



2024 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



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ABOUT THE SAS RESOURCES FUND

The Special Air Service Resources Fund (SASRF) assists current and former members of the SAS Regiment (SASR), as well as dependants of those members, who are in need of relief or support.

The inaugural Trust was set up primarily to assist the dependants of SAS soldiers who are killed or severely disabled in, or as a result of, operations or training. While this support was, and continues to be, first and foremost for the education of those beneficiary children, it has also grown to covering health and other needs as required.

Two additional Trusts have also been established to extend SASRF support to assist with respite and educational opportunities for current and former SASR members and

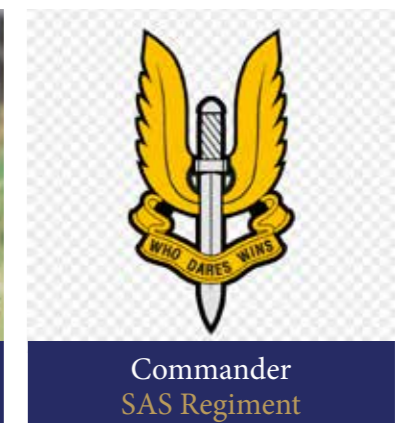
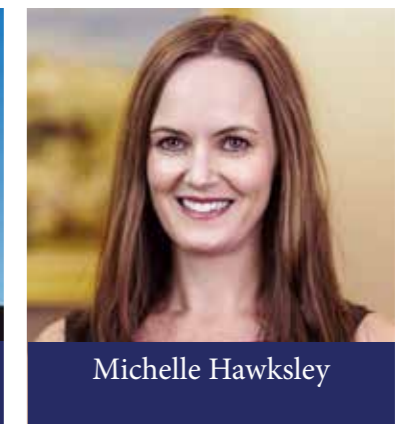
their families, as well as providing emergency support in times of financial hardship. The Fund is committed to taking a holistic approach in supporting all our Beneficiaries.

SASRF assistance extends to the families of other Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel who are killed or disabled while working alongside the SASR in Regiment controlled operations or training.

The Fund provides peace of mind to members serving in the Australian Special Air Service Regiment. Members are rest assured in the knowledge that they and their families will be looked after in the event of death, injury or illness, and in times of hardship.



TRUSTEES





2024 marked 60 years since the formation of the SAS Regiment. It also marked 25 years since the Regiment's task force spearheaded the multinational peacemaking taskforce INTERFET into East Timor. A long period of back-to-back operational commitment for the Regiment followed, that saw forces prepared, deployed and rotated across the globe.

While significant military outcomes were delivered, the impact on members and families has been significant. Alongside the Association, Auxiliary and Historical Foundation, the SAS Resources Fund plays a role in somewhat mitigating detrimental impacts.

At the time of INTERFET the SAS Resources Trust was new, having just formed in late 1996. It had modest capital and a specific single remit, which remains the primary purpose of the Fund to this day. However, the consequences of service over subsequent years demonstrated that the National response to the changing needs of veterans and veterans' families often falls short. This has driven the SAS Resources Fund to deliberately evolve.

During 2024 the Fund continued to prioritise support to its primary beneficiary group; the families who have endured the loss of a loved one or individuals and families impacted to the point that they are unable to work. Currently long-term assistance is being provided to 65 Beneficiaries across 27 families.

Circumstances where individuals and families experience temporary financial hardship have continued to appear this year. In most cases the Fund's assistance enables people to get back on their feet, however sometimes temporary hardship transitions to longer-term. Currently, 21 Beneficiaries across 15 families are being afforded temporary relief.

Children who have experienced the loss or total and permanent incapacity of a parent, remain eligible for Fund assistance to age 25, contributing to post-school educational and career aspirations. Since 1996, 20 Beneficiaries have turned 25, including one this year. The Fund does remain accessible to them and assistance has been afforded to some to help with genuine employment or business opportunities.

Currently the Fund is supporting the education of 27 children through school and 9 young Beneficiaries through university. We have valuable scholarship arrangements with several of Perth's private schools, of which we are currently utilising two positions.

The national expectations placed on the SAS Regiment continue to generate a high tempo of capability readiness and commitment. The Fund enabled several welfare and respite activities for serving personnel and families this year.

For many years, we have seen benefit in supporting preventative programs accessed by SAS people, that are facilitated by other organisations and charities. Preventative programmes serve a therapeutic, training or developmental purpose. This year the Fund formalised a biennial approach to considering and supporting such initiatives. This ensures that

assistance is directed to initiatives that are most impactful, directly involving SAS participants and address prevalent circumstances. Some of these are modest ventures while others are significant, involving other well-established charities. Regardless, they all provide needed relief or enable individuals to develop personalised strategies.

