



Australian Society for the
Study of Brain Impairment

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ANNUAL REPORT

1 January – 31 December

2010

ASSBI's MISSION STATEMENT

The Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment (ASSBI) held its first annual conference in Melbourne in 1978. The early years of ASSBI owe a significant debt to the leadership of the foundation President Dr Kevin Walsh, who is fondly and rightfully acknowledged as the founding father of Australian neuropsychology.

From its inception, ASSBI has provided a unique forum for multi-disciplinary research and clinical practice for Australian professionals working in brain impairment. Research presentation standards have always been high and, prior to 1999, conference proceedings were published for each meeting.

In 2000 the society launched the journal Brain Impairment. Abstracts for all presentations at the annual meetings have since been published in Brain Impairment, as well as selected full papers. Brain Impairment represents a scientific journal of high quality. It publishes peer-reviewed empirical studies, literature reviews, commentaries, case reports and special issues devoted to particular themes. Brain Impairment covers a broad range of topics relevant to brain impairment including neurology, neuropsychology, psychiatry, clinical psychology, neuropathology, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech pathology and anatomy and the full range of conditions that affect brain function (stroke, tumour, dementing illnesses, traumatic brain injury, epilepsy etc.) throughout the lifespan.

Importantly ASSBI has always given young aspiring students a collegial environment to meet their peers and more experienced clinicians and researchers. Traditionally, at each conference, the Kevin Walsh encouragement award is given to the best fourth year or masters student presentation. In 1999 the Luria award was also introduced for the best PhD student presentation.

As a national society ASSBI has held its annual conferences in a variety of locations across Australia including Brisbane, Sydney, Newcastle, Melbourne, Hobart, Canberra, Magnetic Island and Port Macquarie. ASSBI also has a high international profile. To date there have been five meetings held in Australia by ASSBI in conjunction with large international organisations. Three joint meetings have been held with the International Neuropsychological Society (at the Gold Coast in 1991, in Cairns in 1996 and in Brisbane in 2004). A meeting was also held jointly by ASSBI and the International Association for the Study of Traumatic Brain Injury (IASTBI) in Melbourne in 2001. The most recent meeting was the 6th World Congress on brain injury co-sponsored by ASSBI, the International Brain Injury Association and the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine held in Melbourne in 2005.

Finally, ASSBI is committed to best practice in the assessment and remediation of disorders arising from brain impairment. For that reason it is a proud sponsor of PsycBITE™ which is a database of all treatment studies that have ever been published to address psychologically based disorders arising from brain impairment. PsycBITE™ was developed by a group of professional researchers and clinicians in Sydney Australia and is freely available on the internet at www.psycbite.com.

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YEAR IN REVIEW: 2010 – PRESIDENTS REPORT



Dear Members,

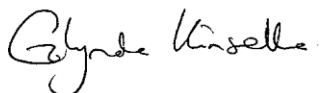
Throughout 2010, ASSBI continued to provide an exciting and energising program of professional development opportunities. For all of us, professional development is a key component of maintaining our skills and expertise in our constantly updating professions. Our National Registration Board requires each of us to develop a plan for the coming year or so in terms of our personal priorities in expanding knowledge and learning new skills. In this respect, ASSBI is well placed to support its members by offering a range of relevant professional development events. The Society's 2010 conference on the Gold Coast provided a successful and most enjoyable means for updating on a variety of topics from a range of thought-provoking national and international speakers. In addition, the Society's continuing education program has provided several more regionally-based opportunities for access to current state of the art information on specialist topics and expert discussion on challenges in practice. As mentioned in my last newsletter, I would like to send a special note of thanks to Anne Pfaff who recently relinquished her role as the Continuing Education Officer for the Society. Over the past seven years, Anne has been instrumental in developing the Continuing Education workshops to their current position of providing an extremely interesting and varied program for society members. On behalf of the Society I would like to acknowledge all the hard work that Anne, with the able and efficient help of Margaret Eagers, has devoted to developing the professional development arm of ASSBI. Miriam Poole has very generously now taken over from Anne as Continuing Education Officer and we will be running a short interview with Miriam in the next newsletter.

The Society's journal, *Brain Impairment*, continued to show impressive growth in the publishing field and provided further opportunity for sharing knowledge about professional practice in relation to brain impairment. The journal's ongoing success is due to the commitment of its editors (Robyn Tate and Jacinta Douglas), associate editors (Jenny Fleming and David Shum) and committee (Jan Ewing, Carol Burton, Olivier Piguet, and Deborah Theodoros) – well done!

Another important section of the Society committed to sharing knowledge about innovations in treatments and assessment is the Resources unit. Under the entrepreneurial leadership of Skye McDonald throughout 2010 ASSBI is now in a position of offering several extremely useful manuals for clinical interventions. This section would not have emerged without Skye's vision and enthusiasm to make it happen.

By the end of the financial year, ASSBI continues to be financially stable and as this is my last annual report as President of the Society I would like to take the opportunity to thank a few people. Firstly, I would like to thank Margaret Eagers and her hard working team who provide such tremendous administrative support to keep ASSBI running – a big thank you! I would also like to thank the members of the executive committee who give so much of their time to keep ASSBI at the forefront of professional issues – it has been a pleasure working with you all. I am pleased to be able to hand over to Leanne Togher as the incoming President. Leanne has been a main advocate for ASSBI for many years and will bring a wealth of experiences and perceptions to the role. I wish Leanne well in her Presidential role.

