



Central Lakes Trust

'A helping hand'

Annual Report 2006-2007

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Chairman's Report 2006-2007

I am pleased to introduce the Central Lakes Trust's 2006/2007 Annual Report. We have had a very good year. The Trust's asset base continues to grow and our grant programme has by and large been able to meet our beneficiaries' needs. Two years of satisfactory investment returns has resulted in reaching a reserving target that will future proof the Trust against the rising demands and expectations of a rapidly increasing population.

Staffing

It was with regret that on 26 April 2007 Trustees said farewell to Rhondda Poon after eight very successful years as Chief Executive Officer. Rhondda was the visible face of the Trust; the person our beneficiaries turned to for advice and guidance in making a grant application. She was the personification of the 'helping hand'. Over the years she became more than just a help to Trustees. In advising on and supporting the development of the Trust's strategic plan, she also articulated its very heart and soul. Fellow Trustees join me in wishing Rhondda and her family a successful transition to the Hawke's Bay.

I am pleased to welcome Paul Allison as the new Chief Executive Officer. Paul was formerly the Chief Executive of Sport Otago in Dunedin, and has now relocated with his family to Cromwell. Trustees have undertaken an induction process with him and are confident that his integration into our organisation will be seamless. He expects to be out and about in the community in the next months as he makes himself known to you.

Our thanks to our Trust staff that have so ably supported us as Trustees - they are the public face of the Trust and I feel represent us well.

Investments

In investment terms the Trust has had another good year.

The return of 5.5% (\$8.465m) from the investment portfolio was a very satisfactory result taking into account the poor performance of International equities and the strength of the New Zealand dollar; you can also add to this the contribution from Pioneer Generation. The more diversified investment strategy developed last year in conjunction with financial advisors Forsyth Barr, coupled with benign global market conditions, has resulted in a strong financial position for the Trust.

The outlook for the coming year remains positive. No substantial tactical changes to the portfolio are proposed, although minor rebalancing will occur from time to time.

Grant Programme Management

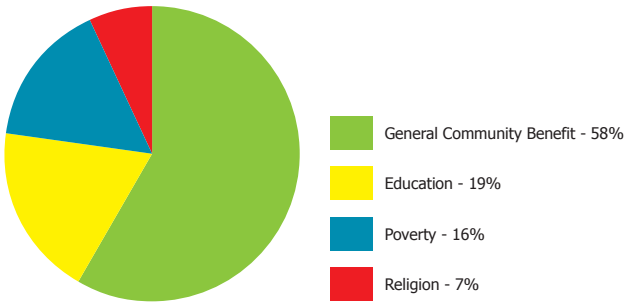
The Trustees approved grants totaling \$5.741 million for the year. This was down on last year's figure, but reflects a smaller demand for large grant amounts over \$500,000, rather than a decline in applications. Forty percent of the grants approved were for less than \$10,000, while ten percent of the grants approved were for \$100,000 and over. The grants went to 147 community organisations with a good representation across the Trust's region.

Pioneer Generation

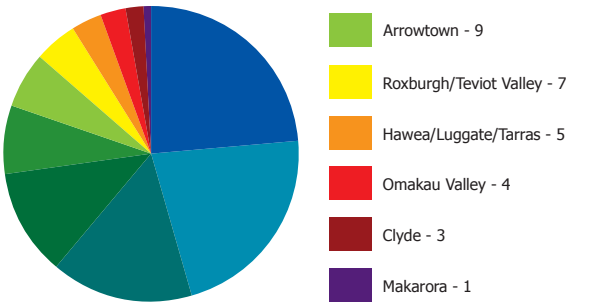
The Trust owns 100% of the shares of Pioneer Generation Limited, and accordingly Pioneer is an important part of our investment portfolio. Pioneer performed strongly in 2006/07, returning a total dividend to the Trust of \$3.7 million.

The company has continued to improve its generation capacity with major upgrades to the plant and equipment at the Monowai station. Other developments are at a planning stage and these, along with a robust strategy of balancing income against growth, should ensure the company continues to prosper

How Central Lakes Trust supports our community



Grants made by charity sector



Number of grants approved by area

and return substantial dividends in the years to come.

I would like to extend to Allan Kane and his fellow directors our thanks on their management and control of the company and we acknowledge the good relationship and communication between our two Boards.

Philanthropy Conference

A highlight of the year for Trustees and staff was attending the Philanthropy New Zealand Conference in Wellington in March. Held every two years, the conference was an excellent opportunity to hear world class speakers and to reflect on the very core purpose of the Trust. The opportunity to compare and contrast best practice against our own was invaluable. A presentation by Liz Gillies of the Helen Macpherson Smith Trust of Australia was the inspirational

highlight of the conference and a challenge to our Trustees as we seek to emulate the efficiency, effectiveness and creativity of her organisation.

Strategic Planning

The Trust remains sensitive to the needs of its community and encourages applications for funds from all who qualify under the charitable conditions of the Trust Deed. At a recent meeting Trustees reaffirmed their commitment to being a 'helping hand' to all intending beneficiaries, and restated their ongoing support, advice and guidance to people making applications.

