

Horsham Base Hospital
(INCORPORATED)

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**Sixtieth
Annual Report and
Statement of Receipts
and Expenditure of
the Committee of
Management**



FROM 1st JULY, 1933, to 30th JUNE, 1934

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL
(Incorporated)

SIXTIETH
ANNUAL REPORT
And
BALANCE SHEET
Of the
Committee of Management



From 1st July, 1933, to 30th June, 1934.

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL

Officers and Members of the Committee for 1934-1935

President:

J. R. Baillie (1934)

Vice-Presidents:

Thos. Young (1932).

R. J. Wilmoth (1933)

Hon. Treasurer:

W. C. Bolton, J.P. (1934)

Town Members of Committee:

	Elected.		Elected.
Thos. Young	1932	W. J. Thornley	1934
D. Anderson, J.P.	1932	J. Bennett	1934
J. J. Hennessy	1932	R. G. Brett	1934
H. Smith	1932	G. L. Ray, J.P.	1933
R. E. Charles	1932	C. H. Hoskin	1933
C. W. Macdonald	1932	A. Langlands	1934
R. J. Wilmoth	1933	J. R. Baillie	1934
J. C. Gross	1933	W. C. Bolton, J.P.	1934

One representative of the Hon. Medical Staff.

The Inspector of Schools, Horsham Inspectorate.

Country Members of Committee:

The Presidents for the time being of the Wimmera, Kowree, Dunmunkle, Arapiles and Dimboola Shire Councils.

Mr. A. H. Millar, Laharum; Cr. W. E. Dahlenburg, Pimpinio; Mr. J. E. Smith, Vectis; Mr. A. A. Lutze, Coromby; Mr. J. C. Tepper, Coromby; Mr. H. H. Evans, Murtoa.

Hon. Solicitor: John Bennett.

Hon. Architect: C. W. Macdonald.

Hon. Dispensers: Miss N. M. Howard, Messrs. D. Grey, N. C. McMullin, and C. H. Peacock.

Hon. Dentists: Messrs. R. G. Grant, C. W. Dougall, W. Lawrence

Hon. Veterinary Surgeon: Cr. James Barnes.

Building Sub-Committee:

Messrs. D. Anderson, W. C. Bolton, Thos. Young, C. W. Macdonald.

Tenders Sub-Committee:

Messrs. W. C. Bolton, H. Smith, W. J. Thornley.

Hon. Medical Officers:

Dr. G. R. Felstead.

Dr. G. Forsyth.

Dr. H. W. Charlton.

Dr. R. J. A. Henderson.

Auditors:

T. Hoaston

D. S. Wallis

Matron:

Miss G. M. Arthur

Secretary and X-Ray Technician:

C. R. Frencham

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL

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PAST PRESIDENTS.

	Year of Office.		Year of Office.
Temporary Chairman ..	1873-74	R. L. Kirk ..	1905-06
Rev. G. W. Adams ..	1874-75	late H. Balfour Cathcart ..	1906-07
Robert Clark, J.P. ..	1876	late H. Balfour Cathcart ..	1907-08
J. Langlands, J.P. ..	1877	late H. Balfour Cathcart ..	1908-09
Angus Cameron, J.P. ..	1878	late H. Balfour Cathcart ..	1909-10
Joseph Fechler ..	1879	F. J. Sanders ..	1910-11
George Young ..	1880	F. J. Sanders ..	1911-12
William Robinson ..	1881	P. Learmonth ..	1912-13
William Drummond ..	1882	P. Learmonth ..	1913-14
S. S. Bowden ..	1883	C. Rennison ..	1914-15
C. G. Rasmussen, J.P. ..	1884	C. Rennison ..	1915-16
R. H. Andrews ..	1885-86	John McCann, J.P. ..	1916-17
J. H. Brake ..	1886-87	F. J. Millar, J.P. ..	1917-18
W. C. Wright ..	1887-88	F. J. Millar, J.P. ..	1918-19
Fred. Martin ..	1888-89	G. S. Symonds ..	1919-20
R. Garland ..	1889-90	G. S. Symonds ..	1920-21
J. Kenny ..	1890-91	G. S. Symonds ..	1921-22
F. Williams, J.P. ..	1891-92	G. S. Symonds ..	1922-23
R. J. Moon ..	1892-93	F. J. Millar, J.P. ..	1923-24
H. F. W. Kruger ..	1893-94	F. J. Millar, J.P. ..	1924-25
W. Bolton ..	1894-95	David Anderson, J.P. ..	1925-26
R. G. Fincham ..	1895-96	David Anderson, J.P. ..	1926-27
T. DeB. Twycross ..	1896-97	David Anderson, J.P. ..	1927-28
G. Bodey, J.P. ..	1897-98	David Anderson, J.P. ..	1928-29
James Caroll, J.P. ..	1898-99	David Anderson, J.P. ..	1929-30
George Ryan ..	} 1899-00	David Anderson, J.P. ..	1930-31
W. F. Osborn ..		A. Langlands ..	1931-32
George Ryan ..	1900-01	A. Langlands ..	1932-33
Wm. Sinclair ..	1901-02	A. Langlands ..	1933-34
Wm. Sinclair ..	1902-03	J. R. Baillie ..	
G. Rutherford ..	1903-04		
R. L. Kirk ..	1904-05		

