



ausEE Inc.

a charity dedicated to improving lives
affected by an eosinophilic disease

Annual Report

2024

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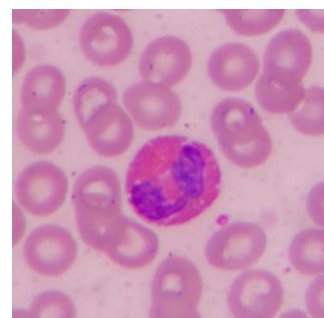
About Us

Founded in 2009, ausEE Inc. is a registered Australia wide charity and national support and patient advocacy organisation representing Australians living with an eosinophilic disease. ausEE is predominantly run by volunteers with approximately 3,500 members, extending its outreach to individuals, families, hospitals, health professionals, peak bodies, stakeholders and the wider community.



WHAT ARE EOSINOPHILIC DISEASES?

Eosinophils are a type of white blood cell that play a role in certain medical conditions and immune responses. If a person has too many eosinophils, it may be a sign of an eosinophil-associated disease. The eosinophils build up and can cause inflammation and tissue damage. The diagnosis depends on where in the body the eosinophils are found.



Eosinophilic gastrointestinal diseases (EGIDs) are eosinophilic diseases where the eosinophils are found in increased numbers in the gastrointestinal tract. Eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE), the most recognised form of EGID, has become one of the fastest-growing diseases over the past two decades. It has an estimated prevalence of 1 in 1,000 and an estimated 26,000 Australians living with the disease. EoE is a progressive disease where the inflammation can lead to scarring, strictures and narrowing of the oesophagus, putting people at risk of food impactions (food getting stuck in the oesophagus).

Eosinophilic diseases are chronic diseases that can significantly impact quality of life and require ongoing care, repeated visits to multiple healthcare professionals, emergency departments and hospitals. The symptoms can be debilitating and often result in social, emotional, and financial challenges for patients and their families.

Acknowledgement of Country

ausEE Inc. acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the cultures and the Elders past and present.

Our Mission

ausEE's mission is to improve the lives of those affected by eosinophilic diseases through providing support, evidence-based information, resources, advocacy and by campaigning to raise awareness and funds for research in Australia.



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OUR VISION

ausEE's vision is:

- To reach all those affected by eosinophilic diseases in Australia.
- To be the catalyst for further research in the medical field; and ultimately find a cure.
- To be the peak eosinophilic diseases organisation in Australia, a trusted place for people to turn to for support and information.

OUR OBJECTIVES

ausEE's objectives are:

- To improve the quality of life for people with eosinophilic diseases and other associated conditions.
- To help and support anyone diagnosed with or caring for someone with an eosinophilic disease and other associated conditions.
- To be a reliable and trusted source of information on eosinophilic diseases and other associated conditions.
- To develop, distribute and promote education, information and resources on eosinophilic diseases and other associated conditions.
- To create greater public awareness and understanding of eosinophilic diseases and other associated conditions and their impact.
- To engage in advocacy on behalf of people living with eosinophilic diseases and other associated conditions.
- To encourage, initiate, assist and support research into eosinophilic diseases and other associated conditions.
- To collaborate, partner and otherwise join with other persons or organisations, including research institutions and commercial entities in order to advance the objectives.
- To raise funds to enable the furtherance of these objectives.

Who We Are

BOARD MEMBERS

Mercedes Hinchcliff – President

Mariya Taylor – Secretary

Kristin Paterson – Treasurer

Kylie Gwynne – Board Member

Sarah Gray – Board Member

ausEE Inc. is also supported by committee members and volunteers.

Facebook Groups Admins and Moderators: Tracie Sillers, Sarah Gray and Mercedes Hinchcliff.

MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

Laureate Professor Nicholas J. Talley AC *Professor of Medicine and Neurogastroenterologist*

Professor Pete Smith *Allergist and Immunologist*

Associate Professor Hamish Philpott *Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist*

Associate Professor Ajay Sharma *Paediatric Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist*

Dr Looi Ee *Paediatric Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist*

Dr Sam Mehr *Paediatric Allergist, Immunologist and Immunopathologist*

Dr Jeremy Rosenbaum *Paediatric Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist*

Dr Vicki McWilliam *Clinical Allergy Dietitian and Researcher*

Wendy Birks *Specialist Paediatric Dietitian*

Professor Evan S. Dellon *Professor of Medicine and Gastroenterologist (International Member)*

CHARITY AMBASSADOR

We are honoured to have Eddie Woo from [Wootube](https://www.wootube.com/) as our Charity Ambassador. Eddie relates to the challenges of living with an eosinophilic disease, having seen its impact firsthand within his own family due to his child's EoE diagnosis.

