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THE ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY
Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended December 2018

Registered Charity (Charity Commission for England and Wales, Charity Number 306094)
Accredited Commonwealth Organisation
Incorporated by Royal Charter
Registered with the Fundraising Regulator



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Drowning: The process of experiencing respiratory impairment from immersion/submersion in liquid

Preventing Drowning

Drowning is an under-recognized global public health issue.

KEY FACTS ABOUT DROWNING

360,000
people
die
from
drowning
every
year

Over 90%
of drowning
deaths occur
in low- and
middle-income
countries



About 60%
of all
drowning
deaths are
among
those aged
under 30 years

Males are twice
as likely
to drown
as females



Drowning
is the
3rd
leading
cause of
death
for children
aged
5-14 years

6 KEY DROWNING PREVENTION INTERVENTIONS

Provide safe
places for
pre-school
children



Install barriers
controlling
access to
water



Teach
school-age
children
swimming and
water skills



Build resilience
and manage
flood risks



Train
bystanders
in safe rescue
and resuscitation



Set and enforce
safe boating,
shipping and ferry
regulations



World Health
Organization

www.who.int/violence_injury_prevention/en/



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KENSINGTON PALACE

In 2018 the Royal Life Saving Society was granted its Supplemental Charter by Her Majesty the Queen. This new Charter with its By-Laws allows the Society to operate in a far more modern and inclusive manner. To celebrate this milestone, the Society held various events in London in May including the first Board of Trustees meeting. I was pleased to meet with the new members of the Board along with staff and volunteers from many of our member branches at the Commonwealth Council meeting.

Last year also marked my 40th anniversary as Commonwealth President. I have seen many changes within the Society during this time and have worked and met with many inspiring people in the field of drowning prevention. I have been fortunate enough to visit at least twelve member branches on my travels to see the excellent work that is being carried out by Society members. I achieved my Bronze Medallion back in 1983 and was delighted to be presented with a commemorative medal to mark this Anniversary. I was also honoured to be awarded the King Edward VII Cup, the Society's most prestigious award for service.

Capacity building within our member branches continued throughout the year with several workshops taking place in the Asia Pacific and Caribbean regions. These workshops also offered the Society the opportunity to provide our members with the resuscitation training and CPR kits that were kindly donated by Laerdal Medical, to whom we are indebted for their support of the Society over many years.

My sincere thanks go to all our members, supporters and volunteers for your ongoing support of the Royal Life Saving Society.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Michael'.

HRH Prince Michael of Kent GCVO



Message from Clive Holland, Deputy Commonwealth President

For the last two years I have reported on the status of our petition for a revised Supplemental Charter, on this occasion I'm delighted to say that in May we were granted our Supplemental Charter and By-Laws. This has been a long time coming but we are finally there and can now move forward with a more inclusive way of working. I would like to express my thanks to everyone who has been involved in this lengthy process.

In April I had the opportunity to attend events around the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in London. It provided me with the opportunity to meet up with other Commonwealth organisations and High Commission staff and advocate for drowning prevention.

I am extremely grateful to a small number of external supporters of the Society who agreed to be part of an informal support group that has been set up as a "think-tank" to help us identify opportunities, to advise us on options and make introductions in areas we do not currently access. The small group, currently called "Friends of RLSS" who held their inaugural meeting in September 2018 and we look forward to working with them and expanding the group during 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported the work of the Royal Life Saving Society during 2018 but in particular the support I have received from our volunteer Executive Director, Norman Farmer, our Treasurer, Clive Patrickson and from our three major contributing National Branches, Royal Life Saving Australia, Lifesaving Society Canada and RLSS UK.

We have a lot to look forward to in 2019. The World Conference on Drowning Prevention taking place in Durban in October, hosted by our member Lifesaving South Africa will provide us with the opportunity to meet up with colleagues and global drowning prevention experts. The Festival of Lifesaving taking place in Leeds in November, hosted by RLSS UK will ensure athletes from our members have an opportunity to compete at an international level.

Clive Holland
Deputy Commonwealth President

Charity Information and Overview

Registered Name: The Royal Life Saving Society

Working Names: RLSS, RLSS Commonwealth, Commonwealth Lifesaving, Commonwealth Drowning Prevention

Registered Charity: Charity Commission England and Wales, Charity Number 306094.

