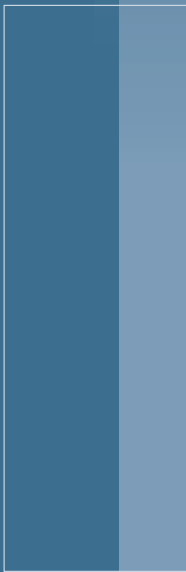
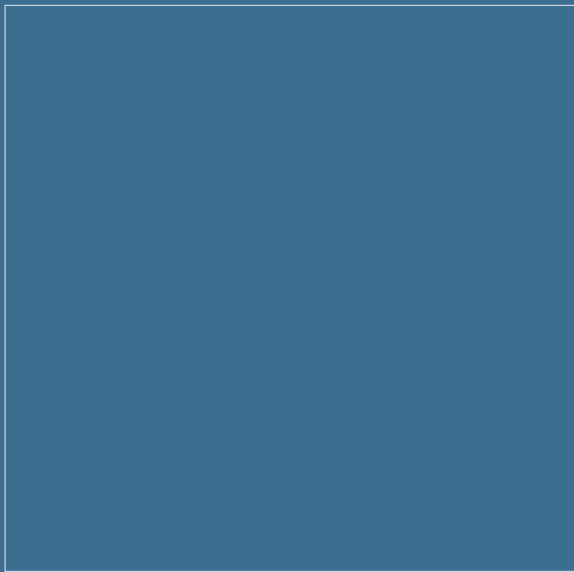


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Financial Services Limited
ABN 97 101 461 125

Rushworth & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch

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Chairman's report

For year ending 30 June 2009

Firstly, I would like to invite all shareholders and any family or friends they wish to bring to our Annual Meeting to be held at the Rushworth P-12 College main hall on Wednesday 28 October 2009.

This is a great opportunity to find out first hand about your Company, question the Directors, and be entertained by our guest speakers. This year we have as guest speakers Bill Barlow and Steve Coghlan, locals known to many, who will talk about their experience walking the Kokoda Track in Papua New Guinea earlier this year, and I know from personal experience they have a wonderful story to tell!

Secondly, I would like to acknowledge the wonderful support we have received from our customers, and look forward to their continued support.

The 2008/09 financial year has been very challenging, in fact more than expected, with a large reduction to our expected income due to the difference in margin income. As Directors we have had to make some very tough decisions that may not have pleased our entire shareholder base. However it was important for us to keep our Company in a position to be able to ride out the global financial crisis, and continue to be able to deliver all the benefits our **Community Bank**[®] branch will bring in the longer term.

Rushworth & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has continued to be highly involved in our Community. We are proud to have provided:

- Approximately \$4,000 in community sponsorships and donations.
- Local Primary and Secondary school scholarships presented by the **Community Bank**[®] branch to encourage students to reach their full potential.
- \$40,000 towards Rushworth Medical Clinic which is under construction at present and which be a wonderful Community asset.
- \$7,000 towards the Rushworth Bowling Green project.

I would also like to thank our team of dedicated staff for their continued high standard of customer service at both Rushworth and Stanhope. The real difference with the **Community Bank**[®] concept is our staff's ability to really personalise service for our customers. Our Manager Wayne Fry is the best Manager in the **Community Bank**[®] network, and has a professional and positive relationship with our stakeholders, customers and our communities.

The customer service team of Carolyn Toohey, Kaye-Maree Bell, Colleen Peterson, Nikki McKay and Kelly Bamford are, in my opinion, the real face of our **Community Bank**[®] branch and do a wonderful job. With Kelly taking maternity leave, we are also pleased to welcome Lucy Tuohy to the team.

The Board of Directors would like to acknowledge our partner Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd for their continued support. For us to be successful we need an extensive range of products and service, plus the support that a great regional bank can bring to that partnership. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd is just that type of partner.

Chairman's report continued

I would also like to thank all the Directors for their continued commitment to ensure your **Community Bank**[®] branch becomes a successful business and delivers true benefits to our customers, shareholders and local communities. The members of the executive team of Tracee Spiby, Christine Borger and Slim Perry deserve a special mention for the large workload and dedication to making this a successful **Community Bank**[®] model. Also I must thank Eileen Curtis for her skills and dedication to our Finance Committee, which has had a larger than normal workload this year.

