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Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia Annual Report 2023





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Message from our President and CEO

Back to normal with unwavering dedication

This past year was all about returning to normal after the enormous challenges of COVID-19 and the loss of our esteemed and much-loved President Tony Gilding in May 2022.

With renewed and unbroken commitment and determination, we focused on our mission to save orangutans from extinction and protect their vanishing homes by rehabilitating and releasing healthy individuals back into the wild, caring for those we cannot release and restoring vital orangutan habitat.

One of the year's highlights was our successful end-of-the-financial-year appeal, which raised \$140,000 for building new sanctuary enclosures and islands for our long-time residents, the unreleasable orangutans in our care. We also revived our successful enrichment volunteer program in Borneo, which we had to stop during the COVID-19 closure of our centres, and we created new opportunities for people to support our cause through online campaigns, collaborations with major donors and influencers, and successful in-person events.

We are proud to have contributed to the rehabilitation and care of 387 orangutans and 72 sun bears, the intake (rescue or handover) of 13 orangutans and the release of 18 orangutans, including our 500th reintroduced orangutan since 2012.

The fact that we recorded 11 more natural births among the orangutans living in the release sites this past year is a testament to the BOS Foundation's rehabilitation and reintroduction efforts. Since 2012, we have welcomed 34 wild-born babies, and it's heartening to see a new generation of orangutans flourishing in their natural habitat.

In addition, we have made further progress in making all of BOS Foundation's facilities in Indonesia carbon-neutral, solar-powered, water-independent

and self-sufficient in waste-water treatment. These steps are crucial in reducing the environmental impact in our working areas.

Our deforestation project securing 60 hectares of crucial orangutan habitat and carbon storage is making great progress. Thanks to the hard work of our colleagues in Indonesia, all seedling production activities in the village nursery have been completed. Local community groups are looking after the seedlings, and we are happy to report that the upkeep is going well. We currently have 73,340 seedlings from seven different species of orangutan food plants available for the project. This is a significant advancement in our efforts to safeguard this precious ecosystem.

However, we can't save orangutans alone. That's why we are delighted that on 13 June 2023, Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) New Zealand officially joined the international network of BOS organisations as its seventh partner. Together, we are now an even stronger global force committed to ensuring the survival and protection of orangutans and their rainforest homes.

We are thrilled to share with you our accomplishments in the past year. Your generosity has played a vital role in making these successes possible. We couldn't have done it without your unyielding commitment to our cause. You are the true heroes in our fight to protect orangutans and their habitats.

With much gratitude,

K WELFORD

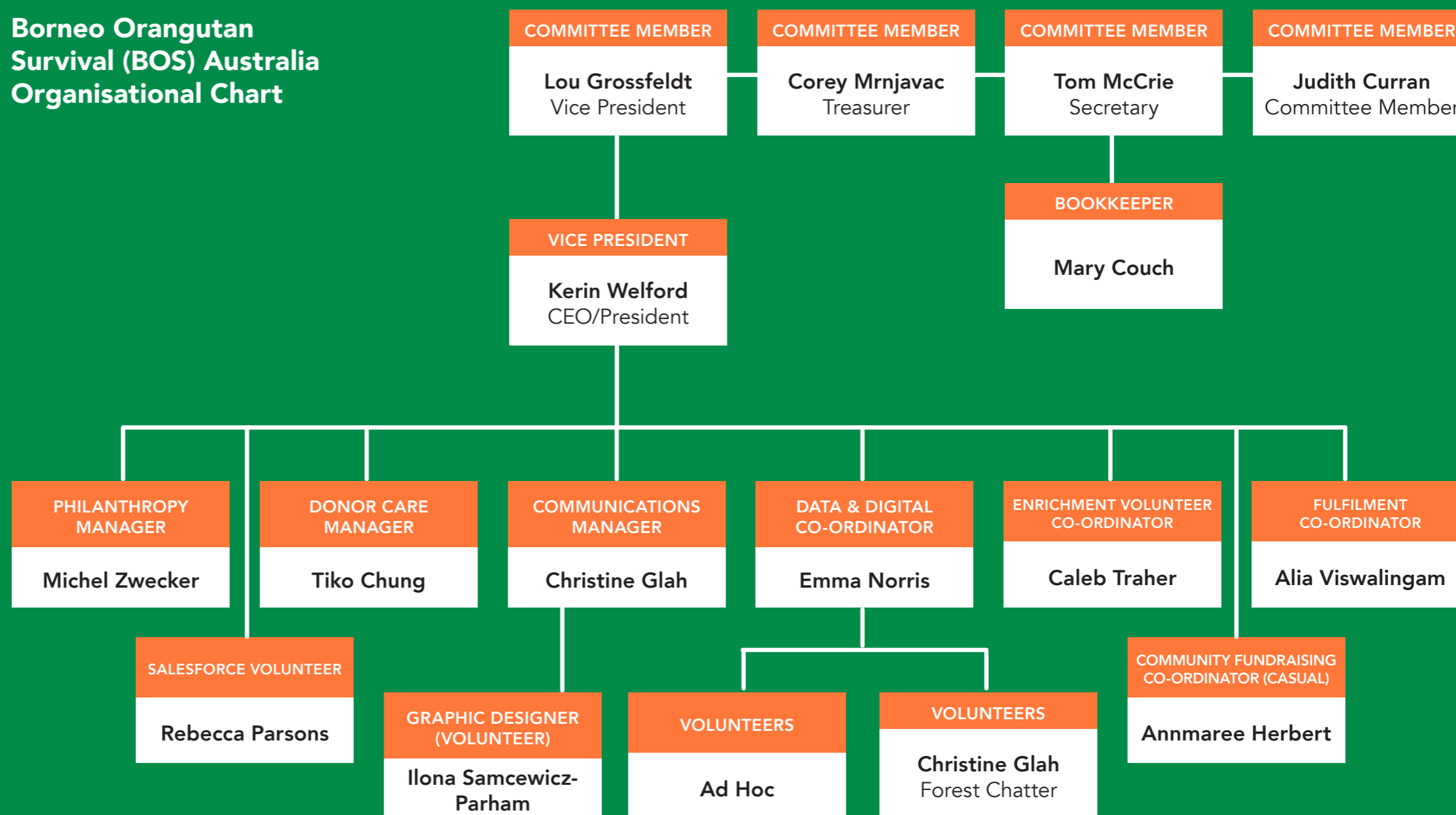
Kerin Welford
President

About Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia

Since its establishment in 2021, BOS Australia's dedicated team has been fighting to save the critically endangered Bornean orangutans from extinction by raising funds and educating people about the plight of orangutans and their rainforest homes. Through our engagement, we are supporting the work of the BOS Foundation in Indonesia – the largest orangutan conservation organisation globally.

Our **VISION** is a world where orangutans are free from the threat of extinction and can live in the wild, unharmed by humans. BOS Australia's **MISSION** is to contribute to the conservation of orangutans and their ecosystem.

Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia Organisational Chart



OUR IMPACT IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023

For BOS Australia, the previous financial year was focused on getting back to normal after the difficulties of COVID-19 and the tragic loss of our beloved President Tony Gilding in May 2022.

