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INTERPLAST AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL REPORT 2008

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River of Hope.

In 1983 Interplast Australia was established in Australia and New Zealand to provide free treatment to those living with a treatable disability in our neighbouring countries – and hope began to trickle in to those who needed it most.

In a few years Interplast began balancing the need for treatment with the need for training, and extended the stream of hope to Tanzania and right across the Asia Pacific region.

In 25 years Interplast has trained hundreds of overseas medical personnel, sponsored nearly 70 to receive part of their training in Australia, provided over 600 volunteers for over 400 programs, conducted over 29,000 consultations and over 17,500 life changing operations. Interplast volunteers are creating a River of Hope.



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Interplast

Introduction

Our Mission

To improve lives through the treatment of disabling conditions which inhibit full engagement in society; by providing access to surgical and allied health services in disadvantaged countries and by supporting and building capacity within local health services to enable the delivery of surgical and other health care interventions.

What We Do

Interplast Australia & New Zealand send teams of volunteer plastic & reconstructive surgeons, anaesthetists and nurses to developing countries in the Asia Pacific Region to provide free medical treatment and training.

Volunteers

Each member of an Interplast program is fully qualified in their field of expertise and VOLUNTEER their time to participate in an Interplast activity.

Treatment

Interplast volunteers provide free treatment to people living with a disability from a congenital condition such as cleft lip and palate, or an acquired condition such as burn scar contractures. Treatment is targeted to the indigent population who would otherwise not be able to afford to access services.

Training

Interplast assists with developing local capacity to provide plastic and reconstructive surgery services by providing training and mentoring programs for medical and allied health professionals. Interplast programs are training programs — leaving a legacy long after the team has gone.







President's Report

It is my pleasure to present the 25^h Annual Report of Interplast Australia & New Zealand covering activities for the financial year 2007 – 2008.

Company Membership

During the period of this report the Company Membership has been constituted thus:

Nominees of The Royal Australasian College of Surgeons:

Prof. Donald R Marshall AM MBMS FRACS FACS

Prof. Bruce Barraclough AO MBBS FRACS DDU FACS

Mr. Ian Dickinson MBBS FRACS FA Orth A

Nominees of Rotarians

District 9810 – DG John Barnes

District 9470 – PDG Brian Guest

District 9630 – PDG Ross Forgione

The independent member elected by the above six nominees:

The Honourable Senator Kay Patterson

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors which administers the affairs of the company has been:

President:	Prof Donald R Marshall AM MBMS FRACS FACS
Vice Presidents:	Mr David Inglis BA.LLB Dr Michael McGlynn OAM MBBS FRACS
Treasurer:	Mr John Spark BComm FCA
Secretary:	Mr John Barnes
Directors:	Mr Ian Carlisle DDSc MBBS FRACS Mr Ray Stewart (resigned 11.2.2008) Mr Glenn Wran Sen The Hon Dr Kay Patterson Mr David Hunter-Smith MBBS (Hons) FRACS Dr Ross Sutton PhD MSC FIAM FASM

Ex Officio Australian Society

Of Plastic Surgeons Representative: Mr Keith Mutimer MBBS FRACS

Executive Committee

The Committee consisting of the Office Bearers of the Board meets as required.

Surgical Committee

The objectives of the Surgical Committee are to assist the Board of Directors to discharge its corporate governance responsibilities, to exercise due care, diligence and skill in relation to surgical and medical issues involved in the implementation of program activities.

Chairman:	Mr Ian Carlisle	
Committee Members:	Mr Ian Holten	Dr Ian Hogarth
	Mr Christopher Bennett	Sr Gillian Dickinson
	Dr Heather Cleland	Sr Angela Doherty
	Mr Allan Meares	Sr Jan Rice
	Mr Nicholas Houseman	Sr Marcelle McLaughlin
	Mr Mark Ashton	Sr Catherine Boaden
	Mr David Hunter-Smith	Sr Leonie Simmons
	Mr Michael Leung	Ms Narelle O'Sullivan
	Dr David Pescod	Ms Terese Karaan
	Dr Brendan Butler	

Rotarians Committee

The Committee meets quarterly and deals with all matters relating to Rotary.

Chairman: DGE Ray Stewart (9820) (Resigned 11.2.2008)
Mr David Inglis (9800) (Appointed 12.2.2008)

Committee Members: DG John Barnes (9810)
PDG Ross Forgione (9630)
PDG Brian Guest (9420)

Audit Committee

The objectives of the Audit Committee are to assist the Board of Directors to discharge its corporate governance responsibilities, to exercise due care, diligence and skill in relation to financial affairs and compliance with regulatory requirements.

Chairman: Dr Michael McGlynn

Committee Members: Mr Ian Evans
Mr Glenn Wran

Planning & Evaluation Committee

The objectives of the Planning & Evaluation Committee are to assist the Board of Directors to discharge its corporate governance responsibilities, to exercise due care, diligence and skill in relation to the planning and evaluation of Interplast programs.

Chairman: Mr David Hunter-Smith

Committee Members: Dr Ross Sutton
Dr David Pescod
Ms Kerrie Westwood

2007/08 Volunteers & Program Summary

During the year 31 programs were undertaken in 14 countries. More training was done than in previous years and 680 operations were undertaken.

Country	Date	Ops*	Cons*	Surgeons	Anaesthetists	Nurses/Others
TANZANIA Mwanza	Jun-07	59	94	T Connell J Burt	T Mann A Wild	W Dunne M Carthew M Twine L Thompson J Green T Hosie
VIETNAM Quy Nhon	Jun-07	46	57	M Rees J Kenton-Smith	D Chamley C Johnson	M Walton C Gorr
INDONESIA Bali	Jul-07	27	28	C Bennett J Leong	A Wallace A Frankl	K Westwood A Sutherland
SAMOA Apia	Aug-07	16	48	S Donahoe	V Moo	P Bell
FIJI Lautoka	Aug-07	49	70	K Macgill J Farrell	L Lee	F Nissen
PNG Port Moresby	Sep-07	28	28	B Johnstone L Currie	R Buckland	C Gorr
FIJI Taveuni	Sep-07	13	13	J de Geus S Matanaicake	S Fortey	K Leggett J Hughes
SRI LANKA Colombo	Oct-07	18	51	A Breidahl C Davis	S McManus	B McInnes F Gorrie
MYANMAR Mentor Visit	Sep-07	na	na	M McGlynn		D McGlynn
PNG Port Moresby Burns Education Scoping Mission	Oct-07	na	na	P Maitz H Cleland		D Elfleet
BANGLADESH Dhaka	Nov-07	47	74	M Pohl A Lewis	A Jowitt	F Podbury N Mahon

Country	Date	Ops*	Cons*	Surgeons	Anaesthetists	Nurses/Others
BANGLADESH CRP - Hand Therapy	Nov-07	na	na			A Hardman (OT) C Flower (OT)
TONGA Nuku'alofa & Vava'u	Nov-07	78	114	P Hayward A Williams	L McBride	L Siladyi S Howard
TANZANIA Mwanza	Nov-07	42	42	T Baker C Allen	B Cresswell R Boulter	G McCallum F Walker P Jones T Hosie G Rimmer
PHILIPPINES Cagayan de Oro	Jan-08	73	73	M McGlynn K Ho	J McGuinness J McCarty R Hippisley	D McGlynn A Hopper
NEPAL Kathmandu - Mentoring	Jan-08	na	na	R Goh		
NEPAL Microsurgery Training	Feb-08	6	8	D Hunter-Smith A Ramakrishnan	D Pescod	L Grace V Daly B McNeish (OT)
LAOS Local Outreach	Feb-08					N O'Sullivan K Westwood
LAOS Vientiane	Feb-08	40	54	J Savundra P Slattery	D Vyse	S Jervios G Bathgate K Patterson (Director)
PNG Goroka and Lae	Mar-08	28	58	S Donahoe	V Moo	C Gorr A Thompson
PNG ANZBA EMSB Course Port Moresby	Mar-08	na	na	P Maitz P Haertsch D Milliss N Cheng A Phoon K Joughin		D Elfleet J Clausen C Parker K Waddell A Mustapha S Harper J James

Country	Start Date	Ops*	Cons*	Surgeons	Anaesthetists	Nurses/Others
MYANMAR Training Attachment Alfred Hospital Prince of Wales Sydney Children's Hosp	Mar-08	na	na	M Thuzar		
SOLOMON ISLANDS Honiara and Gizo	Apr-08	46	54	P Hayward D Nam	D Kinchington	R Kearns R Lind S Rhodes (Photographer)
MYANMAR Training Attachment Concord Hospital	Apr-08	na	na		K Win	T T Mya
NEPAL Kathmandu	May-08	6	8	M Ashton R Corlett	S Fortey	L Simmons L Ferguson E Doyle
PERAPI Meeting	May-08	na	na	I Carlisle		M Wright B Koesasi
HONG KONG RACS Meeting	May-08	na	na	C Perera G Ekanayake		
VIETNAM Ho Chi Minh City	Jun-08	36	60	A Meares D Wheen	M Amos	A Porter
BANGLADESH Dhaka Assessment Visit	Jun-08	na	na	D Hunter-Smith P Maitz		N O'Sullivan J Aarons (OT) D Francis (OT)
TANZANIA Mwanza	Jun-08	1	1	P Haertsch		C Gorr
FIJI Lautoka	Jun-08	21	45	M Rees Z Moaveni	D Jolly	M Karl G Rutherford W Cousipetcos
	TOTAL	680	980			

* Ops = Operations, Cons = Consultations, OT = Occupational Therapy

Volunteers

This year 33 participants volunteered for an Interplast program for the first time. This makes an overall total of 635 volunteers since the inception of Interplast Australia & New Zealand, many of whom have volunteered a number of times for Interplast programs. The Board gratefully acknowledges this major contribution of voluntary service and support.

Interplast volunteers sacrifice personal holiday time or leave without pay and work long hours with limited resources to provide treatment to patients and valuable support for their disadvantaged colleagues. In total, 139 surgeons, anaesthetists, nurses and allied health professionals volunteered their time for a combined total of 1,477 days to deliver Interplast services this year. If Interplast were required to pay for these services it would, conservatively, have cost \$1,579,500 this year alone, a figure way beyond the reach of Interplast's modest budget. 680 patients would have missed out on life changing surgery and still be living with a treatable disability if remuneration for services was required. Without the steadfast generosity of our volunteers, the unique spirit of Interplast could not exist.



