

**Empowering people to save our reefs and oceans**

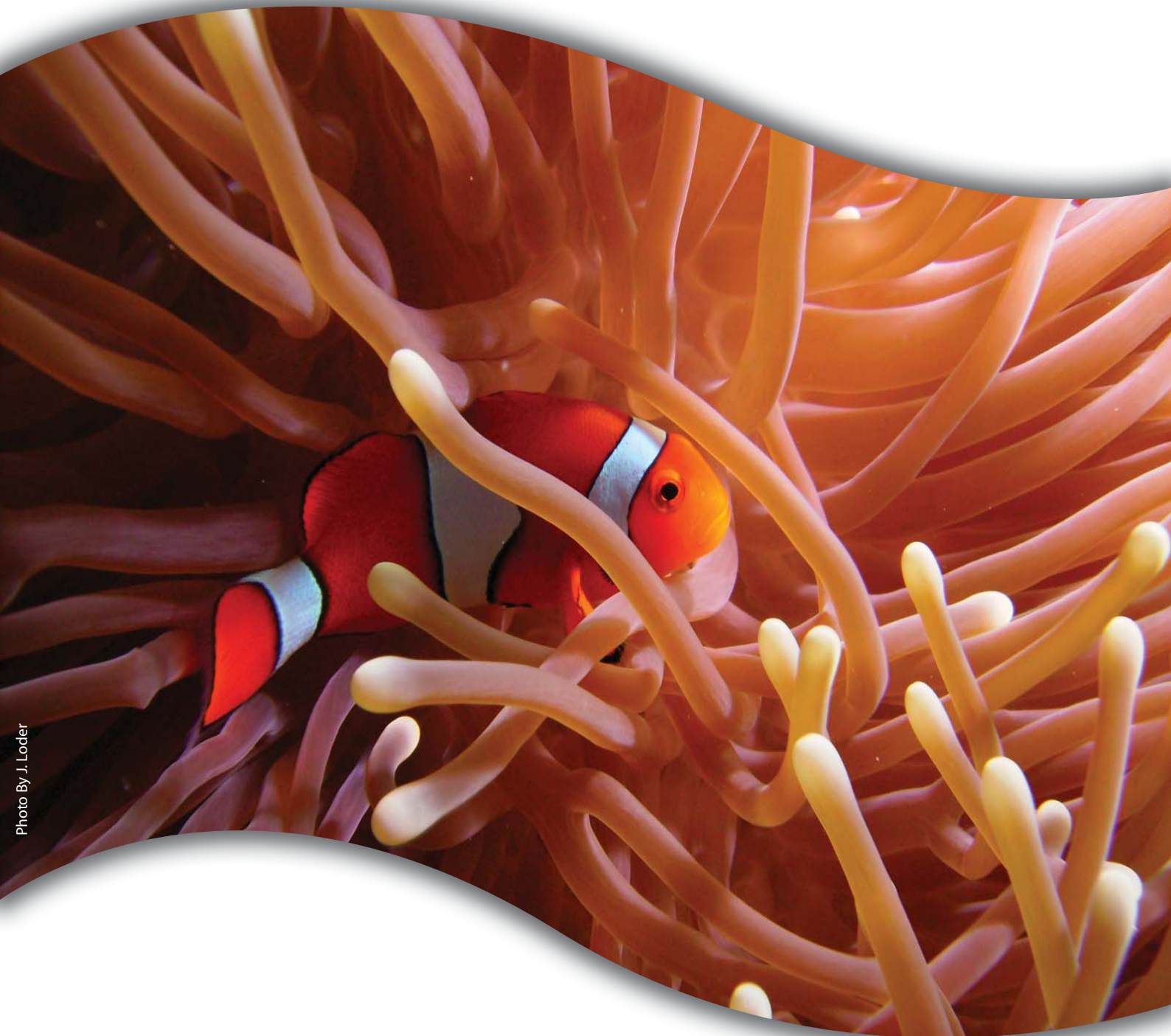


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**2010/11  
Annual Report**

# Our philosophy

## Our Vision

We envision a world with healthy and sustainable reefs supported by an engaged and informed public.