Our annual conference is in Auckland, New Zealand 6-9 July, and it is combined this year with the International Neuropsychology Society mid-year meeting, so it promises to be an exciting event. Looking forward to seeing you there.



Glynda Kinsella
President

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Report put together by Anne Pfaff & Margaret Eagers

Four workshops were held this year in QLD, NSW, WA and SA as well as the Annual Conference on the Gold Coast in QLD. Our thanks go to the Speakers who gave up their valuable time to travel interstate to give these workshops and promote ASSBI. Thanks also to the wonderful convenors and their helpers who give us both a lot of support in hosting these events and finally to the delegates who turn up to listen and hopefully learn something new.

Please remember we cannot run this program if no-one turns up to support, so if you want to hear someone in your state get in touch with us and we will do our best to help.

Some of the workshops planned for 2011/2012 are as a result of members asking for particular speakers to come to their state.

2010 CONFERENCE REPORT

- Innovations in Neurorehabilitation

The 33rd Annual ASSBI conference was held from 6th - 8th of May 2010 at the Surfers Paradise Holiday Inn on the Gold Coast. The hotel was located 100 metres from beautiful golden beaches and had received a 17 million dollar refurbishment in 2007. The organising committee consisted of Tamara Ownsworth, Margaret Eagers, David Shum, Jenny Fleming, Petrea Cornwell and Gina Geffen.

The conference theme, Innovations in Neurorehabilitation, focused on cutting edge developments in brain injury rehabilitation research and its translation into clinical practice and service delivery across many disciplines. A total of 232 people registered for the conference from all around Australia and New Zealand, with 118 delegates attending at least one of the four workshops.

Invited speakers included distinguished multidisciplinary researchers and clinicians from neuropsychology and clinical psychology (Prof Barbara Wilson and Dr Phil Yates, UK; Prof Skye McDonald, Australia), rehabilitation counselling (Prof Bob Fraser, US), occupational therapy (A/Prof Carolyn Unsworth, Australia), speech therapy (A/Prof Leanne Togher, A/Prof David Copland, Australia) and social work (Dr Grahame Simpson, Australia). The conference attracted 12 sponsors, many of whom sponsored the international and national keynote speakers, including the Motor Accident Authority of NSW, Lifetime Care and Support Scheme, Pearson and Clinical Talent Assessment, Victorian Neurotrauma Initiative and Griffith University.

The workshops on the Thursday were very well attended and covered diverse topics including the application of neuropsychological theories to clinical practice, outcome measurement in brain injury, advances in the assessment and treatment of social

communication impairments and vocational rehabilitation and placement models.

One of the greatest highlights of the conference was the opening address by Prof Cindy Gallois on Thursday evening. Cindy shared her husband's story of recovery from aphasia after stroke and their experiences of this long journey together. Her presentation highlighted the importance of supporting individuals to maintain their social group memberships after stroke and to actively advocate for, and create as many opportunities for ongoing rehabilitation as possible. She also encouraged health professionals to consider their own values and identity within their pivotal role in promoting recovery and adjustment to brain injury.

Following this inspirational opening address we had the great pleasure of launching Prof Robyn Tate's new book "A Compendium of Tests Scales and Questionnaires". Prof Skye McDonald did the honours, with her high praise for this book echoed by Prof Barbara Wilson. Delegates then proceeded to the cocktail party by poolside for some enjoyable socialising.

Over Friday and Saturday 54 high quality free papers were presented that spanned the influence of genes on brain injury outcomes, assessment of paediatric and adult brain injury, functional outcomes, evaluation of novel rehabilitation approaches, developments in service delivery and societal and systemic issues. Feedback from delegates indicated that, as usual, difficult decisions had to be made concerning which session to attend due to the great relevance and interest value of all presentations.

On Friday morning Prof Barbara Wilson gave an excellent keynote address on the top ten cutting edge developments in neurorehabilitation as well as future research directions. One of the ten areas related to the judicious use of neuroimaging, which was also a focus of A/Prof David Copland's subsequent plenary address. David also presented some exciting new developments in the application of pharmacotherapy in the treatment of language disorders. Following these stimulating presentations, Prof Gina Geffen was made a Fellow of ASSBI and accepted her award from ASSBI President Prof Glynda Kinsella. In the afternoon session, the effects of brain injury were examined across the lifespan with Dr Phil Yates from the UK presenting recent research findings on the role of resilience in social adjustment to paediatric brain injury. In her Presidential address Prof Glynda Kinsella presented interesting data on the cognitive outcomes of older adults with mild TBI. Following this address, a launch was held to showcase a number of new ASSBI resources, including treatment manuals. The conference dinner at the Courtyard by Marriot was attended by 63 people who enjoyed the attentive service of the restaurant staff, fine food and excellent dinner conversation.

On Saturday morning our international keynote address by Prof Bob Fraser examined the state of the science of vocational rehabilitation. His impressive research programme encompasses long-term outcome studies of job stability and interventions targeting both personal barriers to re-employment as well as broader

social and systemic issues. A/Prof Carolyn Unsworth continued on the theme of community re-engagement in her keynote address on innovations in driving assessment. She described the development and validation of OT-DORA, and evidence supporting the clinical utility of this new tool. Our final keynote address on Saturday afternoon was by Dr Grahame Simpson who described a state-wide collaborative approach for assessing the prevalence, course, comorbidities and burden of challenging behaviours following traumatic brain injury in NSW.