We remained dedicated to our mission of protecting orangutans from extinction and safeguarding their habitats by rehabilitating and releasing healthy individuals back into the wild, caring for those we cannot reintroduce, and restoring crucial orangutan habitat.

We are thrilled to report that we have successfully released a total of 515 orangutans back into their natural rainforest homes since 2012, including 18 in the past year. Thanks to the support of our amazing donors, we were able to care for nearly 400 orangutans and 72 sun bears in our two sanctuaries. Additionally, we have protected over 465,000 hectares of vital orangutan habitat and celebrated the arrival of 11 new wild-born orangutan babies.



387

orangutans were
being cared for in our
sanctuaries

11

FOREST SCHOOL
GRADUATES MOVED TO
PRE-RELEASE ISLANDS



72

SUN BEARS WERE
BEING CARED FOR AT
SAMBOJA LESTARI



13

ORANGUTANS
WERE RESCUED OR
HANDED OVER TO BOS
FOUNDATION



465,225

HECTARES WERE
PROTECTED, WITH
309,000 IN MAWAS
BEING A CRUCIAL
HABITAT FOR 2,250
WILD ORANGUTANS

18

orangutans have
been released into
protected forests

515

orangutans have been
released to their wild
home (all time)

73,340

seedlings of orangutan
food trees have been
produced for our
60-hectare
deforestation project to
secure crucial habitat



34

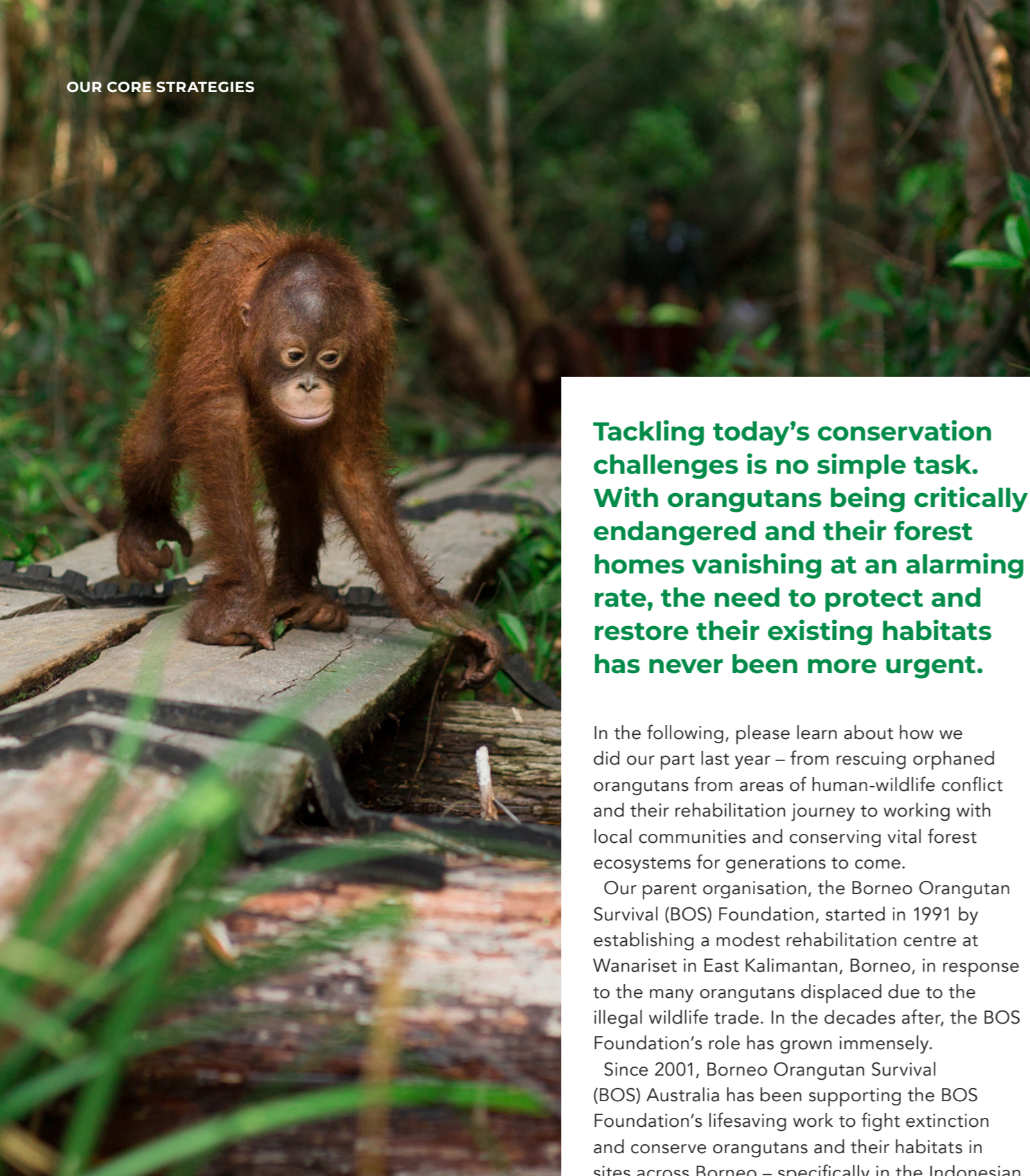
wild-born babies
(all time) from
released orangutans



333

routine patrols were
carried out in the Mawas
Protection Area, helping
to report over 160 cases
of illegal logging





Our Core Strategies

Tackling today's conservation challenges is no simple task. With orangutans being critically endangered and their forest homes vanishing at an alarming rate, the need to protect and restore their existing habitats has never been more urgent.

In the following, please learn about how we did our part last year – from rescuing orphaned orangutans from areas of human-wildlife conflict and their rehabilitation journey to working with local communities and conserving vital forest ecosystems for generations to come.

Our parent organisation, the Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Foundation, started in 1991 by establishing a modest rehabilitation centre at Wanariset in East Kalimantan, Borneo, in response to the many orangutans displaced due to the illegal wildlife trade. In the decades after, the BOS Foundation's role has grown immensely.

Since 2001, Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia has been supporting the BOS Foundation's lifesaving work to fight extinction and conserve orangutans and their habitats in sites across Borneo – specifically in the Indonesian provinces of Central and East Kalimantan.

Today, our work focuses on four strategic pillars:

- Orangutan Reintroduction
- Orangutan Ecosystem Conservation
- Sanctuary Care
- Sustainable Community Development & Education

1. Orangutan Reintroduction

A Second Chance At Freedom

Thousands of orangutans are displaced or killed yearly due to mass deforestation, rampant forest fires, poaching for consumption, and the illegal wildlife trade. Whenever an individual survives their trauma or is reported captive, the BOS Foundation is ready to rescue and rehabilitate them - and, if possible, reintroduce them to wild forests for a second chance at freedom.

Even in more complex situations, when orangutans are smuggled to other countries, the BOS Foundation team has worked with Indonesian authorities towards their repatriation and taken the orphans into their care once returned to Borneo. One example is Taymur, who was stolen from his mum and illegally smuggled to Kuwait, where he was kept as a pet and given drugs for his captor's entertainment.