## Mission

To promote healthy local reefs through scientific research, community education and marine conservation.

## Objectives

Reef Check Australia aims to ensure a sustainable future for the Australian and Indo-Pacific region's reef ecosystems by:

- Generating and publishing select coral reef data that is highly valued by scientists and marine managers.
- Creating meaningful opportunities for the public to engage in reef conservation.
- Helping the public understand the value of coral ecosystems and how they can help protect them.
- Producing high-quality educational and public awareness programs, facilitating behavioural change and promoting sustainable practices that help to protect our environment.
- Enhancing Reef Check Australia's credibility, promoting our reputation nationwide and progressing towards a position of financial sustainability.

## Core values

1. Empowering and engaging the community in reef conservation and decision-making.
2. Collaborating and cooperating with other partners to achieve our vision.
3. Maximising stakeholder benefits with minimal cost.
4. Acting with professionalism and integrity at all times.
5. Aspiring to excellence and striving for innovation in all our activities.



# Our directors

## Jo Roberts, Managing Director

Jo Roberts is our current Managing Director and a Board Director after having worked with us for over 2 years as Education Manager. She has worked in various project management roles in the not-for-profit world over the last few years with a focus on education, behavioural change programs, strategic planning and fundraising.

## Andy Dunstan, Director (Resigned October 2011)

Andy is a marine scientist, biochemist, Master Four ship's captain, dive instructor and educator. Andy is currently writing his PhD on his studies of deep sea nautilus biology and conservation, which he has also recounted in his book, 'The Great Barrier Reef Undersea Experience', to showcase a cost-effective and unique model which combines tourism, science and conservation.

## Dr. Terry Done, Board Director

Dr Terry Done is an internationally renowned marine biologist and coral reef researcher. He has been an advisor to governments in Australia, US and Indonesia on coral reef science and management, and he has written over 70 scientific papers and book chapters, with a focus on coral reefs.

## Mark Nilsen, Board Director

Mark Nilsen has been a Reef Check volunteer since 2004. He currently works at Moore Stephens as a financial advisor. Previously he worked for the Commonwealth Bank in a similar position and has over 10 years experience in the financial service industry working in stock broking and financial planning. Mark is also an Open Water Scuba Instructor. He brings to Reef Check his experience as a volunteer as well as his qualifications as a financial planner and Dive Instructor.

## Greg Bruce, Board Director

Greg Bruce is currently employed as Executive Manager of the Integrated Sustainability Services (ISS) Department in Townsville City Council (TCC), where he has worked for 14 years specializing in and leading an integrated coastal-water-energy and carbon cycle management approach to on-ground sustainability outcomes. His passion and interest in sustainability is in finding practical new ways to communicate and implement on-ground outcomes in sustainability, including whole of community approaches.

# Board of Director's report

The Board was very pleased to acknowledge the excellent contribution of Jo Roberts as Managing Director from April to December 2010. During her time she recruited a new Board of Directors, developed our Strategic Plan 2010-2013, and finished the year successfully with Reef Check Australia's first ever funding event 'The Reef Revelry'. We would also like to thank Peter Faulkner, long-term Reef Check trainer and advisor, for stepping-in as interim Managing Director from January 2011 to March 2011 before handing over management to our new General Manager, Jennifer Loder. Jennifer is proving equally capable in her role as General Manager, managing statewide field and education programs, launching new programs such as REEFSearch and Grey Nurse Shark Watch and working to improve our volunteer training courses, as well as overseeing the transfer of RCA headquarters to Brisbane extremely competently.

The decision to make a move to Brisbane only came after much discussion and soul-searching from Board members. The Townsville base has provided ease of access to core scientific agencies, such as the Australian Institute of Marine Science and James Cook University, as well as the opportunity to work with the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. However, maintaining a Townsville and Brisbane base was proving financially unsustainable, and with Brisbane providing better access to potential funders, an opportunity to expand our SEQ activities and more cost effective administration, the Board decided that moving our base was the best option. Be assured that we will be actively continuing our long-term GBR program.