On behalf of all shareholders, customers and Directors, I would like to thank Peter Damon, who resigned as Director this year, after being involved from the very start; his commitment beginning way back on the steering committee, which first worked to obtain a bank for our Community. Peter you have left the local district community with a wonderful legacy from your years of great service to Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited and your community, you should be extremely proud each time you drive or look down the High Street.

Looking forward

Your Directors expect the 2009/10 financial year to continue to be a challenging year, as we work to ensure that our business continues to grow in a very tough economic climate.

Our aim is to continue to deliver the extra benefits, sponsorships, and the facilitation of community events to add value to our local community.

There is still a lot of hard work to be done, however together we will succeed.

I hope this has given you a good understanding of your investment in Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited, the challenges ahead and the confidence that together we can deliver all the promised benefits - plus some.

We all need to consider how we can support our investment. The first way is to bring our banking, financial or insurance business to the Rushworth & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch or our Stanhope Customer Service Centre. The second is to sell the dream to friends, neighbours or newcomers to our community. A positive word is worth gold and the best form of advertising.

"If the Rushworth, Stanhope, Colbinabbin and Murchison Communities want a **Community Bank**[®] model that delivers true community rewards, they need to support it with real banking business".

Thanks for your continued support.



Geoff Wall
Chairman

Manager's report

For year ending 30 June 2009

The past financial year has been rather a challenging period in more ways than one. The initial growth that we experienced in the first few months was encouraging; however as the world situation took hold the growth slowed drastically. The effects of the drought continue to have a detrimental effect on the economic situation in the district although current rainfall is encouraging.

During the year we have seen a number of significant capital purchases by customers which have reduced investment growth that we were expecting, but it is encouraging to note that the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd products and investments have stood up very well in the market. Whilst we may have attracted less growth than we had expected there is absolutely no evidence that our customers left us for another bank.

Growth in business for the year was \$2,315,000 which is disappointing compared to growth in the previous year. The effect from the world financial crisis has had a big impact on the margin income that we generate through Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd. We have had very little control over the results, but our business and customer fundamentals continue to be strong and as the margin situation continues to improve our profitability will also improve. I congratulate Chairman Geoff and the Board members on their diligence with their duties during what has been a very challenging time.

Feedback from our existing and new customers is that we continue to provide an excellent service; we meet and regularly exceed their expectations. The decision of the Board to install the ATM a few years ago has certainly been very well received. Statistics from its use are quite amazing for such a small town. We are truly making a difference to the people of this area. Successful customers make for a successful community which makes for a successful bank in that order.

The staff members continue to prove that they have the skills, qualities and desire to perform at a very high level. They have always been flexible in their working arrangements and it is quite evident that they enjoy their work helping our customers live and grow. We are certainly ready to help anybody who has not yet enjoyed the difference of banking with this **Community Bank**[®] branch. Apart from getting the best of banking experience, you can also help your community. Kelly has commenced twelve months maternity leave and we have appointed a new staff member Lucy Tuohey. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Carolyn, Kaye-Maree, Colleen, Nikki and Kelly for their great work throughout the year.

Whilst the last twelve months may have proved challenging, I see the future to be encouraging and fruitful. As the Business further develops we will see more of the true benefits of having a **Community Bank**[®] branch within our community.

The **Community Bank**[®] concept, what a pleasure!

Regards



Wayne W Fry
Branch Manager

Directors' report

For year ending 30 June 2009

Your Directors submit the financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2009.

Directors

The names and details of the Company's Directors who held office during or since the end of the financial year are:

Jeffrey Perry

Director
Butcher

Robert Armstrong

Director
Plumber

David Aburrow

Director
Business Owner

Christine Borger

Director
Home Duties

Stephen Aburrow

Director
Piggery Owner

Peter Damon (resigned 30 June 2009)

Director
Service Station Owner

Michael Curtis

Director
Accountant

Tracee Spiby

Director
Wood Mill Owner

Geoffrey Wall

Director
Business Development Manager

Eileen Curtis (appointed 24 February 2009)

Director
Accountant

Directors were in office for this entire year unless otherwise stated.