ORGANISATION MEMBERSHIPS

ausEE Inc. is a member of Alike WA, American Partnership for Eosinophilic Disorders, Australian Patient Advocacy Alliance, Australian Self-Care Alliance, Consumers Health Forum of Australia, Genetic Alliance Australia, Genetic Services Network Victoria, Global Allergy & Airways Patient Platform, National Allergy Centre of Excellence, National Patient Organisation Network, Patient Voice Initiative, Rare Voices Australia and Small Non-Profits Alliance.

What We Do

Eosinophilic diseases are a complex group of chronic conditions that can profoundly affect quality of life, often leaving individuals, families, and caregivers feeling isolated. At ausEE, we are committed to helping people at every stage of their journey by providing free information, resources, and support to all.

November 2024 marked 15 years since the founding of ausEE Inc., and we are proud of our accomplishments to date. We are truly grateful for the members of our community and their ongoing contributions to our network. Additionally, we extend our heartfelt thanks to our supporters, whose contributions make it possible for us to carry out our mission. We are here to serve our community, and without our supporters, we wouldn't be able to do what we do.



The achievements of ausEE Inc. in 2024 reflect the impact we are making. These achievements are outlined in six key areas:

- Information
- Research
- Resources
- Advocacy
- Awareness
- Support

Thank you for your support!

Dr Mercedes Hinchcliff
President, ausEE Inc.



Ms Sarah Gray OAM
CEO and Founder, ausEE Inc.



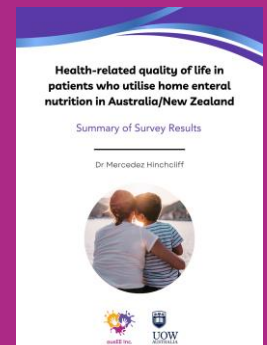
INFORMATION

- ausEE [website](#).
- EOS Aware [website](#).
- Feeding Tube Aware [website](#).
- Information phone line: 1300 923 043.
- Supporter/Member [Newsletters](#).
- Health Professionals [Newsletters](#).
- Provided relevant, credible and evidence-based information across our social media pages on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#) and [LinkedIn](#).
- Exhibited at the Gastroenterological Nurses College of Australia (GENCA) Conference held in Brisbane, 17-19 May 2024.
- Exhibited at the Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy (ASCIA) Annual Conference held in Adelaide, 4-6 September 2024.
- Exhibited at the Gastroenterological Society of Australia (GESA) Australian Gastroenterology Week (AGW) held in Adelaide, 14-16 September 2024.
- Exhibited to MPs in the Patient Showcase as part of the Bristol Myers Squibb (BMS) Patient and Parliament Summit held at Parliament House in Canberra, 20 November 2024.
- Provided information to our community about the new requirements for the labelling of allergens in food that came into force on 25 February 2024. These requirements were developed through FSANZ Proposal P1044 – Plain English Allergen Labelling that ausEE Inc. was involved in the public consultation.
- Disseminated information from the Consortium of Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease Researchers ([CEGIR](#)), including answers to research [questions](#) raised by our patient community and through the [RDCRN](#) Rare Research Report.



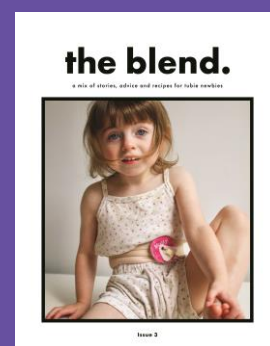
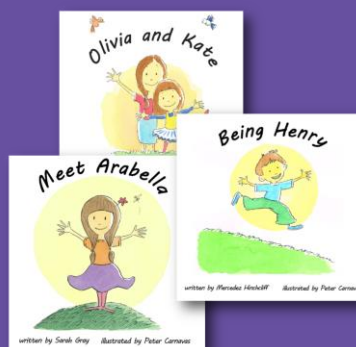
RESEARCH

