including television, radio, print and online publications. More than 55% of people attended Sustainable House Day for the first time, showing that we are meeting a new and growing audience of people wanting to make changes in their own homes.

“We enjoyed the experience of sharing our story with lots of interested and interesting people and you can too. So go ahead and open your doors and gardens and you can be the inspiration and beacon for others in their sustainable journeys.” Sustainable House Day Homeowner 2017.

SPEED DATE A SUSTAINABILITY EXPERT

From Blacktown to Perth, Renew conducted 11 popular Speed Date a Sustainability Expert events in conjunction with local councils. Tailored advice was given through 966 dates to 381 people from 94 sustainability experts ranging from architects and building designers to water and energy efficiency experts, builders, and garden and solar specialists.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE EXPO

More than 6000 people attended the hugely successful Electric Vehicle Expo in Melbourne on February 18, 2018. As well as a range of cars, bikes and scooters on display, people were able to test-drive electric cars and ride electric bikes around the enclosed track.

Lily D'Ambrosio, the Victorian Minister for Environment and Energy, attended the Expo and presented the Show and Shine competition prizes. Greens Senator Janet Rice was also on hand to open the event.

Thank you to the dedicated volunteers of the Melbourne Electric Vehicle Branch for the expo.



FROM LEFT: ELECTRIC VEHICLE EXPO 2018 AWARD WINNER JOHN BUDD, EVA HAKANSSON, THE WORLD'S FASTEST FEMALE MOTORCYCLE RIDER AND LILY D'AMBROSIO, VICTORIAN MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY AT THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE EXPO.



Inspiring Change

ONLINE TOOLS AND RESOURCES

In October 2017, we launched Australia's first free, comprehensive and independent solar and battery advice service. The online tool gives people looking to buy a rooftop solar and/or battery system guidance on the right size for them, along with expected energy bill savings and payback times. Since the launch there have been more than 2800 users of the tool.

The solar and battery calculator complements our more advanced Sunulator tool, which was used by over 2500 people. Tankulator, our online rainwater tank calculator, had more than 30,000 users.

We also added to our range of e-books with an updated version of our *Renters Guide to Sustainable Living*. Paper copies of the guide were also distributed at a number of Bunnings stores.



RENEW & SANCTUARY MAGAZINES

Our magazines *Renew: Technology for a sustainable future* and *Sanctuary: Modern green homes* continued to provide leading independent information on trends in sustainable technology and design with a combined readership of 115,000.

Quality articles helped set the agenda as well as providing case studies, DIY articles and buyers guides.

“I constantly recommend both Renew and Sanctuary to not just friends but people I meet in the street, at dinner, you name it! I believe the magazines are a wonderful way to keep abreast of so many fast moving developments in sustainable technology. And I am passionate about caring for the environment and believe Renew is doing a good job helping people do just that.”

Reader Survey 2018.



Enabling Change

Renew provides quality, independent advice tailored to individual household and community needs, through our advisory, in-house consultancy services and network of industry professionals. Our advisory services are supported by our cutting-edge research and economic modelling into existing and emerging sustainable technology for households and communities.

NEW ADVISORY SERVICE

One of the hardest decisions facing people wanting to have solar and batteries installed is the size of the system that's right for them.

In late 2017, Renew launched Australia's first free and independent online solar and battery advice service.

Based on our Sunulator solar feasibility tool, the calculator was developed to answer the key questions households need to know before buying a rooftop solar system or solar and battery system. After a five-minute online survey, respondents are given advice on the kind of solar system that suits them. A report is produced with different options for solar and batteries, likely savings on electricity and payback periods.

NOT-FOR-PROFIT ADVISORY SERVICE

Renew's Sustainable Energy in Not-for-Profit Organisations was launched in November 2017. Funded by the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation, its aim was to help Victorian not-for-profit organisations registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission save money on electricity costs with rooftop solar and improve overall energy efficiency.

Renew conducted free site feasibility and supplier assessments as well as a range of other services to help organisations move to renewable energy. Forty-one not-for-profits including youth services, aged care facilities, health organisations, community groups and sports clubs initially signed up to the program, which is currently ongoing.