In addition the Trust continues to seek partnerships in the community to identify and validate community need, thus encouraging initiatives and ideas that will have significant outcomes for many.

There has been considerable progress in this area over

the year with commitment in principle to new educational initiatives in schools and in the development of the concept of a Wakatipu Community House as a model for coordinating and rationalising social services throughout the district. In addition the regional youth trusts are working in partnership with the Trust to improve the quality and efficient delivery of their services.

The Trust is also developing partnerships in the environmental sector with a view to protecting heritage values in our community.

Trust Office Location

The Trust may be on the move again. The relocation to 10 The Mall Cromwell in October 2005 gained some much needed space but was only a temporary move. Tenancy restrictions and the expansion of Trust activities means that by the end of 2008 new premises will be required. To provide an office environment that will stand the test of time it is likely the Trust will need a purpose designed building. Negotiations have begun with the Cromwell Community Board over suitable sites in Cromwell, and Arrow International has prepared a preliminary feasibility report for a purpose designed building.

Number of grants approved by dollar value:

Grant Value	Number of grants approved
Up to \$9,999	59
\$10,000 to \$49,999	61
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12
\$100,000 to \$249,999	12
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1
Over \$500,000	2

Concluding Comments

I am proud to have had the privilege to serve as the Trust's Chair, and I'm very proud of its achievements. It has been a busy and rewarding year.

I wish to acknowledge the experience and commitment of the excellent people who work with me on the Board and support me. My fellow trustees, Graeme Bell, Liz Duggan, Eion Edgar and Peter Mead, and special thanks to Deputy Chair Mike Allison, who has really shared the Chairs job with me this year.

Finally I feel it has been a really good year, with some excellent outcomes in giving our community a real "helping hand" and to have the good financial return that allows us to do it. We look forward to achieving the same in the coming year.

Duncan Butcher
Chairman



Chief Executive's Report 2006-2007

Kia ora, greetings to all. This report is tinged with a bit of sadness as it will be my last for the Central Lakes Trust. As I reflect on almost eight years of service to the Trust and consider the opportunities and community projects we have helped along, I can only smile with a sense of 'money well spent'. Could anyone be sad thinking about how many children now enjoy improved conditions in early childhood centres; or the number of elderly people who have the opportunity for company, warmth, exercise and companionship; or the improved scope of community services that are now reliably available to the community? I think not.

In the first seven years of grant making, the Central Lakes Trust has helped bring security of tenure to community workers through the sustaining grant programme; dignity to old age with assistance to services for the elderly; state of the art hospital facilities to the sick; and helped schools and education providers extend their curriculum activities to children and adults.

These are just a selection of the types of benefits that it has been a joy to be involved with.

Financial Results

The Trust's investments returned satisfactory results for the year. Total capital grew by \$5.763m for the year. This was after operating expenses of \$1.076m and \$5.741m grant approvals.

Returns from overseas markets in the second half of the year were affected by the sustained highs of the New Zealand dollar relative to the US dollar. This was unexpected but somewhat mitigated by the Trust's hedging policies. While high domestic rates are welcome for cash returns, the downside is the attractiveness of the New Zealand dollar to overseas currency markets and the part

that this demand consequently played in keeping the New Zealand dollar currency exchange at a high level.

Last year we reported that there had been a significant strategic shift in approach to investing and that it was going to be about a year before the effects of this change was felt. The change in portfolio structure reflected firstly the need to increase the amount of income available to the Trust and secondly the need to decrease the amount of investment volatility in the portfolio without harming the short or long term investment results.

The means by which these outcomes were to be achieved was a portfolio with far greater diversification of assets with a greater emphasis on income bearing assets. This was achieved by expanding the international investment portfolio into income bearing securities as well as increasing the diversification of overseas equities, introducing some alternative assets such as private equity, debt securities and hedge funds. The Trust also purchased units in a charitable New Zealand property fund.

Since those decisions were made, some funds within the portfolio have changed, but fundamentally, the strategy remains intact. The Trustees are pleased with the results despite the unforeseen market constraints previously mentioned and will continue to seek advice from the Trust's investment advisor, Forsyth Barr.

Strategic Planning

With the business as usual grant making programme in place and the investment strategy settled, the Trustees turned their attention to more strategic matters. As a result, they formed a view as to what the Trust's long term role in the community might be and

where Trust funds might be granted. The Trust's strategic intent: 'To give a helping hand to develop and implement systemic change that will improve the Central Lakes Trust community's opportunity to lead rewarding, happy and sustainable lives' reflects the desire to ensure that the Trust has a more integrated community role than just grant making. This means that the Trust is available as a facilitator of projects where it perceives the need and it is tested and validated by the appropriate community sectors.

