

Society for Creative Anachronism Ltd (Australia)

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Greetings to the members of SCA Ltd,

At the 2019 AGM of SCA Ltd held on 19 April 2019 at Rowany Festival, an inconsistency in the 2018 financial statements was noted and questioned. This has now been investigated, and is addressed below.

Consultation with Butler Settineri (the firm who prepared the financial statements) identified that they had made an error when preparing the 2017 cash flow statement, which resulted in some cash flow from events being incorrectly reported as cash flow from memberships, although the total amount of cash flow reported was still correct.

This addendum to the 2018 Treasurer's Financial Report serves to clarify this error, and the full details of the error are presented below for any members wanting further information.

From page 10 of the 2018 financial statements:

The Society for Creative Anachronism Ltd Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018	2017	
		\$	\$	
Revenue				
Event income		358,084	290,806	
Non-event income		35,472	48,361	
Membership fees		36,816	35,602	
Event insurance		9,000	8,405	
Donations		12,103	11,814	
Other income		4,729	5,551	
Interest received	_	912	679	
Total revenue		457,116	401,218	

From page 13 of the 2018 financial statements:

The Society for Creative Anachronism Ltd Statement of cash flows For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Event income received		388,140	290,806
Non-event income received		35,472	48,361
Membership fees received		36,816	46,137
Event insurance		9,000	8,405
Donations received		12,103	11,814
Payments to suppliers and employees		(466,229)	(399, 266)
Interest received		912	679
Other income received	-	4,887	5,467
Net cash from operating activities	6 (b)	21,101	12,403

The question was asked why membership income differed by \$10,535 between the Statement of profit and loss and the statement of cash flows in 2017.

Upon investigation and with clarification from Butler Settineri, we have identified that on the "Cash flows from operating activities" statement on <u>page 13 of the 2017 financial statements</u>, \$10,535 had been incorrectly allocated to Membership fees received that should have been allocated to Event income received. Therefore the statement of cash flows should have been:

The Society for Creative Anachronism Ltd Statement of cash flows For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018	2017
		\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Event income received		388,140	200,006 301,341
Non-event income received		35,472	48,361
Membership fees received		36,816	46,197 35,602
Event insurance		9,000	8,405
Donations received		12,103	11,814
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On the Cash Flow statement, most income items match what is in the Profit and Loss statement, however event income often has timing differences from when we record income on an accruals basis compared to when we actually receive the money (eg: when we were using TryBooking for Rowany Festival, we would often have invoiced for the event income, but not physically received the money until the next financial year). Due to this, we would expect the Event Income figure on the Cash Flow statement to be different to the figure on the Profit and Loss statement, as it now is.

This error was made by Butler Settineri in the preparation of the 2017 financial statements, so it appears in both the 2017 and 2018 statements due to the multi-year format of the statements. It should not affect future year financial statements.