ZERO NET EMISSION TRANSITION

Renew is a project partner in Zero Net Emission Transition, or Z-NET, a community energy initiative to support towns throughout Australia satisfying their energy needs from renewable energy. The first town in the project was Uralla in NSW, and in 2018 Renew took the lead in helping the Hepburn Shire in Victoria set targets and go beyond just energy to consider how to achieve carbon neutrality. Activities so far include the formation of a community advisory panel, participation in a solar bulk-buy program, baseline carbon emissions inventory and draft community transition plan.

The University of NSW's Practical Justice Initiative has partnered to bring a social justice lens to the transition plan as well as funding a learning exchange between the Uralla and Hepburn communities.



ALL-ELECTRIC HOMES RESEARCH

New homes that are all-electric and have solar power will save their owners thousands of dollars compared to new homes with dual fuel (gas and electric) and no solar—that's what Renew found after extensive modelling in the *Household Fuel Choice in the National Electricity Market* report.

Funded by Energy Consumers Australia, the report showed homeowners would be \$9000 - \$16,000 better off over 10 years if they established their new home as all-electric with a 5-kilowatt solar system rather than gas-electric with no solar. It also found there needed to be a review of policies and programs that subsidised or supported the expansion of gas networks.

Enabling Change

SOLAR IN TIMOR LESTE

Since 2003, Renew has been working with communities in Timor-Leste to provide clean, renewable lighting and electricity. We have helped install solar lighting and power to more than 2000 homes and over 100 community centres, orphanages, schools and hospitals in remote rural villages. We have also helped train 180 village-based solar technicians. Thanks to the generosity of our donors and volunteers, over 38,000 Timorese have benefited from renewable energy.

In 2017 Renew and its partners lit up a further 185 rural homes and trained eight new local solar technicians, directly benefiting about 1300 people.

Support from the Andrew McNaughtan Foundation enabled us to work on a new Guiding Lights project, developing picture-based guides for accessible community education on solar energy.

We are currently focused on how to use our experience, knowledge and relationships to deliver solar lighting and energy to more people and ensure that the lights stay on.



“NOW WE CAN WORK AT NIGHT TIME. WE CAN FIX OUR FISHING NETS OR PREPARE THE BAITS. WITH OUR SOLAR SYSTEMS, WE BECAME MORE COURAGEOUS AS A COMMUNITY.”

MANUEL NAHAK CLAU, FISHERMAN, LA'EN TOLU VILLAGE,
COVALIMA DISTRICT TIMOR LESTE



Advocating Change

Renew provides powerful advocacy generated from our practical experience, analysis, extensive networks and national reach. We advocate in government and industry arenas for policies that support and encourage sustainable living and housing. We push for the removal of barriers to make sustainable living affordable and accessible.

CLIMATE-RESILIENT HOMES

In 2018, Renew kicked off a long-term, national campaign to try and increase the energy performance of both new and existing homes across Australia.

Our Climate Resilient Homes campaign initially targeted the 2019 to 2022 review of the National Construction Code, with a view to increasing the minimum performance of new homes to at least 7 Stars. Renew has a strategic goal to increase this standard to 7.5 Stars by 2025.

The need is urgent and the opportunity significant for Australia to improve the energy performance of new and existing homes. In the short time that Renew has been working on the issue, we have been building a diverse coalition of groups looking to advocate on improving our homes.

BEHIND THE METER CODE

In 2017, Renew was invited onto a national working group developing a voluntary industry code of conduct for behind-the-meter (BTM) products and services. This was to address the lack of customer protections in the growing 'off-market' energy products and services sector (ie. solar, batteries, energy management, virtual

power plants) compared to the traditional energy market.

The BTM group is working with the Clean Energy Council to expand its Solar Retailer Code to cover other energy products and services. When complete, the new code will give households greater certainty and confidence when engaging with non-traditional energy businesses.