No Directors have material interests in contracts or proposed contracts with the Company.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were in providing **Community Bank**[®] services under management rights to operate a franchised branch of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

There has been no significant changes in the nature of these activities during the year.

Operating results

Operations for the financial year have resulted in a profit/(loss) after provision for income tax of (\$5,235) (2008: \$37,294).

Dividends

The Directors recommend that no dividend be paid for the current year.

Directors' report continued

Significant changes in the state of affairs

In the opinion of the Directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Company that occurred during the financial year under review not otherwise disclosed in this report.

Significant events after the balance date

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company, in future years.

Likely developments

The Company will continue its policy of providing banking services to the community.

Directors' benefits

No Director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the Company, controlled entity or related body corporate with a Director, a firm which a Director is a member or an entity in which a Director has a substantial financial interest. This statement excludes a benefit included in the aggregate amount of emoluments received or due and receivable by Directors shown in the Company's accounts, or the fixed salary of a full-time employee of the Company, controlled entity or related body corporate.

Indemnification and insurance of Directors and Officers

The Company has indemnified all Directors and the Manager in respect of liabilities to other persons (other than the Company or related body corporate) that may arise from their position as Directors or Managers of the Company except where the liability arises out of conduct involving the lack of good faith.

Disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium is prohibited by the confidentiality clause of the contract of insurance. The Company has not provided any insurance for an Auditor of the Company or a related body corporate.

Directors' report continued

Directors' meetings

The number of Directors' meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the year were:

Number of meetings held:	11
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Number of meetings attended:	
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Geoffrey Wall	11
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Jeffrey Perry	10
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Christine Ann Borger	10
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David Aburrow	9
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Peter Damon (resigned 30 June 2009)	6
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Stephen Aburrow	11
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Tracee Spiby	11
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Michael Curtis	4
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Robert Armstrong	8
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Eileen Curtis (appointed 24 February 2009)	4
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Company Secretary

Tracee Spiby has been the Company Secretary of Rushworth District Financial Services Ltd since 2003. Tracee Spiby's qualifications and experience include completion of short course on Corporate Governance at La Trobe University, attendance at Director training workshop provided by the Australian Institute of Company Directors and Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd and a Corporate Secretary workshop conducted by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

Corporate governance

The Company has implemented various corporate governance practices, which include:

- (a) The establishment of an audit committee. Members of the audit committee are Christine Borger, Michael Curtis and Geoffrey Wall;
- (b) Director approval of operating budgets and monitoring of progress against these budgets;
- (c) Ongoing Director training; and
- (d) Monthly Director meetings to discuss performance and strategic plans.

Auditor independence Declaration

The Directors received the following declaration from the Auditor of the Company:

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty
Chartered Accountants

Directors' report continued

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty Chartered Accountants



Partners:
Kenneth J Richmond
Warren J Sinnott
Philip P Delahunty
Brett A Andrews

21 September 2009

The Directors
Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited
23 High Street
RUSHWORTH VIC 3612

Dear Directors

Auditor's Independence Declaration

In relation to our audit of the financial report of Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited for the year ended 30 June 2009, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

Warren Sinnott
Partner
Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors at Rushworth, Victoria on 21 September 2009.

Geoffrey Wall
Chairman

Financial statements

Income statement For year ending 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Revenues from ordinary activities	2	445,141	441,126
Employee benefits expense	3	(233,384)	(213,465)
Charitable donations and sponsorship		(44,140)	(2,542)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	3	(25,722)	(21,508)
Finance costs	3	(2,539)	(608)
Administration and other expenses from ordinary activities	3	(146,959)	(149,476)
Profit/(loss) before income tax expense		(7,603)	53,527
Income tax expense/(benefit)	4	(2,368)	16,233
Profit/(loss) after income tax expense		(5,235)	37,294
Earnings per share (cents per share)			
- basic for profit/(loss) for the year	22	(1.06)	7.52
- diluted for profit/(loss) for the year	22	(1.06)	7.52
- dividends paid per share	21	-	3.00