Accredited Commonwealth Organisation

Registered with the Fundraising Regulator

Registered Address: Red Hill House, 227 London Road, Worcester, WR5 2JG, United Kingdom

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Commonwealth President

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Independent Financial Examiner

Richard Oddy FCA

RLSS Board of Trustees (formerly Commonwealth Management Committee)

Chair:	Clive Holland
Treasurer:	Clive Patrickson PhD
Honorary Legal Advisor:	Alastair Collett
Asia Pacific:	Pene Snashall (Australia) Richard Ming Kirk Tan (Singapore) Trustee-elect (Retired May 2018) Sanath Wijayaratne (Sri Lanka) (Elected May 2018) Lim Chien Ch'eng (Malaysia) (Elected May 2018)
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America and Caribbean:	Joan Duncan (Canada) (Retired May 2018) Robert Clark (Canada) (Elected May 2018) John MacFarlane (Jamaica) (Elected May 2018) John Bruce (St Lucia) (Elected May 2018)
Youth Trustee	Courtney Domoney (Canada) (Appointed May 2018)

Trustees are appointed or elected in accordance with our Regulations so as to be representative of the range of our Network

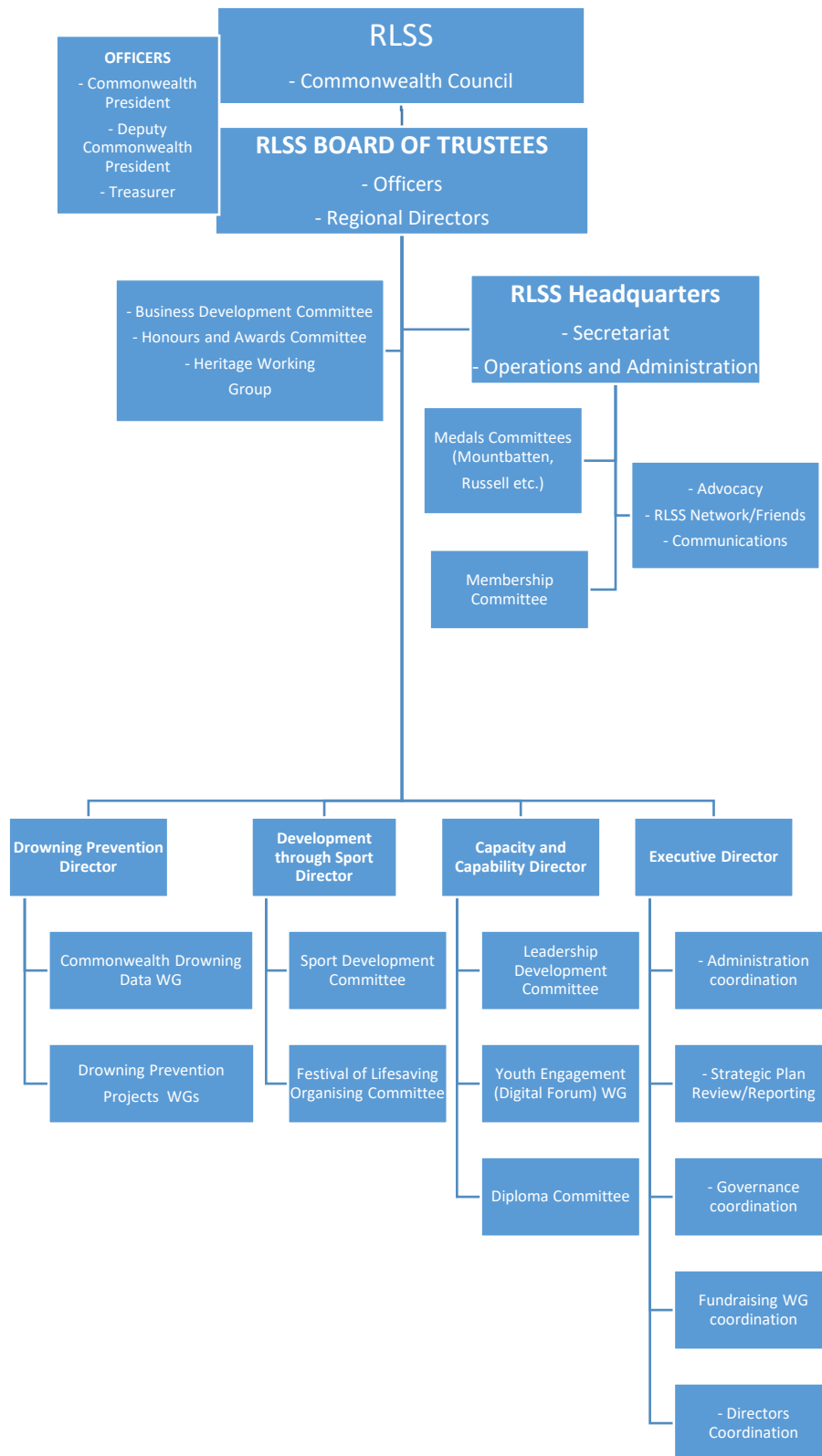
All Trustees participated in an induction programme to acquaint them with the responsibilities of trustees and update them on current aspects of our work