Summary of Work Done Over Successive Years

Year	Number of Programs	Countries	Patients	Operations	Patients Treated In Australia
1983-84	11	6	848	440	2
1984-85	12	8	1,041	489	3
1985- 86	17	8	1,454	731	5
1986-87	17	7	1,289	635	3
1987-88	10	6	817	369	3
1988-89	18	8	1,600	865	5
1989-90	17	8	1,096	691	3
1990-91	18	11	1,337	735	2
1991-92	13	9	1,042	588	2
1992-93	13	9	849	479	3
1993-94	12	7	959	587	2
1994-95	16	8	933	553	1
1995-96	17	11	1,265	699	1
1996-97	14	9	1,037	596	3
1997-98	15	10	960	586	1
1998-99	17	9	1,196	781	1
1999-00	20	12	1,255	774	3
2000-01	16	12	1,076	729	0
2001-02	15	11	988	693	2
2002-03	20	12	1,025	681	0
2003-04	22	16	1,525	983	1
2004-05	22	15	1,608	952	2
2005-06	29	18	2,301	1,404	N/A
2006-07	26	15	1,681	967	N/A
2007-08	31	14	980	680	N/A
TOTAL	438		30,162	17,687	

Classification of Operations 2007 – 2008

Over the years the types and classifications of operations have changed hence the disparity in the figures in some cases.

OPERATION	TOTAL
Cleft Lip	121
Cleft Palate	82
Lips and Palates	73
Extremity Deformity	17
Urethral	0
Miscellaneous	182
Burn Scar	80
Extremity Injury	0
Skin Tumours	32
Nasal	5
Injections	17
Craniofacial	34
Exc Lesion	26
Kel Injection	6
Microsurgery	5
	680

25 Years of Operations 1983 – 2008

OPERATION	TOTAL
Cleft Lip	3,537
Cleft Palate	2633
Lips and Palates	116
Extremity Deformity	928
Urethral	390
Miscellaneous	3075
Burn Scar	3728
Extremity Injury	1002
Skin Tumours	1858
Nasal	321
Injections	28
Craniofacial	34
Exc Lesion	26
Kel Injection	6
Microsurgery	5
	17,687





Program Report 2007 – 2008

Introduction

Interplast Australia was founded in 1983 by the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and Rotary District 9800, and in this our silver jubilee year, Interplast (now Australia & New Zealand) conducted programs in 14 countries to alleviate the burden of disability faced by disadvantaged patients. They would otherwise be unable to access the medical treatment they require.

In spite of the enormous amount of work undertaken by Interplast and similar organisations, there remains a huge disparity in the availability of surgical services throughout the world. It is not usually recognised that surgical conditions account for an estimated 11% of the total global burden of disease and 90% of this is in the developing world. Most Western countries, including Australia and New Zealand do not provide sufficient resources to train their own doctors and rely on a brain drain from the developing world. This migration of health workers from poor countries to the Western world places a greater strain on their already overtaxed health systems. It is not surprising there is a greater need than ever for the work of Interplast and similar organisations. It may be argued there is a moral obligation on Western Governments to provide greater financial assistance to redress the imbalance in the global surgical workforce.

Organisations, such as Interplast Australia and New Zealand, have an opportunity to take a leadership role in facing the global surgical workforce crisis and we are responding in a number of ways. In the beginning the emphasis of our work was mainly plastic and reconstructive service orientated and focused within the Pacific Region. Over the years our work has become more focused on training and capacity building, particularly in Southeast Asia. Interplast by necessity has remained flexible to the different needs of the countries in which we work. As the following report illustrates, our programs are now extremely variable and have become more sophisticated to include hand surgery, burns surgery and related disciplines such as hand therapy and speech therapy where these services are appropriate. New partnerships are being forged with different medical providers in Australia to improve specific training and capacity building in the countries where we operate. The organisation has grown to meet the need of those less well off, and we remain fortunate that there is no shortage of volunteers to meet these new challenges and undertake the required surgery.

Review Of Program Activities

The year began with renewed enthusiasm fostered by a workshop held on 14 August 2007 to review Interplast's program directions and management. 33 participants, including Interplast Directors, Country Coordinators, Committee Members, Rotarians, staff and other key stakeholder representatives volunteered their Saturday to share their passion for Interplast and identify priorities for future planning. The workshop provided an opportunity to reflect on the growth and uniqueness of Interplast, and as the organisation celebrates its 25th year anniversary; it also offered refreshed optimism to face the challenges of the future.

The outcomes of the workshop have been used to inform the Board and ensure Interplast programs remain relevant and responsive to the needs of our partners in the countries where we work, as well as to the demands of our donors and other stakeholders. To date the workshop has resulted in:

- The establishment of a Planning and Evaluation Committee to facilitate adequate program planning, appraisal and review to ensure programs are meeting intended outcomes.
- A review of Interplast's Development Policy.
The new policy clearly acknowledges how Interplast can contribute to:
 - (i) Institutional development (health services and training institutions)
 - (ii) Development of medical personnel/hospital services
 - (iii) Development benefits for patients
- An expansion of the types of program supported by Interplast that complement Interplast's vision and mission. This has seen the development of a hand therapy training program in Bangladesh; the establishment of a relationship with the Australian and New Zealand Burns Association (ANZBA) to provide training in the Emergency Management of Severe Burns, and a commitment to support the development of a safe Anaesthesia Training Program in Mongolia beginning in 2008-2009.

The delivery of programs in each country is overseen by a volunteer Country Program Coordinator who ensure programs are designed and delivered to meet local needs. Country Coordinators consult with in-country counterparts and partners to identify service and training priorities, brief Interplast volunteers prior to departure, and provide support to Interplast staff with the administration of program activities.

In 2007/2008, the Country Program Coordinators were:

Bangladesh	David Hunter-Smith
Burma	Michael McGlynn
Indonesia	Ian Carlisle
Laos	Christopher Bennett
Nepal	David Hunter-Smith
Pacific 1 (Fiji, Tonga, Samoa)	John de Geus
Pacific 2 (Kiribati, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu)	Ian Holten
Papua New Guinea	Mark Ashton
Philippines	Michael McGlynn
Sri Lanka	Keith Mutimer/Randall Sach
Tanzania	Anthony Baker
Vietnam	Allan Meares

Interplast would like to acknowledge the work of Mr Keith Mutimer who resigned as Interplast's Country Coordinator for Sri Lanka this year, but not before making a lasting contribution to the advancement of reconstructive surgery in Sri Lanka. Thanks are also extended to Adelaide Plastic Surgeon, Mr Randall Sach, who has been appointed to take on this challenging role.



Bangladesh

(i) Plastic Surgery Training Program

Since 2004, Interplast has been supporting the provision of reconstructive plastic surgery services to Bangladesh in consultation with the Dhaka Medical College Hospital Plastic Surgery Department lead by Professor Shafquat Khundkar. A major focus has been assistance to advance the plastic and reconstructive surgical training program in Bangladesh through the training and close involvement of the plastic and reconstructive surgery trainees.

In November 2007, an Interplast surgical team lead by volunteer surgeon, Miklos Pohl, spent almost 2 weeks working at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital, an 1800 bed public hospital servicing a population of over 150 million people. The large number of patients requiring reconstructive surgery in Bangladesh was evident in the 74 challenging cases patiently waiting for their opportunity to be reviewed in clinic. Conditions ranged from massive tumours of the head and neck, to congenital malformations, and acute trauma. The cases were well selected by the local Residents, and the training surgeons assisted and discussed each case with the Interplast team during clinic.

35 operations were performed, including 12 patients suffering from debilitating burn contractures and 12 patients with tumours. Treatment was further enhanced by the work of the two Interplast hand therapists who were able to provide splints for the large number of patients with severe chronic burn scar injuries. Teaching was continued each afternoon following the completion of surgery with tutorials and lectures delivered by the Interplast team members to the local staff.

Interplast is grateful to Rotary District 9790 who raised the funds for this program. Sincere thanks are also extended to our local volunteer coordinator in Dhaka, Mr Atom Rahman. Atom's passion, commitment, energy and local knowledge are invaluable.



(ii) Hand Therapy Training Program

Hand therapy is required to maximise the postoperative outcomes of hand surgery patients and to prevent reoccurrence of deformity following surgery. Building on the successes of Interplast's hand therapy program in Bangladesh in 2007, Interplast hand therapy volunteers have continued their program to the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP) to assist with the establishment of specialist hand therapy services. Two training visits were delivered this year, providing a range of tutorials and lectures to occupational therapy (OT) staff at both the Savar and Mirpur Campuses of CRP and the OT students from the Bangladesh Health Professional Institute. Hand and upper limb rehabilitation clinics were also conducted at both the Dhaka Medical College Hospital and the CRP. Patients were reviewed with local OT staff and treatment plans discussed, providing the opportunity for the local therapists to review relevant anatomy, assess patients, and practice plastering and splinting.

Supported this year with funding from AusAID, the program has been successful in supporting the establishment of a hand therapy specialist group and the development of an annual plan. Procedures for the referral of patients from the Dhaka Medical College Hospital to the CRP for specialist hand therapy treatment have also been devised. A series of meetings was also held to determine how the program can best assist with the ongoing development of occupational therapy and specialist hand therapy in Bangladesh.



Burma (Myanmar)

In 2001 when Interplast first visited Burma there were only three surgeons providing reconstructive surgery for a population of 49 million people. While there was an enormous demand for services, it was recognised the reliance on visiting surgical teams was not a sustainable solution and the shortage of trained local plastic surgeons needed to be addressed.

Since 2003, Interplast has been assisting Burma to train sufficient numbers of reconstructive specialists so a local plastic & reconstructive training program can be established. It is hoped the course can commence at the University of Medicine 1 in 2009. Interplast's assistance, delivered with funding support from AusAID, has included short term training and mentoring programs delivered by Interplast volunteers at the Yangon General Hospital, and training attachments in Australia for surgeons, nurses and anaesthetists. Interplast's volunteer country coordinator, Dr Michael McGlynn and registered nurse Deirdrie McGlynn, travelled to Burma in September 2007 and delivered training and lectures to the advanced surgical trainees at the Yangon General Hospital and the faculty and students at the University of Nursing, Yangon. They also travelled to Mandalay to observe the progress of the 2006-2007 trainee Dr Tun Tun Than. He has been promoted to consultant level following his 12 month training attachment in Australia.

While progress towards the commencement of a local postgraduate training course has been positive, the flow on effects of the devastating cyclone Nargis which hit Burma in May 2008 has hindered recent advancements. Damage to the theatres at the Plastic & Maxillofacial Unit of Yangon General Hospital forced the cancellation of the microsurgery training program scheduled for June 2008. Now as the country struggles to recuperate, the unit is working hard to deliver services with training activities postponed until local resources and capacity for training are restored.

Interplast was pleased to obtain a RACS Surgeons International Travelling Grant to allow Dr Moe Thuzar to complete a six week training attachment in Australia. She is likely to be the next head of the Plastic & Maxillofacial Unit at Yangon General Hospital. Anaesthetist, Dr Khine Win, and Nurse, Daw Than Than Mya, also completed a four week training attachment focusing on burns management at Concord Hospital with funding from AusAID.



