

Assisting those who have served to get back in the saddle and reconnect through horsemanship



ANNUAL REPORT JUNE 2022

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I am delighted to present this annual report for Remount Limited, now in the seventh year of operations. The financial, operating, and general business practices are strong which is a credit to the team and testament to what Remount stands for.

Quality governance is essential as it gives confidence to the core reason for being. To that end, I am pleased to welcome Commodore (RAN Retired) Robert Morrison CSC as member of the Remount Board of Directors. Bob's many years of leadership experience in the military and his business acumen will bring great value to the team. To my fellow directors thank you for your work behind the scenes to ensure the company is well managed.

The real champions of Remount however are our volunteers. The team collectively contribute over 2,000 hours of their time, expertise, and mentoring to make these wonderful experiences and outcomes happen. Through this dedicated work, Remount has hosted over 350 people from the Veteran and First Responder Communities and the impacts have reached even further than that.

We have countless stories of lives changed and, in some cases, saved. This obligation has not been lost on us, and this year Remount made a submission to the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide. Remount is just a small part of the solution to this devastating challenge, yet it is the way Remount offers this support we wanted to share. We will continue to advocate the benefit of non-clinical, low administrative based activities, particularly linked to animal therapy as a way of acknowledging and helping those who have served.

Our capability is constantly being enhanced with additional accommodation and facility upgrades occurring throughout the year. Our thanks to the Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation and the Foote family for their procurement of the quality accommodation.

I would like to thank Lockheed Martin for their foundational support, and we will always be grateful for their initial funding. As we now look to the future, new sponsors have stepped in to help and it is encouraging to see the growing list of families and corporations showing interest in the value Remount delivers for our veterans.

The Lansdowne Foundation donated \$10,000 and just recently, the Kerridge Foundation donated \$25,000. My sincere thanks to you both. These along with other donations are not only valuable support to our operations, but they are also wonderful recognition of what Remount does for our Veterans. The continued support of Yass Soldiers Club and Yass Valley Veterinary, and a recent contribution from the Yass branch of Commonwealth Bank is also a great sign of how strong our local support is. Thank you.

To our Veterans, First Responders and all your families, thank you for your service and for your sacrifice. Remount is always here for you.

Matt Crozier

Chairman

MARKETING & MEDIA

The Remount Facebook site has 4,900 followers and continues to provide a source of inspiration and connection for attendees and people who are considering coming to Remount. Total Facebook reach was 157,000 during the reporting period.





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Page Views: 7000+
Sessions: 4000+

in REMOUNT LTD
253 FOLLOWERS







TREASURER'S REPORT for the financial year ending June 2022

Dear Remount Stakeholders, I am pleased to present the Treasurer's Report for the financial year ending June 2022. The financial results for the year show Remount continues to grow, and has the resources required to ensure the ongoing delivery of its programs for the service men and women of Australia.

Remount has produced a profit of \$50,857 for the 2022 financial year which is \$10,072 lower than last years profit. The reduced profit for the year was a result of additional depreciation (due to additional plant and equipment) and an increase of \$7,968 (325%) in our insurance premium. Revenue remained largely the same as 2021.

The cash surplus from 2021 was used to purchase and fit out an additional transportable accommodation unit close to the Gunben arena, and acquire two new horses, Bundy and Missi. The horses are fitting into the team well, and the unit provides very comfortable accommodation for our program participants at the end of a long day in the saddle.

It is pleasing to also report that Remount is financially resilient. At the end of 2022 our assets have grown to \$176,046, up from \$125,189. This is predominately made up of \$15,939 of horse plant and equipment, and two demountable accommodation units valued at \$75,791. Remount finished the year with cash in the bank of \$48,415.

The major sponsors for 2022 were Lockheed Martin Australia, Lord Mayor's Charitable Trust, Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Lansdowne Foundation, and the Yass Soldiers Club. We are grateful for their support. I also acknowledge the many other donations by the local community and our Remount supporters further afield. All these contributions collectively allow us to fund our programs for the year and invest in horses, plant, and equipment to improve and expand our programs.



Once again, the financials only provide a small window into Remount, as always in 2022 we relied on the generous contributions made by a wide range of supporters; the most valuable contributors to Remount are our dedicated volunteers. They made a welcome return to the saddle in 2022 sharing their skills and passion with our program participants once again. The support team on the ground also continued to provide great country hospitality with good healthy meals, and ensured the participants were well looked after at each program.