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Balance sheet As at 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Current assets			
Cash assets	6	63,839	64,968
Receivables	7	41,223	44,367
Other assets		5,997	-
Total current assets		111,059	109,335
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	83,658	78,402
Deferred income tax asset	4	80,736	78,368
Intangible assets	9	35,000	45,000
		199,394	201,770
Total assets		310,453	311,105
Current liabilities			
Payables	10	41,201	29,532
Interest bearing liabilities	11	7,887	7,215
Provisions	12	15,087	14,955
Total current liabilities		64,175	51,702
Current liabilities			
Interest bearing liabilities	11	16,433	24,323
Total current liabilities		16,433	24,323
Total liabilities		80,608	76,025
Net assets		229,845	235,080
Equity			
Share capital	13	495,750	495,750
Accumulated losses	14	(265,905)	(260,670)
Total equity		229,845	235,080

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Statement of cash flows As at 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash receipts in the course of operations		485,221	465,943
Cash payments in the course of operations		(457,106)	(402,371)
Interest received		1,491	1,506
Borrowing costs		(2,539)	(608)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	15b	27,067	64,470
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant & equipment		(20,978)	(37,632)
Purchase of intangible assets		-	(50,000)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment		-	7,816
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(20,978)	(79,816)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of borrowings		(7,218)	-
Dividends paid		-	(14,873)
Proceeds from borrowings		-	23,817
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities		(7,218)	8,944
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(1,129)	(6,402)
Add opening cash brought forward		64,968	71,370
Closing cash carried forward	15a	63,839	64,968

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Statement of changes in equity As at 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Share capital			
Ordinary shares			
Balance at start of year		495,750	493,580
Issue of share capital		-	-
Write off of capital raising expenses		-	2,170
Balance at end of year		495,750	495,750
Accumulated losses			
Balance at start of year		(260,670)	(283,091)
Profit/(loss) after income tax expense		(5,235)	37,294
Dividends paid		-	(14,873)
Balance at end of year		(265,905)	(260,670)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

For year ending 30 June 2009

Note 1. Basis of preparation of the financial report

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial report is a general purpose financial report, which has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and applicable Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs (except for land and buildings and available-for-sale financial assets that have been measured at fair value) and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 21 September 2009.

(b) Statement of compliance

The financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards, which include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards ('AIFRS'). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes thereto, complies with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). Australian Accounting Standards that have been recently issued or amended, but are not yet effective, have not been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(c) Significant accounting policies

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted. The accounting policies have been consistently applied and are consistent with those applied in the 30 June 2008 financial statements.

Income tax

Deferred income tax is provided on all temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred income tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carry-forward of unused tax assets and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry-forward of unused tax assets and unused tax losses can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax asset to be utilised.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 1. Basis of preparation of the financial report (continued)

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are brought to account at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment in value.

Land and buildings are measured at fair value less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset as follows:

Class of asset	Depreciation rate
• Branch fitout	10%
• Property, plant & equipment	15 -33%
• Motor vehicle	15%

Impairment

The carrying values of plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

If any such indication exists and where the carrying value exceeds the estimated recoverable amount, the assets or cash-generating units are written down to their recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of plant and equipment is the greater of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

Recoverable amount of assets

At each reporting date, the Company assesses whether there is any indication that an asset is impaired.

Where an indicator of impairment exists, the Company makes a formal estimate of the recoverable amount.

Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet. Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a gross basis.

The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 1. Basis of preparation of the financial report (continued)

Employee benefits

The provision for employee benefits to wages, salaries and annual leave represents the amount which the Company has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees' services provided up to the balance date. The provision has been calculated on undiscounted amounts based on wage and salary rates expected to be paid and includes related on-costs.

The Company contributes to a defined contribution plan. Contributions to employee superannuation funds are charged against income as incurred.

Intangibles

Establishment costs have been initially recorded at cost and amortised on a straight line basis at a rate of 20% per annum.

Cash

Cash on hand and in banks are stated at nominal value.

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Comparative figures

Where required by Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Revenue

Interest and fee revenue is recognised when earned. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

Receivables and payables

Receivables and payables are non interest bearing and generally have payment terms of between 30 and 90 days. Receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less a provision for any uncollected debts. Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost that is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Company.