Two good examples of this work in action are in the Social Infrastructure section of the Trust's strategic intent. Since 2006, the Trust has been collaborating with the Queenstown Lakes District Council, the Ministry of Social Development, the Wakatipu Interagency Group and the Community Trust of Southland to develop plans for the building of a Wakatipu Community House. This is a building that will house government and community sector services in an environment that is welcoming, safe and accessible. Close to being a 'one stop shop', the business structure will ensure that local community groups can access office or meeting space at a reasonable rental. The ownership structure will reflect community values associated with security of tenure, lower cost to the delivery of services and easy community access. It is expected that the Wakatipu Community House will be complete in late 2008 or early 2009.

The second example of the Trust's strategic development is in the area of youth trusts. The Trust has been working alongside all eight of the region's youth trusts to investigate the feasibility of creating one regional youth trust that would be the employer of all the regional

youth workers. The existing local youth trusts would retain their local autonomy and values by way of a management committee structure. The benefits of the regional youth trust would be a more streamlined treasury function as all income and expenditure would be managed collectively. It would mean that the youth sector as a whole in the region can develop – increasing its weight and standing as an integrated community sector.

These projects could not succeed without the Trust's requirement that the community needs to validate and take on the projects, thus releasing the Trust to carry out its core role as a community funding organisation at the appropriate time.

The Future

The Central Lakes Trust is poised to enter a new phase of development under the leadership of a new Chief Executive. I wish to offer the Trustees and staff of the Central Lakes Trust my heartfelt thanks for their support of the Trust and its objectives. To the incoming Chief Executive Paul Allison, I wish you the very best for the future.



Rhondda Poon
Chief Executive

Happy trails for mountain bikers



Culture & Recreation

Queenstown Mountain Bike Club

Many mountain bikers regard Queenstown as a region renowned for its spectacular topography and scenery. The growing popularity within the Central Otago region for off-road cycling has seen some great developments over the past year especially within Queenstown.

The Queenstown Mountain Bike Club was established in 2003, with membership numbers steadily increasing every month since. The Club has been working hard at developing several areas it now manages in cooperation with Queenstown Lakes

District Council, Department of Conservation and Wakatipu Trails Trust.

Thanks to receiving funding from various sources, including Central Lakes Trust, the Club has been proactive in establishing free access facilities specifically for mountain biking. One such area is The Wynyard Freestyle Terrain Park located in the Fernhill community which underwent a major upgrade prior to opening last summer.

"The opening was a great success with 30 or more riders attending, but the use of the

area since then has been just amazing," reported Club President, Lance Brown. "We have the locals just popping up after work for a social ride or getting together to do some shuttle runs on the downhill track. On the weekends it is not unusual to have groups travelling here especially to ride."

The park contains various terrain shaped for jumping, combined with wooden structures and features which add another element for riders to enjoy developing their technical skills. The park now offers a more diverse appeal to all mountain bikers who are

looking to experience the fun of free-ride mountain biking.

Ongoing developments for the Club include two further projects – additional trails to complement the existing tracks at Seven Mile Recreational Reserve, and creating a learner/development trail at Jardine Park, Kelvin Heights Peninsula, suitable for family use.

With mountain biking becoming such a popular recreational activity in this district, all these trails will provide plenty of enjoyment for bikers of all ages and ability.

Grants for Culture & Recreation

Alexandra Blossom Festival Committee

Event Expenses \$50,000

Arrowtown Autumn Festival

Event Expenses \$3,500

Arrowtown Bowling Club

Astrograss \$100,000

Aspiring Arts & Culture Trust

Exhibition Expenses - Earth from Above \$75,000

Central Otago Art Society

Exhibition Screens \$3,200

Central Otago Motorcycle Club

Track Fencing \$10,000

Central Otago Regional Choir

Spring Season Concert \$5,000

Christchurch Symphony Trust

School Programme \$43,000

Clyde Boating & Fishing Club

Marine VHF Repeater Station \$5,000

Cromwell Combined Society

Arts & Crafts

Exhibition Screens \$1,000

Destination Queenstown

Event Expenses \$10,000

Family Arts & Variety Show

Event Expenses \$5,000

Goldfields Miniature Club

Equipment \$1,000

Good Value Productions

Event Expenses \$6,000

Marama Strings Charitable Trust

Musical Event \$1,500

Michael Hill International

Violin Competition

Musical Event \$10,000

QLDC Queenstown Aquatic Centre

Aquatic Centre Project \$1,000,000

Queenstown Bowling Club

Astrograss & Shading \$100,000

Queenstown Events Centre Trust

Playing Field Lighting \$30,000

Queenstown Jazz Festival

Event Expenses \$30,000

Queenstown Mountain Bike Club

Trails Development \$19,500

Queenstown Shakespeare Trust

Event Expenses \$3,000

Roto Hawea Arts Festival

Event Expenses \$1,000

Roxburgh Golf Club

Upgrade Walking Tracks \$1,650

Southern Sinfonia

Musical Event \$16,200

Wakatipu Trails Trust

Sustaining Grant \$95,000

Wakatipu Whanau Support

Cultural Courses \$13,700

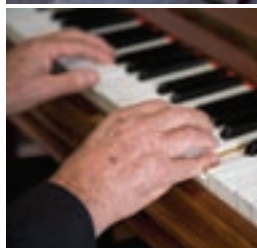
Wanaka Tennis Club

Court Lighting \$40,000

Wanakafest Community Trust

Event Expenses \$10,000

For the love of music



General

Last of the Summer Wine

◀ Michael Olds, Music Man

For the past five years, Cromwell man Michael Olds has been lifting hearts and spirits through the power of music in rest homes around the Central Lakes Trust region.