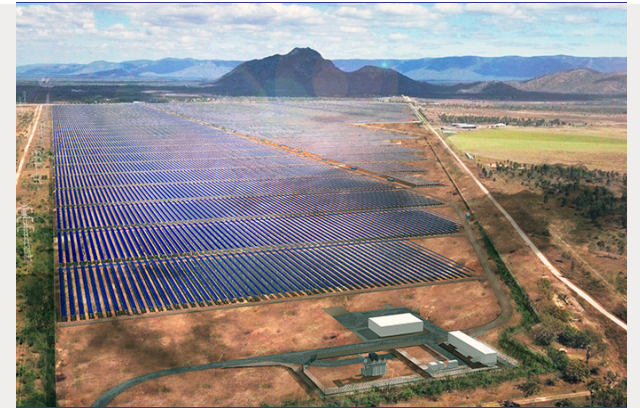
TIME-VARIANT FEED-IN TARIFFS

Renew supported the Victorian Government's decision to introduce time-variant feed-in tariffs because they better reflect the true value of solar generation. To understand what this means for solar households, we analysed the difference in feed-in tariff revenue for typical households and system sizes and orientations.

We found that compared to a flat tariff, the time-variant one would result in:

- west-facing solar systems earning more than northeast-facing ones
- northwest-facing systems earning more than north-facing ones (north-facing systems would still earn more than other orientations).

North-western or north/west split facing panels will have greater economic value for most households with time-variant tariffs like Victoria's. Results may vary in other states.



100% RENEWABLES BY 2030

Renew produced an independent analysis of the potential of Australia's electricity grid to be run entirely by renewable energy by 2030.

A 100%-renewable grid can be achieved by accelerating the installation of wind and solar power by 80% backed by pumped hydro energy storage and extra transmission lines.

The paper was released in November 2017 before the COAG Energy Council's first consideration of the National Energy Guarantee policy. It pointed out that reaching full renewable energy by 2030 was in the longer term, and cheaper and less risky than building new coal-fired power plant stations.

“THERE IS A LOT OF INFORMATION ONLINE BUT IT REALLY ISN'T CLEAR WHO CAN BE TRUSTED, SO RENEW WAS A GREAT OPTION FOR US.

IT WAS SUPER HELPFUL! I NOW FEEL CONFIDENT TO LOOK FOR LOCAL INSTALLERS, UNDERSTANDING MUCH BETTER WHAT I AM LOOK FOR ... AND WHAT I AM NOT.”

DUNCAN, RENEW ADVICE SERVICE USER



Treasurer's Report

2017/18 was a transformational year for Renew in which its new strategy was developed and significant investments made. The organisation reported a loss of \$133,622 for the year ended 30 June 2018 compared to a surplus of \$3112 for the previous year.

The loss was an improvement over the budgeted loss of \$167,997 and reflected planned investments in a new customer relationship management database, a new website and rebranding. These are expected to underpin significant long-term revenue and cost benefits and provide a platform for growth. The majority of work and spending on these projects occurred in 2017/18 and while there is still some investment to occur we expect the organisation to return to surplus in 2018/19.

In the year to June 2018 revenues were \$2,325,459 compared to \$2,353,729 in the previous year. Membership and subscription fees was the largest contributor to revenues and these grew 9.9%. Publication revenues grew 7.5% and donations and grants 2.4%. Project management revenues, however, were 22.5% lower reflecting a competitive landscape and time devoted to capacity building. Operating costs grew 4.6% to \$2,459,081 due to additional staff. Employee costs accounted for 61% of total costs for the year.

Notwithstanding these investments, Renew maintained strong liquidity with cash balances of \$899,966 at 30 June 2018. It also maintained a solid equity base with a retained surplus of \$177,384 at 30 June 2018.