The Fund governs the Wanderer's Education Programme, which enables serving members to access tertiary education. This enhances the Regiment's capability, while contributing to an individual's success post service. To date 62 individuals have completed or are undertaking studies in disciplines covering business, leadership, geopolitics, cyber security, psychology, education and physiotherapy. Qualifications span Diploma through to Doctorate levels.

The ability of the Fund to deliver such diverse support stems largely from the efforts of its volunteer Board of Trustees and sub committees, supported by a small and very capable staff. I thank all involved for their energy and commitment over the last year.

I would like to conclude by challenging the paradigm associated with the veteran community, especially as it relates to SAS service. A dominant narrative of tragedy, hardship and vulnerability often prevails.

The accurate narrative, however, is very different. It is one of the proud soldier who is totally and permanently incapacitated but has the courage to accept the toughest of circumstances, step forward and seek assistance for a greater good.

It is one of the bereaved wife and mother, who while faced with the reality of loss, has the devotion that only a mother can, to create the best circumstances for her children.

It is the story of the child who is bereaved or impacted by their parent's service, but grabs the opportunities presented and commits to school, university or

vocational training to define their own life.

It is about the serving soldier who seizes an opportunity for advanced education that benefits the ADF, while preparing them for a successful transition to civilian life.

So, the alternative narrative is one of seizing opportunities, optimism, motivation and courage. The Fund is an enabler for these individual virtues to come to the fore.

Finally, I offer my immense gratitude to our supporters over the last twelve months. To the schools, organisations, companies and individuals providing financial and in-kind assistance, the Fund would not be the enabler it is without such caring and loyal sectors of Australian society.

Dr Grant Walsh, CSM
Chair
SAS Resources Fund



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DEPARTING TRUSTEES FROM THE CHAIR

It is with heartfelt gratitude that I take the opportunity to thank two long serving Trustees who have stepped down from the Board over the last twelve months. On behalf of the Board and our Beneficiaries, I thank both for their selfless service and dedication to the Fund's important efforts. I also wish them and their families all the very best for the future. Your individual and collective contributions have been immense.

Dr Mark Nidorf



He became the Chair of the Assistance Committee early in his tenure and continues to lead this foundation committee as a non-trustee volunteer. He has always brought fairness and consistency to deliberations regarding the many diverse and very challenging scenarios. It is testament to his character that he always expects different situations will arise, rather than living in the paradigm of precedence. As a result, whenever a case without precedence appears, Mark's default is to consider how the Fund may provide support, rather than if it should.

I've personally enjoyed many years working with Mark as a Board member and on the Assistance Committee. I have witnessed his intellect, leadership, objectivity and above all, compassion for the people we are there for. Having his continued involvement is of great benefit to the Fund and very significantly to current and future Beneficiaries.



Mark Nidorf stepped down as a Trustee on the 5th of December 2023, negating an opportunity to formally acknowledge him in last year's annual report.

Mark became a Trustee on the 9th of December 2008, making him the longest serving member of the Board at the time of his departure. He was brought onto the Board by the Fund's Founder, Mr Jeff Kazim. This is meaningful because Jeff was extremely considered about who would serve as a Trustee.

During Mark's long tenure, he remained at the very core of what the SASRF does; supporting our Beneficiaries.

As a Board member, Mark's considered mind regularly challenged the status quo, while ensuring the integrity of the Fund, and its associated Trusts, remained true.

Mr Rob Druitt



In September, Rob Druitt stepped down as a Trustee having been on the Board since the 24th of July 2012. During this time, he afforded "our cause" the benefit of his significant knowledge, experience and character. His efforts have gone well beyond the "call of duty," not only as a Trustee but as a long-term supporter.

Many of us remember his wonderful assistance, well before joining the Board, running our charity auctions from as far back as 2005. Rob's talents in this regard were instrumental in raising considerable funds in the early days when the Trust was far from flush with resources. I personally remember Rob's ability for squeezing every dollar out of each charity item, no matter its significance. He did so in his signature unique and engaging way.

As a Trustee, Rob has always been "a doer". He has consistently rolled up his sleeves, not only in formal roles, but in promoting the spirit of the Fund to our broad stakeholders and other interested parties.

Rob jumped into the breach as Fund Treasurer; a role he did for several years to an exceptional level. He was also a critical member of the Fund's Governance Committee and has kept an astute ear to the ground about the dealings of our other committees providing advice when warranted.

Very significantly, Rob has taken every opportunity to engage with our Beneficiaries in a very genuine and personal way. As a result, he has endeared himself to those that are at the very heart of our purpose. Rob will maintain an ongoing connection to the Fund's decision making as a non-trustee volunteer on the Assistance Committee.



On behalf of the staff of the Special Air Service Resources Fund, it is my pleasure to present the 2024 Chief Executive Officer's Report for the annual Newsletter.

