



a charity dedicated to improving lives affected by eosinophilic disorders



2015

Annual Report



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About Us

ausEE Inc. is an Australian charity providing support and information to anyone diagnosed with or caring for someone with an Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disorder (EGID) including Eosinophilic oEsophagitis (EoE), Eosinophilic Gastritis, Eosinophilic Duodenitis, Eosinophilic Enteritis, Eosinophilic Colitis and Eosinophilic Gastroenteritis.

We are committed to raising public awareness and supporting the medical community for further research into eosinophilic disorders in Australia.

Founded in 2009, ausEE Inc. is a registered Charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and is endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR).

ausEE Inc. is a Queensland Incorporated Association (IA38281) and a Registered Charity in Queensland (CH1899), New South Wales (CFN/21530), ACT (L 19000791), Victoria (59406), South Australia (CCP1804), Western Australia (CC21779) and Tasmania (F1A-580).

Our Mission

Our mission is to improve the lives of those affected by eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders by providing support and information and to campaign and raise funds for further research in Australia.

OUR VISION

Our vision is:

- To reach all those affected by eosinophilic disorders in Australia.
- To become the catalyst for further research in the medical field; and ultimately find a cure.
- To become the most prominent eosinophilic support organisation in Australia.

OUR OBJECTIVES

Our objectives are:

- To provide support and information to individuals and families affected by eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders.
- To improve the quality of life for people with eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders.
- To create greater public awareness and understanding of eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders, their impact and appropriate management options.
- To help people recognize the symptoms of eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders.
- To be a credible source of information to physicians and patients.
- To campaign and raise funds to enable further research to be conducted in Australia for eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders.

Our Achievements

ausEE Inc. provides valuable information relevant to eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders through our website to both patients and physicians. Online support is available through our Facebook group forums and we facilitate face-to-face support group meetings.

We strive to improve the quality of life for all people with eosinophilic disorders.

We provide all our information, services and support free for everyone and do not charge membership fees.

The Management Committee of ausEE Inc. is comprised entirely of volunteers and the association has no paid staff.

All donations received help ausEE Inc. to achieve our mission to improve the lives of those affected by eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders by providing support and information and by funding Australian medical research.

Our achievements are outlined in six key areas:

- Information
- Research
- Resources
- Advocacy
- Awareness
- Support

INFORMATION

- ausEE website (www.ausee.org)
- Information phone line: 1300 923 043
- Monthly Supporter/Member eNewsletters
- Quarterly Physicians eNewsletters
- Exhibitions at Medical Conferences: RISA 2015, GESQ 2015, ASCIA 2015 and GASTRO 2015

RESEARCH

- Awarded the Royal Prince Alfred Clinical Immunology & Serology team a grant of \$8,000 towards its latest research into EoE.
- Supported a research study through the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital – ‘Exploring the experiences of ausEE members living with eosinophilic oesophagitis’.

RESOURCES

- EGID medical brochures
- Patient Information Folders
- A4 information posters
- Children's Books about living with an eosinophilic disorder: 'Meet Arabella', 'Being Henry' and 'Olivia and Kate'
- Donated hand knitted ausEE dolls to gastroenterology clinics in hospitals to be given to kids undergoing endoscopies or surgery for EGID/EoE.

ADVOCACY

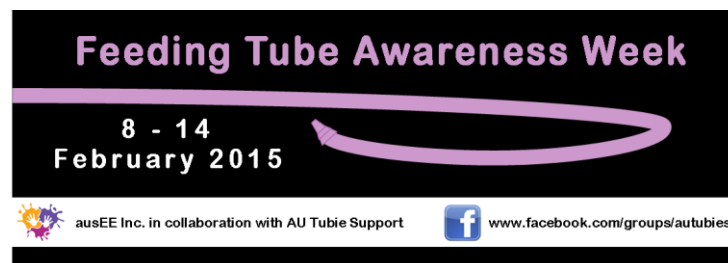
- Served on working groups to develop the National Allergy Strategy.
- Liaised with pharmaceutical companies about the product range of elemental formulas to try to reach the needs of all Australians living with EGIDs.
- Representative on the C-EOS (Coalition of Eosinophil Patient Advocacy Groups)
- Patient advocacy group of the Consortium of Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease Researchers (CEGIR).