- ausEE is a patient advocacy group partner of [EGID Partners](#), an international collaboration.
- ausEE is a partner of the [Join Us](#) online register.
- ausEE supports research by sharing about [clinical trials](#) our members and followers may be eligible for including the Eupraxia Pharmaceuticals EoE clinical study, CROSSING EoE study, Griffith University EoE study, Southern Cross University EoE study, OCEAN study for adults with eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (EGPA) and IgGenix ACCELERATE Peanut study.
- Invited our members and followers to participate in research including the Health Consumers Centre 'Telehealth and allied health services' project, Uplift team at Telethon Kids Institute 'Coping Compass' online wellbeing program, Murdoch Children's Research Institute 'RiskED study', University of Technology Sydney 'Facilitators and barriers to empowering young adults with chronic illness: A young adult and healthcare provider perspective' project, Rare Voices Australia and The Kids Research Institute 'Australia's Rare Disease Research Priority Setting Partnership Project' and the Australian Patients Association 'Shaping the Future of Affordable Healthcare in Australia' survey.
- Invited our members to be part of the Child Unlimited Strengthening the Rural Health Consumer Advisory Group.
- Attended the Patient Voice Initiative (PVI) and Community and Patient Preference Research (CaPPRe) 'Generating Patient-Based Evidence: A Research Workshop for Patient Organisations', held in Canberra, 26 February 2024.
- Provided a letter of support for a research study by Andriana Korai, a dietitian and PhD student conducting a qualitative study to better understand the burden associated with provision of tube feeding at home to adults in Australia.
- Endorsed the Involve Australia 'Guidelines for Community Involvement in Genomics Research'.
- ausEE Inc. CEO, Sarah Gray was a co-author on the [article](#) 'Gastroparesis in Patients With Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Diseases is Associated With Increased Symptoms and Comorbid Conditions' published in The American Journal of Gastroenterology.
- ausEE Inc. President and University of Wollongong academic, Dr Mercedes Hinchcliff research findings were shared in a [Summary of Survey Results](#) during Feeding Tube Awareness Week 2024 and subsequently presented in a [poster](#) titled 'Evaluating Quality of Life in patients who use Home Enteral Nutrition in Australia/New Zealand' at the AGW 2024 conference.



RESOURCES

- EGID brochure and fact sheet [patient resources](#).
- EGID information flyer/poster.
- Patient information folders with inserts.
- ausEE information card.
- Feeding Tube Aware information card.
- Australian Allergy Friendly Finds information card.
- [Children's books](#) about living with an eosinophilic disease; 'Meet Arabella', 'Being Henry' and 'Olivia and Kate'.
- Hand knitted ausEE dolls donated to hospitals and clinics.
- Distributed Issue 3 of [The Blend](#) magazine.
- Worked with key international advocacy groups in the EoE space to co-create a new resource, 'Could it be EoE? The Signs and Symptoms Guide' designed to help identify and understand eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE).
- [ausEE website](#) provided helpful resources including tips pages for Christmas, Easter, Halloween, Mealtimes, School and Travel.
- As a Rare Voices Australia partner, supported the [RARE Portal](#) with information pages on eosinophilic gastrointestinal diseases (EGIDs), eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE) and eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (EGPA). Additionally, we shared about the [RARE Helpline](#) and Australia's first-ever [National Recommendations for Rare Disease Health Care](#).
- Encouraged the use of the [ASCIA Action Plan for EoE](#) and [ASCIA Management Plan for EoE](#).
- Continued to raise awareness about the [Best practice guidelines](#) for anaphylaxis prevention and management in children's education and care services and schools which includes EoE information.



ADVOCACY

- ausEE is a patient advocacy group member of the Consortium of Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease Researchers ([CEGIR](#)).
- ausEE CEO and Founder, Sarah Gray is on the advisory board of the NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence in Transforming Gut Health ([CRE-TGH](#)).
- Collaborated on a resource development project with international patient advocacy groups.
- Attended the Australian Patient Advocacy Alliance (APAA) Summit held in Canberra, 27-28 February 2024.
- Attended the Rare Voices Australia (RVA) biennial National Rare Disease Summit in Brisbane, 15-16 November 2024.
- Attended the BMS Patient and Parliament Summit held in Canberra, 19-20 November 2024.
- Liaised with pharmaceutical companies about clinical trials and elemental formulas to advocate for timely, affordable access to effective treatments.
- Liaised with medical device companies to advocate for access to new, less-invasive diagnostic and disease monitoring methods.
- Submitted comments to the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) in support of PBS listing for Neocate Syneo and Essential Care Jr.
- Made submissions from ausEE Inc. and as part of a collaborative consumer group response to the Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Policy and Methods Review - Consultation 2.
- Collaborated with patient groups throughout 2024 on the HTA Reform.
- Submitted feedback to the Enhanced Consumer Engagement Process in HTA consultation.
- Submitted comments to the consultation on the refresh of the National Strategic Framework for Chronic Conditions.
- Submitted feedback to the Medicines Australia Review of Code of Conduct Edition 19.
- Participated in the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (AAAAI) Delphi Consensus Project working group to develop an EoE Emergency Care Plan.
- Supported Rare Disorders New Zealand submission 'Against Genomic Discrimination in Aotearoa' regarding the Contracts of Insurance Bill.
- Signed Parliamentary Petition EN6617 'Rural Australians deserve better healthcare' and the Rare Disorders New Zealand 'Petition for a plan to implement the Rare Disorders Strategy'.