Indonesia

Since 1992, Interplast has enjoyed a close relationship with the Indonesian Association of Plastic Surgeons (PERAPI). In addition to supporting the development of the local plastic surgery training program, a major aspect of Interplast's work in Indonesia has been the delivery of service programs to rural areas where no access to reconstructive surgery was available.

Unfortunately Interplast's outreach program to Praya Hospital, Lombok, in July 2007 was hampered by changes to customs regulations resulting in the impounding of Interplast's precious equipment by customs officials in Bali. With efforts to have the items released unsuccessful, it was impossible for the Interplast team to continue with plans to deliver services in Lombok. However, in cooperation with local reconstructive plastic surgery, Dr Nyoman Riasa, arrangements were made for the Interplast team to work at the burns unit of Sanglah Hospital in Bali. While the Interplast team began work treating patients on Dr Riasa's extensive waiting list, Interplast's volunteer local coordinator in Bali, Rena Suwitra, flew to Lombok and arranged the transfer of 22 patients from Lombok to Bali for treatment. These were primarily young children requiring cleft lip repairs. In total 30 patients received access to life changing treatment.

As a result of this disruption, Interplast was forced to suspend its program in Indonesia until customs issues could be resolved. Interplast, in close collaboration with PERAPI, has spent the past 12 months undergoing the newly introduced process of registering as an International NGO with the Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Interplast recently received confirmation of its formal registration, paving the way for the signing of a new Memorandum of Understanding with the Indonesian Ministry of Health. With these issues now resolved, Interplast is looking forward to resuming its program of assistance to Indonesia before the end of 2008.



Laos

Interplast was delighted to this year support a cleft outreach program delivered by the local Lao Cleft Team from Mahosot General Hospital (MGH). A culmination of 12 years of assistance, teaching and training by a dedicated team of Interplast volunteers, the local cleft team from MGH coordinated and delivered a cleft outreach program to Savannaket Hospital. In the three available operating days, 30 patients received treatment for cleft lip and cleft palate deformities by the MGH team consisting of three surgeons, two anaesthetists and two nurses. The Laotian team were delighted to have the opportunity to work together to help the disadvantaged children in their country. Interplast Nurse Kerrie Westwood, on her 12th assignment to Laos, also travelled to Savannaket with the Lao team to provide mentoring and assistance with budget management. Much appreciated was funding from Oxiana to facilitate this program, which demonstrates a significant development in the provision of cleft lip and palate services in Laos and an important step towards achieving local sustainability. Also crucial to the programs success was the support and collaboration from the Women's International Group (WIG) in Laos who provided funds for patient transport and food while in hospital.

Encouraged by the success of the cleft program, Interplast is now concentrating its attention on the development of local capacity to appropriately manage burns injuries. Building on the instruction and experience senior Lao Plastic Surgeon Dr Kuetmy Khansoulivong received during his training attachment in Perth in March 2007, an Interplast team travelled to Vientiane to initiate training in the management of burns. While, like any new program, some teething problems were experienced, 39 patients received treatment including seven patients requiring significant burns scar reconstruction.

Testament to the disability resulting from untreated burns injuries, a young man presented with severe contractures to his upper limbs and torso. While his injuries had fused his neck to his chest, his priority was to receive treatment to release the debilitating contractures restricting function of his hands. He needed to work again and make a positive contribution to his family and community. His new chance at life and the opportunity for many other disadvantaged patients to access treatment was made possible by generous funding from the Rotary Clubs of Belmont and Millpoint and, again, the valuable contribution from the WIG.

During the burns program Interplast Director, The Hon Sen Kay Patterson, travelled to Vientiane to sign a new Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Health. This signifies the ongoing cooperation and commitment to advancing access to reconstructive surgery for the people of Laos.



Nepal

Reconstructive microsurgery enables surgeons to restore and rebuild patients with debilitating injuries, by mobilising limbs and restoring function. In 2006 Interplast received a request to assist with the development of reconstructive microsurgery in Nepal. In response, a program of 4 comprehensive training modules was developed to train the staff of the plastic and reconstructive surgery unit at the Model Hospital in Kathmandu. This training program was initiated in 2007 with funding from AusAID.

This year, Module 2 was delivered by Interplast volunteers in February 2008 and Module 3 was delivered in May 2008. Interplast volunteer Dr Raymond Goh spent a month at the unit providing mentoring. A microsurgery training lab has been established and a microscope has been purchased and delivered to enhance capacity to perform microsurgery. In total, 11 patients received treatment during the delivery of the two training modules for a range of disabling and, in some cases, life threatening conditions. However, even more importantly, on both occasions, training was delivered to approximately 25 participants. As a result, the Nepalese surgeons have begun to perform some basic microsurgery procedures on their own and are taking a leadership role in the development of this service in their country, and across the region.

The final of the four training modules is scheduled for delivery in September 2008 and a further program is planned for early next year to assess the progress of the Nepalese surgeons towards the development of a local service for patients.



Pacific Island Countries

Sustainable service provision in the Pacific Region remains a challenge due to the relatively small populations of Pacific Island countries, often dispersed across many remote island communities. Compounding this issue is a lack of trained local medical staff to provide treatment. Programs to the Pacific remain focused on providing access to services for disadvantaged patients which would otherwise be unavailable, and working with local general surgeons to train them in basic reconstructive plastic surgery procedures. During the year, three programs were delivered in Fiji, as well as programs to Tonga, Samoa and the Solomon Islands. In total, 209 life changing operations were performed by Interplast volunteers. The ongoing support from Rotary Clubs and Districts in Australia and New Zealand to make these programs to the Pacific possible is an enormous and much appreciated contribution.

Two programs were delivered in Lautoka, Fiji. The first was funded by the Rotary Club of Rosebud. Due to the large number of patients waiting for treatment in Lautoka, a second program was delivered in June 2008. This Interplast team consisted of volunteers from New Zealand and Australia and their work was made possible by funding from Rotary District 9920.

Following a needs assessment undertaken in March 2007, the first Interplast program to Taveuni Island in Fiji was delivered in September 2007 with funding raised by Rotary District 9790. The purpose of the program was to provide access to surgery for patients requiring cleft lip repairs, and treatment was provided to children as well as a number of older patients between 30 – 50 years of age living with unrepaired clefts. Patient numbers were limited because of issues with recruitment, and the speed of operating was slow due to minimal hospital resources. Strategies to overcome these issues have been identified, and a second program is planned for early September 2008.



A program to Samoa was delivered in August 2007 under the auspices of the AusAID funded “Provision of Tertiary Health Services to Pacific Island Countries Project” (PIP), which is managed by the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons. There is no reconstructive plastic surgeon in Samoa, and with a population of only 180,000 it is unlikely the provision of these specialty services will be sustainable in Samoa in the near future. However, the local general surgeons were active participants in the program and keen to learn from Interplast surgeon Mr Simon Donahoe. Future visits will be important to deliver services and provide ongoing mentoring to the local hospital staff.

Interplast volunteers performed 78 operations during their program to Tonga in November 2007. The team provided services in the Capital, Nuku’alofa at Vaiola Central Hospital and at the Prince Willington Ngu Hospital on the Island of Vava’u. Funding from a generous private benefactor made the program possible.

With funding made available from Rotary District 9830, in April 2008, an Interplast team travelled to the Solomon Islands to work in Honiara and Gizo. After a busy five days at the National Referral Hospital in Honiara where 31 operations were performed, the team travelled to Gizo. Still recovering from the Tsunami which hit the region in April 2007, the pace was considerably slower and 15 patients were treated. Rotary Observer Walter van Schie reported he felt both humbled and privileged to witness the great gift these operations were to the patients and their communities.



Papua New Guinea

(i) Surgical Program

Two programs funded by the AusAID project “Provision of Tertiary Health Services to Papua New Guinea” (THS-PNG) were delivered in Papua New Guinea this year. In collaboration with Dr George Gende, senior surgeon and local plastic surgery coordinator, Interplast teams assisted with providing outreach services to the Provinces and training and mentoring surgical trainees. In particular PNG plastic and reconstructive surgery trainees Dr John Maihua & Dr Maru Garu are active participants on the Interplast programs. Congratulations are extended to Dr John Maihua who passed his final exams in October 2007 to qualify as a Head & Neck and Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeon. This is a major personal achievement for Dr Maihua and a positive step towards self sufficiency in PNG.

From the 1-9 September 2007, the Interplast team worked at the Port Moresby General Hospital and performed 28 operations on a range of complex cases. These included a woman with acute severe burns who had remarkably survived after suffering full thickness scalp and facial burns three weeks earlier. A number of burn scar contractures involving upper and lower limbs were treated. As well as training the residents and registrars who scrubbed in for most cases, Prof Bruce Johnstone also addressed the PNG Annual Medical Symposium attended by approximately 400 delegates.

An outreach program to Goroka and Lae was delivered in March 2008. Dr John Maihua worked closely with the team and 28 operations were performed. A positive outcome was the establishment of a referral pathway for cleft patients from Goroka to be transferred to Madang for treatment by Dr Maihua. The team was delighted by a visit from the Australian Prime Minister, The Hon Mr Kevin Rudd. The excitement of receiving such an important visitor was enormous for the remote town of only 20,000 people. A highlight for the Interplast volunteers was the opportunity to meet Mr Rudd during his tour of Goroka General Hospital to see Australian Government funded projects in action.



(ii) Early Management of Severe Burns

Another positive achievement this year was the introduction of intensive training in the early management of severe burns (EMSB) in PNG. The EMSB course developed by the Australian New Zealand Burns Association (ANZBA), is a world recognised training course for all levels of medical professionals who come into first contact with severely burnt patients. In October 2007 Dr Heather Cleland, Prof Peter Maitz and nurse, Diane Elfleet, travelled to Port Moresby to assess the suitability of adapting the EMSB course to meet the training needs in PNG. Following their positive recommendation, the course was modified to meet the PNG context and two courses were scheduled for delivery in March 2008.

With support from Dr George Gende and the AusAID THS-PNG Project managed by RACS, 45 delegates from around PNG arrived in Port Moresby to participate in the training. Two Solomon Island doctors and a nurse funded by Interplast also travelled to Port Moresby to participate. As well as receiving EMSB training, 12 candidates were selected to undergo Instructor Training and seven participants qualified as Instructors. These instructors will become the core faculty of future EMSB Courses to be delivered in PNG. Appreciation for funding to deliver this training is extended to the John Barnett Burns Education & Research Fund made possible through the charitable contributions of SOMA Health.