As one of seven global partners, Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia is raising vital funds to support the BOS Foundation's work so that orangutans can live in a world free from the threat of extinction and prosper in the wild, unharmed by humans.

1.1. Rescue

Whenever human actions or natural disasters displace orangutans from their forested homes, we support the BOS Foundation in its mission to rescue these orangutans from areas of conflict.

In the financial year 2023, 13 newly rescued orangutans and four sun bears arrived at BOS Foundation's two rescue centres:

- At the Samboja Lestari Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre in East Kalimantan (Samboja Lestari), four orangutans and four sun bears were admitted following rescue missions in collaboration with the East Kalimantan Natural Resources Conservation Agency (BKSDA) or handovers by the BKSDA.
- Nine orangutans arrived at the Nyaru Menteng Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre in Central Kalimantan (Nyaru Menteng) following rescue missions in collaboration with the Central Kalimantan Natural Resources Conservation Agency (BKSDA) or handovers by the BKSDA.

1.2. Rehabilitation

As soon as an orangutan enters our centres, they are assessed, treated by a team of veterinarians, quarantined and then placed into the appropriate stage of the rehabilitation process. The youngest orangutans join the nursery group, while the juveniles attend forest school.

On their journey through forest school, human surrogate mothers teach the young orphans the skills they need to survive in the wild while stimulating them to express natural behaviours. To succeed in the wild, they must learn everything from locating and opening all the varied foods the rainforest offers to building secure nests where they will sleep.

By the end of the financial year 2023, the BOS Foundation team was caring for 387 orangutans:

- 122 individuals at Samboja Lestari (121 in the Samboja Lestari centre itself and one on the pre-release island Juq Kehje Swen)
- 265 orangutans at Nyaru Menteng (226 in the Nyaru Menteng centre itself and 39 on Badak Besar and Badak Kecil pre-release islands in the Salat Island Cluster).

1.3. Release

Once the surrogate mothers have found the juvenile orangutans proficient, the BOS Foundation team moves them to socialisation complexes. There, they temporarily live within groups in large cages to practice their socialisation skills among new individuals.

While orangutans are classed as semi-solitary animals, in the wild, they will be required to interact with other species members when mating, during times of high food availability, and disputing territories.

The orangutans' survival skills are put to a final test when the BOS Foundation team transfers them to forested pre-release islands. Daily, technicians provide supplementary food and assess the orangutans' overall well-being while collecting vital behavioural data.

When the orangutans prove themselves capable foragers, adept climbers, innovative nest builders, and appropriately weary of humans, the team knows they are ready to return to their true forest homes.

In the financial year 2023, we supported the BOS Foundation in three releases to the wild and four releases to pre-release islands:

- On 21 October 2022, the BOS Foundation team transferred three orangutans (Wibowo, Katune, Hampalam) to a pre-release island in the Salat Island cluster.
- On 12 November 2022, three more orangutans moved to a Salat Island cluster pre-release island (Gultop, Oneng and Cimon).
- In mid-November 2022, the BOS team transferred three male orangutans (Ben, Gonzales, and Lima) from the Nyaru Menteng Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre to the Hiran release site of the Bukit Baka Bukit Raya National Park. Ben is our 500th released orangutan since 2012.
- In mid-May 2023, five juvenile orangutans (Mayer, Elaine, Andreas, Leann and Riana) from the Samboja Lestari Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre were released into the Kehje Sewen Forest.
- On 30 May 2023, the BOS team moved three orangutans (Paraca, Lanting, Junior) to a pre-release island in the Salat Island cluster, followed by another two orangutans (Monot, Moci) on 13 June 2023.
- In mid-June 2023, ten orangutans from the Nyaru Menteng Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre were released into the Bukit Baka Bukit Raya National Park. The release involved two groups of orangutans, with the first group consisting of Aristo, Lalang, Svenja and Noni Partono departing for the Hiran watershed site on 14 June and the second group consisting of Yoko, Kejora, Syahrini, Susanne, Mama Edwan and Edwin heading for the Bemban watershed site on 16 June.

All our reintroduced orangutans are monitored regularly by the Post-Release-Monitoring teams. They collect valuable behavioural data regarding their adaption to the wild and intervene if they fail, get injured, or fall sick. The teams conduct their observations from camps at our three release sites: the Bukit Batikap Protection Forest and the Bukit Baka Bukit Raya National Park in Central Kalimantan, and the Ecosystem Restoration Concession within the Kehje Sewen Forest in East Kalimantan.

There, life begins anew for the rehabilitated orangutans, who are free again to live their lives unencumbered by humans, with the ultimate goal of creating a new generation of wild-born orangutans.

In the past year, the Post-Release-Monitoring team recorded 11 births from our released orangutans. This brings the total number of wild-born babies since 2012 to 34, which is a significant achievement.



2. Sanctuary Care

A Dignified Life For Our Permanent Residents

Orangutans who enter a BOS Foundation centre have experienced unspeakable tragedy. Those who are young enough to enter forest school to be taught key survival skills are the lucky ones. But even though older or disabled rescued orangutans may never be able to return to the wild, BOS Australia works with the BOS Foundation to ensure that they are cared for and live long lives in freedom and dignity.

Of the almost 400 orangutans in our care this past financial year, 130 are considered 'unreleasable' and will most likely never be able to return to their rainforest homes. Many of these permanent residents were rescued from captivity too late in life for forest school and did not possess the skills needed to survive unaided in the wild.

Whenever possible, we transfer them to one of our forested sanctuary islands, where they can live a semi-wild life in a natural environment while still being cared for by BOS Foundation staff. End of June 2023, 21 unreleasable orangutans lived on Badak Kecil, our sanctuary island in the Salat Island Cluster in Central Kalimantan.

Other permanent residents suffer from ailments such as tuberculosis or chronic respiratory disease, requiring them to remain in permanent quarantine as they would pose a health threat to other orangutans. In the most unfortunate cases, some orangutans need long-term intensive care due to severe physical disabilities.

Kopral's story is a beautiful example of how unreleasable orangutans in our care can still live a happy and dignified life beyond cages. The male was kept as a pet in a cage until he escaped, climbing an electricity pole that electrocuted him. Unfortunately, his condition was so severe that both arms had to be amputated when he arrived at our centre. However, he was an outstanding student at forest school, climbing trees and building nests with his feet and mouth. He now lives on a sanctuary island, where he can roam freely, as close to the wild as possible.

To support building more urgently needed sanctuary islands and enclosures for our long-term residents, we raised \$140,000 through our tax appeal in 2023.

2.2. Sun Bears

In addition to caring for and rehabilitating Bornean orangutans, the BOS Foundation also takes care of sun bears. While our primary goal is and will always be to save orangutans from extinction, we can only stop the downward trajectory by also saving their rainforest homes, including species that coexist with orangutans, like the sun bear. Both are a vital part of the same ecosystem, and by losing one, we risk losing the other.

Therefore, it was a no-brainer for the BOS Foundation when, in 1998, the East Kalimantan Natural Resources Conservation Agency asked them to help take care of rescued sun bears. Even though the chances of returning the bears to the wild are slim, we are committed to providing them with the best care possible, just like we do for our unreleasable orangutans.

