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Mary MacKillop Place
80 William Street
North Sydney

Establishment of Glenburnie Trust.

The Glenburnie program was established in 1976 to assist ecumenical work and initiatives designed to forward a just, participatory and sustainable society. Laurie and Nancy Wilkinson bequeathed their property Wooroloo to fund the Trust.

This reflected the Wilkinsons' dedication to peace, social justice and Christian community. On 19th January 1976, Laurie and Nancy Wilkinson wrote to the Australian Council of Churches:

We have noted with pleasure the emphasis which the Australian Council of Churches is placing on the relevance of the gospel to human life in all its aspects.

Who were the Wilkinsons?

Laurie was the first Quaker elected to the Australian Parliament in 1966. He advocated a peace research and conflict resolution studies institute at the Australian National University. He supported the Government assisting sheltered workshops for people with disabilities and advocated the Commonwealth do more for the Aboriginal people.

Nancy became involved with the W.A. Council of Churches including being on the Executive.

In 1982 the Wilkinsons set up the Oikumene Foundation, by bequeathing another property, Stoneville. The Foundation's income was also used to assist research and action projects furthering justice and equity issues.

Aim of Glenburnie Program

In early 1986 the Australian Council of Churches Executive specified the overall aim of the Glenburnie program: to provide resources for the churches and the community on issues relating to a just, participatory and sustainable society.

They saw its implementation by such means as:

- Helping Australian Christians to participate in the struggle for global justice and peace and to link local concerns with global perspectives.
- To explore how the resources and experience of the worldwide ecumenical movement can contribute to the discipleship and renewal of Christians in local congregations using existing networks within the church.
- To share in an ecumenical spirituality which respects the diversity of liturgical traditions and which brings together worship and political engagement, prayer and action, Bible study and participation in the struggles of the people in the local situation.
- Providing training for future generations of ecumenical leaders, both clergy and lay.

Programs and events supported by the Glenburnie Program

Since the beginning of the Glenburnie Programme, grants have been made:

- providing materials to involve people as part of the process leading up to the WCC Assembly in 1991
- Living Under the Southern Cross (1994)
- supporting aboriginal participation in the WCC can Assembly
- partial funding of Ecumenical Programme Coordinator in New South Wales Ecumenical Council (1989)
- Support for Australian participation in WCC Assembly. (1989)
- Living Under the Southern Cross II: The Household of God
- Contribution to the Ecumenical Leadership Fund (1990)
- Beyond Canberra 1991 24-26 June 1991
- National Youth Consultation on the future of youth ministry (1990)
- Support for Centre for Ecumenical Studies (1998-1999)
- Church and Society consultation as an activity of Christian Conference of Asia (1999)
- NCCA Commission on Gender: Culture and Peace Project (2001)
- Decade to Overcome Violence (2003, 2004)
- Dreaming Landscapes (2004)
- Churches Together Aboriginal Partnership, Qld (2002)
- ForceTen building long term support for ForceTen among the under 40s age group.(2003)
- Social Justice Sunday Kit (2004)
- Publication of Stages on the Way Volume 2 (2007)
- NATSIEC's KERKER Conference (2007)
- Safe Church Training Agreement (2008)
- Research and Publication of A History of Ecumenism – Ray Williamson (2009)
- Pace e Bene's Spirituality of Nonviolent Leadership Program (2009)

In the triennium 2013-2016, grants have been made to:

- Common Grace
- Love Makes a Way
- Surrender
- Pace e Bene

Applications for Funding

An application form has been developed and will be available on the NCCA website. Applications should be sent to the General Secretary before 31 March each year. The Board will meet during April to consider the applications.

Any project for which funding is sought should comply with the objects of the program. as stated.

Object of the Glenburnie Programme

The object of the Programme is to encourage the Australian churches and community to consider and act on issues relating to the search for a just a participatory society.

This is to be implement by such means as:

- a) helping Australian Christians participate in the struggle for global justice and peace and to link local concerns with global perspectives.
- b) exploring how the resources and experience of the worldwide ecumenical movement may contribute to the discipleship and renewal of Christians in local congregations using existing networks within the churches.
- c) sharing in an ecumenical spirituality which respects the diversity of liturgical traditions and which brings together worship and political engagement, prayer and action, and Bible study and participation in the struggles of people in their local situation.
- d) providing training for future generations of ecumenical leaders, both clergy and lay.
- e) providing resources to support such activities.

Successful applicants are required to provide a report on the use of the funding.

Recommendation

That the NCCA Forum resolve

to appoint Alan Wilkinson to the Board of the Glenburnie programme.

to approve to change the Constitution of the Glenburnie Programme in accordance with the Constitution of the National Council of Churches in Australia Ltd.

Glenburnie Programme

Financial Statement

	Notes	FY 2013- 2014	FY 2014- 2015	Jul 2015 - Feb 2016
Opening Balance		1,494,543.71	1,545,150.71	1,558,360.44
Grant - Ray Williamson		(7,000.00)		
Grant - NSWEC			(4,000.00)	
Grant - Common Grace			(30,000.00)	
NCCA Management Fee		(6,500.00)	(8,125.00)	(4,333.28)
Interest		64,107.00	55,334.73	24,275.39
Closing Balance		<u>1,545,150.71</u>	<u>1,558,360.44</u>	<u>1,578,302.55</u>
CPI June prior year		102.8	105.9	107.5
CPI June current year		105.9	107.5	108.4
Capital Brought Forward	1	1,344,271.57	1,384,808.95	1,405,731.46
Capital Retention (CPI)	2	<u>40,537.37</u>	<u>20,922.51</u>	<u>11,768.91</u>
Capital Carried Forward		<u>1,384,808.95</u>	<u>1,405,731.46</u>	<u>1,417,500.38</u>
Income Brought Forward	3	150,272.14	160,341.76	152,628.98
Income Retention	4	<u>10,069.63</u>	<u>(7,712.78)</u>	<u>8,173.20</u>
Income Carried Forward		<u>160,341.76</u>	<u>152,628.98</u>	<u>160,802.17</u>
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1. The closing balance for 2004 is to be retained as a capital amount

2. Capital retention will be the indexation of the brought forward amount, based on the consumer price index

3. There will be no brought forward income amount from 2004

4. Income retention will be the difference between the annual net income of the fund less the capital retention

Grants to be given in 2016

Common Grace	-37,000
Surrender	-10,000
Love Makes a Way	-30,000
Pace e Bene	-10,000