Congratulations are offered to all presenters for providing such stimulating and clinically applied presentations. Overall, feedback on the conference has been very positive. I would like to thank the ASSBI Executive for inviting me to convene the conference this year, and also thank the conference committee for all their support. A huge thankyou is extended to Margaret Eagers who worked tirelessly to ensure the conference ran smoothly. Finally, on behalf of the committee, I'd like to thank the sponsors for their generous support and ongoing commitment to the Annual Brain Impairment Conference.

Next year we are off to Auckland in New Zealand where Prof Skye McDonald is convening the 4th Pacific Rim Conference in which the 34th ASSBI conference is in conjunction with the Mid-Year International Neuropsychological Society meeting. I have no doubt that this will be a very exciting conference programme.

Tamara Ownsworth

Chair, 2010 ASSBI Conference Convening Committee

2010 WORKSHOP REPORTS

JUNE 2010

WORKSHOP IN SYDNEY given by John Hodges

Title: "Frontotemporal Dementia and Related Disorders: From Theory to Practice"

- Full day - 47 delegates

OCTOBER 2010

WORKSHOP IN WA given by Glenn Kelly

Title: "Challenging Behaviour following Acquired Brain Injury: A framework and strategies for change"

- Full day - 40 delegates

OCTOBER 2010

WORKSHOP IN SA given by Glenn Kelly

Title: "Challenging Behaviour following Acquired Brain Injury: A framework and strategies for change"

- Full day - 52 delegates

NOVEMBER 2010

WORKSHOP IN BRISBANE given by Cristina Bornhofen

Title: "Using Specialised Cognitive Rehabilitation Strategies in Therapy with People with Cognitive Impairment"

- Full day - 52 delegates

2011 and beyond – What's in store?

FEBRUARY 2011

– A WORKSHOP IN SYDNEY to be given by Prof Leora Cherney visiting from the USA.

Title of workshop: "The Future of Aphasia Therapy"

- Half day

APRIL 2011

– A WORKSHOP IN SA to be given by Glenn Kelly (this is a repeat of the workshop given in 2010)

Title of workshop: "Challenging Behaviour following Acquired Brain Injury: A framework and strategies for change"

- Full day

MAY 2011

– A SYMPOSIUM IN SYDNEY to be given by Glynda Kinsella, Olivier Piguet and Liz Mullaly

Title: "Contemporary issues in dementia management: Perspectives from neuroimaging, cognitive interventions, and capacity assessment"

- Full day

The 34th Annual Conference

The 4th Pacific Rim Conference with the theme "The Social Brain" is the 34th Annual ASSBI Conference which is being held in conjunction with the INS mid year meeting. It will be held at SkyCity Convention Centre, Auckland, New Zealand on 6-9 July, Prof Skye McDonald (AUS) and Dr Lynette Tippett (NZ) are the convenors.

Future Conferences

The 35th Annual Conference in 2012 will be held in conjunction with the 7th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation in Melbourne in May, the convenor is John Olver and ASSBI's representative on the committee is Jennie Ponsford

The 36th Annual Conference in 2013 will be held at Wrest Point Casino, Hobart, Tasmania. The theme is "Assessing Clinical Change" and the convenor in Tasmania is Clive Skilbeck

BRAIN IMPAIRMENT

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Report put together by Jan Ewing Chair of the Publications Committee and includes data contributed by the editors and usage statistics provided by Mr Stephen May of AAP.

Overview

Brain Impairment has had another successful year and continues to provide high quality articles of relevance to a wide audience. The ongoing achievements of the past twelve months reflect the continuing commitment and hard work on the part of our two editors, Dr Robyn Tate and Dr Jacinta Douglas, our associate editors, Dr David Shum and Dr Jenny Fleming and also our publisher, AAP. The Publication Committee wishes to thank them all for their contributions to such a productive year.

The journal has now published eleven volumes (28 issues and 1 supplement) with a total of 157 papers, comprising 134 original articles, 5 major reviews, 3 brief reports, 7 president's or invited addresses, 7 Clinical Practice: Current Opinion articles, and 1 Controlled Trials Forum. There have been 8 Special Issues.

As in previous years, *Brain Impairment* continues to depend upon submissions being actively sought. To this end, the Special Issues, which appear in each volume, have become a prominent focus for the journal. A recent trend has been submissions from the wider research community than members of ASSBI, and this may be in response to the more prominent profile that *Brain Impairment* now enjoys as a result of listing on databases, such as PsycINFO.

While sourcing high quality submissions remains challenging, the journal received 24 submissions in 2010 (67% of which have been accepted and 4% are still in the reviewing process).

The high standard of articles accepted is also continuing and we would like to acknowledge the assistance of a number of reviewers who have kindly given their time and expertise in this endeavour.

Growth & Progress

In the 2008 annual report, the editors identified a number of strategies to raise the profile of the journal, and these provide a useful benchmark. The ongoing success of *Brain Impairment* is once again reflected in excellent growth in our overall usage statistics for the last year. Article downloads through Atyponlink indexing increased from 18,822 in 2009 to 23,750 in 2010, an increase of 26% (see Figure 1).

Other usage statistics provided by AAP are attached to this report in Appendix B.