By the end of the financial year 2023, the BOS Foundation looked after 72 sun bears in their Samboja Lestari centre.

2.3. Animal Welfare

As a conservation organisation focusing on orangutans, we are committed to providing the highest animal welfare standards for all the animals under our care. We make sure that they have access to a diverse diet and various enrichment activities to keep them mentally and physically healthy. This requires a continuous program dedicated to their welfare, including regular assessments. Last year, our Bornean sanctuaries underwent a welfare assessment conducted by animal welfare specialist and BOS Australia Vice President Louise Grossfeldt and Melbourne Zoo's Primate Keeper, Fleur Butcher.

To encourage wild behaviours such as climbing, arboreal travel and nest building, the enrichment team continued to develop and distribute new enrichment items throughout the year. Food enrichment was also provided daily to keep the animals stimulated.

Moreover, our Enrichment Volunteer Program has been restarted this past financial year after a COVID-19-induced break and our BOS enrichment team in Borneo received hands-on support from 32 BOS Australia volunteers. This program has been a great help to the BOS staff and a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the volunteers.

3. Orangutan Ecosystem Conservation

We Can't Save Orangutans Without Saving Their Habitat

Like humans, orangutans need a safe place where they find enough food, water, shelter, and room to roam and raise their offspring. But orangutan homes vanish at an alarming rate. In the past 50 years, we have lost over 80 per cent of the Bornean orangutan population, mainly due to habitat loss.

It was always clear for BOS Australia that we needed to do more than just rescue, rehabilitate, and release orangutans. Knowing that the healthiest and happiest orangutan will always be the one we don't need to rescue in the first place, we continued to advocate that orangutans need enough large tracts of forest to survive and thrive, and that human-induced habitat fragmentation and destruction is their biggest threat.

Our solutions to stop the rapid decline of orangutan habitats are manifold and range from securing safe release sites for our rehabilitated orangutans to protecting and conserving vast forested areas for the remaining wild populations.

The BOS Foundation's Mawas Conservation Program is a beacon of hope in the fight against habitat loss. It comprises 309,000 hectares of peatland and is home to the largest known wild population of orangutans. Around 2,550 individuals call Mawas their home, and we do everything we can to protect them and their habitat by supporting BOS Foundation's efforts, which include;

- active management;
- patrolling for illegal and environmentally damaging activities, with 333 routine patrols carried out in the past financial year, helping to report over 160 cases of illegal logging;
- mitigation of human-orangutan conflict and forest fires;
- rehabilitating the forest by engaging with the local communities to block canals and implement large-scale replanting projects;
- collaborating with Universitas Nasional Indonesia and Rutgers University in the Tuanan Research Station to carry out ground-breaking research in the fields of wild orangutan behaviour and peatland ecology.

Besides being a critical orangutan habitat, the Mawas peatlands are globally important as a carbon reservoir and biodiversity conservation site.

This past financial year, the BOS Australia-funded 60-hectare deforestation project in Mawas made significant progress. Thanks to the hard work of our colleagues in Indonesia, all seedling production activities in the village nursery have been completed. Local community groups are looking after the seedlings, and we are happy to report that we currently have 73,340 seedlings from seven different species of orangutan food plants available for the project. This is a significant advancement in our efforts to safeguard this precious ecosystem by creating new orangutan homes and restoring a crucial carbon sink.

4. Sustainable Community Development & Education

Orangutan Conservation Starts With The Local Communities

"We help to empower people to better their livelihoods while at the same time protecting the environment."

Without the locals on our side, we couldn't protect and save orangutans from extinction. Their traditional knowledge about the rainforest and its inhabitants is crucial for our work. On the other hand, we need to make sure they make a living while protecting and conserving precious orangutan habitats.

Even in the most remote sites, the BOS Foundation's work and changes to the natural landscape impact the indigenous communities bordering the area. By employing local staff, purchasing consumables locally, and working within communities to build awareness and capacity, we help to empower people to better their livelihoods while at the same time protecting the environment.

The BOS Foundation's community development work engages communities near the release sites in Central and East Kalimantan, the Mawas Conservation Area, and around the Samboja Lestari and Nyaru Menteng Orangutan Rehabilitation Centres.

In each of its working areas, the BOS Foundation tailors the programs to identify and address the needs of the neighbouring communities. Supporting activities include reforestation and land rehabilitation, forest protection through firefighting and monitoring for illegal activities, alternative income generation such as sustainable agriculture and handicraft production, cultural preservation, and natural resource management.

Through our 60-hectare reforestation project in Mawas, BOS Australia directly helps create jobs for the neighbouring communities. As part of the team, local workers collect, care for and plant seedlings, and they monitor and protect the area against illegal logging and forest fires.



5. Sustainable Infrastructure Projects

In addition to focusing on the four core strategies, we are committed to reducing our carbon footprint – a matter genuinely dear to BOS Australia.

For us, saving orangutans also means protecting their rainforest homes and fighting climate change. Therefore, we partnered with the BOS Foundation and our colleagues at BOS Switzerland and built a solar system at our Samboja Lestari rehabilitation centre - our first big step towards renewable energy.

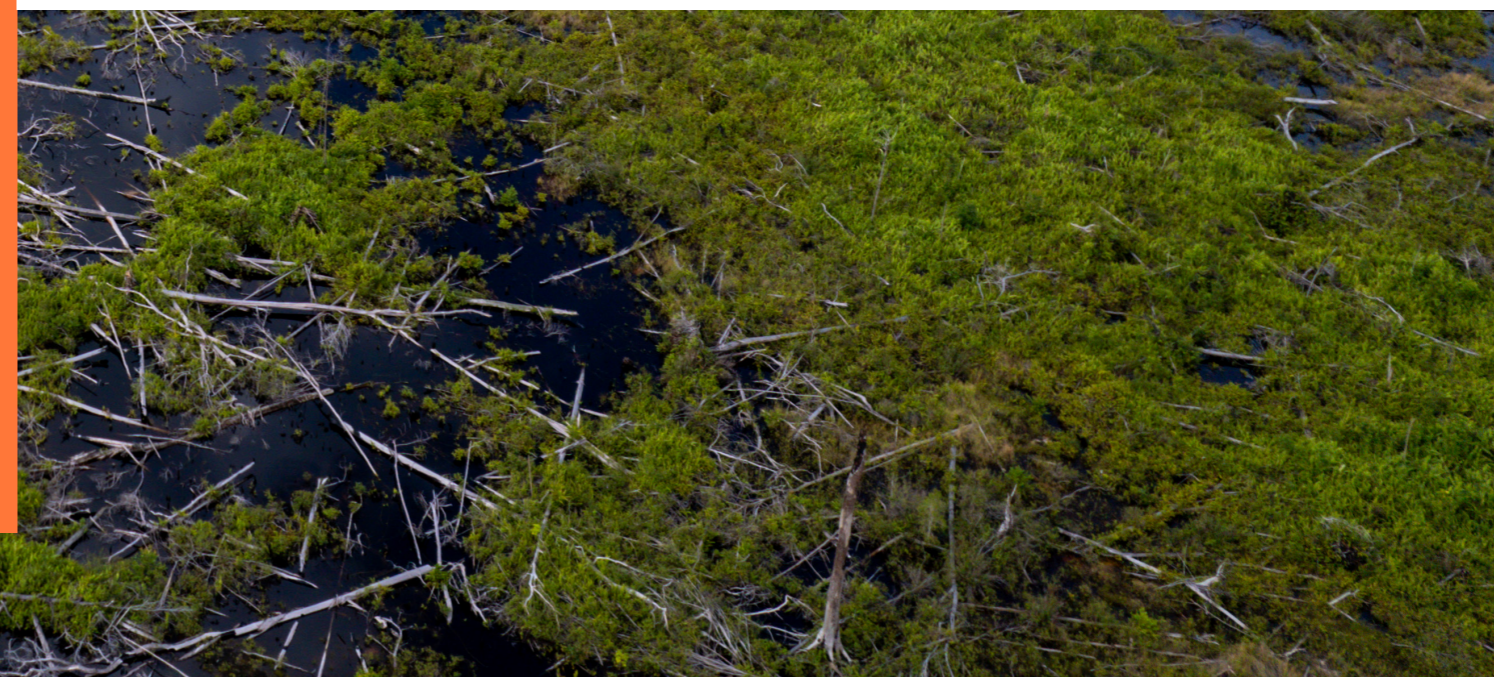
An over 600-panel solar array converts sunlight directly into electricity, producing around 272 kWh of energy monthly. With this much solar power, we could drastically reduce our carbon footprint and energy expenditures.