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LIFE MEMBERS:

J. H. Young, Blackheath.	Mrs. H. W. Aumann, sen. Murtoa.
Hon. Walter Madden.	Mrs. Ida V. Pietsch, Kornheim.
Carl Schurmann	T. J. Noske, Melbourne.
G. E. Peart.	Thomas Mills, Longerenong.
Mrs. J. T. Weight.	J. H. Currie, Dimboola.
D. Grant.	G. Antony, Natimuk.
L. A. Rosel.	Mrs. James, Anderson, Horsham.
Wm. Butler.	William Gill, Dimboola.
B. T. Pearse.	C. G. Davies, Horsham.
Albert Scholes.	A. J. Coad, Horsham.
Mrs. George Ryan.	A. E. Waits, Horsham.
D. Lewis.	G. W. Cochrane, Horsham.
William Sinclair.	George Tydeman, Horsham.
John Schmidt.	A. Young, Blackheath.
P. W. Jones.	L. Hutchesson, Horsham.
J. E. Harper.	J. E. Smith, Vectis.
W. McClintock, Murtoa.	R. E. Charles, Horsham.
A. A. Lutze, Murtoa.	Harold Smith, Horsham.
F. P. Schulze, Murtoa.	Geo. Kent, Horsham.
J. E. Smith, Vectis.	A. Massey, Horsham.

FOREWORD



The Horsham Base Hospital was founded in the year 1874, the present year commemorating the Diamond Jubilee of the Institution.

The founders of the Hospital commenced a magnificent work, which has been carried on by those who have followed after. From a modest beginning, the Hospital has grown, until to-day the buildings are of a most extensive nature, and the probable cost of erection to-day would exceed £40,000. Added to this amount is the value of the equipment, approximately £10,000, so that we have assets to-day aggregating £50,000. Whilst some assistance has been received from the Government to erect the buildings, it is to the credit of the people of the district that most of the cost has been found by them.

The area from which patients are drawn is a particularly large one, extending from the South Australian border in the West to Glenorchy, and from Rainbow and Hopetoun in the North to Balmoral in the South. Towns included in this area are Nhill, Dimbeola, Jeparit, Rainbow, Hopetoun, Beulah, Warracknabeal, Minyip, Rupanyup, Murtoa, Natimuk, Goroke and Edenhope.

The main Municipalities served by the Hospital are: Town of Horsham, Shires of Wimmera, Dimboola, Dunnmunkle, Arapiles and Kowree.

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL

(Incorporated).

SIXTIETH ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30th JUNE, 1934.

TO GOVERNORS and CONTRIBUTORS.

LADIES and GENTLEMEN—

In presenting to you the 60th Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, the Committee of Management notes with pleasure the magnificent support which has been given by the residents of the districts served by the Hospital. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Hospital, and it is very fitting that the year has been marked with success, as the following paragraphs will show.