Mr Olds was originally one of a three person ensemble called 'Last of the Summer Wine', who travelled the district on a regular basis playing live music in local rest homes.

"With three players we felt like a full orchestra," joked Mr Olds. "However, changes in circumstances meant the other two had to stop playing, so now there is just me."

On alternate Fridays Mr Olds visits Ripponburn in Cromwell and Elmslie in Wanaka, and then Ranui and Castlewood in Alexandra.

He plays the piano, an instrument his mother sent him to the local convent to learn over 60 years ago, and normally performs for about one hour.

Knowing the residents by name, and playing music of their generation, Mr Olds directly connects with the many people who live in the rest homes in the district.

Trust staff visited Ripponburn to experience a Last of the Summer Wine concert. Watching the obvious delight on the faces of those enjoying the music, and listening to the residents singing along to the tunes they remember, demonstrated to us that the visits by 'The Music Man' are most definitely a highlight in the day for the residents and staff of the rest homes visited by Mr Olds.

"It's something I feel I can do for our older people," says Mr Olds. "It's not a big cost or a big effort, but I enjoy doing it

and it makes a difference in their days."

Ripponburn Rest Home Occupational Therapist Samantha Gilmour agrees.

"Seeing a familiar face regularly and being able to sing along to the music really is a highlight for all of our residents," says Ms Gilmour.

Whilst Mr Olds volunteers his time to perform at the homes, Central Lakes Trust supports this most valuable community initiative by providing grant funds to cover Mr Olds travel expenses.

Grants for General Purposes

Wanaka Search & Rescue
Emergency Equipment **\$10,000**

Lake Hawea Volunteer Fire Brigade
Emergency Support Vehicle **\$30,000**

Clyde Coastguard Inc
Rescue Vessel **\$20,000**

James Manson Rescue Tender Society
Vehicle Operating Costs **\$3,800**

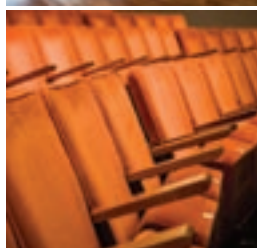
Chairman's Hardship Grant
Discretionary Grants (3) **\$2,300**

Last of the Summer Wine
Travelling Expenses **\$1,000**

"Thanks to Central Lakes Trust for supporting this project, we are sure that the Clyde, Alexandra and wider communities will benefit greatly from having this rescue vessel and well-trained crew members available."

Tony Smith
President, Clyde Coastguard

A facelift for a Roxburgh icon



Civic & Development Roxburgh Entertainment Centre

The much loved Roxburgh Entertainment Centre is the largest community hall in the Teviot Valley, and is administered and owned by the Central Otago District Council.

A community based group known as RECIC (Roxburgh Entertainment Centre Improvements Committee) has worked tirelessly over the past few years to raise funds to improve this facility.

Located in the centre of Roxburgh, the hall was built in 1893 and includes a 258 seat theatre with stage and movie screening facilities. The

upgrade to this theatre was completed in 1997 and it has been used regularly for shows and movies since this time.

The remainder of the hall comprising the supper room, dance hall which can accommodate 300 people, kitchen and toilets was added in the 1950s and it is this area which has recently been renovated. This half a million dollar project involved cosmetic improvements rather than major structural changes.

The upgrade project was identified in the Roxburgh Community Plan and financially

supported by Central Lakes Trust, RECIC, Community Trust of Otago and Roxburgh Community Board.

The Centre has always been well utilised by the local community but with the recent renovations it provides a much needed central facility for the people of Roxburgh and the surrounding district.

The Roxburgh Entertainment Centre is used weekly as a movie theatre venue, attracting regular patronage from as far afield as Tapanui and Cromwell. Roxburgh Area School also regularly use the facility for

school productions and events, and touring shows now make a point of stopping to present a performance in Roxburgh.

The completed updated facilities make the Centre ideal for weddings and social occasions, musical performances (the theatre is noted for the quality of its acoustics), theatrical performances, prize giving, meetings and indoor sports.

Grants for Civic & Development

Albert Town Recreation Charitable Trust
Sports Courts \$20,000

Bannockburn Community Centre Management Committee
Building Repairs \$4,000

Central Lakes Equestrian Club
Amenities Building \$120,000

Central Otago Wastebusters
Yard Sealing \$175,000

CODC Roxburgh Entertainment Centre
Facilities Upgrade \$200,000

CODC Safe Lifestyles
Research \$2,500

Gibbston Community Association
Landscaping Public Rest Area \$10,600

Lake Hawea Community Centre
Facility Upgrade \$1,000

Lakes District Museum
Building Maintenance \$7,900

Makarora Valley Community
Storage Shed/Toilets \$35,000

Ophir Welfare Committee
Swimming Pool Upgrade \$12,000

Otago Justices of the Peace Assn
Operating Costs \$1,500

"Thank you for supporting our project to develop a rest area in Gibbston. It is no overstatement to say that we could not have done it without you. Your grant is what truly made the rest area possible."