In the past financial year, we made further improvements to the solar system, for example, by joining solar arrays to reduce the need for additional generators. Moreover, we are thrilled to announce that one of the post-release monitoring camps deep in the Bornean rainforest now also has access to renewable

energy through a newly installed solar power system. This system replaces the noisy and fuel-guzzling diesel generators, and we plan to extend the same sustainable system to other camps soon.

Furthermore, BOS Australia contributed to road builds and repairs for better access to the sun bear enclosure and as an overflow for times of flooding rains. We also helped to replace water pipes to enhance water delivery, balance water pressure and stop leakages, and install water tanks and a bore as a water supply backup. The clinic enlargement project at Samboja Lestari also received funds from BOS Australia for rainwater harvesting and technical support to ensure an appropriate septic system is installed.

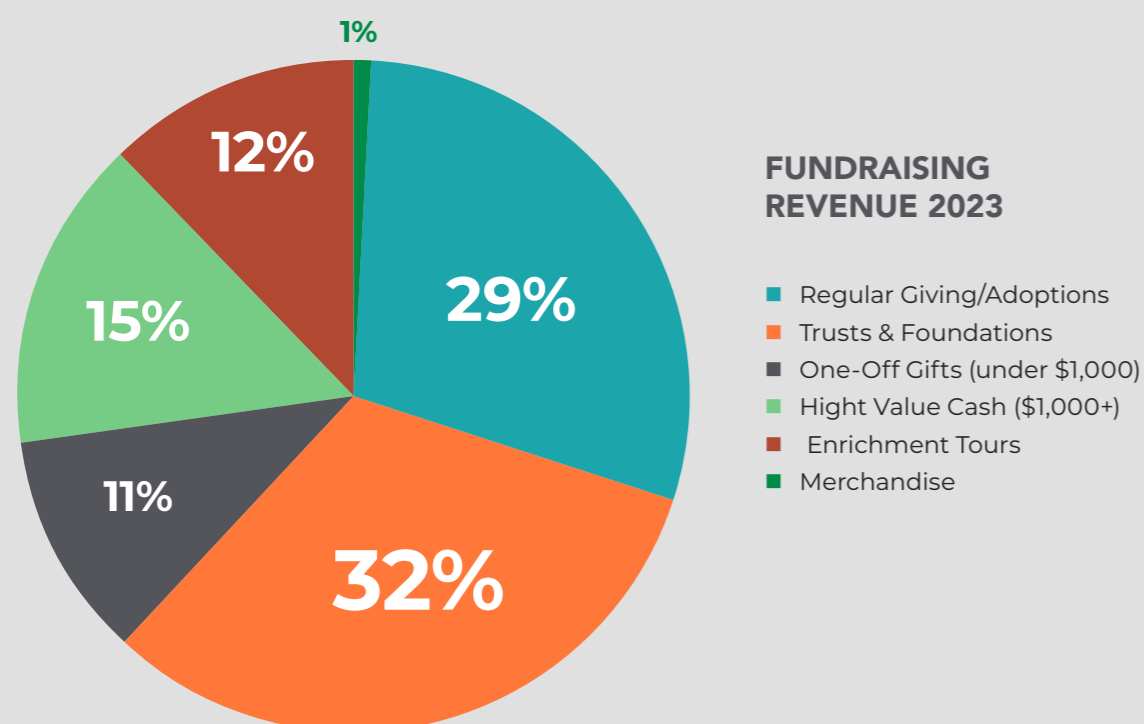
These are just a few examples of our continuous efforts to improve the infrastructure at our centres so that orangutans and sun bears can receive the best care possible with the most negligible environmental impact.



Fundraising

Healthy Revenue For Sustainable Growth

As a not-for-profit organisation, our success in raising funds each year is critical for achieving our conservation goals. Thanks to our incredible supporters – individuals, institutions and corporations – we could again allocate significant funding to the BOS Foundation. In fact, fundraising activities accounted for 99.19% of BOS Australia's revenue last year, and 51.36% of our expenditures went towards Indonesian conservation activities.



BOS Australia's 2023 Progress

BOS Foundation Support

We distributed almost **\$330,000** to the BOS Foundation to support orangutan projects on the ground in Indonesia.

We raised **OVER \$31,000** through our Sun Bear Appeal in October 2022 to provide enrichment and infrastructure for the sun bears in our care.

We **RAISED \$43,000** through our End-Of-Year Appeal in November/December 2022 to support rescuing orphaned orangutans and releasing more rehabilitated orangutans to the wild.

We welcomed a total of **63 NEW ADOPTERS**, and we acquired **361 NEW DONORS**, mainly thanks to our Adoption Appeal in February 2023 and a Telemarketing Campaign that ran from January to March 2023, aiming to reactivate and upgrade donors and adopters and convert one-time to recurring supporters.

We **RAISED \$140,000** through our Tax Appeal in June 2023 for the unreleasable orangutans in our centres. It was one of our most successful appeals, allowing our mother organisation in Indonesia to build more urgently needed enclosures and sanctuary islands for our long-time residents.

We received a **\$13,000 PERPETUAL IMPACT GRANT** for our 60-hectare reforestation project in Mawas.

Thanks to the restart of our successful Enrichment Volunteer Program with 32 participants in the past year, we have realised an additional **\$71,000** of **REVENUE**.

