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OWC NAIDOC Painting 2022 guided by Melissa Spillman

The OWC continues to cherish the Uluru Statement from the Heart as a generous and gracious gift to the Nation and will support a new way forward, post referendum, as decided by First Nations Australians.

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023



The One World Centre: working towards an inclusive, just, and sustainable world.

We acknowledge the Whadjuk Noongar people as the original custodians of the land on which the One World Centre (OWC) office is located. OWC acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Western Australia and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters, and community. We pay respect to them and their cultures, and to Elders both past and present.

The One World Centre supports the Uluru Statement from the Heart in its entirety and a new way forward, post-referendum, as decided by First Nations Australians.

Special thanks to Elders Paul Willaway and Aunty Veronica Willaway for their constant support and sharing of wisdom and advice.

"The people of the world have asked us to shine a light on a future of promise and opportunity. Member States have responded with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development ... It is an agenda for people, to end poverty in all its forms. An agenda for the planet, our common home. An agenda for shared prosperity, peace, and partnership ".

UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon (2015)



The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals were adopted by the member states of the UN General Assembly in September 2015 as a core component of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. These Global Goals are a set of seventeen aspirational targets that are universal, integrated, and indivisible and together address the three core aspects of sustainable development: the social (people), the environmental (planet) and the economic (prosperity). They are underpinned by a value system of human rights and dignity (peace) and enacted through collaborative action (partnership).

The One World Centre gratefully thanks Friends of Oxfam for their ongoing support.

This Annual Report covers the period from 1st July 2022 to 30th June 2023. (Activities from 1 July – 27 October 2023 are also captured in the report)

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BACKGROUND

The One World Centre (OWC) is a learning and resource centre focused on global issues and local action. It was founded as the education arm of Community Aid Abroad in 1985 and became incorporated in 1987. It is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation that also houses a global education library with charitable status. For over 30 years the OWC has specialised in providing transformative learning with the aim of encouraging and supporting an active and engaged citizenship and a just and sustainable future.

OWC recognises First Nation peoples and is committed to embedding Aboriginal and Islander knowledges and perspectives across all aspects of the Centre's work as outlined in the OWC Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

In 2015 the OWC embraced the newly adopted **United Nation Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs)** as both a universal framework for connection, commitment and action for students, schools, and the wider community; and as a road map for moving forward where local action can, and does, contribute to a more just and sustainable world for all. All work within the Centre is aligned to, and underpinned by, the UN SDGs.

As part of its commitment to global education and education for sustainable futures the OWC provides professional development and resources for early childhood, primary and secondary educators and pre-service teachers throughout Western Australia who wish to incorporate global education in their teaching programs. The OWC also provides professional learning workshops for universities and the private, government and community sectors.

At a community level the OWC supports community engagement projects and learning relating to global issues and collaborates with other organisations working in the areas of development, human rights, and global sustainability. Under the banner 'Act Local - Be Global', OWC fosters community engagement projects and initiatives linked to global goals and aspirations, and to reconciliation.

The OWC global education library contains books, teaching kits, games, posters, and audiovisual materials. These resources are available for loan to members throughout Western Australia. The library area is also used as meeting space for organisations, lectures, talks, informal gatherings, and interactive workshops.

All are welcome.

STRATEGIC PLAN

1. OWC's Guiding Statements

Vision: A more just and sustainable world

Mission: To facilitate transformative learning with all sectors of society that encourages

informed and active global citizenship.

Transformative learning

Transformative learning is about change. In our work at the OWC this change involves moving towards a just and sustainable world, recognising that there are many attitudes and actions that can contribute. We encourage reflection through the provision of information and experiences that encompass a variety of perspectives. Transformative learning can support people to take action and behave in a way consistent with their existing values and/or it can encourage or alert people to new ways of thinking and acting.

Objective One: Support active global citizenship through local community

engagement and action, aligned to the UN SDGs and OWC RAP.