In my last Report, it was necessary for me to address the series of significant events that have confronted the Fund in recent years. The COVID 19 pandemic, the release of the Inspector General Australian Defence Force Report and the resignation of two dedicated and experienced staff required considerable managerial effort to navigate. It is, therefore, with a sense of contented satisfaction that I can report that 2024 has provided no such challenges and that, as a staff, we have been able to focus more routinely on our core purpose, the welfare of Special Air Service veterans and their families. That does not, however, diminish the year's achievements and the work that made them possible. I must acknowledge the Melbourne Charity Dinner conducted at the Melbourne Cricket Ground which was an outstanding success. Importantly, we were also able to participate and share in the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the formation of the Special Air Service Regiment.

In the past, there have been occasions when the long-term relevance of the Fund has been examined. These considerations have always found, without reservation, that the Fund's mission and purpose are sound and will remain so indefinitely. This year has provided additional evidence that the need for the services provided by the Fund are not just sustained but are increasing. While the trend is not dramatic or alarming, we have again experienced an increase in the number of Trust 1 Beneficiary families. Other ex-service and veterans organisations are also experiencing the same trend. That said I will take the opportunity to discuss two very important projects that may have a lasting impact on the Fund in the near future.

Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide

The Fund contributed a submission to the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide by aligning our views with the National Australian Special Air Service Association.

The Commission presented its final report to the Governor General on 9 September 2024. Many of the 122 recommendations contained in the Report focus on improvements to the process of transition from service to civilian life. To quote directly from the Commissioners' forward to the report;

'... we make many recommendations aimed at preventing harm and supporting early intervention and recovery; improving cohesion, collaboration and coordination in the delivery of support services; building institutional capability and capacity; and improving oversight, transparency and accountability across the ecosystem of agencies and institutions responsible for the health and wellbeing of serving and ex-serving ADF members and their families.'

If successful, the implementation of these recommendations will reinforce the responsibility of veteran care with Government and away from charitable organisations such as ourselves.

Veteran Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation

The Australian Federal Government has introduced legislation into Parliament to simplify and harmonise the veterans' rehabilitation and compensation framework. This is an important step the Government has taken to respond to the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide report. The introduction of this legislation, scheduled for 1 July 2026, has the potential to be very positive for the Fund as delays in the processing of injury claims and the ensuing financial hardship has been a major source of beneficiary expenditure particularly under Trust 2.

Additionally, I believe that through this legislation we may experience an increase in families qualifying

as Trust 1 Beneficiaries by recognition of Totally and Permanently Incapacitated status. The cost of this increase, however, may be countered by a reduction in the financial hardship experienced by these families.

Thank You to Our Staff and Supporters

For the last decade, the Fund has benefited from the generosity of our Trustee, Dr Andrew Forrest, Ms Nicola Forrest and the Minderoo Foundation by the provision of office workspace. Initially and for a significant period of time, at the Sunset Heritage Precinct in Dalkeith and as of February of this year, in Hampden Road, Nedlands, Western Australia. We are very grateful for this continued support that is critical to our operational security.

This year, our organisation has achieved new heights of trust and good-will with all of our stakeholders. This success is due, exclusively and unequivocally, to the capability and dedication of our Operations Manager, Ms Amy Hawkes, and Business Manager, Ms Sonia Baker. Their unwavering commitment and diligent management have been instrumental in ensuring our activities are conducted professionally, sustainably and in accordance with our regulatory obligations. Amy has excelled in navigating logistical challenges, fostering a strong team of volunteers, and creating an environment where Beneficiaries can thrive. Likewise, Sonia has expertly managed finances, strategic planning, and crucial partnerships, allowing us to reach more people than ever before. Their combined efforts have truly strengthened our foundation and positioned us for continued success.

As ever, I would also like to extend my sincere gratitude to our Board of Trustees, Committees, Supporters, donors, and volunteers who make our work possible. Your unwavering commitment to our cause is a driving force behind our accomplishments and success.

As we look to the future, we remain dedicated to our mission and inspired by the potential for growth and positive change. With the continued support of our community, we are poised for even greater achievements in the years to come.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the achievements of the Fund over the last financial year have been ones of consolidation and professional enhancement. I believe we have strengthened our foundation and are positioned to make a lasting contribution in support of a vital national security asset, the Special Air Service Regiment. I remain concerned that as a consequence of the operational commitment to Afghanistan there will continue to be a very significant role for the Fund within the SAS Family perhaps for decades. Nevertheless, I again have full confidence the Fund continues to have the foresight and agility to deal with the full range of possible contingencies.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge and thank our outstanding Board of Trustees. Without their unwavering dedication, visionary leadership, and tireless commitment to our mission, none of our accomplishments would have been possible.

Mr Chris Johns
Chief Executive Officer
SAS Resources Fund



TREASURER'S REPORT 2024

The SAS Resources Fund and Trusts are not-for-profit, charitable institutions registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC). The financial reporting period for the Fund and Trusts is from 1 July to 30 June.

As Treasurer I am pleased to advise that the Fund and Trusts continued to perform solidly in the 2024 financial year with an annual growth in investments of around 12%.