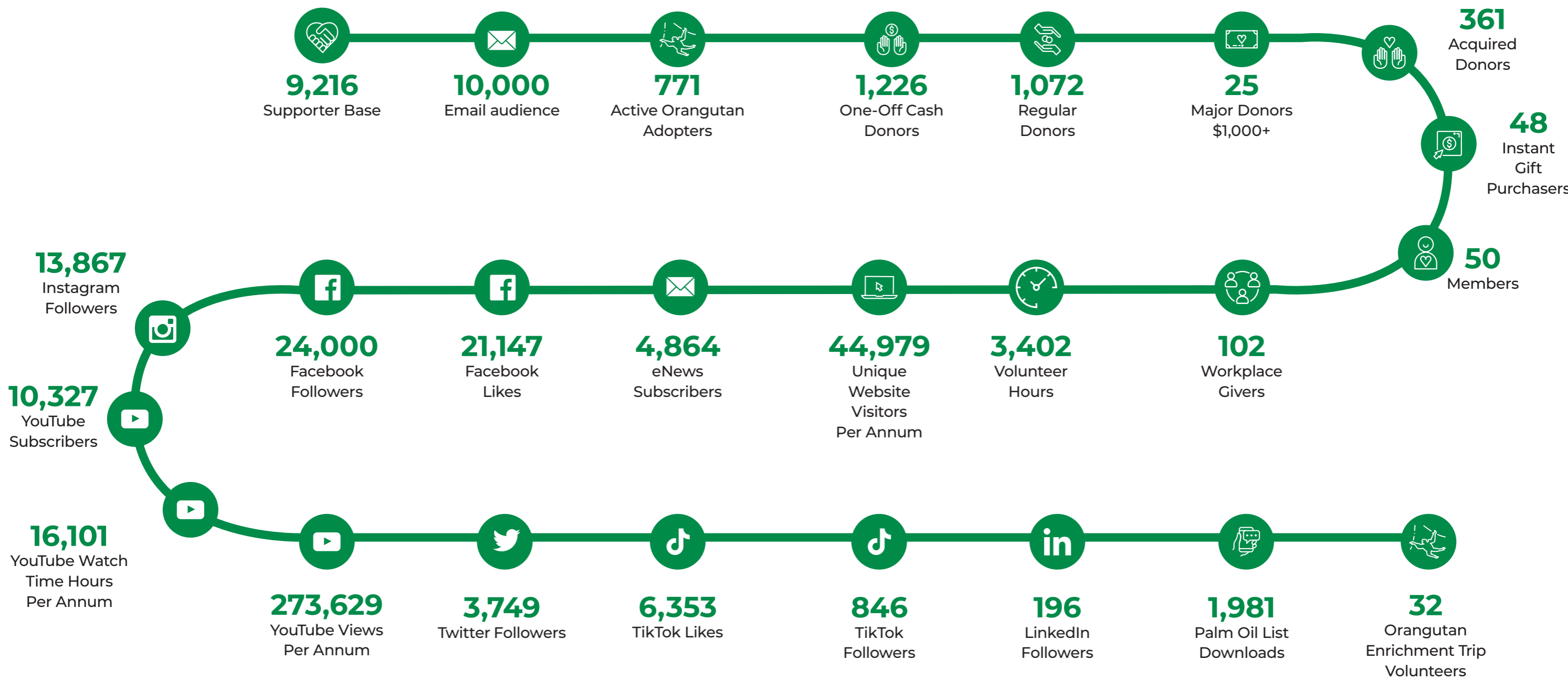
Outreach

Increasing awareness and gaining new supporters
We have been employing various outreach strategies to raise awareness about our brand and conservation work, build relationships, and acquire

new supporters. These include maintaining a constant social media presence on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, X (formerly Twitter), LinkedIn and TikTok. We also publish a quarterly newsletter, 'Forest Chatter', with engaging background stories on our work, and we provide quarterly adoption updates for our orangutan adopters, precisely for 771 active adopters in the past financial year.

In May 2023, we had the wonderful opportunity to present our conservation work in person at the headquarters of King Living, one of our major supporters, in Sydney. Additionally, in partnership with our partners BOS UK and BOS USA, we launched two Pledge Campaigns on International Orangutan 2022 (19 August), supported, besides others, by Australian actor, producer and BOS

Australia ambassador Teisha Lowry, acclaimed writer Lee Child CBE and former NASA astronaut Dr Karen Nyberg. The Palm Oil Pledge aimed to draw attention to the harmful effects of unsustainable palm oil practices, while the Wildlife Trade Pledge took a firm stand against illegal wildlife trafficking and cruel animal attractions.



Communications

Strengthening connections with our donors and partners

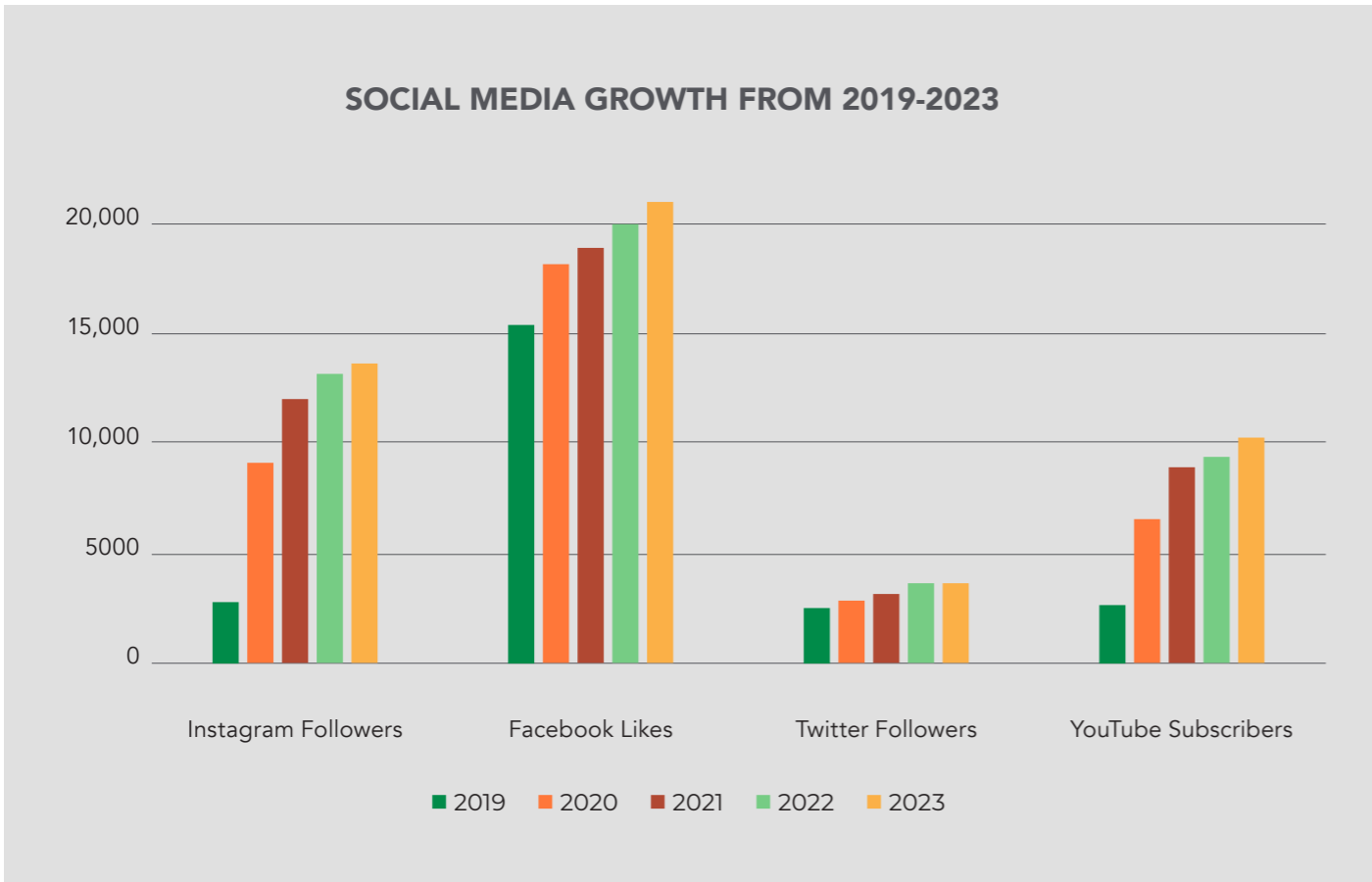
We were thrilled to resume in-person events, although our communication remained mainly online. Our primary focus during the past year was cultivating our existing supporters while acquiring new donors and raising vital funds for our conservation work through appeals, pledges, engaging social media posts and ads, and electronic direct mail. Thanks to our incredible supporters – our base grew by over 600 – we successfully ran three appeals and witnessed a further increase in donations, adoptions and followers on social media accounts.