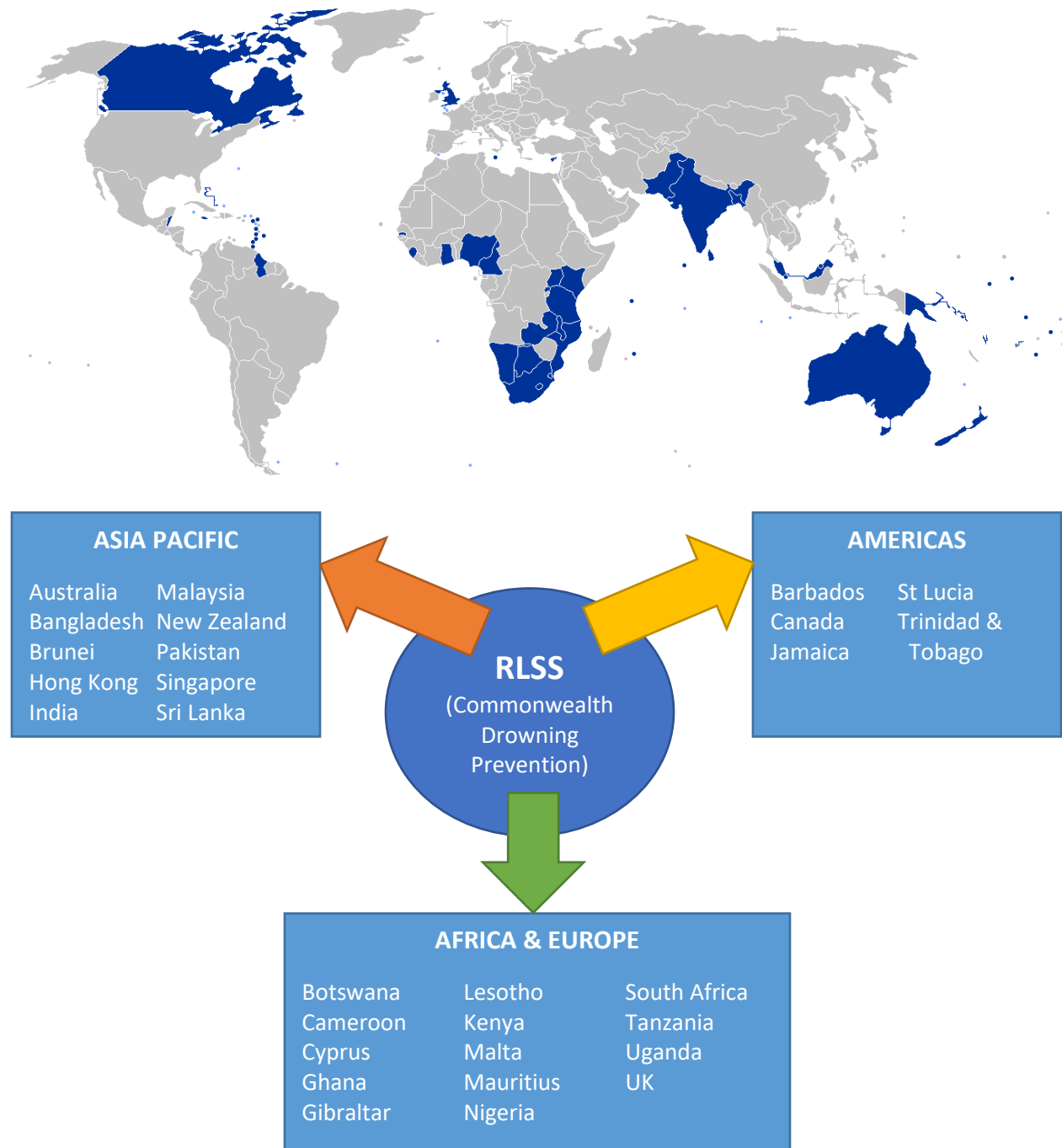
RLSS Board of Trustees May 2018

*Back row, left to right: Lim Chien Ch'eng; Sanath Wijayaratne; Dylan Tommy; Clive Holland; John MacFarlane; Robert Clark
Front row, left to right: Janet Wilson; Pene Snashall; HRH Prince Michael of Kent GCVO; Courtney Domoney; Job Kania*

Governance



Members



Our Charitable Purpose

The Royal Life Saving Society provides public benefit as a charity through reducing drownings and the impact of drownings in the community across the Commonwealth.

Our Trustees have complied with their duty in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 to follow the Charity Commission's guidance on the operation of this public benefit.

Our Mission

Commonwealth Drowning Prevention

Our Vision

No person in the Commonwealth should drown

Our Motto

Whomsoever you see in distress, recognise in them a fellow human being

Quemcunque Miserum Videris Hominem Scias

Our Scope

“Drowning Prevention”

All activities that contribute to the saving of life in, on and near the water

“Commonwealth”

All nations that are recognised at any given time by the Commonwealth Secretariat

Our Values

Consistent with the principles outlined in its Royal Charter, Mission, Vision and Motto, and the Charter of the Commonwealth, the RLSS shall undertake its activities in accordance with the following Values:

Family

We are a Family with common heritage and values that works to achieve our mission through a common drowning prevention bond.

Working Together

The Society is 'Our' organisation, and our strength comes from sharing and working together.

Mutual Respect

We will embark on our tasks with honesty and mutual respect for the skills, knowledge and experience that we all bring.

Learning

We will foster a commitment to curiosity and continual learning to help us in achieving our tasks.

Inclusion

We will include and embrace organisations and personnel throughout the Commonwealth in achieving our mission.

RLSS Positioning Statement

RLSS will facilitate drowning prevention, lifesaving and lifesaving sport activity under the brand of The Royal Life Saving Society (RLSS). The RLSS will also foster and facilitate exchanges and sharing between RLSS Members and Companion Organisations.

Strategic Priorities 2018-22

Advocacy:

We will be a leader and partner in drowning prevention throughout the Commonwealth, working with governments and international organisations.

Organisational Identity and Unity:

We will come together physically and virtually to share activities, projects and programmes.

We will build a connection between the RLSS and participants in member organizations and with external agencies.

Organisational Governance:

We will implement the principles and rules provided by and under our Supplemental Royal Charter and By Laws and ensure compliance with relevant legal requirements.

Drowning Prevention Projects:

Based on the analysis of available Commonwealth drowning data, we will facilitate a number of drowning prevention projects in low resource countries, liaising with and supporting with local organisations and governments.

We will engage with and utilise resource rich, developed Members.

Capacity and Capability Development:

We will use the extensive human resource network and capability to further the work of the RLSS.

We will build capacity in the Society

- Through research, developmental and recognition projects.
- By supporting organisational and competence development and
- By engaging with and developing our young people

Development Through Sport:

We will organise Commonwealth competitions that enable inclusiveness and engagement by as many countries as possible, and extend the reach of Commonwealth events beyond national organisations to State/Provincial organisations.

These events will be low in need for equipment and facilities.

Administration:

We will have effective and efficient administrative systems that support the Society's operations and activities.

We will have a system of honours to recognise the valuable contribution by our volunteers.

We will retain relevant RLSS historical records for use in research and for future reference.

Our Achievements 2018

2018 was a significant year in many respects.

In May we learnt that our petition for a Supplemental Royal Charter had been granted. This is something we have been working on for some time; our first Royal Charter was granted in 1924. In 1960, we were granted a Supplemental Charter which established our National Branches in Australia, Canada, Malaysia, New Zealand, South Africa and the United Kingdom. Our new Supplemental Charter modernises our governance and allows us to be far more inclusive.