Interest bearing liabilities

All loans are measured at the principal amount. Interest is recognised as an expense as it accrues.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 1. Basis of preparation of the financial report (continued)

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the economic entity has a legal, equitable or constructive obligation to make a future sacrifice of economic benefits to other entities as a result of past transactions or other past events, it is probable that a future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

A provision for dividends is not recognised as a liability unless the dividends are declared, determined or publicly recommended on or before the reporting date.

Contributed capital

Issued and paid up capital is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received by the Company.

Any transaction costs arising on the issue of ordinary shares are recognised directly in equity as a reduction of the share proceeds received.

	2009 \$	2008 \$
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Note 2. Revenue from ordinary activities

Operating activities

- services commissions	443,650	439,620
- other revenue	-	-
Total revenue from operating activities	443,650	439,620
Non-operating activities:		
- interest received	1,491	1,506
- other revenue	-	-
Total revenue from non-operating activities	1,491	1,506
Total revenue from ordinary activities	445,141	441,126

Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Note 3. Expenses		
Employee benefits expense		
- wages and salaries	204,398	187,891
- superannuation costs	17,946	16,666
- workers' compensation costs	649	673
- other costs	10,391	8,235
	233,384	213,465
Depreciation of non-current assets:		
- branch fitout	8,338	8,337
- plant & equipment	2,136	734
- motor vehicle	5,248	437
Amortisation of non-current assets:		
- intangibles	10,000	12,000
	25,722	21,508
Finance costs	2,539	608
Administration and other expenses from ordinary activities:		
- rent	13,289	12,903
- insurance	7,567	12,480
- information technology related costs	37,155	38,574
- bad debts	508	217
- other administration expenses	88,440	85,302
	146,959	149,476

Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
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Note 4. Income tax expense

The prima facie tax on profit/(loss) before income tax is reconciled to the income tax expense as follows:

Prima facie tax on profit/(loss) before income tax at 30%	(2,281)	16,058
Add tax effect of:		
- Non-deductible expenses	(87)	175
Current income tax expense/(benefit)	(2,368)	16,233
Income tax expense/(benefit)	(2,368)	16,233
Deferred income tax asset		
Future income tax benefits arising from tax losses are recognised at reporting date as realisation of the benefit is regarded as probable.	80,736	78,368

Note 5. Auditors' remuneration

Amounts received or due and receivable by
Richmond, Sinnott & Delahunty for:

- Audit or review of the financial report of the Company	3,650	3,650
- Other accounting services provided	950	500
- Share registry costs	1,800	-
	6,400	4,150

Note 6. Cash assets

Cash at bank and on hand	63,839	64,968
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Note 7. Receivables

Trade debtors	41,223	44,367
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Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Note 8. Property, plant and equipment		
Branch fitout		
At cost	83,372	83,372
Less accumulated depreciation	(52,975)	(44,637)
	30,397	38,735
Property, plant & equipment		
At cost	27,317	6,339
Less accumulated depreciation	(3,355)	(1,219)
	23,962	5,120
Motor Vehicle		
At cost	34,984	34,984
Less accumulated depreciation	(5,685)	(437)
	29,299	34,547
	83,658	78,402
Movements in carrying amounts		
Branch fitout		
Carrying amount at beginning of the year	38,735	47,072
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation expense	(8,338)	(8,337)
Carrying amount at end of the year	30,397	38,735
Property, plant & equipment		
Carrying amount at beginning of the year	5,120	3,206
Additions	20,978	2,648
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation expense	(2,136)	(734)
Carrying amount at end of the year	23,962	5,120

Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Note 8. Property, plant and equipment (continued)		
Motor vehicle		
Carrying amount at beginning of the year	34,547	16,874
Additions	-	34,984
Disposals	-	(16,874)
Depreciation expense	(5,248)	(437)
Carrying amount at end of the year	29,299	34,547

Note 9. Intangible assets

Franchise fee

At cost	50,000	50,000
Less accumulated amortisation	(15,000)	(5,000)
	35,000	45,000

Note 10. Payables

Trade creditors	25,090	12,707
Other creditors and accruals	16,111	16,825
	41,201	29,532

Note 11. Interest bearing liabilities

Current

Motor vehicle finance lease	7,887	7,215
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Non-current

Motor vehicle finance lease	16,433	24,323
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Note 12. Provisions