FINANCE.—In the Maintenance Account we commenced the year with a credit balance of £274/10/6, and, as it was anticipated that there would be an increase in expenditure, this was a very valuable asset. As in past years, we have received a most generous response to all appeals, and we report with pleasure that the total receipts amounted to £6718/4/1. The main item of receipts was in-patient fees, which totalled £2188/8/6, the highest figure yet reached. The Government Grant totalled £1938, and the Municipal Grants £932. The total expenditure was £6936/0/8, which is larger than for previous years. This is attributable to several reasons. In the first place, the total number of patients treated, 1415, was 117 in excess of the previous year's total, and included in the number was an unprecedented number of diphtheria cases, which are very expensive to treat. Supplies of linen had become so depleted that it was found necessary to expend over £200 on this item. During the year very necessary repairs, renovations and alterations were found necessary, and these absorbed approximately £280. As has already been reported to you, your Committee was able to recompense the Honorary Medical Officers for their out of pocket expenses incurred in making visits to the Hospital to attend to patients, and the sum of £400, covering the period 1932-33, and the year under review, 1933-34, was expended on this item.

During the coming year we anticipate that the expenditure will not be so heavy as this year, but subscribers can be assured that any money made available will always be judiciously handled.

The average cost per occupied bed has risen from £101 to £105.

BUILDING ACCOUNT—The position of this account again shows a great improvement. At the commencement of the year the debit balance was £1200/6/2, and at the close of this year our indebtedness is £783/15/9. An amount of £200 was made available by the Charities Board, and the sum of £197/0/5 was received from the "Sun News Pictorial" Obstinate Artist Competition. Another contribution of £20 was received from the estate of the late Denis Murphy. We are hopeful during the coming year to see this debit again reduced.

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL.

RECEIPTS

To Government Grant	£1938	0	0
Municipal Grants	932	0	0
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS—			
Annual Subscriptions	£57	11	9
Proceeds of Entertainments	685	0	9
Hospital Sunday District Committees	262	4	0
Other Collections and Donations	495	11	7
	<u>1500</u>	8	1
Interest upon investments	8	17	6
FEES—			
X-Ray	£105	4	6
In-Patients	2029	7	0
Out-Patients	3	3	6
	<u>2140</u>	15	0
Profit from Pay Beds, Intermediate Fees	155	1	6
Sale of Stores	£25	9	0
Sale of Products	5	3	6
Miscellaneous	6	9	6
Cheque paid after return	2	0	0
	<u>39</u>	2	0
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>6718</u>	4	1
Cash in hand or at Bank on 30th June, 1933	274	10	6

AUDITORS' REPORT

We hereby certify that we have compared the Statement of Accounts submitted with the Books of the Institution, and find that the postings are accurately made under the proper headings, and that the Statements of Accounts are correct.

T. HOUSTON,
DAVID S. WALLIS,

Auditors.

16/7/34

Income and Expenditure for period from the 1st July, 1933 to 30th June, 1934.