With this marking the 10th year of our operations, the Board would also like to acknowledge all of Reef Check Australia's exceptional achievements to date. We have two well-established survey programs operating in the Great Barrier Reef and South East Queensland, involving hundreds of volunteers and delivering one of the best reef health monitoring training courses for the public in Australia. In addition, we have some really superb education and awareness programs that engage even more people in reef health issues and protection. Over the years, we have developed many fantastic partnerships to carry-out our network of community-based programs. For the future, we aspire to integrate our data more comprehensively into reef management frameworks and expand our surveys to other reefs of Australia. We'll also be looking back to look forward for the next 10 years, in the context of reviewing our strengths and weaknesses, and securing a strong strategic direction for the future.

**Jo Roberts**  
Board Chair

## Managers report

It's been an exciting year. Our offices and staff have experienced substantial transitions, natural disasters and many successes. We've responded to environmental and business challenges by re-thinking our approach and strengthening our partnerships, funding strategies and activities. We truly appreciate our volunteers, members and stakeholders who have stood by us during this evolution.

We've been making massive strides to solidify and grow our monitoring, education and conservation programs across Queensland. Our dedicated surveyors reached 27 survey sites with the help of our committed dive operator partners, despite environmental obstacles. To help with this effort, 33 new volunteers joined the ranks as members of the largest comparable volunteer marine monitoring program in the world. The launch of our pilot REEFSearch program, as well as the Grey Nurse Shark Watch program, will offer the general public more opportunities to jump in and directly contribute to improved marine knowledge and management. More people can help reefs from home thanks to some of our new sustainable behaviour initiatives and community awareness programs. All of these outcomes were assisted by our devoted Project Officers, Alex, Corinna and Jodi who have dedicated many hours of their time and energy to Reef Check throughout the year.

A special note of acknowledgement to both Jo and Pete who helped to steer the organisation for much of the year. It was both a delight and a challenge to take over the reins and continue with our legacy of passion, partnerships and empowerment. We've got a lot of great momentum going now and I look forward to strengthening and growing Reef Check Australia with your help.

**Jennifer Loder**  
General Manager



# Surveys & Data

## Reef Check Surveys

The survey season in 2010/2011 was confronted with widespread flooding in the SEQ region and a major cyclone in Northern Queensland. Despite these challenges, our survey teams managed to complete 27 surveys in total. These surveys included 8 locations in the GBR region and 19 in SEQ. We also added Lady Elliot Island to our survey locations, helping to close the gap between our current GBR & SEQ monitoring locations and bringing our total active monitoring site count to 63.

After a massive SEQ expansion in 2009 and numerous long-term survey locations on the GBR, our 2010/2011 focus was to maintain and continue to survey established sites to build long-term monitoring data. Several of our sites on the GBR have almost ten years worth of monitoring data so it is especially important for us to visit these sites in the 2011/2012 survey season and these sites will be of priority.

Our volunteers continue to dedicate their time both in the field and in the office to make it all happen. In 2010/2011 we completed over 1,500 volunteer hours with half of this time on surveys, 180 hours on clean up dives, and the rest on office administration and project coordination. A huge note of thanks to all our volunteers who contribute; we could not do it without you.



## Reef Health Database

We have continued to grow and improve the Reef Health Database by adding new query and reporting features. This resource continues to be freely accessible to everyone, with data accessed by community groups, governments, universities and businesses.

In 2010/2011 our data was directly reported to government departments when specific reef impacts were noted at several sites, including notable coral disease and high *Drupella* snail abundances.

In 2011/2012 Reef Check Australia plans to make further improvements to the database for increased data applications and access. We're aspiring to reach more survey locations and continue to close the gap between our GBR and SEQ survey regions. We also have plans to liaise with Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority and Queensland Parks and Wildlife to assess data overlap and investigate how our data can contribute to improved reef knowledge and management.