Objective Two: Support active global citizenship by facilitating transformative

learning with the formal education sector aligned to the UN SDGs

and OWC RAP.

Objective Three: Develop, maintain, and promote relevant resources to enable

transformative learning and global citizenship aligned to the UN

SDGs and RAP.

Objective Four: Develop OWC's capacity to be a vibrant, agile, well-connected, and

financially viable organisation that supports active global citizenship.



CONVENOR'S REPORT

Sometimes I wonder if there will be a day when there is no reason for the One World Centre to exist – when humanity finally understands what it means to live in harmony with each other and our natural world. Yet the ongoing tragic events in Ukraine and the middle east; the extraordinary observational evidence of global heating seemingly pushing beyond the 'tipping point'; and not least here at home where the fear dominated No vote prevailed in the Voice referendum, are all examples that the world needs people of hope and action. I see the One World Centre as such a place where people can gather to work towards a more positive and hopeful future.

With that in mind I pay tribute to our volunteers who sustain the energy of the Centre and keep our doors open. In particular Lynne Butler and Avenel Hicks have turned up week in and week out. Thank you to the management committee members Peter Devereux (Deputy convenor), Michael Perera (treasurer), Paddy Cullen (secretary), Lynne Butler, Paul Bluett, Avenel Hicks and more recently to Sonja Geiger.

At the half-way point of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda point we reaffirm our commitment to the UN SDGs and our work around them. Peter's leadership in reinvigorating the SDG network will hopefully result in further collaborations in the coming year.

I was privileged to witness several teacher professional development events in recent months. Our inspirational Dr Elaine Lewis continues to champion Two-Way science and sustainability frameworks in our primary schools. Her work is transformative education in action. It is encouraging to know that our kids who will be leaders of tomorrow will be grounded in Noongar wisdom and culture as well as being encouraged to adopt creative and innovative solutions to the issues they consider engaging with.

Lynne and Avenel along with Sara Adhitya's technical knowhow have progressed the new web site of teacher resources - transforming a good idea at the time into reality which is exciting as approach the new year. While the landscape of teacher professional development has changed considerably, there are increasing opportunities for volunteers to engage with students directly and we'll hopefully be reporting to progress in that space next year.

Our latest Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan has been conditionally endorsed by Reconciliation Australia and will soon be available on their website. Thanks to my fellow team members Paul Willaway and Elaine Lewis for getting this through. As Lynne says in this report - we remain committed to our RAP and to the Uluru Statement from the Heart and Aboriginal voices and our RAP team will guide us in how we move forward in this space post-referendum. We can be proud of our involvement in the Yes campaign and many of us felt the love at the Bridge Walk where our Yes banner was a standout feature.

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Once again, we were guided by Noongar artist Melissa Spillman to create an artwork that is the basis of our Acknowledgement Plaque now greeting visitors through our door.

OWC strongly contributed to the book launch of Bill Armstrong's memoir Everything and Nothing which chronicles his journey through development activities since the 1960s and illustrates how OWC is embedded in a broader movement to effect change.

It is pleasing to report our budget remains balanced noting some support from a Metronet grant in compensation for road and construction disruptions.

I encourage you to read this annual report to see further details of the goings on at the Centre. I also encourage you to be inspired by the actions at the Centre and for you to be a part of our push to transform community and to reach out to your networks to involve them too!

Joe Courtney

Convenor

FINANCIAL REPORT AND STATEMENTS

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The committee members present their report together with the financial statements of the One World Centre Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

2. Committee Members

The committee members of the association at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

Joe Courtney (Convenor) appointed September 2022

Peter Devereux (Deputy Convenor) appointed September 2022

Michael Perera (Treasurer) appointed September 2022

Paddy Cullen (Secretary) appointed November 2022

Margot Kopsen, September 2022

Lynne Butler, September 2022

Avenel Hicks, September 2022

Paul Bluett, September 2022

3. Principal Activities

The principal activity of the association during the financial year was the advancement of global citizenship learning in Western Australia.