Facebook

We had 21,147 Facebook Page likes in 2023, which was an increase of over 1,000 from the previous year. The majority of our 24,000 followers were women between 45 to 54 years of age. Our page visits remained stable, and we published slightly more posts compared to the previous year to promote our appeals and campaigns and our restarted enrichment volunteer program.

Instagram

Our Instagram account has been steadily growing, and we had 13,867 followers by the end of June



2023. We gained over 600 new followers in the past year, and women between the ages of 25 and 34 remained our top audience. We also posted slightly more content than the previous year (see Facebook), with videos showcasing our work and accomplishments receiving the highest engagement.

X (formerly Twitter)

Our Twitter account reports 3,749 followers, a slight uptick from last year.

YouTube

At the end of the financial year 2023, our YouTube channel had over 10,300 subscribers, a plus of about 750 compared to the period prior. The total views throughout the year were about 270,000, and we gained almost \$500 in revenue.

TikTok

Since we added TikTok to our social media channels in 2020, we have seen steady growth, with 846 followers at the end of June 2023.

LinkedIn

Our LinkedIn followers have doubled since last year, resulting from more tailored posts to this specific network.

Quarterly Newsletter 'Forest Chatter'

A well-established and classic tool of our communication strategy is our quarterly newsletter. Showing solid growth over the years, we again increased our electronic sign-ups to 4,864. Over the last financial year, we have sent over 40,000 digital copies of 'Forest Chatter' to our followers.

Website

Last year, our website had close to 45,000 unique visitors.

Partner Meetings & Networking

In addition to communications with our supporter base, maintaining strong relationships with our partners has been a key focus for us. We have been in close and regular contact with the communication and leadership teams at BOS Foundation and our global partner organisations, including BOS Germany, Save The Orangutan, BOS Switzerland, BOS UK, BOS USA, and, since its launch in June 2023, BOS New Zealand.

Our President, Kerin Welford, attended the official BOS partners meeting at Samboja Lestari in East Kalimantan, Borneo, from 7 to 10 November 2022. This workshop was the first in-person meeting after the COVID-19 pandemic and served as a confirmation of the strength of the global BOS network and the importance of working together as a team.

President’s Report

The President presents her report together with the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023. The names of the committee members in office at any time during the financial year are as follows:

NAME	ROLE	COMMENCED	CEASED
Kerin Welford	President	May 2022	
Louise Grossfeldt	Vice President	June 2022	
Tom McCrie	Secretary	September 2019	
Corey Mrnjavac	Treasurer	October 2021	
Catherine Heawood	Ordinary	October 2012	July 2022
Tom Bertinshaw	Ordinary	June 2022	April 2023
Judith Curran	Ordinary	June 2023	
Ben Callison	Ordinary	December 2021	September 2022

Principal Activities

Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia Incorporated (“BOS Australia”) contributes to the conservation and protection of orangutans and their habitat by fundraising and increasing awareness. It does so by funding, supporting, and assisting with the activities undertaken by the Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Foundation (“BOS Indonesia”) domiciled in Bogor, Indonesia, for the protection, preservation, and survival of orangutans. The principal activities remained unchanged during the year.

The Association is an endorsed charity, and it therefore does not pay income tax under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Controlled Entities

During the year, Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) New Zealand Trust (the Trust), an incorporated entity under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 (New Zealand), was established. The Trust was officially registered on 13 June 2023 and is commonly controlled by Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia Inc. The Trust had not commenced trading by 30 June 2023 however is expected to be consolidated into the Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia Inc. financial statements in future reporting periods.

Financial Summary

The comprehensive income/(loss) of BOS Australia for the 2022-23 financial year amounted to a deficit of \$17,993, compared to the profit of \$95,502 for 2021-22.

A review of the operations of the Association during the financial year and the results of those operations found the following:

- * **Total Revenue** increased by \$59,037 from \$564,315 (2021-22) to \$623,352 (2022-23).
- * **Total Expenses** increased by \$172,532 from \$468,813 (2021-22) to \$641,345 (2022-23).
- * **Total Support** to BOSF and Other Orangutan Project Costs decreased by \$11,248 from \$340,619 (2021-22) to \$329,371 (2022-23).
- * **Net Assets** decreased by \$17,994 from \$680,074 (2021-22) to \$662,080 (2022-23).

Subsequent events

There has not been any matter or circumstance occurring subsequent to the end of the financial year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of BOS Australia.



Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	Year Ended 30-Jun-23	Year Ended 30-Jun-22
Continuing operations			
Revenue			
Donations received	2	618,322	563,420
Merchandise sales	2	4,354	290
Other revenue	2	676	605
Total revenue	2	623,352	564,315
Expenses			
BOS Indonesia financial support	3	229,068	167,150
Other Orangutan project costs	3	100,303	173,469
Fundraising expenses	3	41,016	48,573
Cost of merchandise sold	3	2,937	887
Marketing costs	3	15,241	15,941
Other expenses	3	252,780	62,793
Total expenses	3	641,345	468,813
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/ (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR		(17,993)	95,502

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	30-Jun-23	30-Jun-22
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and bank balances	5	636,474	625,206
Receivables	6	18,115	9,360
Financial assets	7	7,500	-
Other Assets	8	15,651	-
Total Current Assets		677,740	634,566
Intangible Assets	9	-	45,507
Total Assets		677,740	680,073
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	10	15,660	-
Total Current Liabilities		15,660	-
Total Liabilities		15,660	-
Net Assets		662,080	680,073
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves			
Reserves and accumulated funds	4	662,080	680,073
Total Equity		662,080	680,073

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Equity
For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	Total funds 30-Jun-23 \$
Balance as at 30 June 2021	4	584,571
Comprehensive income/(loss) for year		95,502
Balance as at 30 June 2022	4	680,073
Comprehensive income/(loss) for year		(17,993)
Balance as at 30 June 2023	4	662,080