In March 2024 we held our Gala Evening at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) as our main fundraising event. It was decided that an event in Perth would conflict with the Regiments 60th Anniversary Ball which was held in September. The event drew a fantastic crowd and was a great opportunity to reconnect with our Melbourne supporter base, it had been four years since our last event in Melbourne. The event raised \$55,000 for the Fund and \$100,000 for the Wanderer's Education Program. The major sponsor for the evening was Fortescue Metals Group. We would like to thank Dr Andrew Forrest for his continued support.

During the financial year we saw a decrease in beneficiary payments mainly in Trust 2. Trust 2 support is usually not ongoing but involves a one-off payment for discrete purposes. Trust 1 beneficiary payments remained the same as the previous year.

The Wanderer's Education Program (WEP) remained active during the financial year. This is a sub-fund established in 2016 and managed under Trust 3. The program assists members of the Australian Special Air Services Regiment with merit-based higher vocational education, as well as other professional and personal development opportunities to build individual and familial resilience and prepare them for post-service life.

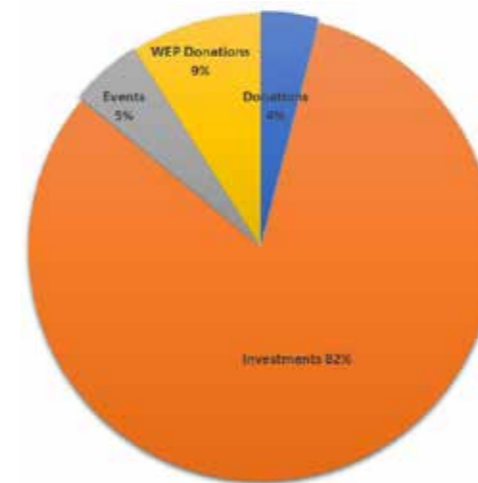
Also, during the financial year, we moved offices. We are now housed in Nedlands, the new offices have made it easier for Beneficiaries to meet with staff. We would like to thank Ms Nicola Forrest and the Minderoo Foundation for their support with our new offices.

With the cost of living pressures that most people are feeling we anticipate that more beneficiaries will be reaching out for our support. We are well placed to continue to provide appropriate and required support to all our Beneficiaries.

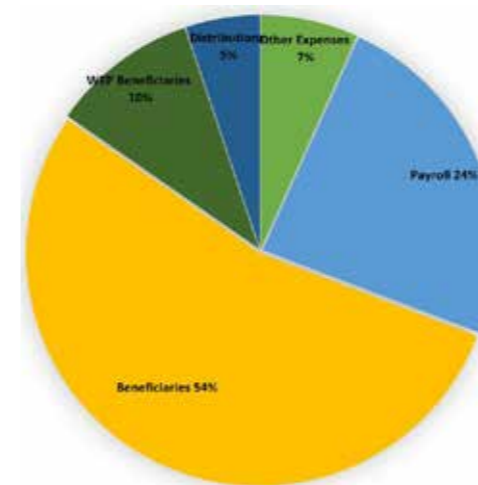
I would also like to mention and thank outgoing Treasurer, Mr Rob Druitt, for his outstanding work and significant contribution to the Fund.