## Data Collection & Partnerships

Next year, we'll carry on working with organisations such as Healthy Waterways, Sea Turtle Foundation, Department of Environmental Resource Management, SEQ Catchments, CoralWatch and Australian Marine Conservation Society on numerous projects to help share our data with the community in meaningful ways and participate in on-ground actions to protect reefs and oceans. After this years foods and cyclones, we are focusing on marine debris as a key issue that our volunteers can help research and take action on and we'll be working with more partners to achieve this goal.

# Education & Outreach

## REEFSearch

May 2011 saw the launch of REEFSearch, a new pilot program for snorkelers and divers. This community engagement program aims to increase understanding and awareness of reefs and reef health issues, with the use of our new in-water observation and identification tool. The REEFSearch program featured on Tourism Queensland's Best Expedition in the World, with our inaugural launch on Lady Elliot Island with Ben Southall, Tourism Queensland Ambassador and students from the University of the Sunshine Coast. Feedback from the launch event was immensely positive and indicated that the program has the potential to improve people's awareness and appreciation of the reef.

Plans for 2011/2012 see REEFSearch making major waves, with trials planned for: ecotourism projects in Fiji with University of the Sunshine Coast, students & teachers from Bwgcolman Community School on Palm Island, backpackers on Magnetic Island and divers from University of Queensland Dive Club. We plan to spend the rest of 2011 collecting community and stakeholder responses before integrating feedback into the new program for implementation in 2012.



## Sustainability Behaviours Campaign

In 2010/2011 Reef Check promoted its sustainable behaviours campaign with the launch of Reef Check re-usable coffee cups made from food grade silicone, Reef Check re-usable bags made from three recycled plastic bottles, helpful social marketing reminders to use products and a "Help Reefs from Home" page on the website encouraging everyday sustainable behaviour.

## City Cat CSA

For three months at the end of 2010 Reef Check was featured in a Community Service Announcement created by Undersea Productions on the Brisbane City Council City Cats. This announcement was designed to showcase and highlight the marine life and reefs in South East Queensland to the public and generate interest in our regional program. We have had a very positive response from these CSAs, including many people expressing an interest to join Reef Check as members and volunteers.

## Training

In 2010/2011 we trained a total of 33 new volunteers, with two training courses conducted in the GBR and three training courses in SEQ. These new volunteers join our growing team and bring our overall volunteer count to more than 200. Our comprehensive training courses train new volunteers with the knowledge and techniques they need to join us on surveys and collect high-quality data in line with Reef Check's continued exceptional standard. We continued to augment and develop our training materials through a grant from the Australian Government, improving the learning experience for volunteers and facilitating better data outcomes. Next year we will continue to conduct more training courses in both North QLD and SEQ, striving to build the Reef Check volunteer base as well as providing new opportunities for current volunteers to build their skills.



## Reef IQ

Our free, educational Reef IQ program continues to be used by numerous schools and conservation organisations despite a lack of funding and subsequently marketing for the program. Over the last year, schools from countries such as Mauritius, the USA and Indonesia (and of course Australia) have downloaded our materials and played our Reef IQ game, as well as conservation entities such as the Local Ocean Trust Kenya and the Oklahoma Aquarium. We hope to acquire more funding in the future to update our program (including the addition of REEFSearch for Australian schools) and add to our list of high-quality educational resources for young people.

# On-Ground Activities

## Healthy Waterways awards

Reef Check Australia was honoured to be nominated as one of three finalists for the Healthy Waterways Community Award for *Community-based monitoring and protection of South East Queensland's rocky reefs*. These awards recognise community groups for their work to improve waterway health in South East Queensland.