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Cash Flow
For the financial year ended 30 June 2022

	Note	Year ended 30-Jun-23 \$	Year ended 30-Jun-22 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from donors and fundraising		608,492	564,301
Payments to suppliers		(597,369)	(469,386)
Interest received		145	14
Net cash inflows from operating activities	5(b)	11,268	94,929
Cash flows from investing activities			
Net cash (used in)/generated by investing activities		-	-
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash flows from financing activities		-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		11,268	94,929
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		625,206	530,277
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	5(a)	636,474	625,206

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Notes to the financial statements
For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial reporting framework

The incorporated association is not a reporting entity because in the opinion of the directors there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, these special purpose financial statements have been prepared to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Australia Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act), Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW), and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101	Presentation of Financial Statements
AASB 107	Cash Flow Statements
AASB 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
AASB 1048	Interpretation and Application of Standards
AASB 1054	Australian Additional Disclosures

Statement of compliance

Preparation under the Australian Accounting Standards is in line with the amendment to the NSW Incorporated Associations reporting requirements. The financial report was authorised for issue by the committee and its members on the 23rd day of October 2023.

Basis of preparation

The financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis. Cost is based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the assets. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars and rounded to the nearest dollar.

Adoption of new and revised Accounting Standards
In the current year, the Entity has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (the AASB) that are relevant to the operations of the Entity and effective for the current annual reporting period.

Accounting policies

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis. The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report:

(a) Goods and services tax

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

- where the GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (“ATO”), it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part an item of expense; or
- for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as part of receivables or payables. Cash flows are included in the Cash Flow Statement on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is classified within operating cash flows.

(b) Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

The following specific recognition criteria must be met before revenue is recognised.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when:

- (a) the Association has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods.
- (b) the Association retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold.
- (c) the amount of revenue can be measured reliably.
- (d) it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Association; and
- (e) the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Specifically, revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when goods are delivered, and legal title is passed.

Interest

Revenue is recognised as the interest accrues (using the effective interest method, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument) to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.
The interest revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably.

Donations and Bequests

The timing of the recognition of contributions from donations and bequests depends on when control of these contributions or right to receive these contributions is obtained, which is usually upon receipt of the monies.

(c) Income tax

As the Association is an endorsed charity, it does not pay income tax under Subsection 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(d) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits held with banks. Cash equivalents are short- term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and have a maturity of six months or less at the date of acquisition.

(e) Trade and other receivables

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any allowance for expected credit losses.

(f) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Association prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(g) Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The directors evaluate any estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Association.

Amortisation of intangible assets

The Association has fully amortised the intangible assets recognised this year following a review of expected future economic benefits.

There are no other material estimates or judgments impacting on the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 2 REVENUE	2023 \$	2022 \$
Donations received		
Regular Donations	114,625	145,852
Significant Donations	92,050	252,146
Orangutan adoptions	139,726	143,906
Bequest Donations	-	12,828
Donations – Enrichment Tours	70,893	-
Grants	197,084	-
Virtual gift certificates	2,580	6,515
Membership Fees	1,364	2,173
	618,322	563,420
Merchandise sales	4,354	290
Other revenue		
Freight Income	531	591
Interest received	145	14
	676	605
Total Revenue	623,352	564,315

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Notes to the financial statements

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 3 EXPENSES	2023 \$	2022 \$
Direct Expenses		
BOS Indonesia financial support	229,068	167,150
Other Orangutan projects (Including Orangutan Enrichment, Sewerage projects, VET equipment)	100,303	173,469
Fundraising expenses	41,016	48,573
Cost of merchandise sold	2,937	887
Marketing costs	15,241	15,941
Total Direct Expenses	388,565	406,020
Other Expenses		
Bank charges	121	7
Accounting, audit and filing fees	10,539	4,783
Administration	124,812	44,902
Amortisation expense	45,507	-
Insurance & legal costs	16,147	-
Postage, printing, stationery and telephone	7,582	3,910
Travel	13,776	-
Website and IT costs	13,658	5,261
All other costs	20,638	3,930
Total Other Expenses	252,780	62,793
Total Expenses	641,345	468,813

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Notes to the financial statements

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 4 RESERVES AND ACCUMULATED FUNDS	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Accumulated Funds		
Accumulated funds brought forward	680,073	584,571
Surplus/ (Loss) for the year	(17,993)	95,502
Total Accumulated Funds	662,080	680,073
Total Equity	662,080	680,073

NOTE 5 NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

a) Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents	2022	2021
	\$	\$
For the purposes of the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following at 30th June 2023:		
Cash at bank	636,474	625,206
Total cash and cash equivalents	636,474	625,206

b) Reconciliation of cash flows from operations		
Operating surplus/(deficit)	(17,993)	95,502
Non-cash items		
- Add back amortisation expense	45,507	-
- Donation of shares	(7,500)	-
Movements in the Balance Sheet		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(7,214)	5,227
(Increase)/decrease in GST receivable	(1,541)	-
(Increase)/decrease in other assets	(15,651)	(5,800)
increase/(decrease) in payables and accruals	15,660	-
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,268	94,929

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Notes to the financial statements

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 6 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Current		
Undeposited funds	14,019	8,431
GST Receivable	2,469	929
Other Receivables	1,627	-
Current Receivables	18,115	9,360

NOTE 7 FINANCIAL ASSETS	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Shares in unlisted companies	7,500	-
Financial Assets	7,500	-

NOTE 8 OTHER ASSETS	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Prepaid expenses	15,651	-
Other Assets	15,651	-

NOTE 9 INTANGIBLE ASSETS	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Website Development	-	10,378
Salesforce integration	-	35,129
Intangible Assets	-	45,507

NOTE 10 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Current		
Accrued expenses	15,660	-
Current Payables	15,660	-

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Notes to the financial statements
For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 11 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Association has neither contingent liabilities nor financial commitments, except for those arising in the normal course of operations.

NOTE 12 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Association’s related parties include members of the Committee, close family members of the Committee members and entities that are controlled or significantly influenced by those Committee members of their close family members. Related parties also include key management personnel, being those persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Association, directly or indirectly. Total amounts paid to key management personnel during the 2023 year was \$28,500 (2022: \$0). Transactions with related parties are on normal commercial terms no more favourable than those available to other parties, unless otherwise stated.

NOTE 13 REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS

Audit Fees for the following years are:

2023	2022
\$3,500	\$2,000

The Auditor of the financial reports of Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOS) Australia for the year ended 30th June 2023 was Audit Logic (2022: Cannings & Flynn Pty Ltd).

NOTE 14 DETAILS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Registered Office:
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Directors’ Declaration

The directors declare that the entity is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the Directors’ opinion:

- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay all of its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- the financial statements as at 30 June 2023 and notes thereto are in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) and satisfy the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for- profits Commission Act 2012, including compliance with accounting standards, and giving a true and fair view of the financial position at that date and the performance of the Association for the year then ended 30 June 2023.

This declaration is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to subsection 60.15(2) of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013.

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Ms Kerin Welford
President

Ms Louise Grossfeldt
Vice President

Dated this 23rd Day of October 2023



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