In 2008, *Brain Impairment* was accepted in SCOPUS, and 2010 was the third year of listing. Although it is clear that *Brain Impairment* is a relatively new journal and, while the metrics provided by SCOPUS are low, they are increasing. Part of the issue is that the journal

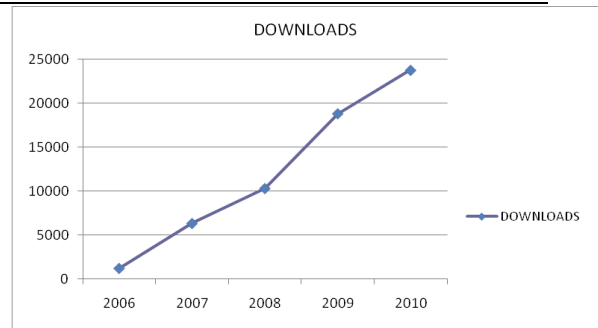


Figure 1. *Brain Impairment*: Total number of Atyponlink article downloads 2006-2010

is only published three times per year, with a total of 19 articles published in each of 2009 and 2010. Therefore, the task ahead is to develop strategies to increase the number of published articles and hence the number of issues produced each year. To this end, the editors are working towards increasing the number of issues of the journal from three to four issues per year. In 2011, for the first time *Brain Impairment* will be producing four issues, with a Supplement for the joint ASSBI and International Neuropsychological Society abstracts (meeting to be held in Auckland) and in 2012 for the joint ASSBI and World Federation of Neurorehabilitation abstracts (meeting to be held in Melbourne). From 2013 onwards, therefore, we anticipate producing four regular issues of *Brain Impairment* per year.

In the past 4 years the average issue length has remained steady at between 107 and 114 pages. This is above the contracted rate of 80 pages. We consider that the larger volume sizes are justified in this period of the journal's continued establishment, and are supported by the increased usage statistics as reported above. The publisher advises that it is a cheaper option to have a larger issue than an additional issue.

Anticipated Publication Schedule: 2011-2012

The editors have provided the following publication schedule

2011 Four issues (May, Sept, Dec, Supplement):

- 12.1: *May*: Regular issue + 2010 presidential address, prize winning student abstracts,
- 12.2: *September*: Special issue: Post-traumatic growth and positive changes after brain injury
- 12.3: *December*: Regular issue to include papers, + clinical practice: current opinion
- Supplement*: 2011 abstracts Joint ASSBI & International Neuropsychological Society (mid-year meeting in Auckland) + Neuropsychological Rehabilitation Symposium abstracts, Rotorua

2012 Four issues (May, Sept, Dec, Supplement):

- 13.1: *May*: Regular issue to include papers, 2011 presidential address + prize winning student abstracts
- 13.2: *September*: Special issue: Transition to community living after acquired brain impairment

13.3: *December*: Regular issue to include papers, + clinical practice: current opinion
Supplement: 2012 abstracts of the World Federation of Neurorehabilitation, Melbourne

Move towards Electronic Submission

Currently, *Brain Impairment* receives submissions electronically via direct email with attachment to the editors. In December 2009, we began working with AAP to set up an electronic submission process through the AAP website. The Editors have conducted a second trial of the system in the first part of 2011 and we are currently rectifying the problems that were encountered. We anticipate commencing the on-line submission procedure for the second half of 2011.

New copy-editing facility

The Editors have targeted the first issue of 2011 of *Brain Impairment* (vol. 12.1) to conduct an audit of the effectiveness of the new copy-editing facilities.

The journal continues to run very smoothly and the Publication Committee has again been able to monitor the journal's progress with minimal intervention or concerns on our part over another year. This reflects the efficient and dedicated work of our editors and associate editors and we once again wish to acknowledge and thank them for their efforts.

There are no outstanding issues for the executive committee or membership to consider at this time.

Jan Ewing

Chair, Publication Committee

RESOURCES

Report put together by Skye McDonald
 ASSBI Resources is an arm of ASSBI developed to bring clinicians and researchers useful assessment and treatment resources that are high quality, evidence based and affordable. Resources are sold via the ASSBI website <http://www.assbi.com.au/assbiresources.html>. New ideas for additional publications should be addressed to Skye McDonald: s.mcdonald@unsw.edu.au

Existing Resources

- Improving First Impressions (\$140)
 This manual provides detailed program notes and handouts for 12 sessions that address training of basic areas of social skills.
- Communicate with Confidence (\$95)
 This manual is a practical guide for anyone wanting to improve or refresh their communications skills.
- Austin Maze (\$110)
 This electronic version, available for free download for 30 days and then for purchase.
- Reading A Smile (and other great expressions): An Emotion Perception Kit (\$340)
 This kit is comprehensive including 6 packs of photos, two game boards, flash cards, a manual and a DVD. First print run has sold out and we are producing the next.

- Making the most of your memory: An everyday memory program (\$140)
 This comprises a detailed manual with instructions for each session and a CD of powerpoint slides for sessions and template handouts for printing. Retail price \$140.

- TBI – Express: Social communication training for people with TBI and their communication partners (\$140)
 This is a treatment program for training people with TBI and their communication partners to improve everyday communication. This also comprises a manual and CD and will be available early 2011. Orders are currently being taken.