AWARENESS

- Hosted Feeding Tube Awareness Week (8-14 February 2015)
- Hosted National EOS Awareness Week (2-8 August 2015)
- Top 8 Challenge Day held on 8/8 each year (www.top8challenge.com)
- Media stories published in print and online media
- ausEE YouTube Channel
- Active on social media:
www.facebook.com/auseeinc
www.twitter.com/auseeorg
www.instagram.com/ausee_inc
www.pinterest.com/ausee
- Additional social media pages:
facebook.com/austallergyfriendlyfinds
facebook.com/top8challenge
facebook.com/allergyfreecookingontv

SUPPORT

- Online Facebook support forum: www.facebook.com/groups/ausee
- Additional forum for adults diagnosed with an EGID: www.facebook.com/groups/auseeadults
- Official ausEE Group on Livewire can be joined by anyone aged between 10 to 20 who is living with an EGID: www.livewire.org.au
- Keep in Touch Program for children (and their siblings) to connect with other children who have also been diagnosed with an EGID via email, Facetime/Skype, or written letters.
- Support Group Meetings held across Australia so that adults, parents, and kids can meet each other face-to-face to share experiences and gain support.



ausEE Boards

MANAGEMENT BOARD

Sarah Gray – President

Mercedez Hinchcliff – Vice President

Mariya Taylor – Secretary

Marion Stock – Treasurer

Jason Gray – Board Member

MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

Professor Pete Smith (MBBS, BMedSci, FRACP PhD, Allergist & Immunologist)

Associate Professor Alyson Kakakios (OAM, MBBS, FRACP, Paediatric Allergist & Immunologist)

Dr Ralf Heine (MD FRACP, Paediatric Allergist & Gastroenterologist)

Professor Katie Allen (MBBS, BMedSci, FRACP PhD, Paediatric Allergist & Gastroenterologist)

Dr Looi Ee (MBBS, FRACP, Gastroenterologist)

Dr Sam Mehr (MBBS, BMedSci, FRACP, FRCP, Allergist/Immunologist)

Dr Ajay Sharma (MBBS, MD, FRACP, Paediatric Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist)

Wendy Birks (Dietitian - Feeding Clinic & Allergy)

Future Goals

PATIENT CONFERENCE

We would like to host the first Australian Patient Conference for families caring for a child with an eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorder (EGID) or adults themselves living with EGID.

In doing this we hope to discuss the psycho/social factors faced by families and patients and how to apply this knowledge to improve disease management. Our patient conference will also allow families to socialise and feel less isolated by a rare disease, allowing children to meet and play and realise that they are not alone. Discussions will include the therapeutic options and resources available for patients who have EGID and how ausEE can help continue supporting them. We would be inviting medical professionals from Australia and ultimately a keynote speaker from the United States to present on EGID and EoE to those in attendance.

VOLUNTEERS

ausEE Inc. is a charity entirely run by volunteers. All of our volunteers are parents of children with an eosinophilic disorder or have an eosinophilic disorder themselves.

The progress and achievements we have made over the years could not have been done without one small group of volunteers. Looking forward, we hope to attract and retain more volunteer support. Imagine what we can do when our volunteer team grows stronger!

Financial Statements

AUSEE INC. AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

We advise that we have completed the Audit of the books of account of ausEE Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2015. However, before an opinion can be given the following qualification must be noted:-

- (1) It is not possible to verify that all monies received have been receipted intact, However, I am satisfied that all monies receipted have been banked intact.

Subject to this qualification, in our opinion:-

- (a) The accompanying Financial Statements, which have been prepared from the books and records supplied by the Association, present a true and fair view of the operations of ausEE Inc.as disclosed in the books of account for the year ended 30 June 2015.
- (b) The Accounting and other records have been properly maintained.
- (c) There is no other matter to be advised to the Committee and members at the Annual General Meeting.

DATED THIS 6th day of October 2015



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ausEE INC
 PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

NSCOA	INCOME	
4-1100	Grants — Other (Non Government Elements)	3500.00
4-2010	Donations received	17163.70
4-2020	Tax Deductible Donations (Non-Public) (Gifts in Kind)	390.80
4-2030	Donations (Public Collections)	387.85
4-4010	Sales	2262.00
4-4050	Sponsorship and Licencing Fees	305.00
4-5020	Interest - Unrestricted	939.50
4-5050	Other / Sundry Income	689.00
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	Total Income	\$25637.85
	 LESS EXPENSES	
5-0000	Cost of Goods Sold	541.21
6-0070	Bank charges	560.41
6-0300	Donations Paid (Medical Research Grant)	8000.00
6-0330	Fees and Permits	1675.62
6-0540	Publications and Information Resources	6956.16
6-0710	Travel and Accommodation (Conferences)	341.20
6-0730	Volunteer Costs	19.80
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	Total expenses	\$18094.40
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	Net Profit	\$7543.45
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ausEE INC
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2015

Members Funds	
Opening Balance	29594.03
Surplus	7543.45
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	\$37137.48
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Represented By	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Suncorp Account — Operational 18970	3363.02
Suncorp Account —Medical Research Fund 52725	33774.46
Paypal Account	0.00
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Total Assets	\$37137.48
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