We were able to form a new Board of Trustees under the auspices of the new Supplemental Charter which held its first meeting in London in May. It was very beneficial to have our new board together for this meeting. We also hosted a Reception on board HMS Belfast to mark the granting of the Charter.

Also in May we were able to host a dinner to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of HRH Prince Michael of Kent GCVO as our Commonwealth President.

Our Council meeting in May confirmed criteria for Membership and recognised Singapore Life Saving Society as a National Branch of the Society.

Our new Supplemental Charter and the By-laws and Regulations made under it, enabled us to create new categories of affiliation including Emerging and Community Organisations. We were pleased to welcome Brunei Beach Bunch and Botswana Lifesaving into the RLSS family. Our network now extends to encompass a total population in excess of 2.3 billion



We continued with our project to equip member branches with resuscitation training equipment. The project involved the distribution of Mini-Anne Classroom kits and a range of supporting documentation through short introductory workshops. In 2018 recipients included Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, St Lucia, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Pakistan, Indonesia, Thailand and Philippines. This project is generously supported by Laerdal Medical and provides training equipment in critical lifesaving skills in ten separate countries.

In February and March our Canadian member, The Lifesaving Society, supported regional development workshops in Jamaica and St Lucia and in September held another one in Trinidad and Tobago. These workshops were supported by Speedo International, The Patron's Gift and the Ontario Branch of The Lifesaving Society. The objectives of these workshops were to deliver a Lifesaving Society skills development session for Lifesaving Instructors, Examiners and Trainers, to present the RLSS Commonwealth Emerging Leadership power point presentation to Leadership Conductors, to deliver RLSS Commonwealth CPR for Low Resource Settings, and to deliver Trinidad and Tobago Lifesaving Leadership programs.



As a result of these workshops, more lifesaving organisation leaders have received training and acquired development skills which will benefit their organisations and the communities they serve.

With the intention of raising the profile of RLSS and the issue of drowning and our work in preventing it, we have been represented at various meeting with allied organisations and the Commonwealth and in April attended the Meetings and events held around the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in London.

In partnership with the Asia Pacific Region of International Life Saving Federation our member branch The Life Saving Society Malaysia (LSSM) hosted In Kuala Lumpur the Asia Pacific Drowning Prevention Workshop from 31st July through to 2nd August. The aim for days 2 and 3 of the workshop was to build stronger in-country lifesaving organisations by developing their relevant knowledge, skills, resources and techniques to enhance drowning prevention initiatives in their countries. The workshop also provided an opportunity to foster inter-organization sharing, collaboration and exchange. We were delighted that between RLSS and ILS members in the Asia Pacific region, 15 countries were represented with over 40 participants.



An outcome of the workshop is that the Malaysian Water Activity Safety Council has decided to adopt the report of the Experts developed at the Workshop and to adopt a common water safety signage system for Malaysia based on ISO 20712-1-2008, and has also given support to a proposal by LSSM for “water safety parks” in regional centres in Malaysia, the purpose of which is to carry the message of water safety to children (pre-school and early school) and the public in natural settings more effectively

We continued with our Speedo Small Grants programme to assist with our members drowning prevention projects and programmes.

In order to harness external input to our plans and operations, we formed an RLSS Network (Friends of RLSS) and held an inaugural meeting in September. Suggestions from this group have already influenced our efforts in fundraising and advocacy.

Having formed a new Board of Trustees, we introduced an Outreach programme that improves the links between RLSS and its membership across the Commonwealth. We will continue with this in coming years.

Although global drowning data has existed for some years, there is none specifically for Commonwealth countries. This information is important to underpin and support RLSS interventions. During the year we made plans to collect this data with a view to launching the results in 2019.

We started the development of a Leadership Pathway and Mentoring Framework administered by a Leadership Development Committee to guide individual and organizational leadership development within RLSS.

We continued to develop plans for Youth Engagement spearheaded by our Youth Trustee and plan to adopt a Youth Strategy in 2019.

We continued to develop a teachers/instructor’s guide for the RLSS Bronze Medallion and this will be ready for launch early in 2019.



Planning is well underway for our Festival of Lifesaving to be held in Leeds, United Kingdom in November 2019 and we invited bids to host future events and an announcement will be made early in 2019 for the event in 2021. The Festival aims to encourage participation in lifesaving sport and further development of lifesaving practices, as well as bring the lifesaving family together.