Mr Nick Henry
Treasurer
SAS Resources Fund

Income 2024



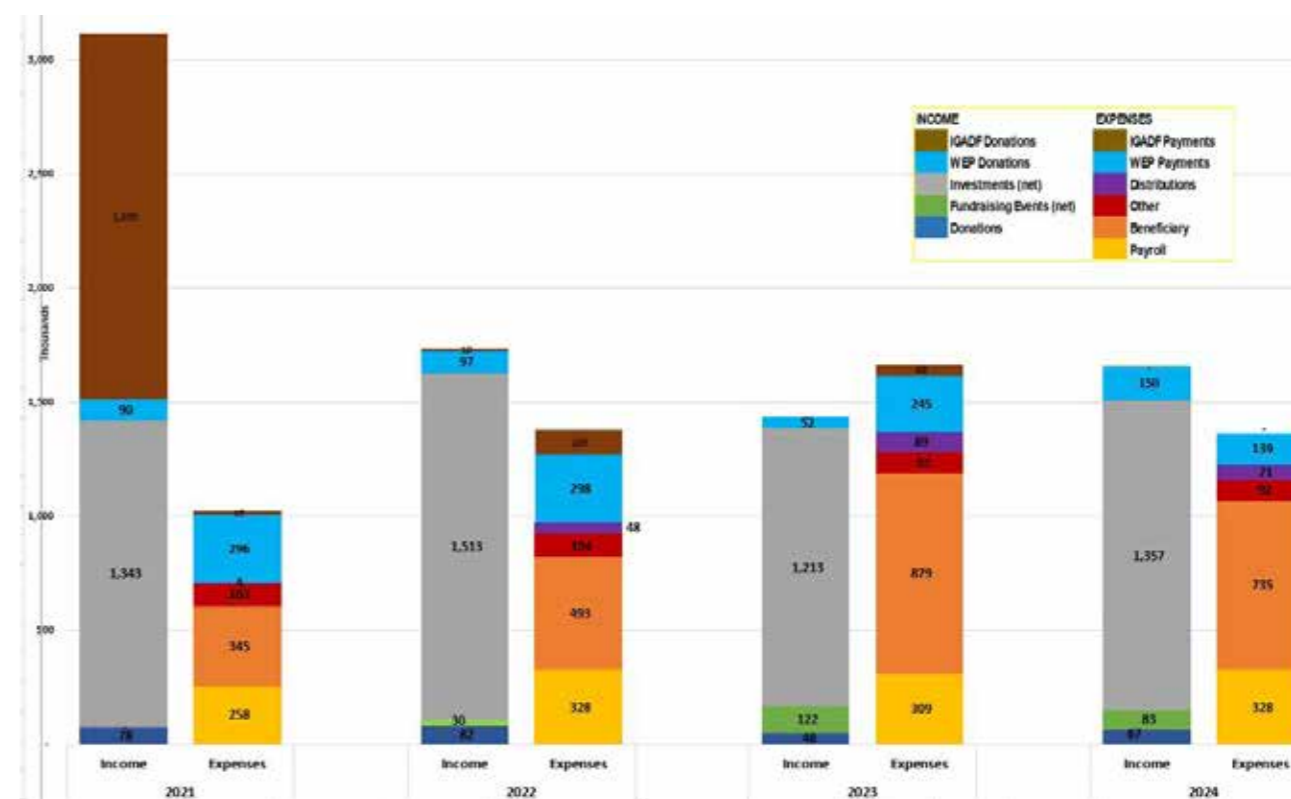
Expenditure 2024



2024 Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

	2024 \$	2023 \$
INCOME		
Donations	66,574	47,561
WEP Donations	150,140	51,750
Fundraising events - net	82,616	121,837
Investments	1,357,251	1,213,034
Total Income	1,656,581	1,434,182
EXPENSES		
Operating expenses	420,154	402,243
Beneficiary Payments	734,728	926,763
WEP Payments	138,933	244,856
Distributions	70,537	89,197
Total Expenses	1,364,352	1,663,059
NET SURPLUS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	\$ 292,229	-\$ 228,877

Four Year Consolidated Profit and Loss



Beneficiary Payments



BENEFICIARY REFLECTIONS

Bethany's University Exchange



During 2023/ 2024 I was offered a position to study abroad for a year at the University of Portsmouth in the UK as part of my Dual Degree exchange program. This opportunity would not have been a possibility for me had it not been for the Trust and its supporters. As a Beneficiary the support given afforded me the opportunity to live and study in Portsmouth for a year. I connected, and made friends, with such a diverse group of likeminded people from all over the world. A number of these people invited me to travel and visit them in their homes throughout Europe and the UK. Since returning home I have had a couple of them come to Australia to visit and see 'the outback'.

My time in the UK studying allowed me to attend classes not offered within the Australian curriculum for my degree, areas that I am truly fascinated by and I hope to further pursue in the future.

During my time there I was also able to travel throughout Europe during breaks and with one particular highlight being able to partake in a university organised Ski trip to the French Alps, with memories I know will last me a lifetime.

Another opportunity I had, which would not have been possible due to the distance living in Australia, was being able to go over to Ireland to experience St Patricks Day! Also, attending Halloween at Disneyland Paris and travelling to the Scottish Highlands where I witnessed the beauty of the Northern lights. As well as other amazing locations such as Germany, Amsterdam and Italy.

After 4 years at university and as a part of my degree a year studying abroad, I am now a graduate with an International Dual Degree from ECU with honours from Portsmouth University. Since my completion of this degree, I have also recently received an offer for a position in the honours program as well as the opportunity to study a master's by research.

During my final semester I collaborated with an amazing team throughout our applied project and am so proud to have contributed to a paper published in the Australian Cyber Security Magazine Editor's Desk, Featured, Information Security on the 28th October 2024 issue regarding Data Beyond Borders – Australian Data Stored in Non-Australian Cloud Environments.

The generosity of the Trust has given me the opportunity to participate in an exchange program that has not only enriched my academic pursuits but has also allowed me to grow immensely as an individual. The experience has been transformative, and I truly cannot thank you enough for making it possible.

Your support has been pivotal in my academic journey, and I am deeply appreciative of the opportunities afforded to me as a result of this. I am excited to apply the knowledge and skills I have gained in my career path in the future and again I wish to express my sincere gratitude for the invaluable support provided to me throughout my education.