4. Operating Result

The surplus of the association amounted to \$2,999 for the financial year.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.

Committee Member:

Committee Member:

Joe Courtney (Convenor)

Peter Devereux (Deputy Convenor)

Dated this Friday 27/10/2023

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5. STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	2023	2022
	2	\$	\$
Income			
Grant Income		10,000	1,300
Grant medine		10,000	1,300
Donations and fundraising		2831	11,047
Memberships		55	309
Sale of Resource Material		1050	769
Fee for Service		265	1,162
Net Income from camp		0	498
Other Income		184	0
Interest Income		2	2
Other Income			
Total Income		14,387	15,087
Expenses			
Administration expenses		8,196	6,354
NAIDOC Week		0	1,433
Workshops Provided		0	1,486
Other Expenses		3,194	2,314
Total Expenses		11,388	11,587
			2.752
Total Comprehensive Surplus for the Year		2,999	3,500

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Notes	2023	202210,000
		\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3	30,302	28,376
Trade and Other receivables		1,085	340
Total Current Assets		31,387	20 716
Total Current Assets		31,367	28,716
Non-Current Assets			
Property Plant and Equipment	4	153	670
Total Non-Current Assets		153	670
Total Assets		24 540	20.200
Total Assets		31,540	29,386
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	5	859	1,704
Total Current Liabilities		859	1,704
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Total Liabilities		859	1,704
Net Assets		30,681	27,682
Members funds		22,332	==,===
Retained Earnings		30,681	27,682
Total members funds		30,681	27,682

6. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Retained Earnings	
Balance at 1 July 2021	24,182	
Total comprehensive income for the year	3,500	
Balance at 30 June 2022	27,682	
Balance at 1 July 2022	27,682	
Total comprehensive surplus for the year	2,999	
Balance at 30 June 2023	30,681	

PROGRAM REPORTS AGAINST THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

Across the broad spectrum of OWC work in the community, education, and library areas our focus on the United Nation Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) and our alignment to them, has continued to increasingly inform what we do and how we go about doing it. In a similar way our Reconciliation Action Plan has strengthened and broadened our resolve to support and promote Indigenous cultural knowledges, and perspectives across all areas of our work. Particularly, in this post-referendum environment, our commitment to First Nations people will be central to everything we do.

Objective 1: Support active global citizenship through engagement with local communities.

1. Fostering local action linked to global goals and aspirations and actively promoting Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

In this year, at the mid-point of the UN Sustainable Goals Agenda 2030, OWC has worked hard to promote the importance of the SDGs and an understanding of their role in providing hope and a pathway forward to saving the planet, at a global and local level. We know from talking to hundreds of young people at sustainability expos and school activities over the last year, how concerned students are about their futures and about the impacts of climate change. We also know that adults are also concerned and feeling discouraged. The goals and the actions embedded in them provide hope and a positive pathway forward.

Besides school expos and workshops on the goals (outlined in more detail under Objective 2. Education) OWC has also had regular stalls at the front of the Friends of Oxfam building in Bayswater as part of community outreach program and the UN SDGs feature prominently on the new mural covering the front of the building.

Two major events were also undertaken as described below:

(i) Supporting Self Determination and Voice overseas and at home: through volunteers with everything and nothing:

This was a joint event with Australian Volunteers Alumni Former OSB/AVI CEO Bill Armstrong talked about the idea of volunteers and community development workers doing 'everything and nothing' as a community development approach supporting self-determination at home and abroad.

Guest speaker Doyen Radcliffe, Community First Development Regional Manager, talked compellingly about "Hearing the voice of the people captures a powerful picture that empowers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to have ownership of their future to create a better and brighter tomorrow" (from Stories of Change, 2019).

(ii) Reconvening WA Sustainable Development Goals Network, 29 September 2023.