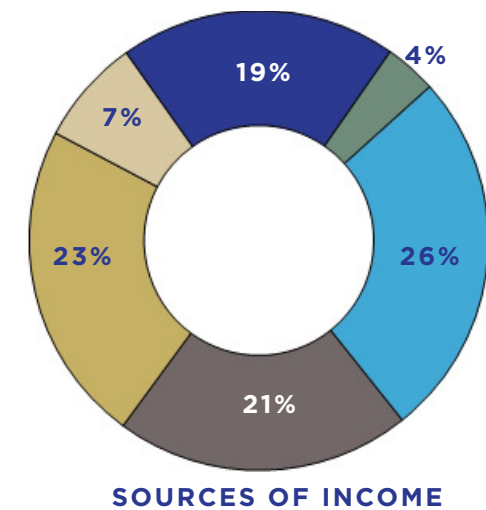
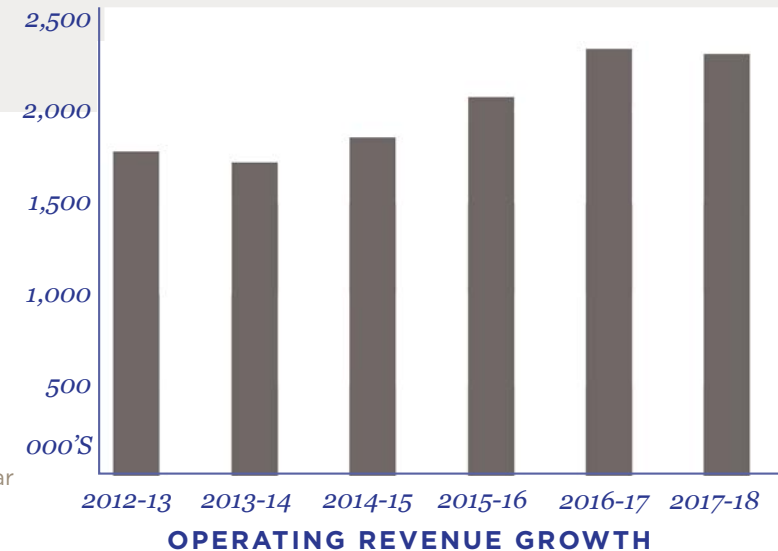
In 2018/19 we will increase our focus on housing advocacy with a dedicated policy specialist. Commensurate with the new focus there will be more fundraising opportunities in the coming year to support this important work.

2017/18 was a challenging year for Renew management and staff who worked diligently to implement major projects while ensuring the organisation continued to deliver its valuable products and services as well as exploring new opportunities.

Lastly, I would like acknowledge the growing member and donor base whose generous support is vital to the ongoing work of Renew and to enable it to bring about real change in sustainability in Australia.



Louisa Scott
Treasurer



- Membership fees
- Donations
- Publications
- Magazine subscriptions
- Other
- Projects

Statement of Income and Expenditure and other Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 30 June 2018

ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION INC
TRADING AS RENEW
ABN: 57 533 056 318

	2018	2017
REVENUE	\$	\$
Membership & sub fees	700,526	637,315
Project Management	483,634	624,009
Publications	603,446	560,842
Donations and grants	452,788	442,169
Sale of goods	39,876	44,924
Interest income	15,270	20,036
Other	29,919	24,434
TOTAL REVENUE	2,325,459	2,353,729
EXPENSES		
Employee benefit expense	(1,505,162)	(1,372,618)
Printing & Publishing	(217,668)	(211,408)
Project materials	(153,064)	(160,281)
Consultants & Prof.fees	(148,504)	(145,640)
Postage & freight	(112,531)	(127,604)
Marketing	(51,202)	(96,260)
Travel	(50,195)	(41,483)
Occupancy	(35,904)	(37,910)
Cost of sales	(29,388)	(34,798)
Depreciation	(18,044)	(13,892)
Other	(137,419)	(108,723)
TOTAL EXPENSES	(2,459,081)	(2,350,617)
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	(133,622)	3,112
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	(133,622)	3,112

Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2018

ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION INC
TRADING AS RENEW
ABN: 57 533 056 318