## Clean Up Dives

In 2010/2011 Reef Check Australia conducted 3 clean up events, totalling over 180 volunteer hours. Our International Coastal Clean-Up event on the Gold Coast in September 2010 was supported by Dive World, Gold Coast City Council, Healthy Waterways and more than 30 volunteers. In March 2011 we dove in again at Amity Point on North Stradbroke Island with the help of Dive Evolution to clean up extensive debris at this well-loved site. In April 2011, we partnered with Splash Watersports and Salt Dive Centre to coordinate a coastal clean-up event in Horseshoe Bay with funding from NQ Dry Tropics. Our collaborative clean-ups were a great opportunity to make a real difference on-ground and work with our diverse partners to create safer and healthier marine habitats.

## Grey Nurse Shark Watch

At the beginning of June 2011 Reef Check Australia helped to launch Grey Nurse Shark Watch. Grey Nurse Shark Watch is a community based photographic identification monitoring program that will aid in estimating shark numbers, movements and distribution. Reef Check Australia is hosting the database and encouraging our members, along with other divers and fishers to submit photos of these wonderful but endangered creatures for improved management outcomes.



## Reef Revelry

In November 2010 Reef Check Australia hosted a 'Reef Revelry' held at the Exchange Hotel Townsville. This large fundraising community event brought together more than 70 of our stakeholders including volunteers, industry partners, funding agencies and data users. The evening was designed to showcase Reef Check Australia and the work that we do, and included a seminar from our Board Director, Dr Terry Done on the Great Barrier Reef and discussed how data collected by Reef Check volunteers can assist in current monitoring and management activities. Reef Check staff also encouraged feedback from our volunteers and stakeholders so we can improve in the future. There was also auction of in kind donations of artwork, trips and books to name but a few items to raise money for Reef Check Australia. This event was a huge success with several thousand dollars raised.



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## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF REEF CHECK FOUNDATION LIMITED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2011 there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Moore Stephens  
Chartered Accountants  
Level 2, 21 Stokes Street  
Townsville, Qld, 4810

John Zakaria FCA  
Townsville  
Dated this 30 day of September 2011

## DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Information on Reef Check Foundation Limited concise financial report

The concise financial report is an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2011. The financial statements and disclosures in the concise financial report have been derived from the 2011 Financial Report of Reef Check Foundation Limited. A copy of the full financial report and auditor's report will be sent to any member, free of charge, upon request.

The discussion and analysis is provided to assist members in understanding the concise financial report. The discussion and analysis is based on Reef Check Foundation Limited financial statements and the information contained in the concise financial report has been derived from the full 2011 Financial Report of Reef Check Foundation Limited.

### Income statement

The loss attributable to members for the year is \$43,902 (2010: profit \$43,474). There was a decrease in grant funding during the financial year. The decrease resulted in a decrease in the entity's profit.

### Balance sheet

Total assets decreased from \$215,867 to \$113,391. This decrease was attributable to a decrease in cash holdings mainly due to grants being fully expended.

Total liabilities decreased by \$58,574 to \$8,984. This decrease was attributable to the expenditure of grant & donation monies.

### Cash flow statement

Updated: Cash flows generated from operating activities decreased to -\$84,811 (with receipts from customers totaling \$215,903). This was mainly attributable to database development and project coordination as well as survey and training expenses.

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of 2010 were \$76,131.

### Statement of recognised income and expenses

Retained earnings decreased due to the \$43,902 loss that occurred during the period.

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## INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
Revenue		208,298	608,548
Depreciation expenses		(92,822)	(5,760)
Employee benefit expenses		(7,284)	(153,260)
Other expenses		(152,094)	(406,054)
Profit before income tax	2	(43,902)	43,474
Income tax expense		-	-
Profit after income tax		(43,902)	43,474