Susan Stevens
Chairman, Gibbston Community Association

A community space for the people of Hawea Flat



Education & Research Hawea Flat School

Young families are among a growing population at Hawea Flat, in fact the last five years has seen the school roll double and growth is continuing.

Hawea Flat School Board of Trustees recognised that a multi-purpose community room for use by the school and the wider community was much needed, so five years ago the Parent Teachers Association began to raise funds for the project.

"The PTA did a marvellous job of raising funds," commented Sue Heath, Principal of the School, "but it is not easy to

find the sort of money required in a small community like ours."

The Ministry of Education funded an administration upgrade at the school but funding for the community room was unavailable (the room is not identified as teaching space) so the school and local community thought their dream was over.

"Without the generosity of Central Lakes Trust, this great shared facility would never have been realised," Ms Heath said.

The new community room, built within the school grounds is

owned and managed by the school Board of Trustees but is for the use of the wider community.

"The room has helped to develop a sense of school and community unity," noted Ms Heath.

The facility has been well designed for a variety of uses with data projector and pc outlets making it ideal for meetings and workshops. The room is already used regularly for Kapa Haka and Kiddy Gym.

Other uses will include; Mainly Music, Art & Drama classes,

Perpetual Motor programme, Gran's reading group and Yoga. Prior to the new building these classes were offered to limited numbers because of a lack of space, or were simply not available in the local area with participants having to travel to Wanaka or further afield.

Local residents agree the multi-purpose community room is a fantastic educational asset for all residents of Hawea Flat.

Grants for Education & Research

Alexandra Kindergarten
Building \$610,000

Alexandra Toy Library
Fit-out \$10,000

Arrowtown Community Preschool
Building Extensions \$50,000

Arrowtown Plunket
Playground Equipment \$3,500

Arrowtown Primary School
Fitness Circuit \$80,000

**Aspiring Beginnings
Early Learning Centre**
Building Extensions \$20,000

Central Otago Principals Association
Referral Programme \$202,624

Central Otago REAP
Courses for 2006/07 \$123,700

Clyde Playcentre
Building Upgrade \$18,000

Clyde Primary School
Special Needs Resource \$1,700

Cromwell Genealogy Group
Feasibility Survey \$4,000

DARE Alexandra
Drug & Violence Prevention Programmes \$17,675

**Dunedin College of
Education Central Otago**
Schools Resources \$18,000

Excelerator: NZ Leadership Institute
Scholarship for Leadership Programme \$10,000

**For Trades Apprenticeship
Training Trust**
10 Apprenticeship Scholarships \$10,000

Goldfields Primary School
Multipurpose Facility \$100,000

Hawea Flat School
Multipurpose Facility \$68,000

Hawea Playgroup
Building Upgrade and Resources \$4,500

Holy Family School Wanaka
New Playground \$20,000

Jennifer Banks
Scholarship \$20,000

Montessori Childrens House Wanaka
Building Upgrade \$13,000

**New Zealand United
World College Trust**
Feasibility Study \$30,000

Omakau & Districts Playcentre
Playground Upgrade \$40,000

Omakau Primary School Playground
and Pool Upgrade \$40,000

Queenstown Childcare Centre
Carpet \$5,000

Queenstown Playcentre
Kitchen upgrade \$9,000

Royal Life Saving Society
Educational Resources & Equipment \$3,233

Southern REAP
One Day School \$30,000

Terrace Kindergarten
Building Upgrade \$8,000

Teviot Valley Education Trust
Scholarships \$3,000

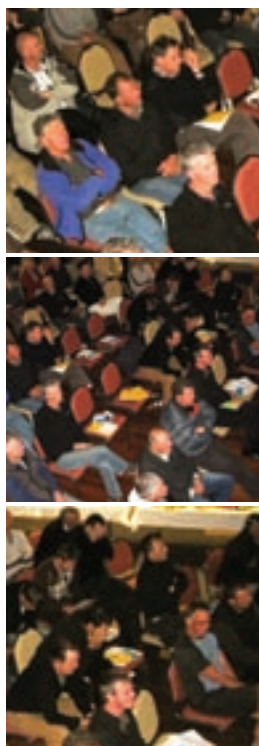
The Terrace School
Multipurpose Facility \$100,000

Valley Playgroup
Shade Sail \$1,000

Wakatipu Kindergarten
Building Upgrade \$1,300

Wanaka Community Toy Library
Conference Expenses \$500

Tips for improving men's health



Health

Queenstown Men's Health Seminar

◀ Bill Godsall, Sports Central, Getting people active

The Queenstown Lakes Alive group decided some local men were missing out in the health stakes, so last October they organised a Men's Health Seminar.