Remount is well placed to continue to grow and provide its much-needed programs in 2023 and beyond.

Regards

Mark Barber

Treasurer

COMMUNITY SUPPORT & DONATIONS

Remount delivers to people who travel from all across Australia, yet it is the combined effort of the Yass Community that makes it happen.

With over 2,000 hours of volunteer time each year, the Remount family offer not only their time, they also provide horses, deliver quality hospitality, donate produce, and make ongoing cash donations to underpin operations.

Yass Valley Veterinary continues to provide discounted services to all Remount owned horses of which there are now seven.

- Bill and Marg Mackay from "Brookfield" donated sheep
- Matt and Maree Doyle from "Glenryan" donate their land and cattle for mustering experiences
- Ryan and Natasha Walsh from "Springfield Park" provide cattle for mustering experiences
- Scott and Desnee Schlunke from "Hillgrove" donate their land and cattle for mustering experiences
- Jim and Sally Hutton from Yass provide quality hand-made signage and ongoing mentoring support
- Wendy and Chris Gould subsidised the acquisition of "Bundy"
- Judy Patten donated \$2,000
- The Goodwin Homes annual fete donated \$1,352
- Rodney Wark donated \$1,000
- David Scherr donated \$1,000
- Other cash donations received include:

Hayden Mead \$600 Toby Crothers \$500 Judy Bell "Clutches for a Cause" \$200 Di and Allan Stone \$100



















CORPORATE RELATIONS

- Lockheed Martin donated \$34,500 which underwrites Remount's operating expenses
- The Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation provided \$35,000 through the Eldon and Anne Foote Grant program to fund portable accommodation
- Commonwealth Bank donated \$10,000 as part of the employee assistance program
- The Lansdown Foundation donated \$10,000 to fund additional horses
- Yass Soldiers Club donated \$5,000
- RB Sellars continues to supply quality embroidered work wear at cost price

RB SELLARS







Remount would like to thank all our sponsors and supporters for your generosity. Without your time and donations, our programs would not be possible.

TESTIMONIALS

A sample of our Drover feedback is listed below. These excerpts are intended to give the reader a sense of the impact Remount has had on visitors and their families. Names have been removed to remain confidential. We thank all Drovers for showing the courage to come to Remount and appreciate them taking the time to share their thoughts with us.

"Thank you so much for encouraging me to go to Remount. It was absolutely fabulous. I'm still tingling from the experience two days after getting home. I don't think the feeling will be leaving me any time soon."

"I just want to thank you, your beautiful wife Marina and all the wonderful Remount family for opening your hearts and home to every Veteran and their family that comes through the gates of Gunben."

"You have reminded me of the healing power of the horse........Remount has been life changing for me and my mental health."

"The smell of the horses was enough to lower the blood pressure and relieve the stress. Thank you does not seem enough."

"I can't describe the benefits I got from being here. You are wonderful people with huge hearts so thank you."

"Thank you Remount for the opportunity to learn, grow and enjoy. The connection between man and horse, man and mentor, man and friend will be difficult to forget."

"Words will never do justice to what you guys are doing there. Quite simply you are changing and saving people's lives. Thank you!"

"There are not many places in this world that welcome you like family - we are blessed to have been part of the beautiful Remount program in the past, and heading out there again on the weekend felt just like coming home. Thanks for opening your home to my little family (again!)."

"An incredible weekend! Thank you all for your hard work and support, truly an amazing experience."

"Can't speak highly enough of these last few days we spent with you all! A weekend to remember for sure! Thanks Remount, we are still buzzing. Your team are exceptional and it was a delight to meet everyone."

"The wonderful thing is, it's not just the Drovers who benefit - I think we all take something special away from the program. A very special place building very special memories for all involved."

"If you are only a student of technique, then the options become very limited. On the other hand, when you are a student of the horse, the options are unlimited."

Mark Rashid





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Remount has hosted over 350 people since commencing operations in 2016.

Remount Limited is an Australian company limited by guarantee, governed by a Board of Directors.

Remount provides horsemanship programs to veterans and first responders, their families and carers, at no charge. It is fully staffed by volunteers.

Remount is a registered charity and is endorsed as a deductible gift recipient by the Australian Taxation Office. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Remount participants stay on farm at "Gunben" and learn the language of the horse, and then apply these skills to muster cattle as a team.

It is our way of saying thank you to those who have served and are currently serving; and in doing so make significant sacrifices for which we are eternally grateful.