Sales to date

Resource		2010	Total Sales to end of 2010
Communicate with Confidence	<i>with</i>	6	16
Improving Impressions	<i>First</i>	10	35
Making the Most of Your Memory		6	6
Reading a Smile and other great expressions		12	12
TBI Express		3	3
Austin Maze		13	13

Skye McDonald,

Coordinator of ASSBI Resources

WEBSITE

Report put together by Michael Hennessy - NetDesign – Network Services

Hosting and maintenance of the ASSBI websites has focused on the upcoming conference in New Zealand, workshops and the member access to specific areas of the site for document downloads. Web statistics for the period indicate that the ASSBI site had a total of 287,527 hits/visits for the period 1-Jan-2010 till 31-Dec-2010 with the peak month being December 2010 with 34,427 hits/visits. The home page, assbi news, assbi newsletter, assbi resources, 2011 conference speaker biographies, conference provisional program, call for abstracts, assbi journal and membership being the highest viewed in rank order during 2010.

The web trends for 2011 are higher with 105,015 hits/visits being recorded to date. The most viewed areas have been the home page, the newsletter, provisional conference, workshops, assbi resources, assbi journal, assbi news, membership, membership lists, 2011 conference speaker biographies and the links page as ranked with highest hits/visits.

The current web hosting arrangements for the ASSBI web site are effective until the end of July 2011 after which they will be subject to renewal.

The domain name **www.assbi.com.au** registration is current until September, 2012 and will be renewed automatically on behalf of ASSBI, this is a bi-annual renewal. Web and Email forwarding for this domain is due for renewal in September, 2011.

The domain name **www.assbi.com** registration is current until August 2011. Web and Email Hosting for this domain is due for renewal in July 2011. These renewals will be carried out automatically on behalf of ASSBI as they fall due.

Our ongoing commitments for ASSBI are maintaining the hosting of the domain name www.assbi.com and the domain forwarding for www.assbi.com.au. Maintaining the domain name registration for **www.assbi.com** and **www.assbi.com.au**.

Michael Hennessy
Webmaster

STUDENTS

ASSBI values the student input to the Society and students make up 10% of the membership. Membership costs \$80 annually and includes discounts to workshops the conference and 3 copies of Brain Impairment

The student input to the Annual Conference is rewarded with 3 prizes of \$750 for student presentations. The 2010 Kevin Walsh Award was not awarded this year, there was a tie for the Luria Award - winners of the 2010 Luria Award were **Sharpley Hsieh and Melissa Nott** and the winner of the 2010 Travel Award was **Emma Doig**.

The committee would like to thank Prof Michael Perdices and his wonderful volunteer judges who manage to find 3 winners amongst the fine line up of student presentations year after year.

MEMBERSHIP

For the cost of \$140 (\$80 for students) membership of ASSBI entitles a member to 3 copies of Brain Impairment annually, substantial discount to the Annual Brain Impairment Conference and the growing number of workshops being held nationally and internationally.

Fellows:

Kevin Walsh
Vicki Anderson
Jenny Ponsford
Jacinta Douglas
Robyn Tate
Jan Ewing
Skye McDonald
Gina Geffen

Financial Members as at 31.12.10
- 321 (compared to 347 in 2009)

Financial Members as at 2011
AGM – 356 (compared to 386 in 2010)

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Report put together by ISIS Partners Pty. Ltd. –
Appendix A (Accountants),
Margaret Eagers – Executive Officer and overseen by
Skye McDonald – Treasurer

Reports - Broken down by Job

MEMBERSHIP FEES 2010/2011/2012

Income for memberships

Membership Fees 2010	\$4,690.82
Membership Fees 2011	\$37,098.34
Membership Fees 2012	\$ 867.24
Total Income	\$42,656.40
Expenses (Admin Fees & merchant fees)	\$864.00

Net Profit (Loss) \$41,792.40

ADMINISTRATION

Cost of Sales

Catering for Conference	\$1,818.18
Speakers Costs-conference	\$50.00
Venue Hire - conference	\$272.73
Printing & Publishing	\$3,020.00
Admin Fee	\$358.36
Courier costs for workshops	\$7.23
Consultancy Fees	\$2,276.00
Printing flyers	\$1,012.50
Total Cost of Sales	\$8,815.00

Expense

Accountancy & Audt Fees	\$1,850.00
Administration Fee	\$22,111.35
Bank Fees	\$40.00
Insurance	\$0.00
Merchant Fees	\$787.03
Post, Printing & Stationery	\$2,128.72
Software & Support	\$361.93
Sundry Expenses	\$438.23
Website Expenses	\$990.91
Student Awards	\$2,250.00
Incorporation fees	\$37.18
Subscriptions (APS&ISBN)	\$500.00
Total Expense	\$31,495.35

Other Expense	
Sponsorship by ASSBI	\$7,000.00
Total Other Expense	\$7,000.00

Net Profit (Loss) (\$47,310.35)

BRAIN IMPAIRMENT – Admin costs

Income

Royalty payments	\$2,929.66
Total Income	\$2,929.66

Cost of Sales

Editors Fees	\$6,000.00
Online hosting of BI - AAP	\$2,335.50
Bank Fees	\$20.00
Total Cost of Sales	\$8,355.50

Net Profit (Loss) (\$5,425.84)

BI11.1

Cost of Sales

Printing & Publishing	\$2,646.44
Post, Printing & Stationery	\$836.76
Total Cost of Sales	\$3,483.20

Net Profit (Loss) (\$3,483.20)

BI11.2

Income

Reimbursement of Printing costs	\$4,112.75
Reimbursement of Postage Costs	\$644.00

Total Income \$4,756.75

Cost of Sales

Printing & Publishing	\$11,257.12
Post, Printing & Stationery	\$644.00

Total Cost of Sales \$11,901.12

Net Profit (Loss) (\$7,144.37)

BI11.3

Cost of Sales (all went through in 2011)