Our Heritage Working Group developed a focus on the preservation of our archive with the intention of making it more readily available. It investigated the possibility of digitisation and applied for funding to support this.

RLSS Diploma

The RLSS Diploma recognises significant contributions to our life saving knowledge. It is one of the Society's oldest and most prestigious international awards. The RLSS Diploma is awarded to individuals and teams, who have added to our knowledge in ways that can save lives and prevent drowning. In 2018 the following achieved the RLSS Diploma.

- David Browne, UK
- Dr Richard Franklin, Australia
- Amy Peden, Australia
- Prof Peter Leggat, Australia
- Prof John Pearn, Australia

RLSS Honours

The following Higher Society Honours were awarded in 2018.

Commonwealth Life Member

Juanita Bueschleb, Canada
Gary Sanger, Canada
Gary Kearney, Australia
Anne Maree Gardiner, Australia

Commonwealth Life Governor

Norman Farmer ESM, Australia
Robert Clark, Canada

Commonwealth Vice President

W Clive Patrickson PhD, Australia

RLSS Awards and Medals

The King Edward VII Cup is awarded to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to lifesaving. In 2018 the recipient was His Royal Highness Prince Michael of Kent GCVO.

The Mountbatten Medal is awarded annually for the most gallant rescue or attempted rescue undertaken in the previous calendar year. In 2018 the recipient was Terrence Hinds of Barbados.

The Russell Medal is awarded annually for the most outstanding resuscitation or attempted resuscitation performed in the previous calendar year by a person under 18 years of age. In 2018 the recipient was Stanley McFarlane of Australia.



Stanley McFarlane receiving the Russell Medal

RLSS Headquarters and Administration

During 2018 the RLSS fully implemented a transition plan following the grant of the Supplemental Charter, formed a new Board of Trustees, adopted new Regulations and continued to improve its governance and systems by updating or introducing of a range of policies that has included the following.

- RLSS003 – Ethical Fundraising Policy
- RLSS004 – Development Through Sport Policy
- RLSS008 – Safeguarding for Children and Adults at Risk Policy
- RLSS006 – Equal Opportunities and Diversity Policy
- RLSS007 – Grievance Policy
- RLSS009 – Anti Harassment Policy
- RLSS010 – Conflict of Interest and Improper Use of Information Policy
- RLSS012 – Voting Outside Committee Policy
- RLSS018 – Complaints Handling Policy
- RLSS020 – Sustainable Assets Pool – Reserves Policy
- RLSS021 – Employee Recruitment and Remuneration Policy
- RLSS022 – Privacy and Data Protection Policy

We also developed an Operations Manual and a Data Protection Manual for internal use.

Collaboration

Drowning is a complex public health problem which goes without recognition or attention in many areas of greatest need. Indeed, it has been called a hidden epidemic. There are more 'at risk' populations in the world needing drowning prevention assistance than there are organisations focused on providing help. The RLSS Commonwealth drowning prevention mission needs collaboration from all national, regional and international organisations and governments to be most effective – cooperating fully for the benefit of people worldwide to reduce the global burden of drowning. Strong partnerships are key to achieving our aim of eliminating drowning in the Commonwealth and have enabled us to support our Member Branches in low resourced settings.

In 2018, key partnerships for RLSS included:

The Commonwealth - the Commonwealth is a voluntary association of 53 independent countries that are united by values enshrined in the Commonwealth Charter. Whilst the Commonwealth's roots go back to the days of the British Empire, membership of the Commonwealth today is based on free and equal voluntary co-operation. The Commonwealth Secretariat implements the decisions and plans of Commonwealth leaders.

Our 29 RLSS Member Branches who continue to work at the national and community level to reduce drowning through:

- Researching drowning and aquatic emergencies to inform practice.
- Targeted community-based Drowning Prevention projects.
- Training the community and professionals in lifesaving skills for prevention & emergency response.
- Engaging young people in lifesaving and drowning prevention.
- Using the sport of lifesaving to further develop skills and techniques for rescue.
- Monitoring and risk assessing aquatic environments to guarantee safe participation in safe aquatic environments.

The International Life Saving Federation (ILS). Both RLSS and RLSS Member Branches are represented on the ILS Board and on the ILS Commissions and Committees, strengthening opportunities for effective collaboration.

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI). We continued to work with RNLI and other organisations in the development of the Basic Aquatic Survival Programme.