The group, comprising Public Health South, Sport Southland, Queenstown Lakes District Council and Sport Central, promoted the evening as "Clever concepts on what to change to improve health and how to do it". Five invited experts, including Derek Chin, Geoff Shirley and Bill Godsall, spoke on a variety of topics

from sport and motivation to nutrition and alcohol.

"This inaugural forum was a huge success with over 120 men of varying ages attending the evening," Committee member Jan Maxwell said.

"The seminar was designed to make men more aware of a number of health topics and hopefully prevent future health issues. We were very pleased with the positive feedback we received after the event, as 90% of the audience said they were prepared to make

changes to their lifestyles as a result of information received at the forum," said Ms Maxwell.

Dr. Richard Macharg spoke on a range of medical issues, with stress, depression and mid-life crisis also being discussed. Participants were enthusiastic about the event, they asked lots of questions and one member of the audience commented "I really appreciated the transparency of the speakers and their willingness to share their knowledge and experience".

A healthy supper was enjoyed by all at the end of the evening and with participants contributing suggestions for topics for future forums, Queenstown Lakes Alive declared the event a huge success.

"Without the support of funders such as Central Lakes Trust, evenings of this nature would not occur to benefit our community," they said.

Grants for Health

Age Concern Southland
Sustaining Grant **\$10,000**

Alexandra La Leche League
Expenses & Resources **\$500**

Alzheimers Society Southland
Sustaining Grant **\$5,000**

Arthritis New Zealand Otago
Seminar & Clinics **\$1,280**

Arthritis New Zealand Southland
Seminar & Clinic **\$1,100**

Cancer Society Otago Southland
Sustaining Grant **\$4,000**

Disability Information Service
Alexandra Health Expo **\$2,000**

Disabled Snowsports New Zealand
Disability Snowsports Programme
\$15,000

Hospice Southland Charitable Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$7,500**

Living Options Charitable Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$40,000**

Public Health South
Health Programme **\$3,500**

QLDC Queenstown Lakes Alive
Men's Health Seminar **\$1,000**

Roxburgh Medical Services Trust
Medical Equipment **\$8,850**

Royal New Zealand Foundation for the Blind
Programme Expenses **\$25,000**

Schizophrenia Fellowship Central Otago
Operational Costs **\$29,000**

Special Olympics New Zealand
Programme Expenses **\$5,000**

Sport Otago
Sustaining Grant **\$92,000**

Wakatipu La Leche League
Conference Expenses & Resources **\$1,250**

Making a difference



Social Services

Salvation Army Alexandra

Gwynny Butler is a woman who understands people, and is committed to doing all she can to make a difference in the lives of those who need it.

Employed (with help from a sustaining grant from Central Lakes Trust) as Salvation Army Alexandra's Community Ministries Co-ordinator just under a year ago, Ms Butler has initiated a number of projects and programmes that are directly benefiting hundreds of people in the Alexandra district.

One project that she is especially proud of is 'Robb's Garden'.

"I was thinking about the idea of a garden to provide a staple healthy food resource for the Foodbank," says Ms Butler, "and fortuitously, or with a helping hand from God, I was given the name of a local lady who had some land she wished to be used for the community and so the wheels were set in motion".

Many local volunteers and businesses gave their time and expertise to the project. Seeds, various plants, a tractor, a rotary hoe and even a glass house were all donated. October 2006 saw the start of the hard work with spraying,

irrigation, fencing, and finally planting taking place.

Over the past summer, the garden provided fresh vegetables to people in need and to many low income families in the Alexandra area. Surplus produce was then preserved or frozen for later use in Foodbank parcels.

"One of the best things about the garden project is that it provides real community benefit," Ms Butler explained. "It brings together volunteers from all walks of life; it provides therapeutic rehabilitation for community service workers

and gives fresh healthy food to those who need it most in our community."

The Salvation Army are excited at the prospect of 'growing' the garden project by expanding the concept into an educational programme in the future.

"With the expertise of an Occupational Therapist we hope to extend from gardening and include training on reading recipes, menu planning, healthy living, cooking and preserving," said Ms Butler.

Grants for Social Services

Alexandra Citizens Advice Bureau
Sustaining Grant **\$5,500**

Alexandra Combined Churches Youth Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$18,000**

Alexandra Community Youth Trust
Youth Event **\$41,900**

Alexandra Senior Citizens Centre
Sustaining Grant **\$12,300**

Alpine Community Development Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$35,000**

Catholic Social Services Central Otago
Sustaining Grant **\$24,000**

CCS Otago
Sustaining Grant **\$8,600**

Central & Southern

Autism Support Group
Therapy for Autistic Children **\$15,000**

Central Otago Budgeting Service
Discretionary Grant **\$6,000**

Central Otago Compassionate Friends
Sustaining Grant **\$3,000**

Central Otago Victim Support
Sustaining Grant & Discretionary Grant **\$19,000**

Cromwell Youth Worker Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$20,000**

