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## 2017 Annual General Meeting

### Treasurer's Report

2016 was the fourth year in a row that Ballina Players made a loss – the auditors quoting \$2,344 which is a good turn-around from the \$18,529 loss in 2015. The Committee accepted recommendations for price increases in almost all of our operations, and this has led to the improved situation for 2016. However, we still need to be mindful that Ballina Players needs to operate with a profit each year.

The table below records the overall attendance at the five productions for 2016.

<b>Production</b>	<b>% capacity</b>
Legally Blonde Jr	91.6
Funny Money	71.3
Return to the Forbidden Planet	69.2
The Patrick Pearse Motel	67.3
Best Little Whorehouse in Texas	78.5

The Committee has made a request that for a more realistic understanding of the profitability of each show, that our occupancy costs should be included in profit and loss statements. Up until now, these have been treated separately. The table overleaf records the occupancy costs for last year, with an average amount per performance as opposed to the daily amount I have reported on in the past.

Directors are now asked to ensure that these underlying costs are taken into account when preparing their budget for a show.

**Occupancy costs 2016****Extra Income 2016**

Administration	\$150	Family History	\$1,250
Audit fees	\$3,100	Southern X School	\$1,000
Cleaning	\$13,776	FunSing	\$3,000
Curtain Call	\$123	Membership fees	\$1,100
Electricity	\$6,326	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,350</b>
Gifts	\$250		
Insurances	\$3,930		
Liquor licence	\$430	<b>Operative costings</b>	<b>\$29,506</b>
Memberships	\$130		
Merchant facility	\$950		
Rates - land	\$1,066	Per performance costings	<b>\$615</b>
Rates - water	\$1,770	(48 performances 2016)	
Repairs maintenance	\$1,886		
Replacements	\$100		
Security	\$117		
Telephone	\$1,072		
Wardrobe	\$200		
Website	\$480		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35,856</b>		

Ballina Players remains in a strong financial position with cash on hand of \$102,061.33 as of yesterday. With our lack of success recently in acquiring grants, we need to give careful consideration to the timing of our plans to refurbish the bar area.

I have taken on the task of treasurer for some time now, but would not have been able to properly complete my duties without the guiding hand of Lyn Gale. Again, I express my appreciation to her for her continuing interest in the Players' finances and for keeping me on the straight and narrow.

Geoff Marsh  
Treasurer

The following is a copy of the auditor's report.