After a long hiatus, largely due to COVID and other constraints, OWC deputy convenor, Dr Peter Devereux, organised a reconvening of the WA Sustainable Development Goals

Network group on 29 September 2023. The purpose of the meeting was twofold 1. To take stock of progress that has been made towards the SDGs over the last few years, and 2. To reconsider how the SDGs can still be a useful and productive framework to foster our individual work as well as collective work for sustainability and justice. The meeting provided an opportunity for previous members to touch base and up-date their work towards the goals and for new members an opportunity to introduce themselves to the group and their work towards the goals. There was consensus that the group should reconvene six monthly.

OWC will continue to play a key role in keeping the network activated.

2. Creating new links with organisations that align with the OWC mission and meet community needs

In 2022-2023 OWC continued to strengthen new organisations and existing alliances with international local groups including:

- 1. Australian Association for Environmental Education WA (AAEEWA) Chapter;
- 2. Active working relationship with Friends of Oxfam and Fair Trade Shop;
- 3. Community artists Carol Igglesden and Barbara Van Gool who support the OWC cards sales through the Fair Trade Shop.
- 4. Bottle Top Hill Project;
- 5. OZHarvest, FEAST Project;
- 6. Reconciliation WA;
- 7. Koby Morrison and the Koorlong project: teaching Noongar songs in schools;
- 8. Support for and promotion of Millenium Kids;
- 9. Continuing membership of CIVICUS Alliance for Citizen;
- 10. On-going collaboration with Environment House;
- 11. Continuing partnership and promotion of the activities of the Medical Association for the Prevention of War;
- 12. Support of Trillion Trees (formerly Men of the Trees);
- 13. Support and promotion of the work of Social Reinvestment WA; and
- 14. New links developed with Scouts WA and Whiteman Park through its Envirofest.

3. Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) development and activation

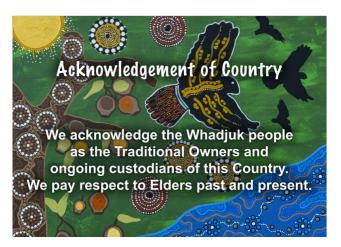
This has been an extremely busy time for the OWC RAP committee: along with completing and launching the new stage of the RAP in early 2023, the team also coordinated and drove our response to, and support of, the Voice Referendum campaign. Over a period of 6 months we contributed to the campaign by running kitchen table meetings at OWC, participating in and promoting Zoom events, door knocking, hosting discussions, attending Yes campaign launches and rallies, and creating our own unique YES banner to use at rallies and walks.

Sadly, at the time of writing this report we know that the Voice has been rejected and we are heart-broken for First Nations people, including friends and colleagues around Australia. This

outcome will not deter OWC from continuing to promote, in every facet of its work, the importance and richness of Indigenous knowledges and perspectives.

Two-Way Science Professional Learning workshops for teachers are also a key part of our Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) activities and are outlined under Objective 2.

In 2023, OWC was again successful in its application for a NAIDOC grant that enabled a community art collaboration on an Acknowledgement of Country Plaque for the centre. Guided by local Indigenous artist Melissa Spillman, we shared thoughts and ideas creating a joint design for the plaque. The resulting design below, painted by Melissa, depicts: a tree rooted in the earth and in Indigenous knowledge and the wisdom of the Elders, connecting rivers, land and sky; the black cockatoo, under threat, soaring and fading into the distance as it fights for life on earth; gumnuts growing and falling representing the hope of future human life on the planet; and, yarning circles throughout the picture representing sitting and listening, truth telling and sharing knowledge together on Whadjuk Noongar Boodja.



Objective 2: Provide transformative education to the formal education sector.

OWC continued to provide professional learning to educators in Western Australia and to participate in school and community events that support global and sustainability education. These achievements were once again largely due to the extraordinary efforts of the Education team including Dr Elaine Lewis and Dr Peter Devereux, supported by the entire OWC team.