Acknowledgements

The Society's achievements would not have been possible without the support of and contribution from the following persons who gave of their time and experience.

Portfolio Directors

- Shayne Baker OAM – Portfolio Director Capacity Building
- Anne-Maree Gardner – Portfolio Director Development through Sport
- Aminur Rahman PhD – Drowning Prevention Projects
- Norman Farmer ESM – Executive Director

Committee and Working Group Chairs

- Clive Patrickson PhD – Business Development Committee
- Robert Clark – Heritage Working Group
- Susan Glover-Takahashi – Diploma Committee
- Christopher Love – Honours Committee

Our Committees and Working Groups are composed of members from Australia, Canada, India, Lesotho, Malaysia, Malta, South Africa, St Lucia and the UK and we are extremely grateful to all the members for their valuable contributions.

Our Plans for 2019

We believe that drowning prevention actions are more effective where there is a suitable resourced drowning prevention organisation and so whilst we will continue to implement all our strategic objectives we have decided our focus for 2018 – 2022 will be one of

“Organisational capacity and capability development to deliver sustainable drowning prevention”

In 2019 we will do this by:

Develop and implement a Leadership Pathway and Mentoring Framework.

Continue to develop plans for Youth Engagement spearheaded by our Youth Trustee and adopt a Youth Strategy in 2019.

Develop and deliver outreach drowning prevention training programmes in Commonwealth countries in Africa.

Hosting a series of meetings in November that will include the Commonwealth Council, the Board of Trustees, and the Advisory Committee of Presidents.

Continuing with our Speedo Small Grants programme to assist with our members' drowning prevention projects and programmes where we can.

Take advantage of the opportunities arising from the RLSS Network (Friends of RLSS).

Develop our Outreach programme to improve the links between RLSS and its membership across the Commonwealth.

Develop and launch drowning data from Commonwealth countries to underpin and support RLSS interventions.

Develop and adopt a position statement on the relationship between the Sustainable Development Goals and Drowning Prevention.

Launch a teachers/instructor's guide for the RLSS Bronze Medallion.

Host a consultation workshop with the intention of developing a revised Strategy to be implemented in the coming years.

Host a Festival of Lifesaving in United Kingdom in November 2019 and work with a host to plan an event in 2021.

Continue to develop an advocacy plan including support materials and appropriate training.

Structure and Governance

RLSS is a registered Charity (Charity Commission England and Wales, Charity Number 306094), an Accredited Commonwealth Organisation and a Recognised Civil Society Organisation. HM Queen Elizabeth II is Patron of RLSS and HRH Prince Michael of Kent GCVO is President of RLSS.

RLSS is incorporated by Royal Charter dated 1924 and governed by a Supplemental Charter dated May 2018, which acts as our constitution and governing document. RLSS is governed by the RLSS Trustee Board. Our RLSS volunteer network consists of our Trustees, Officers, Committees and Working Groups.

RLSS supports and is supported by 29 Member Branches across three Commonwealth regions (Europe/Africa; Asia Pacific; Americas), all working collaboratively to deliver community-led and community-based drowning prevention programmes in nations across the Commonwealth.

RLSS maintains a formal Risk Management Policy and Register which is reviewed on a regular basis by the Board of Trustees and the Officers of the Society.

RLSS is registered with the Fundraising Regulator and is committed to ensuring all RLSS fundraising is legal, honest, open, transparent and accountable.



RLSS Commonwealth Council with President HRH Prince Michael of Kent GCVO, May 2018

Financial Summary

Income

2018 total income (£71586) was up on the 2017 total income (£60579) by circa £11k, this is mainly due to income from the London events in May.

As with previous years, much of RLSS' income is currently member payments from the three largest member branches (UK, Canada and Australia). RLSS are looking to diversify income streams, exploring a range of fundraising. The Member Branches have made commitments to continue to support the administration of the Society, allowing any raised funds to be spent on programmatic activity.

Donors and Funders 2018

The Royal Life Saving Society wishes to thank the following individuals and organisations for their most generous donations, sponsorship and grants during 2018.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II	Laerdal Medical
HRH The Duke of Edinburgh	Nigel and Michael Russell
The Lifesaving Society Canada	Friends and Family of Stuart Bailey
Royal Life Saving Society Australia	John Long
The Royal Life Saving Society UK	Andrew McMurty

Expenditure

Most RLSS expenditure finances the valuable work of RLSS Headquarters (staff costs and running costs). RLSS Expenditure on Charitable Activities was circa £28133 in 2018, an increase of around £4633 from last year.