Printing & Publishing	\$0
Total Cost of Sales	\$0

Net Profit (Loss) (\$0)

Net Profit (Loss) for BI over 2010

(\$18,983.07)

CONFERENCE – 2010 – profit

\$14,548.44

profit from 2009 - \$11,952.87

profit from 2010 - \$2,595.57

2010 Figures

Income

Sponsorship	\$6,410.00
Conference Registrations	\$75,717.22
Conference Dinner	\$3,927.29
Cocktail Party	\$480.01
Workshop Fees	\$16,645.44
Total Income	\$103,179.96

Cost of Sales

Conference Organisers Fee	\$16,056.00
Courier costs for conference	\$289.20
Sundry Expenses - Conference	\$49.27
Audio Visual	\$14,387.96
Catering for Conference	\$36,747.27
Speakers Costs-conference	\$11,092.89
Printing for Conference	\$6,882.01
Venue Hire - conference	\$954.54
Printing & Publishing	\$6,779.70
Catering	\$3,814.55
Speakers Costs	\$1,206.37
Venue Hire	\$409.09
Total Cost of Sales	\$98,668.85

Expense

Administration Fee	\$227.50
Merchant Fees	\$1,538.04
Website Expenses	\$150.00
Total Expense	\$1,915.54

Net Profit (Loss) \$2,595.57

CONFERENCE – 2011

Income

Sponsorship	\$20,081.89
Conference Registrations	\$1,213.65
Conference Dinner	\$409.10
Workshop Fees	\$281.81
Total Income	\$21,986.45

Cost of Sales

Conference Organisers Fee	\$2,741.25
Courier costs for conference	\$68.00
Sundry Expenses - Conference	\$75.36
Fares for conference	\$67.01
Catering for Conference	\$0.00
Speakers Costs-conference	\$1,175.81
Printing for Conference	\$4,758.80
Courier costs for workshops	\$165.71
Total Cost of Sales	\$9,051.94

Expense

Administration Fee	\$350.00
Bank Fees	\$1.89
Total Expense	\$351.89

Net Profit (Loss) \$12,582.62

CONFERENCE – 2011 – Satellite

Income

Conference Registrations	\$545.46
Total Income	\$545.46

Cost of Sales

Conference Organisers Fee	\$332.50
Sundry Expenses - Conference	\$69.75
Speakers Costs-conference	\$100.00
Printing for Conference	\$1,346.75
Total Cost of Sales	\$1,849.00

Net Profit (Loss) (\$1,303.54)

CONFERENCE – 2013

Cost of Sales

Conference Organisers Fee	\$735.00
Total Cost of Sales	\$735.00

Net Profit (Loss) (\$735.00)

RESOURCES

Income

Sale of Publications	\$5,695.43
Total Income	\$5,695.43

Cost of Sales

Printing & Publishing	\$199.50
Printing for Resources	\$4,318.55
Postage for resources	\$57.46
Total Cost of Sales	\$4,575.51

Expense

Merchant Fees	\$37.01
Post, Printing & Stationery	\$294.67
Subscriptions (APS&ISBN)	\$181.82
Total Expense	\$513.50

Net Profit (Loss) \$606.42

SUSTAINABILITY OF ASSBI

(Work done by Blake Hanson to write manual and assist Margaret Eagers)

Expense

Administration Fee	\$703.50
Total Expense	\$703.50

Net Profit (Loss) (\$703.50)

WORKSHOPS

John Hodges in NSW; Glenn Kelly in WA and SA; Cristina Bornhofen in QLD

Net Profit (Loss) \$10,883.24

John Hodges in Sydney

Income

Workshop Fees	\$6,227.33
Total Income	\$6,227.33

Cost of Sales

Audio Visual	\$50.00
Admin Fee	\$1,345.66
Courier costs for workshops	\$34.02
Printing for workshops	\$60.00
Catering	\$610.00
Speakers Costs	\$1,500.00
Venue Hire	\$200.00
Total Cost of Sales	\$3,799.68

Expense

Merchant Fees	\$99.99
Total Expense	\$99.99

Net Profit (Loss) \$2,327.66

Glenn Kelly in WA

Income

Workshop Fees	\$6,463.76
Total Income	\$6,463.76

Cost of Sales

Admin Fee	\$418.50
Courier costs for workshops	\$36.89
Printing for workshops	\$109.86
Catering	\$325.29
Consultancy Fees	\$618.18
Speakers Costs	\$2,009.41
Venue Hire	\$350.00
Total Cost of Sales	\$3,868.13

Expense

Merchant Fees	\$33.10
Total Expense	\$33.10

Net Profit (Loss) \$2,562.53

Glenn Kelly in SA

Income

Workshop Fees \$7,945.60
Total Income \$7,945.60

Cost of Sales

Admin Fee \$453.54
Courier costs for workshops \$64.65
Catering \$957.58
Consultancy Fees \$838.64
Speakers Costs \$1,963.95
Total Cost of Sales \$4,278.36

Expense

Merchant Fees \$64.40
Total Expense \$64.40

Net Profit (Loss) \$3,602.84

Cristina Bornhofen in QLD

Income

Workshop Fees \$6,677.30
Total Income \$6,677.30

Cost of Sales

Admin Fee \$70.00
Courier costs for workshops \$75.51
Catering \$1,043.00
Consultancy Fees \$971.50
Speakers Costs \$2,024.79
Total Cost of Sales \$4,184.80

Expense

Merchant Fees \$102.29
Total Expense \$102.29

Net Profit (Loss) \$2,390.21

Analysis of the accounts from Accountants

Decrease in Income:

The income from various services has decreased by \$30,578 from last year. Gross profit from trading in 2009 was \$132,347 which declined to \$101,769 in 2010. The major changes were in the income received from Membership subscriptions (a decline of \$6,396.43), workshop income (a decline of \$7,999.03). The biggest decline in income was for Conference Income of \$14,493.06 from last year, lead to a loss of \$15,369.