Employee benefits	15,087	14,955
Number of employees at period end	6	6

Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Note 13. Share capital		
495,750 ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each	495,750	495,750

Note 14. Accumulated losses

Balance at the beginning of the financial year	(260,670)	(283,091)
Profit/(loss) after income tax	(5,235)	37,294
Dividends paid	-	(14,873)
Balance at the end of the financial year	(265,905)	(260,670)

Note 15. Cash flow statement

(a) Reconciliation of cash

Cash assets	63,839	64,968
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(b) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) after tax to net cash provided from operating activities

Profit/(loss) after income tax	(5,235)	37,294
Non cash items		
- Depreciation	15,722	9,508
- Amortisation	10,000	12,000
- Formation expenses written off	-	2,170
- Loss on sale of plant & equipment	-	9,058
Changes in assets and liabilities		
- (Increase) decrease in receivables/other assets	(2,853)	(16,023)
- Increase (decrease) in payables	11,669	(6,976)
- Increase (decrease) in provisions	132	1,206
- (Increase) decrease in deferred income tax asset	(2,368)	16,233
Net cash flows from operating activities	27,067	64,470

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 16. Related party disclosures

The names of Directors who have held office during the financial year are:

Geoffrey Wall

Jeffrey Perry

Christine Ann Borger

David Aburrow

Peter Damon (resigned 30 June 2009)

Stephen Aburrow

Tracee Spiby

Michael Curtis

Robert Armstrong

Eileen Curtis (appointed 24 February 2009)

No Director or related entity has entered into a material contract with the Company. No Director's fees have been paid as the positions are held on a voluntary basis.

Directors' shareholdings	2009	2008
Geoffrey Wall	2,100	2,100
Jeffrey Perry	1,000	1,000
Christine Ann Borger	5,000	5,000
David Aburrow	7,600	7,600
Peter Damon (resigned 30 June 2009)	6,000	6,000
Stephen Aburrow	2,000	2,000
Tracee Spiby	3,000	3,000
Michael Curtis	-	-
Robert Armstrong	2,000	-
Eileen Curtis (appointed 24 February 2009)	-	-

Robert Armstrong purchased 2,000 shares during the year. Other than above, there was no other movement in Directors' shareholdings during the year. Each share held has a paid up value of \$1 and is fully paid.

Note 17. Subsequent events

There have been no events after the end of the financial period that would materially affect the financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 18. Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at the date of this report to affect the financial statements.

Note 19. Segment reporting

The economic entity operates in the financial services sector where it provides banking services to its clients. The economic entity operates in two geographic areas being Rushworth and Stanhope, Victoria.

Note 20. Corporate information

Rushworth & District Financial Services Ltd is a Company limited by shares incorporated in Australia.

The registered office and principal place of business is:

23 High Street,
Rushworth VIC 3612.

	2009 \$	2008 \$
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Note 21. Dividends paid or provided for on ordinary shares

(a) Dividends paid during the year

(i) Previous year final		
Unfranked dividends - Nil (2008: 3 cents per share)	-	14,873

Note 22. Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit/(loss) after income tax by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit/(loss) after income tax by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year (adjusted for the effects of any dilutive options or preference shares).

The following reflects the income and share data used in the basic and diluted earnings per share computations:

Profit/(loss) after income tax expense	(5,235)	37,294
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for basic and diluted earnings per share	495,750	495,750

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 23. Financial risk management

The Company has exposure to credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk from their use of financial instruments.

This note presents information about the Company's exposure to each of the above risks, their objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk, and the management of capital.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the risk management framework. The Board has established an Audit Committee which reports regularly to the Board. The Audit Committee is assisted in the area of risk management by an internal audit function.

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. For the Company it arises from receivables and cash assets.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements. The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk at reporting date was:

	Carrying amount	
	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Cash assets	63,839	64,968
Receivables	41,223	44,367
	105,062	109,335

The Company's exposure to credit risk is limited to Australia by geographic area. The majority of the balance of receivables is due from Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

None of the assets of the Company are past due (2008: nil past due) and based on historic default rates, the Company believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of assets not past due.