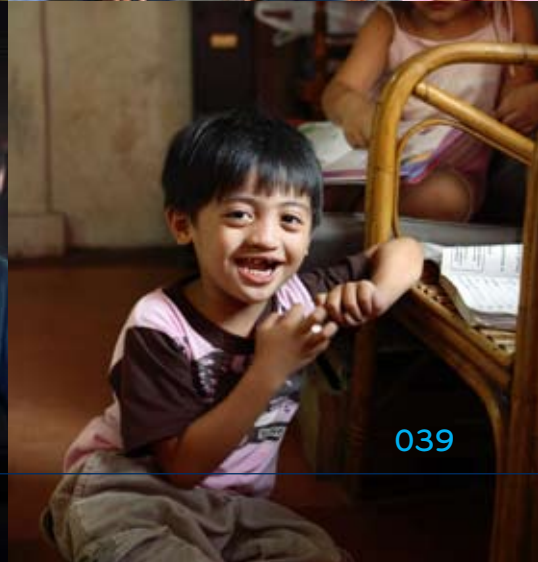


Philippines

This year, Interplast and the Rotary Club of Cagayan de Oro City celebrated the 10 year anniversary of a significant partnership which has given a new chance at life to hundreds of patients born with cleft lip and cleft palate deformities. To make this significant milestone, the Rotary Club of Cagayan de Oro City hosted a special dinner during Interplast's program to Cagayan de Oro, Mindanao in January 2008. The Interplast team were delighted that among the dignitaries, a number of past patients were in attendance. The volunteers were further humbled by a special resolution from the Cagayan de Oro City Council expressing gratitude and appreciation to Interplast for the free surgical services provided to indigent children over the past 10 years.

This program, delivered at the Committee of German Doctors Clinic, Xavier University, treated 73 patients between the ages of four months and 20 years for cleft lip and palate conditions. Each patient was officially classified as "indigent" and was selected by the Philippine Service of Mercy. They also assisted with the travel and accommodation of patients and family members who came from all over Mindanao to access treatment. With patients required to pay for their own drugs, dressings and medicines in the Philippines, most disadvantaged patients are usually unable to access local health care and surgical services. The commitment and service of the Rotary Club of Cagayan de Oro City and the Philippine Service of Mercy are crucial to the success of this program dedicated to helping those most disadvantaged by poverty. Special mention and thanks are also extended to Rotary District 9780 whose funds were used to facilitate this program.

Local ENT surgeon Dr Peter Tian, also benefited from sponsorship to attend the 2007 Cleft Conference held at the Royal Children's Hospital in September 2007. He will treat disadvantaged cleft patients at the German Hospital with funding from a German NGO.



Sri Lanka

Interplast's program to Sri Lanka was hindered this year by security concerns which resulted in the postponement of a number of planned activities. However with continuing and generous funding from the Colonial Foundation, training in Craniomaxillofacial surgery was initiated. Craniomaxillofacial surgery is a specialised branch of Plastic & Reconstructive surgery involving a multidisciplinary team.

In July 2007, Dr Dulip Perera, Head of the Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Unit at the Colombo National Hospital attended a training course on the "Principles of Operative Treatment of Craniomaxillofacial Surgery" in Sydney. In October 2007, an Interplast team travelled to Colombo to determine what infrastructure and training was required to establish a self sufficient Craniomaxillofacial Unit at the Colombo National Hospital. A team of two surgeons, one anaesthetist and two nurses spent time working with the plastic surgery unit, establishing links with other disciplines and assessing the infrastructure for intensive care and postoperative care and monitoring.

In addition, approximately 60 patients were reviewed by the Interplast team and seventeen operations were performed on carefully selected cases providing an excellent opportunity for teaching. Lectures and tutorials were also delivered each morning and these included a presentation on the requirements for setting up a safe Craniomaxillofacial Unit.

A number of recommendations have been provided, and the Interplast Country Coordinator, Dr Randall Sach, will meet with Dr Dulip Perera during his re-scheduled visit to Colombo in October 2008 to discuss an appropriate strategy for developing maxillofacial services in Sri Lanka. Dr Sach's visit will also focus on training in hand surgery and he will be accompanied by an orthopaedic hand surgeon and a hand therapist.

With burns injuries a major cause of disability in Sri Lanka, Dr Chandini Perera & Dr Gayan Ekanayake also benefited greatly from the burns management component of the RACS Annual Scientific Conference in May 2008 which they attended.



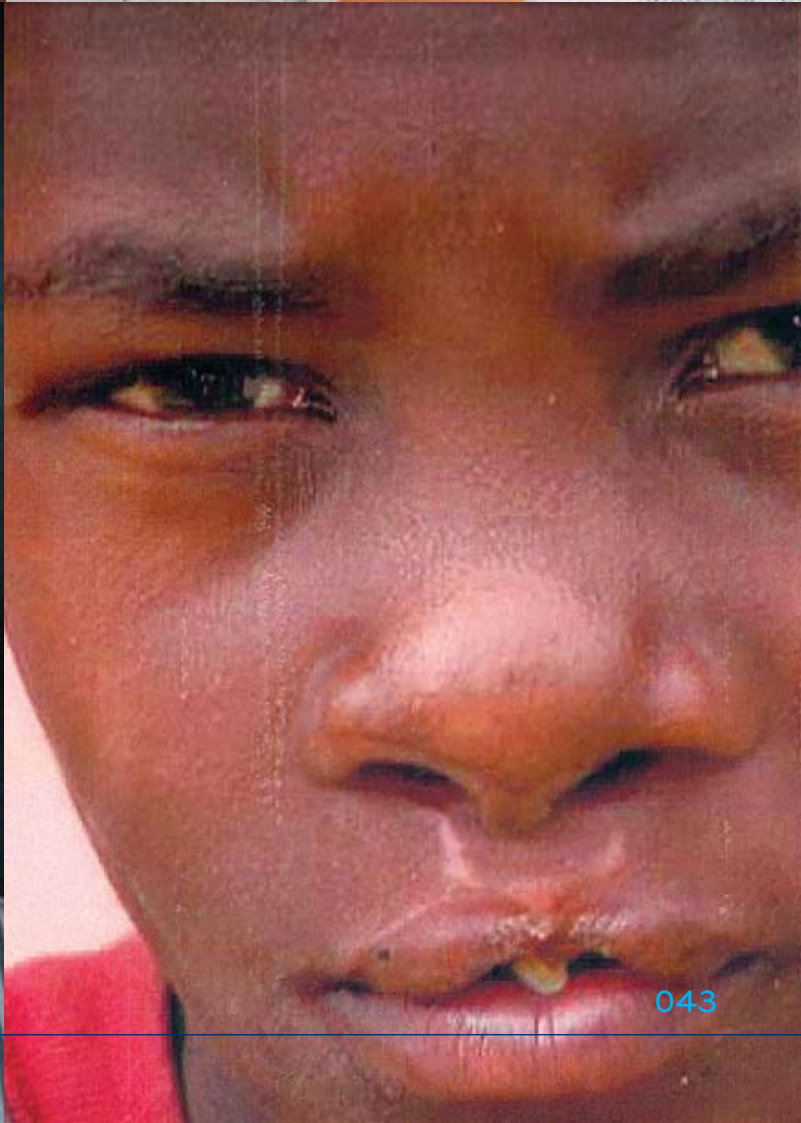
Tanzania

This year two volunteer medical teams from Western Australia travelled to Mwanza, located on the shores of Lake Victoria in Tanzania to work at the Bugando Medical Centre - an 800 bed, nine storey Hospital which services eight million people.

In July 2007, the volunteers operated on 59 patients and carried out 94 procedures. These included cleft lip and palate repairs, burns contracture releases, and microsurgery procedures. The second team which visited in November 2007 treated 42 patients and carried out 60 procedures. Over 30 of these were cleft patients.

The support of the Honorary Tanzanian Consulate in Perth, Mr Didier Murcia is greatly appreciated for raising the funds and providing assistance with local coordination. Thanks are also extended to the Rotary Club of Kenwick in Western Australia for their fundraising efforts which made the November 2007 program possible.

We are grateful to Didier for supporting the arrangements for Interplast to respond to an urgent and unique request from the Director of the Bugando Medical Centre in Mwanza to provide treatment for a patient suffering a severe burns injury. Interplast surgeons and nurses reaction to help was incredible and the outcome for this young patient remarkable.



Vietnam

The Cho Ray Hospital Burns Unit is a busy 60 bed unit, receiving on average five acute burn admissions each day. In June 2008, a volunteer Interplast medical team lead by Sydney surgeon Dr Allan Meares, worked alongside the medical team at the Cho Ray Hospital Burns Unit. Treatment was directed towards restoring function for patients disabled by burn injuries and together they consulted with 60 patients and performed 36 life changing operations.

Training was provided to the medical staff at the Burns Unit via formal lectures and practical teaching. The Vietnamese surgeons (including 4 trainees) were instructed in the repair of defects using full thickness skin grafts. Anaesthetists were instructed in techniques such as regional block anaesthetics and post operative analgesia management. Nursing staff were instructed in operating theatre procedures.

Interplast arranged for the head of the Burns Unit, Dr Tran Doan Dao, to complete a training attachment at the Burns Unit at Concord Hospital in Sydney during November 2008. During the Interplast visit in June 2008, the team observed that a positive outcome of this training had been the adoption of new and more efficient methods of dressing burns.

Interplast will continue to support the development of reconstructive services at the Cho Ray Hospital. The Burns Unit does not receive assistance from any other international organizations and they have requested Interplast's ongoing help. A program has been scheduled for February 2009 with a focus on acute burns management and the team will assess their capacity to begin training in microsurgery.



Scholarships

Interplast administers a number of scholarships directed towards developing the next generation of doctors from both Australia and recipient countries. The opportunity for training and cultural exchange has a major impact on the development of future medical leaders.

Harold McComb Scholarship

This scholarship honours the significant contribution of West Australian plastic surgeon Mr Harold McComb to Interplast over many years. Established in 2004, the scholarship provides assistance for medical students nominated by the West Australian University to undertake their Medical Elective placement in a developing country.

This year's recipient was Ms Simone Forward who completed her elective at the Muhimbili National Hospital Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania.

Kevin Egan Scholarship

This scholarship from Melbourne University was originally established by Melbourne University Private at the request of Mr Kevin Egan on his retirement. Each year the scholarship facilitates the attendance of an overseas trainee at the Australian Society of Plastic Surgeons Registrars Training Week. This year the scholarship was used to fund Dr Peter Tian from Cagayan de Oro in the Philippines to participate in the 2007 Cleft Conference held at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne during September.

Educational Resources

Over the years, Interplast has developed educational resources, which include DVD's for

- Cleft Lip Surgery
- Cleft Palate Surgery
- Burns Management

These resources are used as a tool for training by Interplast teams and are provided to local counterparts free of charge. A copy of the Burns Management resource was provided to all delegates who completed the Emergency Management of Severe Burns Course in Papua New Guinea.

