

# **AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC ACCESS NETWORK ASSOCIATION INC**

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## **2016 ANNUAL REPORT**

**October 2016**

## **Presidents Report 2016**

***Jeffrey Toll***

2016 has been another quiet year for APANA without any significant changes. As in previous years, South Australia has been the most active region followed by Hunter. The remaining regions of Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, ACT, WA and ICR have had little or no activity that can be reported.

Of concern is APANA's management committee (MC) which struggles to get enough members to attend each month. This usually results in the meeting being held the following week with only 2-3 members in attendance. Whilst for most months this is adequate, but there are times when an important decision needs to be made and more representation would be helpful.

We have 3 inactive regions with members under 5 members, Perth, Sydney and ACT which need to be addressed. A region under the rules requires 5 members or more to be an APANA official region. This will hopefully be sorted out in the coming year, with the blessing of members in those regions.

Many thanks to all volunteers of the regions who keep APANA running from day to day.

**Jeffrey Toll**  
**APANA President.**

## SECRETARY'S REPORT 2016:

*Matthew Brady*

<b>Region</b>	<b>Members October 2016</b>	<b>Members October 2015</b>	<b>Change</b>
SA	21	24	Down 3
Hunter	10	10	-
Melbourne	6	6	-
Sydney	2	3	Down 1
ACT	3	3	-
Brisbane	5	5	-
Perth	4	4	-
ICR	5	5	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>Down 4</b>

The 2015/16 year has been a relatively quiet year for APANA, however there has been a continual contraction of the member base. 3 regions now have less than 5 members.

**Matthew Brady**  
Secretary

## **TREASURER'S REPORT – 2016:**

*John Childs*

Financially the year was uneventful with small increase in total available funds.

Regional Committees of South Australia and Hunter are to be commended for maintaining their

viability and operating within their available funds.

Other Regions finances appear that they will stay much as they are with no further impact on APANA's financial position

I thank Carolyn Baird for her willing support during the year, particularly for her processing of

fee receipts and payments during my absences.

**John Childs**

**Treasurer**

## **REGION REPORTS:**

### **ACT:**

*Edwin Gibbons*

### **Brisbane:**

*Pauline Sheppard*

### **Hunter Region:**

*Carolyn Baird:*

### **Perth Region:**

*Jeffrey Toll*

Perth has had a very quiet year with nothing to report other than our membership has dipped below 5 members. It is my recommendation that Perth region be closed and existing members be transferred to ICR or to a region of their choice. I will email the remaining members to ask their opinions as to this course of action.

### **ICR:**

*Management Committee*

### **Melbourne:**

*John Newnham*

### **South Australia Region:**

*Tony Bazely*

Technically, 2015-16 has been relatively quiet in South Australia. An experimenters corner has been up setup (Steve Fraser) and a band width monitoring system using cacti (Michael Judd).

Migration to the new machine is incomplete with mail and gateway services at risk however resolution of the form of future gateway services is almost complete.

A number of difficulties around firewall administration were experienced - a review of firewall rules is likely to be beneficial.

Outage problems due to disk space issues were identified.

The impending connection to the NBN by a number of members is likely to open new opportunities

### **Sydney Region:**

*Craig Dewick*