1.Professional Learning for Teachers and Early Childhood Educators

In 2022-2023 Elaine has continued on with her brilliant TWO-WAY SCIENCE¹ series running workshops at the OWC, Canning River Eco Education Centre (CREEC), Coolbinia Primary School and via Zoom. In collaboration with Two-Way Science and the Sustainable Schools

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¹ Two-way science supports integrated learning programs connecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural knowledges with Western science and the Western Australian curriculum.

WA, Elaine has continued to provide classroom examples of how to embed the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Cross Curriculum Priority in the Science Learning Area, as well as demonstrating how Two-Way Science can work in every school. Through these varied locations teachers have again benefited from classroom knowledge as well as practical hands-on experience. The workshops featured many examples of the Priority in action, including guided walks in bushland, showcasing the practical application of two-way science.

In December 2022 at the AAEE WA Sustainability Education Forum, both Dr Lewis and Dr Devereux delivered workshops, Dr Lewis on Two-Way Science and Dr Devereux on the UN SDGs.

Elaine also delivered a special workshop in August 2023 addressing the <u>Insect Crisis</u>, TWS Biological Science: Where have all the pollinators gone? The session was filmed for our YouTube site, and the workshop received excellent feedback.

The third term of 2023 (included in this report) was an extremely busy time with Lynne and Avenel attending and running interactive UN SDG stalls at:

- 1. <u>WasteSorted Schools Meet</u> for secondary schools on 1st August at St Norbert College in Queens Park.
- 2. Lynwood SHS Sustainability Expo Thursday 3rd August. Excellent response to activities.
- 3. <u>UN SDG stall for Duncraig SHS</u> Sunday 13 August, *BlueBack* film, fundraising and awareness event put on by the Climate Crew (student group).



There was a very positive response from all three events, with lots of interest in the UN SDGs and our related quizzes, games, and activities. We also had great chats with hundreds of students about their concerns for the future, particularly around climate change, poverty and inequalities.

2. Designing and delivering, flexible, innovative workshops to meet the needs of teachers and schools:

On the 9th October Elaine and Lynne delivered a 2.5 hour workshop to the full teaching staff of Pearsall Primary School (35p) who travelled by bus to the Centre for the workshop. The brief was to introduce the staff to Education for Sustainability followed up by an introduction to teaching the ATSI Cross Curriculum Priority (CCP) and Two-Way Science.

Under the theme **Teaching Education for Sustainability with Hope** we divided the morning into two sections, starting with the big picture and then moving down to classroom practice and examples. Lynne delivered **Part 1**. **Engaging with UN SDGs and the Plan for the Planet** and after a break for morning tea, Elaine followed with **Part 2**. **Putting Education for Sustainability into Practice.** We received very generous and positive feedback from the Principal and staff. Thanks also to our new intern Christina Nguyen for technical support – making life much easier!



3. Providing Ongoing Support for Teachers and Pre-Service Teachers and Early Childhood Educators

The education and library team continued to provide support to individual teachers in response to requests for information, resources, and presentations on specific global education topics, putting together special packages for on particular themes when needed. The Hot Topics page on the website remains popular and is regularly up-dated. Topics include: UN SDGS; Climate Action; Plastics and Plastic Pollution; refuges and Migration; Food and Fibres; and Sustainable Lifestyles.

3. Partnerships and Networks

In 2022-2023 OWC maintained its existing connections in the education sector with AAEE WA, the WA Sustainable Schools Alliance. AAEE / Little Green Steps (LGS WA):

Professional and Community organisations/associations, Conferences and contacts:

Sustainable Schools WA Alliance (SS WA):

SS WA Alliance. Elaine prepares OWC report for SSWA, for each quarterly meeting. Term 3 OWC report distributed to Alliance members.

Sustainable Schools WA Wembley Hub Meeting (SS WA):

Elaine attended Term 3 meeting. Good attendance. Focus on 'outdoor classrooms' and Two-Way Science.