Dunedin Community Law Centre
Advisory Services **\$14,000**

Families First Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$50,000**

Happiness House Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$23,000**

Kahu Youth Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$28,875**

Parents Inc
Youth Programmes **\$1,500**

Presbyterian Support Otago
Sustaining Grant & Programme **\$36,000**

Presbyterian Support Southland
Sustaining Grant **\$40,000**

Queenstown Citizens Advice Bureau
Sustaining Grant **\$10,000**

Queenstown Life Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$54,000**

Salvation Army Alexandra
Sustaining Grant **\$20,000**

Salvation Army Wakatipu
Sustaining Grant **\$20,000**

Social Service Providers Aotearoa
Conference Expenses **\$4,000**

Teviot Valley Community Christian Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$10,830**

Upper Clutha Womens Support Group
Sustaining Grant **\$14,000**

Volunteering Otago
Training Sessions **\$2,000**

Wakatipu Abuse Prevention Network
Sustaining Grant **\$25,000**

Wakatipu District Youth Trust
Sustaining Grant **\$52,500**

How to build a church in two days



Religious Groups & Churches

Cromwell Presbyterian Church

The Cromwell and Districts Presbyterian Parish were reluctant to leave their historic church in old Cromwell, but decided in 2005 that a new 'multi functional community facility' was the way forward.

They applied to Central Lakes Trust for \$1m to build a new multipurpose Church in Cromwell and unfortunately the application was declined. This decision was the catalyst for the Church community to go it alone. They took on board the Trust's comments, and reconfigured the project to use community input to help fund and construct a new Church.

As a result, two days of hard work (9 and 10 March 2006) saw the main shell of the building constructed. The 'WE DID IT IN 2' innovative idea really captured the community's imagination with numerous local contractors and volunteers giving free assistance to the project.

Three local building companies headed a team of workers to each build a section of the facility. These companies paid for their staff to work for one day and the staff donated their time for free on the second day. A sizeable team of folk from the church (and other churches) provided breakfast,

lunch and dinner each day for the workers—as well as morning and afternoon teas. A special celebration feast was held for all at the end of the second day.

"This really was a demonstration of Community giving at its best," Reverend Alan Missen said. "Over 150 people aged from 14 to over 70 came together to help, with some folk from as far away as Auckland getting involved."

Once the shell of the building was erected, the Cromwell and Districts Presbyterian Church set about raising money to fit

out the building and develop the site. Central Lakes Trust granted \$300,000 to this part of the project.

Not surprisingly, finishing the building took a little longer than the initial construction but the new facility is something the Church and the larger community can be very proud of.

The new building not only provides a regular place of worship for church members, but with a variety of rooms available, including a large auditorium, offers facilities for a whole range of activities for other community groups.

Grants for Religious Groups & Churches

Alexandra Baptist Church
Building Upgrade **\$50,000**

Alexandra Clyde Lauder Union Parish
Building Extensions **\$30,000**

Alexandra Religious Instruction Charitable Trust
Religious Education Resources **\$700**

City Impact Church Queenstown
Carpark for new Childcare Centre **\$150,000**

Cromwell & Districts Presbyterian Church
Multifunctional Community Facility **\$300,000**

Cromwell Combined Churches Trust
Religious Education Resources **\$1,287**

Queenstown Christian Camp Trust
Building Upgrade **\$220,000**

Wanaka Baptist Fellowship
Programme Expenses **\$3,500**

"On behalf of the Churches of Wanaka and Light of the World organisational team I would like to thank you so much for your valuable contribution to making these awesome events happen in our town."

Karina McConnell
Wanaka Baptist Fellowship and Light of the World

Dry feet on Macetown Trail



Environment

Arrowtown/Macetown
Footbridge

If you haven't visited Macetown you're missing a treat. Located about three hours walk up the Arrow river, Macetown is an abandoned gold town, the lost twin of thriving Arrowtown.

Those who have been discouraged from visiting Macetown on foot previously because of the number of river crossings, will be delighted to know that the way has been made easier with the addition of a new footbridge.

Arrowtown Village Association facilitated a project to construct and install the footbridge and while there are still some

sections of the track that require fording the river, this all weather crossing point about 1km upstream from the confluence of the Arrow River & Soho Creek goes a long way to improving the trail and keeping feet drier for longer.

The Arrowtown Village Association has worked hard in recent years to improve walkways in its district, their efforts have helped to open up a number of tracks to recreational walkers. The Association in partnership with Wakatipu Trails Trust has already put one bridge in place to enhance the Macetown

track. A wish to improve access to Macetown for local families, school groups and walking groups impelled the Association to continue with the good work.

The result is an example of a good community partnership project. The Association, with financial help from various funders, including Central Lakes Trust, organised a local engineering firm to construct and install the bridge. A commitment from Department of Conservation to assume ownership of the bridge and provide ongoing maintenance means the track and the bridge will provide access to this

stunning scenic area for many years to come.