The main reason for decline in Conference Income was from realising the \$10,000 Catering expenses for conference which was part of prepayments last year.

Increase in Expenses:

The other factor that leads to loss this year was the increase in expenses. The major increase in expenses like Postage, Printing & Stationary (increase of \$5,421), Secretarial Costs (increase of \$9,620), Workshop expenses (increase of \$11,743) and other increase in expenses you find in the Income statement. Net Increase in total expenses from 2009 year was \$26,785 (\$104,821 in 2010 less \$78,036 in 2009).

All the above reasons make up for the loss of \$3,308 in 2010.

APPENDIX A

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Membership Subscriptions	42,656	49,053
Conference Net Income	(15,369)	(876)
Workshop Income	44,955	52,954
Sponsorship	<u>19,492</u>	<u>19,160</u>
	91,734	120,291
OTHER INCOME		
Royalty Payments	2,930	3,187
Interest Received	6,174	8,589
Gross profit from trading	931	280
	<u>10,035</u>	<u>12,056</u>
	101,769	132,347
EXPENSES		
Accountancy Fees	1,850	1,750
Bank Charges	2,749	3,424
Computer Expenses	1,503	330
Journal Expenses	35,862	36,990
Postage, Printing & Stationery	10,168	4,747
Registration Fees	37	36
Secretarial Costs	23,404	13,784
Student Awards	2,250	2,250
Subscriptions	682	-
Sundry Expenses	530	181
Travelling Expenses	-	501
Workshop Expenses	<u>25,786</u>	<u>14,043</u>
	<u>104,821</u>	<u>78,036</u>
(Loss) Profit before income tax	(3,052)	54,311
Income tax expense	<u>(473)</u>	<u>(1336)</u>
(Loss) Profit for the period after income tax	(3,525)	52,975
Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial period	<u>246,570</u>	<u>193,594</u>
Profit attributable to members of the company	<u>243,045</u>	<u>246,569</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF BRAIN IMPAIRMENT INC.
A.B.N 38 320 381 623

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		120,750	142,078
Trade and other receivables	2	26,263	16,689
Inventories	3	1,610	679
Prepayments		45,455	20,960
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		194,078	180,406
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Financial assets	4	65,000	65,000
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		65,000	65,000
TOTAL ASSETS		259,078	245,406
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade Creditors		1,090	-
Memberships in Advance		16,304	-
Provision for Income Tax		(1,361)	(1,163)
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		16,033	(1,163)
TOTAL LIABILITIES		16,033	(1,163)
NET ASSETS		243,045	246,569
EQUITY			
Retained earnings	5	243,045	246,569
TOTAL EQUITY		243,045	246,569

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

The committee has prepared the financial statements on the basis that the company is a non reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. The financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the needs of members.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below which the director has determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The accounting policies that have been adopted in the preparation of these statements are as follows:

Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on a first-in first-out basis and include direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead expenses.

Financial Assets

Financial assets are brought to account at cost or committee's valuation. Dividends and interest are brought to account when received.

2 Trade and Other Receivables

Current

Trade Debtors	20,576	16,459
BAS Payments	<u>5,687</u>	<u>230</u>
	<u>26,263</u>	<u>16,689</u>

The company does not hold any financial assets whose terms have been renegotiated, but which would otherwise be past due or impaired.

3 Inventories

Current

Stock on Hand	<u>1,610</u>	<u>679</u>
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4 Financial Assets

Non-Current

Debenture Stock - Esanda	<u>65,000</u>	<u>65,000</u>
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5 Retained Earnings

Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial period	246,570	193,594
(Net loss) Net profit attributable to members of the company	<u>(3,525)</u>	<u>52,975</u>
Retained earnings at the end of the financial period	<u>243,045</u>	<u>246,569</u>

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of The Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment Inc as at 31st December 2010 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that The Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

President:
Prof Glynda Kinsella (President)

Treasurer:
Prof Skye McDonald (Treasurer)

Dated this day of2011

**AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF BRAIN IMPAIRMENT INC
A.B.N. 38 320 381 623**

CERTIFICATE BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

I, Prof Glynda Kinsella of
and I, Prof Skye McDonald of certify that:

- (a) We are members of the committee of The Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment Inc.
- (b) We attended the annual general meeting of the association held on
- (c) We are authorised by the attached resolution of the committee to sign this certificate.
- (d) This annual statement was submitted to the members of the association at its annual general meeting

Committee Member:
Prof Glynda Kinsella (President)

Committee Member:
Prof Skye McDonald (Treasurer)

Dated this day of2011

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF BRAIN IMPAIRMENT INC.
A.B.N 38 320 381 623**

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Australian Society for the study of Brain Impairment Inc., which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 December 2010, profit and loss statement for the period then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the committee's declaration.