EXPENDITURE	
By PROVISIONS—	
Meat	£205 9 4
Fish, Poultry, etc. .. .	65 2 8
Butter, Cheese, etc. .. .	161 9 1
Eggs .. .	15 19 2
Milk .. .	125 19 4
Bread, Flour, etc. .. .	136 7 11
Groceries .. .	304 7 5
Vegetables and Fruit .. .	84 3 6
	£1098 18 5
SURGERY and DISPENSARY—	
X-Ray Supplies .. .	£165 4 3
Drugs, Disinfectants, etc. .. .	573 4 0
Dressings, Bandages, etc. .. .	97 7 10
Instruments and Appliances .. .	191 9 8
Aerated Waters .. .	27 11 6
Wines, and Spirits and Malt Liquors .. .	7 10 0
Sundries .. .	20 4 5
	£1082 11 8
DOMESTIC—	
Renewal of Furniture .. .	£21 15 2
Bedding, Drapery, etc. .. .	204 7 10
Hardware, Brushware, etc. .. .	141 11 9
Laundry Materials .. .	55 16 7
Fuel, Electric Power and Lighting .. .	582 8 1
Sundries .. .	1 13 0
	£1007 12 5
SALARIES and WAGES—	
Nursing .. .	£1184 15 4
Other .. .	1493 19 9
	£2678 15 1
MISCELLANEOUS—	
Printing, Stationery, Postages, .. .	
Telephones, Advertisements, etc. .. .	£30 7 8
Cartage and Freight .. .	51 7 4
Insurance .. .	40 6 0
Sanitary Charges .. .	51 0 0
Sundries .. .	44 9 3
	£217 10 3
ADMINISTRATION—	
Official Salaries .. .	£241 5 0
Printing, Stationery, Postage—Telephones .. .	134 18 11
Law Charges .. .	5 6 0
Auditors' Fees .. .	4 4 0
Travelling Expenses .. .	19 0 9
Fidelity Insurance .. .	1 7 0
	£406 1 8
ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES—	
Repairs and Renovation of Buildings .. .	£230 11 7
Renewal, Repair and Renovation of Plant & Equipment .. .	120 7 10
	£350 19 5
FINANCE—	
Bank Interest .. .	£66 9 6
Other Bank Charges .. .	4 8 3
	70 17 9
EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS—	
Funeral Expenses .. .	22 14 0
	22 14 0
TOTAL PAYMENTS .. .	£6936 0 8
Cash in hand or at Bank at 30th June, 1934 .. .	56 13 11
	£6992 14 7

year the total was 1196. The daily average was 65.47, which figure is the highest yet reached. Out-patients numbered 98, making the total number of persons treated 1415. We are pleased to report that the fees from patients have also reached a record figure, namely, £2188/6/6.

MATERNITY WARD—This section of the Hospital has again been very busy, 124 births being recorded during the year, or an increase of 30 from the previous year.

X-RAY DEPARTMENT—This department has experienced a busy year, and has been of great assistance to the Honorary Medical Officers in their work. During the year a tablet was unveiled in memory of the donor of the equipment, the late Mr. John Russell. The function was attended by representatives of the Russell family, members of the committee and other representative citizens.

STAFF—We wish to again place on record the magnificent service rendered during the year by the Matron (Miss G. M. Arthur), Sisters and Trainees. This has been a particularly busy year from a nursing point, and the splendid service given by all is highly appreciated. Our Matron has at all times shown a particularly keen interest in the welfare of the patients and the Hospital generally, and we are grateful for her co-operation.

HONORARY MEDICAL STAFF—We again express our sincere appreciation of the valuable services given during the year by the Hon. Medical Officers, Drs. H. W. Charlton, G. R. Felstead, G. Forsyth and R. J. A. Henderson. They have, at all times, and often at great inconvenience attended to the needs of the patients, and we thank them for this splendid service. This Hospital is very fortunate in having such excellent Honoraries.

HONORARY DENTISTS—The Honorary Dentists, Messrs. R. S. Grant, W. Lawrence and C. W. Dougall, have again rendered valuable service to the Hospital, and we convey to them our sincere thanks.

HONORARY DISPENSERS—During the year a sub-committee conferred with the chemists of Horsham to discuss the subject of dispensing at the Hospital. After discussion, the chemists offered to carry out this work in an honorary capacity, visiting the Hospital in turn one night per week. This splendid offer was accepted and the thanks of the committee conveyed to the chemists, namely, Miss N. Howard, Messrs. D. Grey (manager for Mr. J. Barnes), N. C. McMullin and C. H. Peacock. The new system is working satisfactorily, and we are greatly indebted to the chemists for their splendid co-operation.

LADIES' COMMITTEE—This committee again functioned splendidly during the year, and in addition to handing over a cheque for £277/4/3, conducted a most successful Linen Day, when a splendid collection of articles was received. To the retiring President, Mrs. L. Hutchesson, and the retiring Hon. Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Hodges, and members of the committee we extend sincere thanks. The Committee has again formed this year with the Mayoress, Mrs. J. Barnes as President, and Mrs. C. Schmidt, Secretary, and are doing excellent work.