Bethany



BENEFICIARY UPDATE

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, donors and supporters, the SAS Resources Fund continues to provide life changing assistance to Beneficiaries. In their own words, hear how your support of the Fund is truly making a difference to their lives – we cannot thank you enough for assisting us in supporting their journeys.

A Letter of Thanks from Isabel-Mary

I am so grateful to the SAS Resources Fund for giving me this amazing opportunity to attend Methodist Ladies College. This year has been incredible! I've had the chance to be a part of so many exciting activities such as sports, music and school camp, which has been such a great experience to make new friends and learn new things. I'm receiving the best education I could have ever asked for, and I wouldn't have been able to receive it without the support of the Fund.

Pictured (Left): Isabel-Mary and her friends at the year 8 school camp at Walpole in March this year



A Letter of Thanks from Katie

I would like to thank the SAS Resources Fund for all the financial help and support they have given to me and my family over the last year. The staff and Team from the SAS Resources Fund have been wonderful. A special shout out to Chris, Amy and Sonia. Thank you for your continuous help, it's made my/our life so much easier. You guys are the best!

Pictured (Right): Katie was presented with The Spirit of Mercy Award which recognises students who consistently make a positive contribution to our school community and always gives his/ her best to live our Mercy values of compassion, justice, respect, hospitality, courage and service.



A Letter of Thanks from Melissa, for the support of her son, Mitchell



As my son Mitchell completes his final few days of year 12 we have been reflecting back on his journey through schooling. We are both so grateful for the support and opportunities the SASR Trust have given Mitchell over the past 13 years. With the financial support of the Trust I have been able to send him to a Catholic College in our local area, he has been able to learn a musical instrument when he was interested, cover uniform expenses, attend all school excursions, camps and activities but most importantly receive a wonderful education. Without the Trust's support none of this would have been possible.

At our recent College Awards night Mitchell received a Bronze Academic award for his final year and the subject award for Modern History. He has worked hard this year with the aim of continuing his studies into the future at University. His hard work and focus has been rewarded with an early admission to study a dual degree in Criminal Justice and Political Science with International Relations at Griffiths University in Brisbane next year. As an educator myself I have always believed that education is the key to opening doors of opportunity and success.

I cannot thank the SASR Trust enough for their support of Mitchell and giving him the opportunity and keys to success, we will be forever grateful. Thankyou.

Did you know that in addition to educational support for our Beneficiaries, SAS Resources Fund also provides assistance for extra-curricular activities, and health related expenses, including counselling? Gaps in the system often mean that without Fund support, these vital wellbeing services would be otherwise out of reach for these families.

BENEFICIARY UPDATE

A Letter of Thanks from Benjamin

My family and I are profoundly grateful for your generous support. You have been a constant pillar of support during those trying times (Blackhawk Accident June 1996).

The SASRF have supported my education years 7 to 12 and continuous studies thereafter.

This would not have been possible (for me) without the continuing support, help and effort from the SAS Resources Fund, and the continuing friendship of Ms Ann Edwards.

Pictured (Right): Benjamin with wife Hayley & daughter Elsie Maria

Pictured (Below): Benjamin with mum Anna at the Memorial Site, Townsville



A Letter of Thanks from Mathew for support of his son, Jacob

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for the financial support provided by SAS Resources Fund towards the payment of Jacob's school fees. Your generous assistance has made a significant difference in our lives, allowing us to focus on my child's education without the added stress of financial burden at this time of need.

The education and opportunities provided by the school are invaluable, and your support has ensured that Jacob can continue to benefit from the school's excellent academic programs, extracurricular activities, and overall nurturing environment. This contribution will have a lasting impact on our family and I am sincerely appreciative of your support.

Thank you for your kindness and support to former and current SASR members and especially your support to my family. Your generosity is truly making a difference and we are profoundly grateful.



BENEFICIARY REFLECTIONS

As part of the Fund's commitment to supporting our Beneficiaries educational journey's, we also support our high school students to attend school trips that provide invaluable life lessons and experiences. In June of this year, with SAS Resources Fund assistance, Ari was able to attend Ocean Reef SHS's Specialist Music Tour in Singapore.

OCEAN REEF SHS SPECIALIST MUSIC TOUR IN SINGAPORE

DAY 1

Hi, I'm Arianna Bonner and this is an overview of my trip to Singapore with the Ocean Reef SHS music program.

After arriving in hot Singapore, we headed to Suntec City (a huge shopping centre under the skyscrapers of Singapore's CBD), where we had our first meal. I had soup dumplings! We then gathered and made our way to the Duck tour, a tour on the Kallang River on an amphibious vehicle! After heading to our hotel, we went for a walk down Orchard road to get some food.

DAY 2

This is my favourite part as we went to Universal Studios at Sentosa Island. We spent the whole day there and after lots of rides, we headed to WaterWorld, where we watched an awesome action-based performance.

DAY 3

On day 3, we headed to Singapore Zoo and saw many exotic animals. We then headed back to Sentosa island for the Trick Eye Museum, Madam Tussaud's wax museum, and the S.E.A Aquarium.