Director's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the company is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the company's constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the company's constitution. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

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 Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditors' Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of Australian Society for the study of Brain Impairment Inc. as of 31 December 2010 and of its financial performance for the period then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Name of Firm: ISIS PARTNERSHIP
Certified Practising Accountants

Name of Director: _____
Wayne A Pryor

Address: A9/4 Central Avenue THORNLEIGH NSW 2120

Dated this day of 2011

USAGE STATS

BRAIN IMPAIRMENT

2006							
AtyponLink							
Month	Total Access	Subscription	Free	PPV	Abstracts	Denials	TOTAL ARTICLE DOWNLOADS
Jan-06	934	56	35	2	615	226	93
Feb-06	936	91	9	8	566	262	108
Mar-06	1198	65	143	0	680	310	208
Apr-06	984	37	23	0	633	291	60
May-06	1490	62	46	0	809	573	108
Jun-06	887	26	10	0	575	276	36
Jul-06	1190	14	86	6	640	444	106
Aug-06	972	12	104	0	594	262	116
Sep-06	1219	79	57	0	783	300	136
Oct-06	767	108	0	0	659	0	108
Nov-06	874	47	36	0	557	234	83
Dec-06	611	45	55	1	363	147	101
Total	12062	642		17			1263
Mthly average	1005	54		1.4			105

2007							
AtyponLink							
Month	Total Access	Subscription	Free	PPV	Abstracts	Denials	TOTAL ARTICLE DOWNLOADS
Jan-07	765	56	36	0	483	190	92
Feb-07	1105	64	76	3	699	236	143
Mar-07	1706	70	96	1	1123	416	167
Apr-07	1861	53	149	5	1269	385	207
May-07	1089	108	153	2	587	248	263
Jun-07	1853	78	581	0	973	221	659
Jul-07	2223	50	596	1	1280	296	647
Aug-07	2658	199	658	1	1487	313	858
Sep-07	2709	155	721	2	1500	331	878
Oct-07	3101	129	809	2	1801	360	940
Nov-07	2435	110	533	0	1454	338	643

Dec-07	1786	68	372	1	1135	210	441
Total	23291	1140		18			6364
Mthly average	1941	95		1.5			530

2008

AtyponLink

Month	Total Access	Subscription	Free	PPV	Abstracts	Denials	TOTAL ARTICLE DOWNLOADS
Jan-08	2373	68	483	2	1481	339	553
Feb-08	2774	143	542	0	1747	342	685
Mar-08	3092	117	535	1	2065	374	653
Apr-08	3197	195	590	5	2015	392	790
May-08	3516	174	513	2	2376	451	689
Jun-08	3065	137	418	4	2190	316	559
Jul-08	2960	179	420	1	2002	358	600
Aug-08	2320	131	378	1	1518	292	510
Sep-08	4132	427	459	2	2658	586	888
Oct-08	3924	209	482	2	2657	574	693
Nov-08	3779	121	441	4	2681	523	566
Dec-08	2444	90	326	0	1660	368	416
Total	37576	1991		24			10329
Mthly average	3131	166		2.0			861

2009

AtyponLink

Month	Total Access	Subscription	Free	PPV	Abstracts	Denials	TOTAL ARTICLE DOWNLOADS
Jan-09	3259	177	344	1	2218	519	522
Feb-09	3175	160	354	1	2175	485	515
Mar-09	4694	258	525	2	3218	691	785
Apr-09	4309	213	854	6	2744	492	1073
May-09	3836	194	753	1	2440	448	948
Jun-09	3201	223	788	12	1850	328	1023
Jul-09	3265	127	741	0	2067	330	868
Aug-09	3318	312	771	0	2025	210	1083
Sep-09	3377	157	912	2	2122	184	1071
Oct-09	3358	203	1062	4	1894	195	1269
Nov-09	3593	190	1178	0	2043	182	1368
Dec-09	2380	107	865	0	1348	60	972
Total	41765	2321		29			18822
Mthly average	3480	193		2.4			1569

2010

AtyponLink							
Month	Total Access	Subscription	Free	PPV	Abstracts	Denials	TOTAL ARTICLE DOWNLOADS
Jan-10	3065	114	978	0	1829	144	1092
Feb-10	3609	214	1004	0	2242	149	1218
Mar-10	3794	162	1235	0	2241	156	1397
Apr-10	3004	205	825	0	1880	94	1030
May-10	2424	183	762	1	1378	100	946
Jun-10	2990	185	679	0	2002	124	864
Jul-10	2733	221	601	1	1774	136	823
Aug-10	3248	246	733	0	2141	128	979
Sep-10	4124	200	796	0	2977	151	996
Oct-10	3844	225	1020	3	2415	181	1248
Nov-10	3876	132	1077	0	2499	168	1209
Dec-10	2058	100	488	0	1344	126	588
Total	38769	2187		5			23750
Mthly average	3231	182		0.4			1979

2011							
AtyponLink							
Month	Total Access	Subscription	Free	PPV	Abstracts	Denials	TOTAL ARTICLE DOWNLOADS
Jan-11	2795	161	818	1	1664	151	980
Feb-11	3443	170	955	0	2144	174	1125
Mar-11							0
Apr-11							0
May-11							0
Jun-11							0
Jul-11							0
Aug-11							0
Sep-11							0
Oct-11							0
Nov-11							0
Dec-11							0
Total	6238	331		1			2105
Mthly average	3119	166		0.5			175

USAGE STATS

BRAIN IMPAIRMENT

YEAR	DOWNLOADS	
2006	1263	
2007	6364	404%

2008	10329	62%
2009	18822	82%
2010	23750	26%