AAEE WA/Little Green Steps WA:

<u>Two-Way Science</u>: Cooperative collaboration continuing. Joe provided a letter of support to AAEE WA for their National Science Week grant application for the production of 3 three Noongar video vignettes on Two-Way Science. The grant application was successful (~\$7000); OWC to have access to videos for curated learning website. Elaine liaising with Jennifer Pearson, AAEEWA.

<u>Catchments, Corridors & Coasts</u> course resumed in Term 3, 10th August, at the Perth Zoo. Lynne & Elaine attended.

<u>LGSWA Newsletter</u> – 3/year. Jennifer Pearson suggested OWC feature one aspect of OWC EC resource each edition and Avenel submitted an article for Term 3.

Objective 3: Develop, update, maintain and promote resource materials to support global education.

In 2022 the focus has been on raising our public profile and finding ways to make our resources more accessible.

This has involved attendance at appropriate events as outlined in section 1 above; periodically posting information about our resources on our Facebook page; contributing to the LGS WA Newsletter as described in section 2. above; and approaches to the School Library Support Services library in East Perth to a) evaluate our collection for use in schools, and b) see if we can join the school library courier service.

Ongoing tasks underway, and in planning, include:

- 1. Developing YouTube clips introducing library resources;
- 2. Using Zoom to deliver workshops and promote resources:
- 3. Continuing creating comprehensive resource lists for specific curriculum topics most relevant to teachers;
- 4. Identifying SDGs to link to school curriculum topics that can be used when teaching and links to relevant on line resources;
- 5. Identifying relevant library materials for this purpose;
- 6. Resuming work on up-dating procedures manuals;
- 7. Weeding of out-of-date material in collection and in storeroom

On-line Curated Learning Topics

During 2022-2023 we have continued to develop our Curated Learning Topics site. The site is now a reality thanks to the work of Sara one of our volunteers but is still under construction

and we continually seek feedback from teachers as we work towards fine-tuning it. Linking our existing OWC resources directly to the topics is an important part of the development.

This work is an across Centre initiative involving library, teaching and media inputs for designing and populating the site. When completed it will connect teachers to the UN Sustainable Development Goals through the three Cross Curriculum Priorities (CCP), ATSI Knowledge and Perspectives, Sustainability, and Asia and Australia's Engagement with Asia. Drilling down through learning areas, strand, year group and CCP. This is a slow process but feedback from workshop participants over the reporting period has greatly informed the design and content of the pages.

To continue this work in 2023- 2024 we will be looking for a new group of volunteers with skills and experience in computer tech, filming and editing, and website development and maintenance as we move forward.

Objective 4: Establish a strong, well-utilised and financially viable Centre.

While now out of COVID, during the reporting period we have continued to adapt our services and our activities to meet the changing needs of our members, volunteers, library subscribers and workshop participants. Thanks to our generous supporters we have again been able to keep the Centre going and the upgrade of our technology makes Zoom and Webinar sessions a viable and continuing part of our service delivery. Financial support provided by Department of Transport for disruption due to the new railway line has also given us funds that will be for used for special projects.

The OWC has been unique in WA over the last 30 years in terms of its central focus on global issues and sustainability, and since 2015 the UN SDGs have provided a solid platform and framework for us to align that work to. At half-way point of the 2030 Agenda point we reaffirm our commitment to the UN SDGs and our work around them.

We also remain committed to our RAP and to the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the Voice to Parliament. Going forward, after the crushing blow of the rejection of the Voice referendum, will be challenging for all of us. Aboriginal voices and our RAP team will guide us in how we move forward in this space post-referendum. In the meantime, we will continue to honour the statements on our new T-shirt: Be Brave, Take Action, Support the Uluru Statement.