AMBULANCE SERVICE—This service has again been of great assistance to the town and district. Our financial worries are now relieved, as we receive from the Carnival funds enough money to make up the deficiency in any year. This year the sum of £25 was made available. We are again indebted to the Horsham Town Council for the annual grant of £25, and to the honorary driver, Mr. J. Baulderstone, for his tireless service. This gentleman has attended all calls and in addition takes a great pride in the appearance of the car.

DISTRICT COMMITTEES—We are extremely grateful to the members of our district committees for the excellent work that has been accomplished during the year. At Murtoa, a very live committee keeps the needs of the Hospital before the public, and the result of the year's work, £101, is a splendid tribute to the work of the committee. At Rupanyup, the newly formed committee has done excellent work, and in 12 months we have received the sum of £100 from this centre. This initial effort is an outstanding one, and our best thanks are conveyed to our helpers. At Natimuk a small band of enthusiasts help to keep the needs of the Hospital before the public, and does excellent work.

At Dimboola a small committee functions, but, unfortunately, does not meet with the support it deserves. However, the gentlemen interested in the Hospital are hopeful that this year some large function will be held in that centre on our behalf.

A new committee was formed at Goroke this year, mainly through the efforts of Cr. P. Walker. A Hospital Sunday was well attended, and the proceeds totalled nearly £30. It is intended to hold a concert at Goroke during the next year, and the Hospital Sunday will be an annual effort. We are grateful to those ladies and gentlemen in the Goroke district who have rallied to our assistance.

The committee at Rainbow has again done good work, and although the returns this year are a little lower than formerly, it was not due to the organisers, but to seasonal conditions being so uncertain.

The following is a summary of amounts received from the larger districts

Murtoa	£101
Rupanyup	100
Rainbow	25
Natimuk	31
Goroke	30

In response to an appeal made for residents in country districts to conduct an effort in aid of the Hospital, we are pleased to report that the following centres have responded this year, and have given an assurance that each year some effort will be made:—Byrneville.

Murra Warra, McKenzie Creek, Wonwondah East, Drumg South, Noradjuha, Jung and Wail East.

To all our outposts we say thanks for the splendid co-operation given to us.

SCHOOLS' APPEAL—The annual appeal made to the schools of this district again met with a wonderful response, the total amount of goods and cash received totalling approximately £210. This scheme is of great value to the Hospital, and our grateful thanks are extended to Mr. E. B. Pederick (District Inspector), Mr. Geo. Kent (Hon. Secretary until December, 1933), Mr. C. Freeman (who has

succeeded Mr. Kent), the members of the executive and all who assisted with gifts. We regret the removal of Mr. Kent from Horsham, and are grateful for the services he rendered whilst in this district.

WOOD DAY—The annual Wood Day was again organised by Mr. G. W. Cochrane, and the result was the best for some years. We are grateful to all donors, stackers, and to Mr. Cochrane for organising this splendid contribution. All donors of the wood were resident in the Shires of Wimmera and Arapiles.

TRANSPORT—During the year we have been assisted in our work of visiting country centres by having motor cars made available by residents of Horsham. This has been a particularly heavy year, and it is estimated that approximately 2000 car miles were covered during the year. To those who assisted in this work we extend sincere thanks.

THANKS—Throughout the year gifts of all kinds have been numerous and regular, and to all donors we express our thanks. To the local, district, and metropolitan paper offices we extend thanks for copies of papers. The Horsham Town Band has this year given special service, probably the greatest for many years. Several Hospital Sundays were held in district centres, and in addition the band has played many programmes at the Hospital. In addition, the services of the Band have been given on many occasions, notably at the Hospital Carnival. No thanks can be too great for this wonderful organisation.

To the proprietors of the "Horsham Times" we extend sincere thanks for the assistance given through the paper during the year.

To the clergy of all denominations we would specially convey our thanks for their loyal co-operation and splendid work at the Hospital. To the members of the Methodist Girls' Comrade Club, the W.C.T.U., the Catholic Ladies' Guild and the Returned Soldiers Ladies' Auxiliary we express thanks for regular visits to the patients with gifts. These visits are much appreciated by the inmates. Another welcome visitor each Sunday is Mr. C. H. Hoskin, who comes with his gifts of song and flowers. This gentleman has, for a lengthy period, rendered this service and we are grateful to him.