The Company limits its exposure to credit risk by only investing in liquid securities with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company ensures it will have enough liquidity to meet its liabilities when due under both normal and stressed conditions. Liquidity management is carried out within the guidelines set by the Board.

Typically, the Company maintains sufficient cash on hand to meet expected operational expenses, including the servicing of financial obligations. This excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 23. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Liquidity risk (continued)

The following are the estimated contractual maturities of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments.

	Carrying amount \$	Contractual cash flows \$	1 year or less \$	Over 1 to 5 years \$	More than 5 years \$
30 June 2009					
Payables	41,201	(41,201)	(41,201)	–	–
Interest bearing liabilities	24,320	(27,359)	(9,751)	(17,608)	–
	65,521	(68,560)	(50,952)	(17,608)	–
30 June 2008					
Payables	29,532	(29,532)	(29,532)	–	–
Interest bearing liabilities	31,538	(37,406)	(9,779)	(27,627)	–
	61,070	(66,938)	(39,311)	(27,627)	–

(c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, will affect the Company's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company reviews the exposure to interest rate risk as part of the regular Board meetings.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 23. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

Sensitivity analysis

At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Company's interest bearing financial instruments was:

	Carrying amount	
	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Fixed rate instruments		
Financial assets	-	-
Financial liabilities	(24,320)	(31,538)
	(24,320)	(31,538)
Variable rate instruments		
Financial assets	63,839	64,968
Financial liabilities	-	-
	63,839	64,968

Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments

The Company does not account for any fixed interest rate financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Therefore a change in interest rates at the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

A change of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have no impact on profit or retained earnings. For the analysis performed on the same basis as at 30 June 2008 there was also no impact. As at both dates this assumes all other variables remain constant.

(d) Net fair values

The net fair values of financial assets and liabilities approximate the carrying values as disclosed in the Balance Sheet. The Company does not have any unrecognised financial instruments at year end.

(e) Capital management

The Board's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to sustain future development of the Company.

The Board of Directors monitor the return on capital and the level of dividends to shareholders. Capital is represented by total equity as recorded in the Balance Sheet.

Notes to the financial statements continued

Note 23. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Capital management (continued)

In accordance with the franchise agreement, in any 12 month period, the funds distributed to shareholders shall not exceed the Distribution Limit.

(i) the Distribution Limit is the greater of:

(a) 20% of the profit or funds of the Franchisee otherwise available for distribution to shareholders in that 12 month period; and

(b) subject to the availability of distributable profits, the Relevant Rate of Return multiplied by the average level of share capital of the Franchisee over that 12 month period; and

(ii) the Relevant Rate of Return is equal to the weighted average interest rate on 90 day bank bills over that 12 month period plus 5%.

The Board is managing the growth of the business in line with this requirement. There are no other externally imposed capital requirements, although the nature of the Company is such that amounts will be paid in the form of charitable donations and sponsorship. Charitable donations and sponsorship paid for the year ended 30 June 2009 can be seen in the Income Statement.

There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year.

Directors' declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited, I state that:

In the opinion of the Directors:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the Company are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2009 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.



Geoffrey Wall
Chairman

Signed at Rushworth on 21 September 2009.

Independent audit report

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty Chartered Accountants



INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RUSHWORTH & DISTRICT FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

Partners:
Kenneth J Richmond
Warren J Sinnott
Philip P Delahunty
Brett A Andrews

SCOPE

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the directors' declaration for Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited, for the year ended 30 June 2009.

The directors of the company are responsible for preparing a financial report that gives a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the company, and that complies with Accounting Standards in Australia, in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are established to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

Audit approach

We conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the company. Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including compliance with Accounting Standards in Australia, and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report; and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant account estimates made by the directors.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

We performed procedures to assess whether the substance of business transactions was accurately reflected in the financial report. These and our other procedures did not include consideration or judgement of the appropriateness or reasonableness of the business plans or strategies adopted by the directors and management of the company.

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INDEPENDENCE

We are independent of the company, and have met the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Corporations Act 2001. In addition to our audit of the financial report, we were engaged to undertake the services disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The provision of these services has not impaired our independence.

AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion, the financial report of Rushworth & District Financial Services Limited is in accordance with:

- (a) the Corporations Act 2001 including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2009 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

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