DAY 4

On day 4, we went to Dunman High school, as well as Seng Kang Secondary school where we performed our pieces we'd been working on!

After returning to our hotel to get changed, we then headed back to SG Zoo for the night safari which was super fun! This was also where I ate the best buffet ever.

DAY 5

On day 5, we departed to the Singapore Raffles Music College for the multicultural program, where we learnt about the main cultures in Singapore (Chinese, Indian and Malaysian). Unfortunately I didn't get any good photos.

Afterwards, we made our way to Bugis street, which is a very popular spot with markets and lots of bargaining.

DAY 6

On day 6, we woke up early and left for Serangoon Gardens Secondary School which had the prettiest garden with a stream. Here, we performed some pieces and we attended many classes to experience the Singaporean school life, before departing to Chinatown for shopping.

DAY 7

On our last day, we went to the Gardens by the Bay and Vivo city, the largest mall in SG! We then headed to Changi airport and took the skytrain to the Jewel, which was insane. After that, we boarded our flight and said goodbye to Singapore.



COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING SPOTLIGHT

Fundraising with the SAS Resources Fund is an incredibly rewarding way to support veterans, and their families, experiencing hardship. There are many unique and wonderful ways to fundraise, and every effort truly does make a difference.

Rob Bentley's Kokoda Trek

Rob Bentley (ex 2 Sqn) of Acuity Business Coaching, recently took a group of his clients to Kokoda, supported by Travis Hocart of Kokoda Crossing.

Despite swearing never to go into the jungle again, Rob and his intrepid clients had an awesome time; less wet, less mozzies, less leeches and less 'wait-a-while', but incredible stories, challenging efforts, stunning night skies, and brilliant local porters!

Rob even bumped into a mate he hadn't seen for 40 years, Gary Fiakos of 1 Commando.

Rob highly recommends Trav (ex TRG and FedPol) and Kokoda Crossing for your next adventure!

Rob thanks his generous clients, Jim Reid of Radlink in particular, for donating over \$14k to his fundraising for the Resources Fund.



GET INVOLVED!

How YOU can help SAS Resources Fund make a difference



Fundraise your way

Join our community of fundraisers who are committed to supporting our veteran community, just by doing something you love!



Gifts in Wills

One of the most powerful ways to help is to leave a lasting legacy and ensure your memory lives on and gives hope to veteran's in need.



Donate

Give a one-time gift or become a regular giver over a timeframe that suits you.



Become a corporate partner

We value collaboration and working together with likeminded organisations. Whether it be through sponsorship, product partnership, or workplace giving, a mutually beneficial corporate relationship can make the world of difference.

Host your own fundraiser

Host a friend, family or community event. Big or small, simple or extravagant, 3-course dinner or backyard BBQ; every little bit helps and every dollar you raise will go towards supporting our veteran's experiencing hardship.

Challenge

Run, swim, bike or hike your way. You can join an existing challenge or create your own!

Celebrate

Request donations in lieu of gifts on your special day

In Memory

Honour their memory by supporting those in need



Pictured (Above): Waxflower 'Local Hero' – our partnership with Helix Australia which has raised over \$30k to date

For further information on how you or your organisation can help make a difference:



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OUR EVENTS

Melbourne Gala Dinner

The Special Air Service Resources Fund Gala Dinner returned to Melbourne with much anticipation and a sell-out crowd at the prestigious Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG).



It was a night to remember as guests started the evening with drinks in the hallowed Long Room before moving into the Members' Dining Room for a 3-course dinner and first-class entertainment hosted by the wonderful Mark Beretta.

Dining on the finest local produce, guests heard from SAS Resources Fund Chair, Grant (Wally) Walsh CSM and Commander SASR about the vital role that the Fund plays within the SASR community and how that support offers peace of mind to those currently serving so that they can continue to put their lives on the line to protect our nation.

Guest speaker Major Stuart 'Buster' Brown reflected on the 25th Anniversary of the Regiment's Commitment to East Timor and provided incredible insight by sharing his personal experience of serving in the region. Followed by the evening's Beneficiary Speaker, Major Angela Uphill, who had the crowd on their feet in awe of her courage and resilience and brought home how life changing SAS Resources Fund support can be when faced with the toughest challenges imaginable.

Guests were then treated to rare moments of candour from a panel of beloved Australian sporting stars who, inspired by our guest speakers, shared personal stories of mateship, teamwork and perseverance. A special thanks to our MC Mark Beretta for chairing the discussion and our panellists Michael Malthouse, Sharelle McMahon, Sarah Rowe, Guy McKenna and Nick Maxwell for their time and openness.

A huge thank you to the incredibly talented Australian Army Band Melbourne for their invaluable support of the evening, our Auctioneer Mr Campbell Moore, and the Ukrainian Ambassador His Excellency, Vasyl Myroshnychenko, for taking the opportunity to address the room.