In summary, as the reporting shows, OWC has met its strategic Objective 4 by:

1. Maintaining our membership through promotion and recruitment: school numbers have decreased but social media numbers and partnerships have increased;

- 2. Diversifying our funding through a range of fee-for-service workshops, and fundraising events: we have been able to tailor specific workshops for specific groups but funding remains a challenge;
- 3. Recruiting and sustaining qualified staff and volunteers and Management Committee members through collaborative and inclusive work practices and appropriate: two new volunteers and two new committee members have joined this year;
- 4. Maintaining and enhancing the physical environment of the Centre by creating a comfortable workshop and meeting area with appropriate equipment and numerous community artworks created in **collaboration** with Noongar artists: our Centre continues to be popular and is used monthly by various groups and organisations;
- 5. Promoting a common understanding of the strategic direction and values of the Centre through ongoing workshops and meetings: through meetings, stalls, expos and social media we continually promote our unique position on global citizenship education;
- Developing and implementing good governance and current practices and taking responsibility for OWC volunteers and OWC membership: we have a strong and professional management and administration team overseen by the management committee;
- 7. Ensuring all insurances, workers compensation and reporting obligations are up to date: current and compliant, continually up-dated and reviewed;
- 8. Developing and maintaining networks and partnerships at an international and local level: expanded this year as shown in lists under each objective.

In 2023-2024 the Centre will remain open two days per week but volunteers, where possible, will have greater flexibility to work from home.

Meetings:

- 1. The Management Committee met four times in 2022 -2023;
- 2. The OWC Annual General Meeting was held 17 September 2022;
- 3. The education/library sub-committee, which oversees, promotes and manages professional development delivery, met four times during the period; and
- 4. The Reconciliation Action Group Working Group met three times.

Centre usage:

- 1. Professional development workshops are delivered at the Centre on a regular basis;
- 2. Meeting space was used by Friends of Oxfam and the Oxfam Fair Trade Shop;
- 3. OWC is open to other local and like-minded organisations including, Bayswater Traders, and Evolve Bayswater;
- 4. RAP events were held at the Centre;
- 5. Speakers' events and fund-raising dinners and lunches were undertaken;
- 6. Kitchen table discussions were held in the lead up the Yes Referendum; and
- 7. Centre volunteer meetings and gatherings and library work.

Opening Days:

Normal opening hours are from 10.00am-5.00pm, Wednesday and Thursday, on a weekly basis with the option of opening on other days and times by arrangement.

Table 1: Volunteers by position and hours

	New volunteers	Total volunteers	Hours per week
Management		8	1
Committee			
Coordination		1	16
Administration		1	16

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Library Coordination		1	16
Finance		1	1
Library	1	3	10
Fund raising activities		2	2
Education		3	2
Media		1	2
Community		1	2
Reconciliation Action		3	2
Plan Committee			

Table 2: Membership as of 30 June 2023

Category	
Individuals (including volunteers)	52
Life Members	22
Schools	18 (all teachers have access)
Pre-Service Teachers	3
Community Organisations	4
Child Care (Not For Profit)	2
Child Care (For Profit)	2

Table 3: Media/Promotions

	Circulation	Frequency of updates
Facebook	Friends (1149)	Weekly
Blog	Public	Weekly
Webpage	Public	Weekly

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

OWC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2022-2023

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Name		Incoming	Outgoing
Convenor	Joe Courtney	October 2015	Ongoing
Deputy Convenor	Peter Devereux	February 2015	Ongoing
Treasurer	Michael Perera	May 2018	Ongoing
Secretary	Margot Kopsen	July 2019	November 2022
Committee member	S		
	Paddy Cullen	May 2018	Sec November 2022
	Lynne Butler	May 2015	Ongoing
	Avenel Hicks	November 2021	Ongoing
	Paul Bluett	November 2021	Ongoing

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

Avenel Hicks	June 2017	Ongoing
Paul Bluett	February 2019	Ongoing
Calida Sari	February 2021	Ongoing
Sara Aditya	January 2023	Ongoing
Caroline Marsh	June 2018	Ongoing
Christina Nguyen	September 2023	Ongoing