The Arrowtown to Macetown track will eventually be part of a larger walking network in the Wakatipu Basin as the work of Wakatipu Trails Trust continues. Meanwhile for those of you who haven't visited this beautiful part of our district recently maybe now is the time to take a walk along the banks of the Arrow river, savour the sensational scenery, cross over the new bridge and take a step back in time to the abandoned area of Macetown.

Grants for Environment

Arrowtown Village Association
Footbridge Construction **\$12,000**

Heritage Roses Central Otago
Irrigation System **\$4,000**

Keep Alexandra Clyde Beautiful
Landscaping **\$10,000**

Lodge Arrow Kilwinning No 86
Building Restoration **\$40,000**

New Zealand Fighter Pilots Museum
Feasibility Study **\$100,000**

New Zealand Historic Places Central
Feasibility Study **\$50,000**

Otago Goldfields Heritage Trust
Computer Equipment **\$2,000**

Roxburgh Cemetery Trust
Replace Fence **\$2,300**

Teviot Valley 2007 Society
Event Expenses **\$12,000**

"The fact that the Trust considered our project worthy of this generous amount has encouraged our group tremendously."

Jean Britton
Convenor, Heritage Roses Central Otago



Trustee & Staff Directory



Trustees

Back row: Eion Edgar, Graeme Bell, Mike Allison (Deputy Chairman), Peter Mead.
Front row: Duncan Butcher (Chairman), Elizabeth Duggan.



Staff

Back row: Judy King, Kylie Cotter, Paul Allison, Beth Wilson.
Front row: Claire Foster, Malcolm van Rensburg.

Summary Financial Statements

Financial Performance for the year ended 31 March 2007

	2007 \$000	2006 \$000
Income		
Investments	8,998	11,293
Pioneer Generation Turnover	10,875	12,197
	19,873	23,490
Less Expenses		
Depreciation	1,465	1,458
Interest	1,337	1,346
Loss on Assets Disposed	1,246	1,095
Operating Items	4,321	4,086
	8,369	7,985
Net Operating Surplus	11,504	15,505
Realised & Unrealised Changes	-	10,876
	11,504	26,381
Less Grants Approved	5,741	7,132
Net Surplus	5,763	19,249

The trustees determined during the year that realised and unrealised gains and losses on investments no longer be disclosed separately but be included in the income from investments. The effect of this change has reduced the net surplus for the year by \$3,267m being the net balance between unrealised gains and losses.

The summary financial statements included in this Annual Report have been extracted from the full financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2007.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements.

You are welcome to contact the Trust (see details on back cover) for a free copy of the full financial statements which are also available on, and can be downloaded from, the Trust's web site www.centrallakestrust.org.nz

Movements in Equity for the year ended 31 March 2007

	2007 \$000	2006 \$000
Opening Equity	183,957	164,708
Net Surplus	5,763	19,249
Total Recognised Revenues & Expenses	5,763	19,249
Closing Equity	189,720	183,957

Financial Position as at 31 March 2007

	2007 \$000	2006 \$000
Assets		
Investments	154,687	152,139
Tangibles	45,046	44,008
Intangibles	14,636	14,636
Current	1,301	1,625
	215,670	212,408
Liabilities		
Non-Current	19,004	18,510
Current	6,946	9,941
	25,950	28,451
Net Assets	189,720	183,957
Represented by:		
Trust Capital	185,262	179,162
Grants Maintenance Reserve	4,458	4,795
	189,720	183,957

Cashflows for the year ended 31 March 2007

	2007 \$000	2006 \$000
Opening Cash	73	949
Net Cashflows from operating activities	9,570	18,909
Net Cashflows from investing activities	(9,638)	(19,779)
Net Cashflows from financial activities	494	(6)
	426	(876)
Closing Cash	499	73

These summary financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 18 June 2007.



Duncan Butcher
Chairman



Mike Allison
Deputy Chairman

Auditor's Report

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AUDITORS REPORT

To the Members of Central Lakes Trust

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Central Lakes Trust for the year ended 31 March 2007.

Unqualified Opinion of the Summary Financial Statements

In our opinion:

- the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with Financial Reporting Standard – 39: Summary Financial Reports, issued by the NZ Institute of Chartered Accountants
- the amounts set out in the summary financial statements have been correctly taken from the audited financial statements (with an unqualified opinion) of the Trust from which they were extracted
- the information reported in the summary financial statements is consistent in all material respects with the audited financial statements of the Trust

Basis of Opinion on the Summary Financial Statements

We have undertaken procedures to provide reasonable assurance that the amounts set out in the summary financial statements have been correctly taken from the audited financial statements of the Trust. Our audit was conducted in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with or interests in the Trust.

Responsibilities of the Trust Board and the Auditors

The Trust Board is responsible for preparing the summary financial statements and we are responsible for expressing an opinion on those statements.

For a complete understanding of the scope of our audit of the Trust's financial position, financial performance and cash flows, this report should be read in conjunction with the Trust's audited financial statements.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 18 June 2007 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Robert Cooper & Co
Chartered Accountants
Alexandra



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