We are incredibly grateful to all attendees, supporters and sponsors of the event who made the night the great success that it was.



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OUR EVENTS

Beneficiary Afternoon Tea



OUR EVENTS

2023 Chairman's Sundowner



Friends and supporters of the SAS Resources Fund were invited by Fund Chair Dr Grant 'Wally' Walsh to gather at the Fund's annual Sundowner, hosted on the beautiful terrace of the University Club of Western Australia.

This event is to thank the volunteers, supporters, sponsors, donors, Board members, Committee members and SASRF staff for their support throughout the year. It was also an opportunity to reflect on the support and assistance provided to SAS Resources Fund beneficiaries throughout the year.

In 2023, financial support was provided to nearly 100 individual beneficiaries across 35 families in both long-term and temporary relief situations. In addition to this, much needed welfare and respite opportunities were afforded to the Regiment's serving personnel and their families throughout the year.

In his speech, Dr Walsh conveyed SASRF's immense gratitude to the individuals and organisations providing continued financial and in-kind assistance. Without you, the Fund would simply not be the enabler it is for a very worthy group of Australians. Thank you.





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Integral to our ability to deliver support to current and former members of the SASR and their families, the Fund works closely with the Australian SAS network. This network consists of the SAS Auxiliary, the SAS Historical Foundation, the Australian SAS Association as well as the SAS Regiment.

The Australian Special Air Service Association was formed in the mid-1980s to perpetuate the close comradeship created by past and present SASR members and to provide support to the Regiment. The Association comprises a National Secretariat and State Branches. Membership is an entitlement to all former members of the SAS Company, and former and serving members of SASR. The WA Branch has over 600 members. The Association provides advice and assistance to past and present members of the SAS and their families.

The SAS Auxiliary was formed in 1965 by partners of soldiers serving in the Regiment to give support and promote friendship among SASR families.

This volunteer, not-for-profit organisation, has become a vital component of the Regiment's informal family support system.

The SAS Historical Foundation was established in 1998 to commemorate the remarkable history and heritage of the Australian Special Air Service on behalf of the SASR. The Foundation supports the maintenance of unit morale and esprit de corps through display of military heritage objects that acknowledge the outstanding achievements of the SASR.

Other Units within the Special Operations Command have similar support organisations and networks that are committed to provide direct organic support to their members and families. Regular meetings and forums are held to address issues of importance to ex-service and defence communities.

This network provides vital support to the current and former members of the SAS Regiment and their families.



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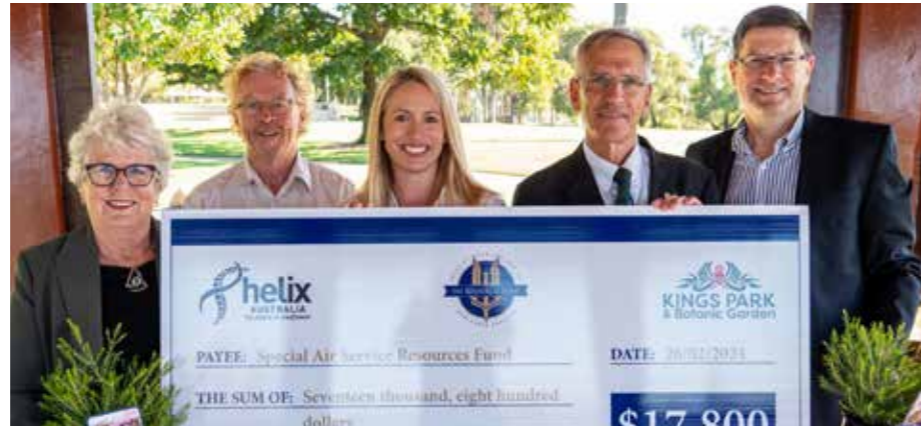
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Special mention to Mr Peter Nosow as 2024 marks the 10-year anniversary of the launch of the SASR golden Jubilee Rose. Propagated by Peter at Landsdale Rose Gardens, the gold-coloured rose was launched to commemorate the SASR Golden Jubilee and has been raising money for SAS Resources Fund since its inception. An extremely valued partnership that has made an incredible contribution to the lives of our beneficiaries over the past 10 years. Our heartfelt thanks to you Peter.



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THE YEAR IN REVIEW



“ The very generous support of the SAS Resources Fund, and the kindness and understanding of the wonderful people working there and the Assistance Committee, made the world of difference to us as our world crumbled. Contributing to the cost of our children’s school fees so they could continue to be educated to a high standard in a supportive environment was such an incredible relief for us. With so many changes and challenges happening in our lives, we were determined to keep as much stability and security as possible for our children. The financial support provided to our family allowed us to do that while we get back on our feet. This was one of the greatest gifts provided to us during our darkest time, and we can never express enough how truly grateful we are. ”





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