COORDINATION AND GENERAL VOLUNTEERS

Lynne Butler (OWC Coordinator)	August 2015	Ongoing
Elaine Lewis (Education Coordinator)	June 2016	Ongoing
Avenel Hicks (Library Coordinator)	January 2019	Ongoing
Paul Bluett (Membership and Administration)	January 2020	June 2020
Paddy Cullen (Community)	May 2018	Ongoing

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

Paddy Cullen	June 2018	Ongoing
Peter Devereux	June 2016	Ongoing
Lynne Butler	June 2016	Ongoing
Paul Bluett	October 2019	ongoing

EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE

Elaine Lewis	June 2015	Ongoing
Joe Courtney	June 2016	Ongoing
Avenel Hicks	June 2020	Ongoing
Peter Devereux	June 2015	Ongoing
Lynne Butler	June 2015	Ongoing
Sara Adhitya	January 2023	Ongoing
Caroline Marsh	June 2018	Ongoing
Christina Nguyen	June 2023	Ongoing

RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN WORKING GROUP

Paul Willaway	June 2016	Ongoing
Elaine Lewis	June 2016	Ongoing
Joe Courtney	June 2016	Ongoing

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Joe Courtney (Convenor)

Joe has been involved with the One World Centre ever since Anne (wife) was the co-ordinator way back in 1995 and joined the MC in about 2002. He finally took on the role of Convenor and has maintained the passion to see the Centre thrive as a voluntary organisation. He has continued being a key driver of events (fun(d)raising) and has taken on the role of the Reconciliation Action



Plan Working Group. Joe works as a meteorologist who specialises in tropical cyclones.

Dr Peter Devereux (Deputy Convenor)

Peter is a part time Research Fellow at Curtin University's Sustainability Policy Institute advancing the Doctorate of Sustainable Development on the new UN Sustainable Development Goals. Peter previously worked in the United Nations Volunteers; the School of Sustainability at Murdoch University; in



Nicaragua as university lecturer and NGO environmental adviser; UN Volunteers in Fiji; and Australian Volunteer International's Perth office. Peter re-joined the OWC MC early in 2015 and was elected Deputy Convenor in May 2015.

Michael Perera (Treasurer)

Michael has worked for over 30 years in the finance field, having worked for publicly listed companies, small to medium enterprises, and not-for-profit organisations. He has extensive experience in management accounting, budgeting, and treasury matters as well as in corporate governance. Michael is also a Board Member of two other not-for-profits and is a member of the Australian Society of CPA's.



Margot Kopsen

Margot joined the library team in April 2017 and is a librarian who previously volunteered with us on her free day. Margot took on the role of Library Coordinator rallying the troops for meetings and keeping us on task. After returning to study, as well as fulltime work, Margot resigned as a volunteer and took on the role of secretary of management committee in July 2019.

Lynne Butler

Lynne took on the role of OWC coordinator in September 2015 after re-joining the Management Committee in April 2015. After many years working in Indigenous education and training in WA, Lynne worked as an International Training and Development advisor and project manager with government departments, local NGOs and international agencies in Timor-Leste and Aceh for over ten years.



Paddy Cullen

Is a long term OWC supporter and has worked for many years as the Oxfam Campaign Manager in WA. Paddy joined us in 2018 and provides advice on community projects.

Paul Bluett

Paul has been a volunteer with the centre since 2019, assisting with admin and community events. He has a background in sexual and reproductive health, and community advocacy, and became involved in aid and development issues in Asia through his work with the WA AIDS Council and Family Planning WA.



Avenel Hicks

Avenel Hicks is a retired librarian having worked at ECU and UWA libraries for almost 20 years. She later worked with an overseas volunteer programme operating in Developing Countries for six and a half years and since 2018, has been looking after the library at the One World Centre developing the collection and helping other volunteers gain experience in library work.