Our warm thanks are also due to Mr. Ormond Short for attending to the wireless installation at the Hospital.

On behalf of the Committee of Management,

J. R. BAILLIE, President.

C. R. FRENCHAM, Secretary.

July 12th, 1934.

At the close of a year of splendid achievement, I desire to place on record my personal appreciation, and that of the Committee of Management, of the efficient and highly satisfactory service rendered to the institution by our Secretary, Mr. C. R. Frencham. Much of the credit for our present satisfactory position and also for the success of the various district appeals, held throughout the year, is due to his untiring labour and organising ability.

(Signed) J. R. BAILLIE, President

Horsham, July 17th, 1934.

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for period from 1st July,
1933, to 30th June, 1934.

ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS				
To Balance 30th June, 1933	.....	£200	0	0
Interest on F.D.D's.	.....		8	17 6
			£208	17 6
EXPENDITURE				
By Investments	.....	£200	0	0
Interest to Maintenance Account	.....		8	17 6
			£208	17 6

BUILDING, PLANT, and EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS				
To Government Grant	.....	£200	0	0
Donations	.....		217	0 5
Bank Balance, 30/6/34	.....		783	15 9
			£1200	16 2
EXPENDITURE				
By Balance at 1/7/33	.....	£1200	6	2
Bank Charges	.....		0	10 0
			£1200	16 2

AMBULANCE ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS				
To Cash on hand 30th June, 1933	.....	£0	10	6
Town of Horsham, grant	.....		25	0 0
Ambulance Fees	.....		17	10 0
Transfer from Carnival Funds	.....		25	0 0
Bank Balance at 30/6/33	.....		5	10 7
			£73	11 1
EXPENDITURE				
By Ambulance Service, Replacement and Insurance	.....	£39	13	0
Telephone Service	.....		4	5 8
Repairs and running costs	.....		25	16 2
Bank Charges	.....		0	10 0
Bank Balance at 30/6/34	.....		3	6 3
			£73	11 1

X-RAY ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS				
To Bank Balance at 30/6/33	.....	£24	4	6
			£24	4 6
EXPENDITURE				
By Bank Charges	.....	£0	10	0
Bank Balance at 30/6/34	.....		23	14 6
			£24	4 6

Examined and found correct,

T. HOUSTON,
DAVID. S. WALLIS,

16/7/34

Auditors.

Statistical Return as at June 30.

RECEIPTS

	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934
Government Grant	£1350	£1527	£1530	£1976	£1938
Municipal Grant	1035	975	975	972	932
Patients' Contributions	1921	1661	1579	1739	2288
Ordinary Revenue	6701	5729	5754	6367	6718

EXPENDITURE

Provisions	1419	1207	936	900	1098
Surgery	751	832	841	1058	1082
Domestic	876	756	708	733	1007
Establishment Charges	188	255	239	214	351
Miscellaneous	136	142	111	249	217
Administration	416	408	472	357	406
Salaries and Wages	2590	2620	2220	2181	2678
Total Ordinary Expenditure	6379	6221	5529	5835	6936
Cost per occupied bed	119	115	96	101	106

STATISTICAL

Daily Average	52.41	53.91	56.81	57.63	65.47
In-patients	1056	1041	1041	1196	1317
Paid Staff	30	30	28	31	31
Accommodation	70	70	70	70	70
Accommodation (infectious)	8	8	8	8	8
Out-patients Treated	52	69	72	102	98

Medical Officer's Report for the Year Ending June 30, 1934.

	M.	F.	Ttl.
Number of In-patients remaining on June 30, 1933	31	37	68
Number of Patients admitted during the year	589	660	1249

	M.	F.	Ttl.
Number of Patients discharged, cured or relieved	564	645	1209
Number of Deaths	28	22	50
Number remaining on June 30, 1934	28	30	58

Outdoor Relief—

Distinct cases treated	98
Number of attendances	480

	M.	F.	Ttl.
Daily average of indoor patients	28.98	36.49	65.47
Average cost per head per annum of maintenance (indoor)	£5 4 3		
Average cost per bed for daily average	£106 0 0		