	2018	2017
CURRENT ASSETS	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	899,966	852,765
Trade and other receivables	143,327	165,435
Inventories	35,886	46,195
Other assets	53,557	19,409
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,132,736	1,083,804
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant & equipment	44,488	55,623
Intangible assets	138,737	21,132
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	183,225	76,755
TOTAL ASSETS	1,315,961	1,160,559
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	251,685	159,196
Short-term provisions	220,167	204,035
Other liabilities	640,568	469,693
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,112,420	832,924
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Long-term Provisions	26,157	16,629
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	26,157	16,629
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,138,577	849,553
NET ASSETS	177,384	311,006
EQUITY		
Settled sum	10	10
Retained surplus	177,374	310,996
TOTAL EQUITY	177,384	311,006

Statement of changes in equity for the Year Ended 30 June 2018

ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION INC
TRADING AS RENEW
ABN: 57 533 056 318

	SETTLED SUM	RETAINED SURPLUS	TOTAL
2018	\$	\$	\$
BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2017	10	310,996	311,006
Surplus /(deficit for the year)		(133,622)	(133,622)
BALANCE AT 30 JUNE 2018	10	177,374	177,384
2017			
BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2016	10	307,884	307,894
Surplus /(deficit for the year)		3,112	3,112
BALANCE AT 30 JUNE 2017	10	310,996	311,006

Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 30 June 2018

ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION INC
TRADING AS RENEW
ABN: 57 533 056 318

	NOTE	2018	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		\$	\$
Receipts from members, customers and donors		2,704,797	2,373,662
Payments to suppliers and employee		(2,548,352)	(2,330,104)
Interest received		15,270	18,160
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		171,715	61,718
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payment for plant and equipment		(6,909)	(22,702)
Payment for intangible assets		(117,605)	(24,150)
Net cash used for investing activities		(124,514)	(46,852)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		47,201	14,866
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		852,765	837,899
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		899,966	852,765

Major Supporters

Renew is grateful to everyone who has supported us over the past year. We value every donation and strive to maximise its impact to enable, inspire and advocate for sustainable living. Though we have diverse income streams we are constrained by our available resources, so every donation counts.

We would like to thank our major supporters throughout the year including:

- Andrew McNaughton Foundation
- Bank Australia
- Energy Consumers Australia
- K & H Johnston Family Foundation
- Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation
- Mullum Trust
- Minter Ellison
- NSW Dept of Planning & Environment
- Porter Novelli
- Telematics Trust
- RACV
- Sustainability Victoria



Legacy giving

Every gift, no matter the size, makes a significant difference and identifies you as a Sustainer in Renew's Community of Change.

When we reflect on what our legacy will be, loved ones always come first. For many Australians, there is also room to support causes and issues that we are passionate about, by leaving a gift in our Will or naming a charity as a beneficiary of our life insurance or superannuation.

By supporting Renew with a bequest, you are helping us to inspire, represent and enable sustainable living in households and communities across Australia. Your gift will help generate a tipping point in sustainability, creating a legacy that is both long-lived and without borders.

Renew is also happy to accept donations in lieu, in honour of, or in memoriam.

For more information and contact details please visit <https://renew.org.au/donate/legacy-giving/>

Thank you

Renew provides powerful advocacy generated from our practical experience, analysis, extensive networks and national reach. We advocate in government and industry arenas for policies that support and encourage sustainable living and housing. We push for the removal of barriers to make sustainable living affordable and accessible.

Event Partners:

- 2021
- Adelaide Sustainable Building Network
- Australian Solar Council
- Baw Baw Sustainability Network
- Banyule City Council
- Bayside City Council
- Bass Coast Shire Council
- Benalla Rural City Council
- Benalla Sustainable Futures Group
- Bendigo Sustainability Group
- Bindarrabi Rural Landshare Community
- Brimbank City Council
- Blacktown City Council
- BREAZE
- Cambden Community Connections
- Cairns Regional Council
- Centre for Liveability Real Estate
- City of Adelaide
- City of Armadale
- City of Boroondara
- City of Glen Eira
- City of Gosnells
- City of Greater Dandenong
- City of Melbourne
- City of Moonee Valley
- City of Mount Gambier
- City of Perth
- City of Port Phillip
- City of Stonnington
- City of Sydney
- City of Vincent
- City of Yarra
- City of Whitehorse
- City of Wodonga
- Community Actions for Sustainability
- CoolMOB
- Custom Green Homes
- Deco Housing Denmark Group
- Department of Environment and Energy (Fed)
- Environment House
- Frankston City Council
- Frasers Property Australia
- Geelong Sustainability Group
- Greater Shepparton City Council
- Hobsons Bay City Council
- HomeBase
- Inner West Council
- Ku-ring-gai Council
- Lottery West
- Macedon Ranges Sustainability Group
- Moorabool Environment Group
- Maribyrnong City Council
- Marrickville Council
- Maroondah City Council
- Melbourne University Energy Transition Hub
- Mildura City Council
- Monash City Council
- Mornington Peninsula Shire
- Municipality of Lane Cove
- Nillumbik Shire Council
- Permaculture Sydney North
- Powershop
- Randwick City Council
- Rura City of Wangaratta
- SEE-Change
- Solar Dwellings
- Southcoast Health and Sustainability Alliance
- Sustainable Buildings Research Centre
- Sustainable Living Festival
- The Cape
- The Forever Project
- The GreenSwing
- Waverley Council
- Willoughby City Council
- Wodonga Council
- Woollahra Municipal Council
- Warrnambool Environmental Action Group
- Wyndham City Council
- Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance
- City of Stonnington
- Clean Energy Council
- Climate Change Action Network
- Community Power Agency
- Consumer Action Law Centre
- Consumer Policy Research Centre
- CSIRO
- Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning (Vic)
- Department of Industry (NSW)
- Department of Justice (Vic)
- Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action
- Energy4Impact
- Energy Networks Association
- Environment Victoria
- Friends of the Earth
- Grattan Institute
- Jemena
- Melbourne Energy Institute
- Mirboo North Community Energy
- Monash University
- Moreland Energy Foundation
- Moonee Valley Council
- Monanerga Consulting Services
- Office of Environment and Heritage (NSW)
- point Advisory
- Public Interest Advocacy Centre
- RACV
- Renewable Albury Wodonga

Project & Research Partners:

- ACX Argyle
- Akin Consulting
- Australian Energy Market Commission
- Australian Energy Market Operator
- Australian Energy Regulator
- Beyond Zero Emissions
- Brotherhood of St Laurence
- Building Designers Association of Victoria

Thank you

- RMIT University
- Rural City of Wangaratta
- St Vincent de Paul
- South Gippsland Shire Council
- The Hub Foundation
- Total Environment Centre
- University of NSW
- Victorian Council of Social Service
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute
- Yarra Energy Foundation

Timor Leste Partners:

- Anchor
- CNEFP Tibar, Timor-Leste
- Department of Renewable Energy (Timor-Leste)
- Engineers Without Borders - Australia & Timor-Leste
- The EnviroShop
- H & K Johnston Family Foundation
- Friends of Aileu
- Friends of Baucau
- Friends of Lacluta
- Friends of Suai/Covalima
- Kovess International
- Latronics
- Meyer Timber
- Mira Fonseca
- Natiles NGO, Timor-Leste
- Pixelasia Timor-Leste
- Plasmatronics
- Precision Management Solutions
- Rotary - Melbourne & Timor-Leste
- Sole Purpose Moulding
- Timor Adventures
- WithOneBean & WithOneSeed

General support

- Australian Environmental Grantmakers Network
- Hawkesbury Earth Care Centre
- Interface Australia
- The Mathews Family

VOLUNTEERS

A large number of people donate their time to Renew and add to its success and strengths. The following people have been instrumental in the past year:

- Stephen Whately
- Kellie Flanagan
- Rick Molloy
- Dick Clarke
- Tim Adams
- All our Speed Date experts, who contribute enormously to the success of these events around the country.
- All the volunteers who helped at the Renew stalls at the many shows Renew attended through the year.
- All the volunteers who helped at houses around Australia for Sustainable House Day, in addition to Nina Bishop and Ankita Gurav who came in weekly to help us run the event and Monash University interns Yuhan Wang and Jiaxin Pan.
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute student interns: Syed Ayaz Naeem, Jack Bauer, Rocky Santos, Rick Smith.
- Renew's successes in Timor-Leste would not be

possible without the hard work of Renew members and volunteers. A big thank you to: Michael O'Connell, Lisa Weber, Richard Johnston, Vaishali Haria, David Tolliday, Alan Hutchinson and Mick Harris