Requests are also received via the Interplast website and the Asian Development Bank Institute web Library.

This year Interplast also responded to over 57 individual requests for these educational materials which were provided free of charge. Feedback from recipients indicated they were much appreciated and of great value.

Acknowledgements

Volunteers

Each year, Interplast struggles to find the words to adequately acknowledge the contribution of our dedicated, passionate and enthusiastic volunteers. No less important are their families and colleagues who readily support them while they are away working in what are often extremely challenging environments.

In addition, members of the Interplast Board, Audit Committee, Surgical Committee, Rotary Committee, Planning & Evaluation Committee and Country Coordinators volunteer their time to provide expertise, strategic direction and planning and advice.

Interplast is further supported by an extensive network of volunteers throughout Australia who are committed to supporting and promoting the work of Interplast and can be called upon to generously provide assistance when needed. This commitment plays a major role in ensuring donor money is utilised to deliver high quality programs that focus on practical, achievable and sustainable outcomes.

Also essential to Interplast's success is our relationship with the various organisations and support networks in our partner countries. Many individuals, Rotary and other community groups, companies and local businesses generously give their time to facilitate our work. They provide local knowledge, logistic support, discounted accommodation, meals, interpreters, and assist with the recruitment, accommodation and care of patients. These partnerships are vital and our sincere thanks are extended to everyone for their willing and significant contributions

Many others also support the work of Interplast in various ways: through the donating of equipment and excess consumables from various hospitals, mentoring and supporting visiting surgeons during training attachments, maintaining our medical equipment, promoting Interplast's work through speaking engagements and even knitting teddy bears for our appreciative patients. These generous and willing contributions epitomise the strength and character of Interplast.

Interplast works with many organisations to achieve its goals. Two of those organisations are Moira Kelly's Children First Foundation and ROMAC managed by a group of dedicated Rotarians. Children First and ROMAC bring children to Australia to receive treatment by Australian medical personnel when more advanced treatment is required. Interplast would like to acknowledge their assistance and good work.

Corporate supporters, foundations and private donors

The enormous generosity of donors makes it possible for our volunteers to continue providing life changing surgery to the poorest of the poor, and Interplast is appreciative of every donation we receive. Our regular monthly donors and other public donations make a significant contribution to facilitate the work of Interplast. This generosity and compassion help us to improve the lives of some of the most disadvantaged people living in our region. Interplast was particularly fortunate this year to once again receive a substantial donation from a private benefactor who supported Interplast's programs in Bangladesh, Tonga and Nepal.

Gratitude is extended to the Perpetual Foundation, H&L Trust, which this year supported a program at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital in Bangladesh and also to the Colonial Foundation which has been providing assistance to Interplast's work in Sri Lanka since 2001. This ongoing support has been instrumental in the establishment and development of this program. Also important has been the flexibility and understanding when changes to our program plan have been required in response to the unpredictable security situation.

Coupled with Rotary, Interplast's close association with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons has been a great strength since the organisations inception. This relationship continues to bring many benefits including office accommodation, meeting facilities and in-kind support for our staff. Interplast is grateful for this sustained contribution and friendship.

The goodwill of Qantas, Air Pacific, Singapore Airlines, Silk Air, Air Niugini, Philippine Airlines, Solomon Airlines and Air Vanuatu has made a valuable contribution by transporting Interplast's excess equipment and consumables either free of charge or at a generously discounted rate.

Interplast also endeavours to make contact with staff in the Australian Missions overseas. Many have provided advice and hospitality to our volunteers and local counterparts that is always greatly appreciated.

The Board are indeed grateful for the continuing support provided by the Cabrini Apostolic Planning Committee. Cabrini has been involved with our work since 1995 which includes funding for programs to the Philippines, nursing staff participating in service programs and the provision of theatre scrubs for all programs conducted by Interplast each year.

Corporate support is also gratefully received. It helps reduce the costs of administering Interplast, and also provides an opportunity for others not medically trained to volunteer their skill and talent and make a significant contribution to the work of Interplast. Special thanks must be extended to Patrick and Emma from Red Egg Design who donate their time and significant talent for all of Interplast's design work; Alan and the team at ASF printing who look after our printing needs and always provide professional and helpful service; Stuart and Damien from Level91 who redesigned our website; Photographer Sarah Rhodes who has volunteered for Interplast for a number of years to capture the lives changed by Interplast so we can show the world the inspirational work of our volunteers. Thank you also to the Active Display Group who supply our display banners free of charge, and Hotair Conferencing who provide our teleconferencing service free of charge.

Grateful thanks are also extended to The Hon Bob Carr who is generously donating the proceeds of his recent book "My Reading Life" to Interplast, and in doing so is also providing Interplast with a tremendous amount of publicity otherwise unattained. Minter Ellison continues to provide legal support and advice free of charge as part of their significant pro bono program.

Our special and heartfelt thanks are also extended to Ms Wendy Harmer our official Ambassador. Her efforts in promoting the work of Interplast, making herself available to speak publicly on our behalf and the courage she shows and the honesty she shares with us and the audience, always makes a huge impact.

Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)

Interplast has held base accreditation with the AusAID-NGO Cooperation Program since 1999. Accreditation facilitates access to an annual funding allocation which this year supported Interplast's programs in Burma, Bangladesh and Nepal.

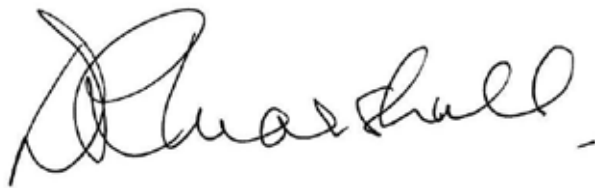
This year Interplast also completed the required procedure of re-accreditation with AusAID. This process involved the preparation of documentation demonstrating Interplast's corporate governance procedures, development philosophies, program management operations and financial and risk management systems. In August 2007 Interplast participated in an Organisational Review and was delighted to receive confirmation from the Committee for Development Cooperation that our application for continuing Base Accreditation had been approved.

Conclusion

Interplast has enjoyed a very successful year with a satisfactory financial outcome despite greater activity and increasing costs. With the ever increasing call for assistance, there is a continuing need to expand our income base, and during the year Interplast was involved in a very successful fund-raising campaign based on climbing Melbourne's Eureka Tower. We hope to take on similar initiatives in the future as the organisation expands to meet the increased demand.

The work of the Board continues to be challenging and demanding, and I would like to pay tribute to my fellow board members for the time and expertise they contribute so willingly to ensure the evolution and smooth running of the organisation. Special thanks are due to our staff, who work long and irregular hours in frugal circumstances to enable our volunteers to perform their life changing surgery. Our close association with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, brings with it many benefits including office accommodation for our staff and membership of the International Committees, and we thank them for their support. While much has changed at Interplast, one fundamental constant has remained, and that is the support of Rotary Clubs throughout Australia and New Zealand. Without this unique contribution, we could not have achieved so much.

Thank you for your outstanding support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D Marshall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Prof Donald R Marshall
President
Interplast Australia and New Zealand

2007/08 Rotarians with Interplast

Chairman's Report

Rotary District 980 established Interplast with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 1983 and passionate Rotarians in Clubs across Australia and New Zealand continue to be an integral component in the growing success of Interplast. The 2007/08 year saw donations generously made from every Rotary District in Australia and New Zealand. However, Rotarians do more than just share resources with Interplast - they also volunteer on committees and the Board of Directors of Interplast.

Eight programs were fully funded by Rotary Clubs and Districts, each providing the opportunity for a Rotarian to observe first hand the lives their Club or District have helped change forever. A further program was funded by the WCF Thomas Trust. Mr WCF Thomas was a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Melbourne in 1921 (the first Rotary Club in Australia) — one of the Trustees Ray Smith from the Rotary Club of Doncaster Sunrise is sure Mr Thomas, would have been very proud to have funded an Interplast program.

Country	Town	Date	Funding Rotary Club or District	Observer
Fiji	Lautoka	Aug 07	Rosebud	Barry Osborne
Fiji	Taveuni	Sep 07	District 9790	Paul Bell
Bangladesh	Dhaka	Nov 07	District 9790	Libby Vasey
Tanzania	Mwanza	Nov 07	District 9470	Richard Viney
Philippines	Cagayan de Oro	Jan 08	District 9780	Morven Hutchesson
Laos	Vientiane	Feb 08	Belmont & Mill Point	Rachel Sheffield
Solomon Islands	Honiara & Gizo	Apr 08	District 9830	Walter van Schie
Vietnam	Ho Chi Minh	Jun 08	WCF Thomas Trust	Elizabeth Guiver
Fiji	Lautoka	Jun 08	District 9920	John Phillis

Rotarians also support other activities of Interplast programs including

Rotary Club or District	Interplast activity
District 9820	PNG – Assessment of needs of Burns Training. This resulted in the delivery of a training course in March 08
Campbelltown	Contributed funding to train Dr Moe Moe the fourth Burmese surgeon to receive training in Australia.
Cairns Sunrise	Contributed funding for a Mentor visit by surgeon Dr Raymond Goh to Nepal in early 2008
Many other Rotary Clubs	Many other clubs donated to Interplast. These funds were used to purchase items such as medical equipment, supplies and text books to maximise the effective delivery of Interplast programs and assist in increasing the access to health care in the Asia Pacific region

I wish to acknowledge the inspiring work of so many Rotarians and the valuable contribution they have made throughout the year to the activities of Interplast. Rotarians continued commitment to Interplast is one every Rotarian can be very proud of.

I would also like to acknowledge the retirement of Sue Attwood from the Interplast office in July 2007 and thank her for her efforts over the 16 years she was with Interplast, many of them spent as the Rotary Coordinator. Sue was an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Clayton and named a Paul Harris Fellow for her services to Interplast. On behalf of all Rotarians, I thank Sue for her tireless commitment to Interplast.

A celebration of a 'Decade of Second Chances' was held in the Philippines in January 2008. For ten years the Rotary Club of CDO and Australian Rotary Clubs and Districts have been working together with Interplast to give some children in the Philippine's a 'second chance at life'. Mayor Constantino Jaraula presented a formal motion of thanks as a resolution passed at a City Council meeting "expressing the city's gratitude and appreciation to Interplast for operating on 85 indigent children with cleft lip and palate from the City as part of its 10th year of volunteer service to CDO City in partnership with the Rotary Club of CDO."

Rotary International President Wilfred Wilkinson chose the theme of 'Rotary Shares' for the 07/08 year, he said he "looks forward to a year in which we demonstrate that Rotary Shares, by sharing the best of ourselves with our clubs, our communities and the world." I believe Rotarians along with Interplast volunteers epitomise the Rotary theme of 'sharing' everyday and in everyway - sharing of their resources, talents and time to meet the needs of those who need it most. While Interplast is moving to widen its public awareness and funding sources, Rotarians will always remain a vital component in Interplast's future and ability to repair bodies and rebuild lives.