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2011

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	76,131	160,942
Trade and other receivables	4	4,206	15,726
Inventories	5	-	-
Other current assets		2,991	1,853
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>83,328</b>	<b>178,521</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	6	30,063	37,346
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>30,063</b>	<b>37,346</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>113,391</b>	<b>215,867</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other payables	7	8,984	67,558
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>8,984</b>	<b>67,558</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>8,984</b>	<b>67,558</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>104,407</b>	<b>148,309</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Earnings		104,407	148,309
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>104,407</b>	<b>148,309</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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## STATEMENT OF RECOGNISED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
<b>Balance at 1 July 2009</b>	104,835	104,835
Profit attributable to the entity	43,474	43,474
<b>Balance at 30 June 2010</b>	148,309	148,309
Profit attributable to the entity	(43,902)	(43,902)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2011</b>	104,407	104,407

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
<b>CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Receipts from customers		215,903	447,849
Payments to suppliers and employees		(304,628)	(602,395)
Interest received		3,914	7,290
Net cash generated from operating activities	11	(84,811)	(147,256)
<b>CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Payment for property, plant and equipment		-	(24,752)
Net cash used in investing activities		-	(24,752)
Net increase in cash held		(84,811)	(172,008)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		160,942	332,950
Cash at the end of the financial year	11	76,131	160,942

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



## NOTES TO THE CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

### Note 1: Basis of preparation of the concise financial report

The concise financial report is an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2011. The concise financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports, and the *Corporations Act 2001*. The financial statements, specific disclosures and other information included in the concise financial report are derived from and are consistent with the full financial report of Reef Check Foundation Limited. The concise financial report cannot be expected to provide as detailed an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of Reef Check Foundation Limited as the full financial report. A copy of the full financial report and auditor's report will be sent to any member, free of charge, upon request.

The presentation currency used in this concise financial report is Australian dollars.

The following applicable Australian Accounting Standards and Australian Accounting Interpretations have been applied:

AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements;

AASB 107: Cash Flow Statements;

AASB 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors;

AASB 110: Events after the Balance Sheet Date;

AASB 1004: Contributions;

AASB 1031: Materiality; and

AASB 1048: Interpretation and Application of Standards.

No other Accounting Standards, Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian

### Note 2: Profit (loss) for the year

Renumeration of the auditor by Accounting standards was \$2,950 in 2010/2011 (\$4,831 in 2010).

### Note 3: Cash and cash equivalents

	2011	2010
Public Fund Account	729	729
Bendigo Account ending 0116	8,035	4,992
Bendigo Account ending 9927	44,970	102,513
Gift Fund Account	21,124	50,507
Cash Drawer	650	650
Bendigo Account ending 7561	623	623
<b>TOTAL Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>76,131</b>	<b>160,942</b>

### Note 4: Trade and other receivables

Current ABN withholding credits total \$94 on June 30, 2011 (\$94 in 2009/2010) and Good and services taxes totalled \$4,112 (\$15,632 in 2009/2010).

### Note 5: Other assets

Prepayments at June 30, 2011 totalled \$2,291 (\$1,853 in 2009/2010).

### Note 6: Property, plant and equipment

	2011	2010
Plant and equipment	34,414	34,414
Less accumulated depreciation	(19,566)	(14,457)
	<b>14,848</b>	19,957
Motor Vehicles	18,173	18,173
Less accumulated depreciation	(2,958)	(784)
	<b>15,215</b>	17,389
<b>Total Property, plant and equipment</b>	<b>30,063</b>	<b>37,346</b>

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Note 7: Trade and other payables	2011	2010
Annual leave liability	3,169	1,074
Trade creditors	-	1,744
Superannuation payable	2,670	2,663
Unexpended grants	-	56,937
Cash Drawer	3,145	5,140
<b>TOTAL Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>8,984</b>	<b>67,558</b>

#### Note 8: Events after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred after balance date that requires reporting here.

#### Note 9: Economic dependence

Reef Check Foundation Limited is dependent on funding from various bodies for the majority of revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report the Board of Directors has no reason to believe that ongoing funding will cease.

#### Note 10: Company details

The registered office and principal place of business of the company is: Level 2, 183 North Quay Brisbane, QLD 4003.

Note 11: Cash flow information	2011	2010
Cash	650	649
Cash at bank	75,481	160,293
<b>TOTAL Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>76,131</b>	<b>160,942</b>

Cash at the end of financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of position as above.


#### DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors of Reef Check Foundation Limited declare that the concise financial report of Reef Check Foundation Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2011, as set out on pages 7 to 10:

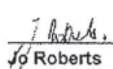
- complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports; and
- is an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2011 and has been derived from and is consistent with the full financial report of Reef Check Foundation Limited

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Director

  
Mark Nilsen

Director

  
J Roberts

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF REEF CHECK FOUNDATION LIMITED

### Report on the concise financial report

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

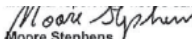
### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, provided to the directors of Reef Check Foundation Limited on 30 June 2011, would be in the same terms if provided to the directors as at the date of this auditor's report.

### Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion the financial report of Reef Check Foundation Limited 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 2011 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.

  
Moore Stephens  
Chartered Accountants  
Level 2, 21 Stokes Street  
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John Tagala FCA  
Townsville

Dated this 10 day of September 2011  
Moore Stephens (Queensland) Audit Pty Ltd  
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## Our thanks

Reef Check Australia would like to take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge our dedicated staff for 2010/2011: Peter Faulkner (Interim Managing Director), Jennifer Loder (South East Queensland Project Manager/General Manager), Jo Roberts (Managing Director/Board Director); Our Project Officers: Corinna Byrne, Alex Lea, Paul Markey, Jodi Salmond; Our casual Trainers: Peter Faulkner, David Glover, Jody Krueger & Chris Roelfsema.

Reef Check Australia would also like to extend thanks to our Board Directors and the supportive staff at Reef Check Foundation (International) in the USA.

Thank you to Liz Harlin/Undersea Productions for many images used in this report and to Carley Bansemmer for the Grey Nurse Shark photo.

# Our sponsors 2010/2011

Reef Check Australia would like to thank our main supporters and sponsors.

## Project Partners

The Australian Government's Caring for Our Country program provided approximately \$85,000 in funding for our South-East Queensland projects, volunteer training, reef surveys and database improvements.



**Australian Government**

The Australian Government's Community Action Grant program provided approximately \$18,000 in funding for reef surveys, volunteer training, community education and clean-up projects.



The Sunshine Coast Council provided funding for volunteer training and surveys in the Sunshine Coast region. It also supported community outreach events with Noosa Integrated Catchment Association.

Air Asia was our first Adopt a Reef supporter, providing financial support for our pilot REEFSearch program and surveys at local Palm Beach Reef on the Gold Coast.



**THE MYER  
FOUNDATION**

The Myer Foundation once again provided approximately \$5,000 in funding for our Palm Island project with the Bwgcolman Community School. This funding allowed us to deliver a number of workshops focused on coral reefs and train students in basic coral reef monitoring techniques.

South East Queensland Catchment provided administrative support through office space and helpful advice on our developing our South East Queensland program.



The Queensland Government Gambling Community Benefit Fund provided funding for a new survey vehicle to access survey sites up and down the coast.

Townsville City Council provided funding for a local community outreach event for 2011.



## Thanks to all the dive operators who supported us in the 2010/2011 Survey Season:

### GBR

- Adrenalin Dive
- Cairns Dive Centre
- Calypso
- Cruise Whitsundays
- Down Under Cruise & Dive
- Dunk Island
- Fantasea
- HABA
- Hayman Island
- Lady Elliot Island Resort
- Pleasure Divers
- Poseidon
- Quicksilver
- Reef Magic Cruises
- Reef Safari
- Tropical Journeys
- Sunlover Reef Cruises
- Salt Scuba Diving
- Splash Watersports
- Wavelength

### SEQ

- Dive Evolution
- Dive Noosa
- Dive World
- Diving the Gold Coast
- Go Dive
- Nautilus Scuba Centre
- Palm Beach Dive Centre
- Point Lookout Scuba Centre
- Pro Dive Brisbane
- Ocean Cat
- Reality Cruises
- Scuba World
- Sun Reef



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