Reserves Policy

RLSS has a Reserves Policy aimed at ensuring the financial sustainability of the Society. We will aim to achieve unrestricted reserves of two years expenditure.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

In relation to the following financial statements of the Royal Life Saving Society to year end 31 December 2018

In accordance with the Charities Act 2011 the Trustees have prepared the following Financial Statements which give a true and fair view of this Charity's financial activities during the year 2018 and of its financial position as at 31 December 2018. In preparing these Financial Statements best practice has been followed and suitable accounting policies have been consistently applied.

Applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" 2005 have been followed.

The Financial Statements have been independently examined by Richard Oddy FCA after he was given access to all relevant financial documents, general correspondence and Minutes of all Society Committee and Sub-Committee meetings.

Signed on behalf of the Society's Trustees



Clive Holland
Deputy Commonwealth President
April 2019



Clive Patrickson PhD
Honorary Commonwealth Treasurer
April 2019

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2018



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Report to the trustees of The Royal Life Saving Society and to the Commonwealth Council

On accounts for the year ended 31 December 2018

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

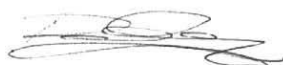
Basis of independent examiner's statement My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention other than that disclosed below.

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Disclosure The basis for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 is on a statement of payments and receipt basis in accordance with guidance from the Charities Commission.

Signed:



Richard Oddy FCA

Date: 22 May 2019

Royal Life Saving Society

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2018	To	31/12/2018
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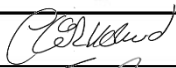
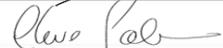
Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	£	£	£	£	£
A1 Receipts					
Membership	44,528	-	-	44,528	44,902
Donations	3,697	-	-	3,697	3,888
Resource Income	12,362	-	-	12,362	-
Gift Aid	465	-	-	465	-
General Development	-	853	-	853	1,385
Asia Pacific Workshop	-	-	-	-	6,000
Caribbean Workshop	-	-	-	-	1,000
Africa Workshop	-	-	-	-	500
Medals	-	7,500	-	7,500	-
Emerging Leaders Workshop	-	1,898	-	1,898	1,271
125th Anniversary	-	-	-	-	547
Dividends/Interest	200	-	-	200	293
VAT Net	83	-	-	83	793
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total (Income for AR)</i>	61,334	10,251	-	71,585	60,579
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total receipts</i>	61,334	10,251	-	71,585	60,579
A3 Payments					
Membership Development	248	-	-	248	1,869
Commonwealth Development	18,797	-	-	18,797	6,260
Committees	2,178	-	-	2,178	453
Lifesaving Sport Development	600	-	-	600	1,633
125th Anniversary	-	-	-	-	801
Designated development	-	36	-	36	189
Speedo small grants	-	-	-	-	250
Asia Pacific Workshop	-	4,184	-	4,184	-
Caribbean Workshop	-	5,116	-	5,116	-
Africa Workshop	-	-	-	-	9,500
Emerging Leaders Workshop	-	-	-	-	6,758
Medals	-	5,999	-	5,999	416
Support Services	1,012	-	-	1,012	2,178
Commonwealth Headquarter Costs	4,655	-	-	4,655	8,577
Staff & Management Costs	22,653	-	-	22,653	24,422
Legal & Professional Costs	3,784	-	-	3,784	-
Finance Charges	219	-	-	219	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	54,146	15,334	-	69,481	63,307
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total payments</i>	54,146	15,334	-	69,481	63,307
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	7,188	(5,084)	-	2,104	(2,728)
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	43,741	14,142	-	57,883	60,611
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	50,929	9,058	-	59,987	57,883

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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	50,929	9,058	
	<i>Total cash funds</i>	50,929	9,058	-
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details None	-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Quoted investments			
	Royal Life Saving Society Fund	Unrestricted		3,603
	Russell Medal Fund	Restricted		3,077
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Silver Boat	Unrestricted	8,500	8,500
B5 Liabilities	Details None	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Clive Holland	12 th June 2019
			Clive Patrickson	12 th June 2019

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