David Inglis

Vice President and Chairman, Rotarians Committee

Quotes from Rotarian Observers

"Each and every volunteer team member worked so hard for the entire visit to provide free treatment to local people who otherwise may not be able to access these services, to liaise with senior local surgeons and to train hospital staff. Interplast teams really do repair bodies and rebuild lives." *Libby Vasey, Rotary Club of Shepparton*

"In developed countries physical misadventures are corrected at an early age, sadly not so just nearby in our Pacific neighbours, so it was a surprise to have 43 year old Norman walk in with a cleft palate, and we changed his life forever. My week in Fiji was a life experience that will stay with me forever, it left me with a feeling of pride that I was part of a worldwide organisation that can change so many lives for the better. Rotary truly can make a difference." *John Phillis, Rotary Club of Newmarket.*

"Interplast medical team is a vital contributor to third world countries as people in these countries, often cannot afford the type of surgery offered. People, sometimes through no fault of their own, become patients and deserve the right to the quality of life which Interplast can offer or assist them in achieving. The patients were extremely grateful for the surgery provided by the skilled Interplast team." *Elizabeth Guiver, Rotary Club of Donvale.*

"The Interplast team were exceptionally dedicated and committed, worked hard and ensured their patients came first." *Rachel Sheffield, Rotary Club of Millpoint.*



Rotary Clubs & Districts Donations 07/08

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Eureka Tower Climb

On 14 October 2007 nearly 300 Interplast supporters and volunteers climbed to the top of the worlds highest residential building the Eureka Tower in Melbourne to raise funds and awareness for Interplast.

The idea was, Interplast volunteers and supporters are so passionate about the organisation they are not only willing to give of their time and expertise, they are also willing to climb the worlds tallest residential building.

The aim was to raise \$92,000 by having each of the 92 floors to the roof supported by a \$1,000 donation. We are thrilled to report that we had 100 floor donors. Climbers were also asking their friends and family for support in their efforts for Interplast and raised a further \$25,000 taking the total raised to over \$125,000. The event made the news on many TV, and radio stations.

The day was a huge success with every one of the climbers that made it to the top saying the view was absolutely worth it.

Interplast would like to thank everyone involved, especially Daniel Grollo, Peter Jones, Kerrie and Steve Westwood, Catherine Gorr, Jenny Eltringham, Mr David Hunter-Smith, The Flying Ferriers, Mr Guy Dowling and Angela Doherty and Cabrini 4 South for their support of the inaugural Eureka Tower Climb.



Thank you to the Eureka Floor Donors

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- Carr R
- Cartledge S
- Castles M
- Ceber S
- Cerche T
- Charities Aid Foundation
- Charles G
- Charles R
- Cherrie D
- Chia B
- Chrystie K
- Church G
- Cini T
- Civilart Pty Ltd
- Cizzio T
- Clarke J
- Clarke R
- Cleland R
- Coad R
- Coastal Plastic Surgery Centre
- Coffey N
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- Coltheart G
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- Condon J
- Conheady M
- Conway G
- Corlett R

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- Cousins M
- Coward F
- Craig I
- Craigie C
- Crick L
- Crofts R & D
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- Cruickshanks B & M
- Cummings T
- Cunningham M
- Curl R
- Cusseau J & B
- D & L Wheen Pty Ltd
- Dalla-Rosa R & J
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- Davies B
- Davies M
- Day K
- De Angelis F
- De Zylva C
- Dean D
- Dean G
- Dellore P
- Deloitte Foundation Ltd
- Deloitte Touche Tohmastu
- Denehy A
- Denehy E
- Dermal Aesthetic Laser Clinic
- Deuchrass C
- Deutscher D
- Dickson D
- Dieu T
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- Downie P
- Downing J
- Doyle B & E
- Drajolive D
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- Duncan R
- Dupree M
- Dwyer G
- Dwyer K
- East D
- East Ivanhoe Community Corp Ltd
- Edge J
- Edwards C
- Edye A
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- Elks S
- Embrey T
- Emery T & B
- Emery V
- Eng K
- Epworth Healthcare
- Erase Products Management P/L
- Erase Skin Rejuvenation Specialists
- Eureka Skydeck
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- Farrell G
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- Ferguson S
- Ferrier Hodgson
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- Filla M & L
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- Flynn T
- Foletta B
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- Forest Road Buliding Co
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- Franich J
- Frazer & Pritchard Heathmont Pharmacy
- Freer B
- Freer R
- Freidman A
- Fries V
- Furby E
- Furby EA
- Galbally D
- Garrett M
- Gay M
- Geoff Woods Electrical
- Gervasoni S
- Ghiocas-Price L
- Gibbons D
- Gibson M
- Gill C
- Gill S
- Golder Associates P/L
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- Goodrick Dr M
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- Gorr S
- Gow M & S
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- Grant D
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- Griffiths L
- Griffiths P
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- Hackett E
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- Halls A
- Hamilton F
- Hamilton Lloyd Fire Protection
- Hamilton S
- Hammond H
- Handley C
- Hanks A
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- Harding W
- Harney P
- Harper B
- Harrington T
- Harris J
- Hartnett A
- Hathaway M
- Hayes R
- Hayward E
- Hayward S
- Hazel Hams Trust

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- Head J • Janssen-Cilag
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- High JP • Johnstone B
- Hilditch L • Joyce M
- Hillis D • K Feiler
- Hi-Mark Press • Kaiser D
- Group • Kalyvas M
- Hinchcliffe D • Kandiah V
- Hinch C C • Karaan H & I
- Hitchcock A • Karaan T
- Ho A • Karlik M
- Hocking Stuart • KCI Medical
- Hodge A Australia P/L
- Hogan J • Kearns A
- Holman A • Kelly B
- Holme L • Kemp E
- Holmes A • Ketchen S
- Holmstrom J • Kiang J
- Hommelhoff J • Killarney Linen
- Hudson H Pty Ltd
- Hudson I • Kinsella A
- Hudson S • Kirby M
- Hughes E • Kirk K
- Huitema G • Kossatz Y
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- Huynh TT • Krynen G
- Inglis E • Kuczerhan C
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- Jackson G Developments
- James Cook P/L
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- Lambie Real Estate Pty Ltd
- Lamond J
- Laurie S
- Lawes E & D
- Legg Prof S
- Leitch G
- Leobel R
- Leonard K
- Leong J
- Leung M
- Linnestad R
- Linton J
- Lions Club
- Heathmont
- Lloyd J
- Loebel R
- London & Regional Estates Australia
- Lord B
- Love N
- Lowry C
- Lyon R
- Mackie M
- Mackin B
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- Maguire D
- Mahoney K
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- Mann E
- Mann N
- Marrickville Charitable Foundation
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- Martin R
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- Maughan P
- Mawson A
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- McAllister C
- McArthur B
- McCready A
- McDonald A
- McFarlane A
- McGlynn C
- McHennon R
- McKellar J
- McKlay P
- McLean G
- McLennan J
- McLoughlin M
- McMaster K
- McMillan M
- McNab R
- McPhee G
- McPherson C
- Meares A & M
- Medfin Australia Pty Ltd
- Mellar K
- Melville C
- Melville T & A
- Mendelson B
- Mentor Medical Systems
- Menzel J
- Metz N
- Millard C
- Millard N
- Miller & Associates
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- Miller R
- Milovic V
- Minter Ellison

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- Morris P
- Morrow N
- Moss D
- Moss K
- Mott I
- Muhlebach J
- Mulqueeney J
- Mundy J
- Murphy W
- Murray D
- Murray F
- Nathan D
- National Australia Bank
- Naylor E
- NCA
- Newcombe
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- Neale A
- Nealon C
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- Nguyen B
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- Nice P
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- Patterson K
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- Paynter R
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- Pereira I
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- Petrusch G
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- Pinxt L
- Place C
- Pollauszach V
- Pongrass L
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- Postma A
- Postma J
- Preusche L
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- Property Essentials Pty Ltd
- Putland K
- Pyramid Design & Drafting
- Qantas Airways Limited
- Q-Med Australia Pty Ltd
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- Reilly S
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- Rozenvassen E
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- Santos M
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- Sargeants Port Phillip
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- Scott S
- Sear D
- Sears H & Nicholls N
- Seaton D
- Shepard A
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- Silvgria F
- Simms D
- Simms K
- Sims R
- Singh R
- Sivamalai S
- Smith & Nephew
- Smith I

- Smith J
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- Somer J
- Southwell W
- Southwick G
- Spain P
- Spark J
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- St Vincents Hospital
- (Melbourne) Ltd
- Staff M
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- Stankovic G
- Stanley J
- Stapleton K
- Starfish Ventures
- Steele Dr G
- Steenbergen R
- Stephens N
- Stephenson J
- Steyns J
- Stockden C
- Stockler G
- Strong D
- Stryker
- Stuart S
- Sullivan W
- Surgiplas
- Suss N
- Suss R
- Sutherland A
- Sutton R
- Swane K
- Syme D
- Taglioli P & M
- Talbot M
- Tan J
- Taylor I
- Taylor S
- TGM Group
- The Bays Hospital Group
- The Bent Fork Café
- The Bob & Emma House Foundation
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- Theobald M
- Thomson D
- Thomson K
- Thomson L
- Thorneycroft A
- Tiltman I
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- Tompkins JG & PA
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- Travelodge
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- Trent C
- Tresize A
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- Van Es F&A
- Van Gemert R
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- Vanyai J
- Varley P
- Vaughan C
- Venn C
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- Vicary M
- W.C.F Thomas Charitable Trust
- Walker C
- Wallace A
- Wallace J
- Walsh M
- Walta C
- Walta K
- Walta M
- Waterford Valley Lakes Resident Social Club
- Watters Electrical Melbourne
- Watts P
- Waverley Plastic Surgery
- Webster G
- Webster J
- Weir J
- Wesley College Melbourne
- Westle A
- Westle C
- Westpac - Match Gift
- Westpac Credit Team
- Westwood C
- Westwood K & S
- Westwood S
- Whatmore W
- White M
- Whyte C
- Wicks J
- Wildsmith B
- Wilks S
- William Adams Pty Ltd
- Williams S
- Wilson C
- Wilson H
- Wilson R
- Wood L
- Wood R
- Woods K
- Worthy J
- Wright J
- Wright M
- XICG.com
- Young J
- Ziemer M



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Directors' Report

The Directors of Interplast Australia & New Zealand submit herewith the Annual Financial Report for the Financial Year ended 30th June 2008. In order to comply with the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the Directors report as follows:

The names of Directors of the Company during or since the end of the Financial Year are:

Donald Roger Marshall (President)	- Surgeon
David Gordon Inglis	- Solicitor
Michael John McGlynn	- Surgeon
Ian Roderick Carlisle	- Surgeon
John Barnes	- Real Estate Agent
John Spark	- Chartered Accountant
Ray Stewart (resigned 11/02/2008)	- Freelance Writer
Glenn Wran	- Consultant
Kay Patterson	- Senator
David Hunter-Smith	- Surgeon
Ross Sutton	- Consultant

Directors' Meetings:

During the year, Interplast Australia & New Zealand held eight meetings of the Board. The attendees of the Directors at meetings of the board were:

Board of Directors

	Attended	Maximum Possible
Donald Roger Marshall	7	8
David Gordon Inglis	7	8
Michael John McGlynn	8	8
Ian Roderick Carlisle	6	8
John Barnes	6	8
John Spark	7	8
Ray Stewart	1	5
Glenn Wran	6	8
Kay Patterson	8	8
David Hunter-Smith	8	8
Ross Sutton	5	8

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Company in the course of the Financial Year were reconstructive surgery services and training for people in the Pacific and Asia region and Tanzania. During the Financial Year there was no significant change in the nature of those activities.