RENEW LIFE MEMBERS

We would like to acknowledge our Life Members for their unique, invaluable and ongoing contributions to Renew. Many thanks to:

- Godfrey Davies
- Paul Fritze
- Mick Harris
- Alan Hutchinson
- Noel Jeffries
- Chris Moss
- Michael O'Connell
- Alan Pears
- Alan Strickland
- David Winterton

Our team

STAFF

Harry Andrews - International Projects Manager

Don Batson - Chief Operating Officer

Nick Carrazzo - Energy Analyst

Jacinta Cleary - Online Editor

Anna Cumming - Communications Projects Manager

Kulja Coulston - Sanctuary Managing Editor

Katy Daily - Marketing Manager

Robyn Deed - ReNew Managing Editor

Mohit Gulati - Advertising Manager

Michael Harris - Technical Specialist

Gemma Helms - Administration Officer

Stella Hughes - Accountant

Sophie Liu - Administration Officer

Dean Lombard - Senior Energy Policy Advocate

Donna Luckman - CEO

Jodie Meehan - Administration Manager

Damien Moyse - Energy Projects & Policy Manager

Keiran Price - Energy Analyst

Jodi Rashbrook - Events Manager

Andrew Reddaway - Energy Analyst

Doug Rolfe - Branch Co-ordinator

Sasha Shtargot - Media and Online Content Manager

Chris Turner - Fundraising Manager

Lance Turner - Technical Editor

Olivia Wykes - Administration Assistant

Jessamie Yule - Online and Research Assistant

BOARD

Russell Anderson (Secretary)

John Bailey (Vice President)

Mark Bytheway

Grant Downie

Tristy Fairfield

Dominique La Fontaine

Helen Milicer (President)

Simon Molesworth

Caroline Pidcock

Louisa Scott (Treasurer)

Gerlinde Scholz

TRUSTEES

Mark Bytheway

Ian Court

Blair Lindsay

Gayle Seddon



Renew Board members from left: Tristy Fairfield, Dominique La Fontaine, Russell Anderson, Mark Bytheway, Gerlinde Scholz, Helen Milicer, Grant Downie, John Bailey, Caroline Pidcock, Louisa Scott (Simon Molesworth absent).

Our governance

- Renew's Constitution brings the organisation in line with current best practice. It also confirms our fundamental commitment to enable, inspire and advocate for sustainable living across Australia.
- Renew is governed by an independent Board of Management and managed by professional executives. More information on Board members are available at <https://renew.org.au/about-us/our-people/>.
- We are audited annually by the independent accounting firm Saward Dawson, with oversight from the Financial Committee. Financials are reported in this document and available in previous Annual Reports (available on request).
- Our Annual Report provides a comprehensive overview of our activities over the year and what we do in the year ahead. The report provides interested persons and stakeholders detailed information about Renew's programs, activities and financial performance.
- Renew is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission.
- We are registered with Consumer Affairs Victoria as a registered fundraiser.
- Renew has current deductible gift recipient status (DGR 1) with full tax concession status.
- We have a privacy policy listed published at <https://renew.org.au/privacy-policy/>



**CLIMATE CHANGE LEADERSHIP
NSW GREEN GLOBE AWARDS 2017**



**CLIMATE CHANGE LEADERSHIP
UNAA CLIMATE ACTION AWARDS 2017**



**CLIMATE CHANGE LEADERSHIP
UNAA CLIMATE ACTION AWARDS 2017**

renew.

Alternative Technology Association trading as Renew
ABN 57 533 056 318
Reg No. A0017411T

-
L1, 39 Little Collins St.
Melbourne VIC 3000
61 (3) 9639 1500

renew.org.au