Review of Operations

The net surplus amounted to \$169,725 (2007 deficit \$184,611). Included in this surplus is the sum of \$130,940 donated for specific equipment purchases (2007: Nil).

Actual Value of Volunteer Services

It is recognized that the APS rates used by AusAID in note 17 to calculate volunteer services under represent the true value of services provided by Interplast volunteers. A more appropriate calculation, while not included in the accounts, is represented below to acknowledge the significant contribution made by Interplast volunteers.

56 Nurses for a total of 636 days	318,000
74 Specialists for a total of 841 days	1,261,500
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Actual Total Value of Volunteer Services	<u>1,579,500</u>

Dividends

No dividends have been paid or declared since the commencement of the Financial Year.

Change in State of Affairs

During the Financial Year there was no significant change in the state of affairs of the Company other than that referred to in the Accounts or notes thereto.

Indemnification of Officers and Auditors

Directors and Officers Liability Insurance and Indemnity:

During the Financial Year, the Company paid a premium in respect of a contract insuring the Directors of the Company (as named above) against a liability incurred as such a Director to the extent permitted by the Corporations Act 2001.

The Company has not otherwise, during or since the Financial Year, indemnified or agreed to indemnify an Officer or Auditor of the Company against a liability incurred as such an Officer or Auditor.

Subsequent Events

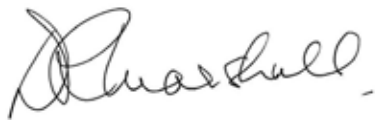
There has not been any matter or circumstance, other than that referred to in the Financial Statements or notes thereto, that has arisen since the end of the Financial Year, that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future years.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The Auditor's independence declaration is included on page 22.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors made pursuant to s.298(2) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors



.....
Donald Roger Marshall
Director



.....
John Spark
Director

9th September 2008

Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Interplast Australia & New Zealand

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Interplast Australia & New Zealand, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2008, and the income statement, cash flow statement and statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration as set out on pages 5 to 21.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting requirements under the *Corporations Act 2001*. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

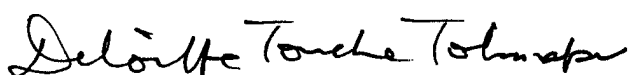
Qualification

Interplast Australia & New Zealand has determined that it is impracticable to establish controls over the collection of donations, contributions and grants prior to entry into its financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from these sources was limited, our audit procedures with respect to donations, contributions and grants had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. We therefore are unable to express an opinion whether donations, grants or contributions obtained by Interplast Australia & New Zealand are complete.

Qualified Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been required had the limitation on our audit procedures referred to in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.



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Chris Biermann
Partner
Chartered Accountants
Melbourne, 9 September 2008

Directors' Declaration

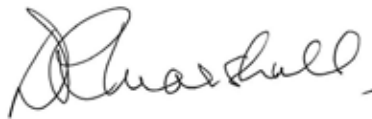
As detailed in Note 1 to the Financial Statements, the Company is not a reporting entity. Accordingly, this "Special Purpose Financial Report" has been prepared to satisfy the Directors' reporting requirements under the Corporations Act 2001.

The Directors declare that:

- (a) The attached Financial Statements and notes thereto comply with Accounting Standards to the extent described in note 1;
- (b) The attached Financial Statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Company;
- (c) In the Directors' opinion, the attached Financial Statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001; and
- (d) In the Directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors made pursuant to s.295 (5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors



.....
Donald Roger Marshall
Director



.....
John Spark
Director

9th September 2008

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

INCOME	Note	2008 \$	2007 \$
Donations – Rotary	13	458,884	207,044
Donations - General		566,684	578,693
Donations – Equipment	14	130,940	-
Interest Received		100,095	89,955
Contributions			
- AusAID (ANCP)		179,477	67,923
- AusAID (RACS)		132,517	183,244
Fundraising		127,593	-
Sundry Income		-	51
Membership Fees		10	15
Total Income		1,696,200	1,126,925
LESS: EXPENDITURE			
ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURE			
Accountancy		15,871	43,980
Audit	8	25,814	9,256
Bank Charges and Taxes		1,669	1,376
Car expenses		-	19
Computer expenses		941	2,724
Consultancy Fees		45,423	45,318
Depreciation	1b	59,097	36,772
Freight and Courier		2,977	2,462
General Expenses		17,716	3,921
Instruments		23,216	10,232
Insurance		13,641	18,189
Legal Fees		984	3,285
Meetings		12,227	14,361
Postages		8,289	6,314
Printing & Stationery		10,628	14,952
Registration Fees		891	2,230
Repairs & Maintenance		434	4,244
Salaries & Wages		246,999	215,771
Staff Training		1,115	2,020
Superannuation		29,119	26,865
Telephone		6,525	7,951
Travelling Expenses		1,076	5,544
Work Cover		4,089	9,350
Direct Program Administration		(145,900)	(165,500)
Total Administration Expenditure		382,841	321,636

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

	Note	2008 \$	2007 \$
FUNDRAISING EXPENDITURE			
Ambassador Program Administration		13,500	-
Bank Charges		40	-
Depreciation		1,027	1,072
Freight & Couriers		761	59
General Expenses		1,055	464
Insurance		8,250	3,442
Meetings		95	594
Photography Development		2,913	-
Postage		5,161	505
Printing & Stationery		8,285	1,985
Promotion Expenses and Presentations		11,172	9,714
Registration Fees		1,017	936
Repairs & Maintenance		-	85
Rotary Expenses		11,832	-
Salaries		74,741	69,780
Staff Training		-	1,427
Superannuation		8,325	33,401
Telephone		2,567	-
Travelling Expenses		26,672	21,813
Work Cover		1,727	2,250
Total Fundraising Expenditure		<u>179,140</u>	<u>147,527</u>
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM EXPENDITURE			
Africa			
Tanzania		85,398	63,706
		<u>85,398</u>	<u>63,706</u>
Pacific & Papua New Guinea			
Fiji		89,586	79,150
Kiribati		-	19,582
Samoa		18,629	29,270
Solomon Islands		35,894	-
Tonga		38,496	26,571
Vanuatu		23,637	1,880
Papua New Guinea - Surgical		53,532	72,479
Papua New Guinea - Burns		58,159	-
		<u>317,933</u>	<u>228,932</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

	Note	2008 \$	2007 \$
South East Asia			
Bangladesh – Surgical		60,041	106,103
Bangladesh – Hand Therapy		25,062	20,000
Indonesia		58,573	140,439
Laos		48,617	43,104
Myanmar		54,556	36,507
Nepal		87,890	43,993
Philippines		47,393	85,964
Sri Lanka		49,800	97,230
Vietnam		62,754	32,203
		<u>494,686</u>	<u>605,543</u>
Other Program Expenses			
General Program Expenses		13,931	9,281
Past Program Expenses		24,606	9,997
Planning and Evaluation		4,893	-
Cambodia Needs Assessment		580	-
Cleft Conference		12,123	-
		<u>56,133</u>	<u>19,278</u>
Total International Program Expenditure		<u>954,150</u>	<u>917,459</u>
DOMESTIC PROGRAM EXPENDITURE			
Training Program		-	10,525
Patients Treated in Australia		2,415	-
Education DVD		4,229	-
Kevin Egan Scholarship		-	6,929
Harvey Barnett Scholarship		3,000	3,000
H McComb Scholarship		1,000	1,000
Inventory Revaluation		(300)	(96,540)
Total Domestic Program Expenditure		<u>10,344</u>	<u>(75,086)</u>
Total Program Expenditure		<u>964,494</u>	<u>842,373</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>1,526,475</u>	<u>1,311,536</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	11	<u>169,725</u>	<u>(184,611)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2008

	Note	2008	2007
		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Petty Cash Imprest		150	150
Cash on Hand - Foreign Currency		524	202
Accounts Receivable		69,373	19,445
Westpac Bank		1,772,107	1,687,463
Prepayments		11,680	2,492
Inventories		124,345	136,758
Total Current Assets		1,978,179	1,846,510
Non-Current Assets			
Surgical Equipment	10	216,631	160,063
Office Furniture & Equipment	10	12,462	15,800
Furniture & Fittings	10	-	1,027
Total Non-Current Assets		229,093	176,890
Total Assets		2,207,272	2,023,400
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Credit Card - Visa		16,007	-
Trade Creditors		80,289	22,391
Unearned Contributions	12	259,541	335,360
Provision for Future Programs	13	461,534	423,470
Provision for Annual Leave		16,926	20,963
Provision for Long Service Leave		23,494	45,865
Total Current Liabilities		857,791	848,049
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provision for Long Service Leave		13,501	9,096
Total Non-Current Assets		13,501	9,096
Total Liabilities		871,292	857,145
NET ASSETS		1,335,980	1,166,255
Equity			
Investment Fund		231,378	231,378
Accumulated Funds	11	1,104,602	934,877
TOTAL EQUITY		1,335,980	1,166,255

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT FOR CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Investment Fund	Retained Earnings	Reserves	Total
Balance at 1 July 2006	231,378	1,119,489	-	1,350,867
Shortfall of revenue over expenses	-	(184,611)	-	(184,611)
Amount transferred to (from) reserves	-	-	-	-
Balance at 1 July 2007	<u>231,378</u>	<u>934,878</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,166,256</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	-	169,725	-	169,725
Amount transferred to (from) reserves	-	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2008	<u><u>231,378</u></u>	<u><u>1,104,602</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,335,980</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

	Note	2008 \$	2007 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from contributions		389,669	255,788
Donations		1,118,751	1,131,321
Interest Received		100,095	91,584
Payments to suppliers & employees		<u>(1,411,223)</u>	<u>(1,285,749)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	7	<u>197,292</u>	<u>192,944</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payment for property, plant & equipment		<u>(112,327)</u>	<u>(33,239)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		<u>(112,327)</u>	<u>(33,239)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		84,965	159,705
Cash at beginning of year		<u>1,687,815</u>	<u>1,528,110</u>
Cash at end of year		<u><u>1,772,781</u></u>	<u><u>1,687,815</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

1 Statement of Accounting Policies**Financial Reporting Framework**

The Company is not a reporting entity. Accordingly, this “Special Purpose Financial Report” has been prepared to satisfy the Directors’ reporting requirements under the Corporations Act 2001.

The Financial Report has been prepared on the basis of historical cost and except where stated, does not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

Statement of Compliance

The Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, the basis of accounting specified by all Accounting Standards and Australian Accounting Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of Accounting Standards AASB 101 “Presentation of Financial Statements”, AASB 107 “Cash Flow Statements” and AASB 108 “Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors”. Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (“A-IFRS”).

Significant Accounting Policies

Accounting policies are selected and applied in a manner, which ensures that the resulting financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions or other events is reported.

The following significant Accounting Policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report:

(a) Donated Services.

A substantial number of volunteers have donated a significant amount of their time in the Company’s services. However, since no objective basis exists for recording and assigning values to their services, they are not reflected in the accompanying Financial Statements. (Refer to Note 17 for details)

(b) Depreciation.

Depreciation is provided on fixed assets and is calculated on a straight-line basis so as to write off the net cost of each fixed asset over its expected useful life.

Depreciation rates were adjusted during 2008 to reflect the likely useful life of Plant and Equipment. The rates used for 2008 were 33.3% for computers and all other equipment 20% per annum.

(c) Employee Entitlements.

Provisions made in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, and other employee entitlements expected to be settled within 12 months, are calculated at salary rates effective at 30 June 2008.

(d) Accounts Payable.

Trade payables and other accounts payable are recognised when the Company becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services.

(e) Goods and Services Tax.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except:

- i. where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority, it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense;
- or**
- ii. for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

(f) Receivables.

Trade receivables and other receivables are recorded as amounts due.

(g) Revenue Recognition/Unearned Contributions.

Interest revenue is recognised on an accrual basis. General donations are recognised when received.

Rotary revenue and all other revenue from donations and contributions to specific programs is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of surgical projects to

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

which the revenue relates and recognised as unearned contribution in the balance sheet until expensed.

(h) Inventories.

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost or net replacement cost.

(i) Comparative Figures.

Presentation of expenditure in the income statement have been reclassified, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current year.

2 Income Tax Status

The Company is a non-profit, voluntary organisation exempt from Income Tax under the Income Tax Assessment Act, Section 23. The Company is also exempt from other government levies such as payroll tax.

3 Share Capital

Interplast Australia and New Zealand does not have a Share Capital as it is a Company Limited by Guarantee. In the event of the Company being wound up, each member of the Company may be liable for up to \$100.

4 Segment Reporting

The principal activity of the Company is Plastic and Reconstructive surgery and training for people in the developing countries in the Pacific and Asia region and Tanzania.

5 Director's Remuneration

No fees were paid or are payable to the Directors. (2007 \$0).

6 Related Party Transactions

There were no transactions with related parties during the Financial Year. (2007 \$0).

7 Notes to the Cash Flow Statement

2008

2007

\$

\$

Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the Financial Year as shown in the cash flow statement is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

Petty Cash Imprest	674	352
Westpac Bank	1,772,107	1,687,463
	<u>1,772,781</u>	<u>1,687,815</u>

Reconciliation of profit from ordinary activities to net cash flows from operating activities

Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities	169,725	(184,611)
Non-cash flows in operating profit		
Depreciation	60,124	37,845
Charges to current provisions	(22,003)	(5,911)
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposals		
Increase (Decrease) in deferred revenue	(75,820)	39,361
Increase (Decrease) in provision for future programs	38,064	306,223
Increase (Decrease) in trade creditors	63,494	(3,315)
Decrease (Increase) in receivables:		
Accounts Receivables	(39,517)	8,060
Prepayments	(9,188)	57,941
Interest Accrued Due	-	1,629
Inventory	12,413	(64,278)
Cash flows from operations	<u>197,292</u>	<u>192,944</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

8 Remuneration of Auditors	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Auditor of the Company		
Auditing the Financial Report	<u>25,814</u>	<u>9,256</u>
9 Employees		
Number of employees at end of the Financial Year	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
10 Property Plant and Equipment		
Surgical equipment		
At cost	402,498	292,711
Accumulated depreciation	(185,867)	(132,648)
	<u>216,631</u>	<u>160,063</u>
Office furniture and equipment		
At cost	65,236	62,696
Accumulated depreciation	(52,774)	(46,897)
	<u>12,462</u>	<u>15,799</u>
Furniture and Fittings		
At cost	3,044	3,044
Accumulated depreciation	(3,044)	(2,017)
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,027</u>
	<u>229,093</u>	<u>176,889</u>
11 Accumulated Funds		
Balance at beginning of Financial Year	934,877	1,119,488
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	<u>169,725</u>	<u>(184,611)</u>
Balance at end of Financial Year	<u>1,104,602</u>	<u>934,877</u>

12 Unearned Contributions	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Tied Income is made up of amounts from:		
Colonial Foundation	187,633	111,433
Perpetual Trustees	-	45,000
Tanzania Consulate	-	63,250
University of Melbourne	23,600	23,600
Bill and Eileen Doyle	-	50,000
AusAID	-	32,077
Allergan	-	10,000
Carla Miller	40,000	-
Sumba – October 2008	1,240	-
Soma Health	4,068	-
Colleen and James Ross	3,000	-
Total Unearned Contributions	<u>259,541</u>	<u>335,360</u>

13 Provisions for Future Programs – Funded by Rotary

Provision for Future Programs prior year	423,470	117,246
Total Rotary Donations for transfer to Future Programs	304,350	306,224
Less		
Funds Expended	(266,286)	-
	<u>38,064</u>	<u>306,224</u>
Provision for Future Programs	<u>461,534</u>	<u>423,470</u>
Total Rotary Donation for Year	496,948	513,267
Movement on Provision for Future Programs	(38,064)	(306,223)
Total Rotary Donations spent on programs	<u>458,884</u>	<u>207,044</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

14 Donations - Equipment

Included in the sum of \$130,940 were donations by St Vincent's Hospital of \$90,940 and the Hazel Hams Trust of \$40,000 which were allocated to specific medical equipment required by Interplast Australia and New Zealand.

15 Additional Company information

Interplast Australia and New Zealand is a Company limited by Guarantee, incorporated and operating in Australia.

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INCOME STATEMENT

for the year ended 30th June 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Donations and gifts - monetary and non-monetary	1,156,508	785,737
Legacies and bequests	-	-
Grants		
- AusAID	179,477	67,923
- Other Australian	132,517	183,244
- Other overseas	-	-
Investment Income	100,095	89,955
Other Income	127,603	66
Total Revenue	1,696,200	1,126,925
EXPENSES		
Overseas projects		
- Funds to overseas projects	821,750	751,959
- Other project costs	132,400	165,500
Domestic projects	10,644	21,454
Inventory Revaluation	(300)	(96,540)
Community education	-	-
Fundraising costs		
- Public	164,140	135,077
- Government, multilateral and private sector	15,000	12,450
Administration	382,841	321,636
Total Expenses	1,526,475	1,311,536
Excess/(Shortfall) from continuing operations	169,725	(184,611)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008

16 Information to be furnished under the ACFID Code of Conduct

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
BALANCE SHEET		
as at 30th June 2008		
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,772,781	1,687,815
Financial assets	-	-
Other	205,398	158,695
Total current assets	1,978,179	1,846,510
Non current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	229,093	176,890
Other	-	-
Total non current assets	229,093	176,890
Total assets	2,207,272	2,023,400
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	355,837	357,751
Provisions	501,954	490,297
Total current liabilities	857,791	848,048
Non current liabilities		
Payables	-	-
Provisions	13,501	9,096
Other	-	-
Total non current liabilities	13,501	9,096
Total liabilities	871,292	857,144
Net assets	1,335,980	1,166,255
EQUITY		
Reserves	231,378	231,378
Funds available for future use	1,104,602	934,877
Total equity	1,335,980	1,166,255

16 Information to be furnished under the ACFID Code of Conduct

SUMMARY OF CASH MOVEMENTS

For the Financial year ended 30th June 2008

	Funds Available at Beginning of Period	Raised During Period	Disbursed During Period	Available End of Period for Future Use
AusAID - ANCP	32,077	147,400	179,477	-
AusAID - RACS	-	132,517	132,517	-
Perpetual Trustees Bangladesh/ Vietnam	45,000	-	45,000	-
Colonial Foundation Sri Lanka	111,433	126,000	49,801	187,632
Rotary	423,470	496,948	458,884	461,534
Total for other purposes	1,075,835	705,680	657,900	1,123,615
TOTAL	<u>1,687,815</u>	<u>1,608,545</u>	<u>1,523,579</u>	<u>1,772,781</u>

17 Information to be furnished under the ACFID Code of Conduct

Recognised Development Expenditure: Value of Volunteer Services

The value of volunteer services is not included in the accounts. However for the purposes of claiming AusAID Recognised Development Expenditure the following information has been prepared in accordance with the rates approved by AusAID.

Volunteers for the year ended 30 June 2008

56 Nurses for a total of 636 days - APS Level 4	135,938
74 Specialists for a total of 841 days - Executive Level 2	351,807
Total Value of Volunteer Services	<u>487,745</u>

The Board of Directors
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9 September 2008

Dear Board Members

Interplast Australia & New Zealand

In accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Interplast Australia & New Zealand.

As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial statements of Interplast Australia & New Zealand for the financial year ended 30 June 2008, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours sincerely



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



Chris Biermann
Partner
Chartered Accountants



"Founded in 1983 as a joint project of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and Australian Rotary Clubs, Interplast Australia & New Zealand (a Company limited by guarantee) provides voluntary medical teams who carry out plastic and reconstructive surgery and deliver training in developing countries. Whilst not an official project of Rotary International, Interplast is actively supported by Rotarians in Clubs and Districts throughout Australia and New Zealand."



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Interplast Australia & New Zealand is the official charity of the Australian Society of Plastic Surgeons and New Zealand Association of Plastic Surgeons.

Interplast Australia & New Zealand is a member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and is a signatory to the ACFID Code of Conduct. The Code requires members to meet high standards of corporate governance, public accountability and financial management. More information about the ACFID Code of Conduct can be obtained from Interplast Australia & New Zealand and from ACFID at website: www.acfid.asn.au



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