AWARENESS

- Hosted [Feeding Tube Awareness Week](#) (4-10 February 2024). During #FTAW2024 109 Australian and New Zealand landmarks illuminated purple and blue in support.
- Hosted [National Eosinophilic Week](#) (4-10 August 2024) incorporating [Top 8 Challenge Day](#) on 8 August. During #NEOSW2024 120 landmarks lit up pink and purple around Australia and New Zealand to show their support.
- Attended the Rare Voices Australia (RVA) and Parliamentary Friends of Rare Diseases Rare Disease Day Parliamentary Event held in Canberra, 29 February 2024.
- Collaborated on World Eosinophilic Diseases Day (18 May 2024).
- Supported awareness campaigns including Rare Disease Day (29 February 2024), Swallowing Awareness Day (13 March 2024), NZ Rare Disorders Month (March 2024), European EoE Day (22 May 2024), Patient Advocacy Organization Action Week (20-24 June 2024), Dazzle4Rare (11-18 August 2024) and International Volunteer Day (5 December 2024).
- Sarah Gray interviewed for the Allergy Life 'Talking Allergies' and the 'Awareness!' podcasts.
- Sarah Gray interviewed by Win News for Feeding Tube Awareness Week and Rare Disease Day.
- Stories were shared to raise awareness about eosinophilic diseases and tube feeding.
- Raised awareness through articles published in print/online media and radio interviews.
- Actively engaged on our social media pages:

[ausEE on Facebook](#)

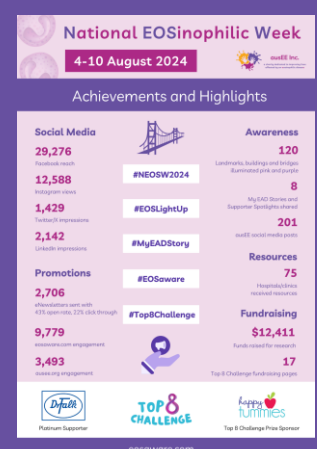
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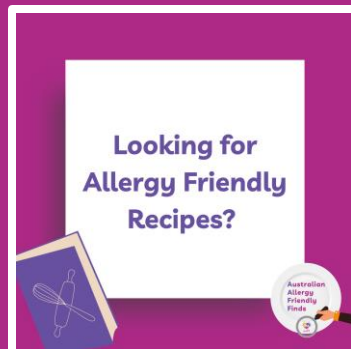
[ausEE on YouTube](#)

- Additional ausEE social media pages:
[Australian Allergy Friendly Finds on Facebook](#)
[Australian Allergy Friendly Finds on Instagram](#)
[Top 8 Challenge on Facebook](#)
[Allergy Free Cooking on TV on Facebook](#)



SUPPORT

- Online Facebook groups peer support forums:
[Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disorders Australian Support Network – ausEE](#)
[Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disorders for Adults – ausEE](#)
[Eosinophil-Associated Diseases Australian Support Network – ausEE](#)
[AU Tubie Support](#)
- In 2024 we hosted 12 [Virtual Support Group Chats](#) through Zoom as an opportunity for people with lived experience to share and hear stories, chat and support each other. We host these peer support groups for adults, parents/carers and teens living with EGIDs, individuals/families living with an eosinophil-associated disease (non-EGID) and individuals/families and teens managing tube feeding.
- Hosted a support group meeting in Rockhampton, Queensland.
- Supported the tube feeding community through our [feeding tube aware](#) website which shares stories, support options, information, resources and links.
- ausEE is a member of the Rare Disorders NZ [Rare Disorder Collective](#).
- Supported businesses providing allergy friendly foods and products to help those with EGIDs and allergies through our Australian Allergy Friendly Finds [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages and our website's [information](#) pages. We are advertisement-free, sharing to support our members and followers to help them find allergy friendly products, places, resources, recipes, tips and credible information to help them on their journey living with an eosinophilic disease.



Medical Research

AUSEE MEDICAL RESEARCH FUND

ausEE's Medical Research Fund supports [research projects](#) focused on improving the diagnosis, management and treatment options for eosinophilic diseases. These research grants are made possible through the generous donations of our supporters and our annual [Top 8 Challenge](#) fundraising campaign.

In 2023/2024, the following research grants were disbursed from ausEE's Medical Research Fund:

\$10,000 - The University of Newcastle

Professor Guy Eslick, Professor Mike Jones, Professor Marjorie Walker and Professor Nicholas J. Talley for continuation of their research project titled 'Are disorders of gut-brain interaction (DGBI) due to EGIDs'.

\$9,000 - Southern Cross University

Nicole Hannan for a pilot feasibility trial of Meriva® curcumin phytosome® for adults with eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE).

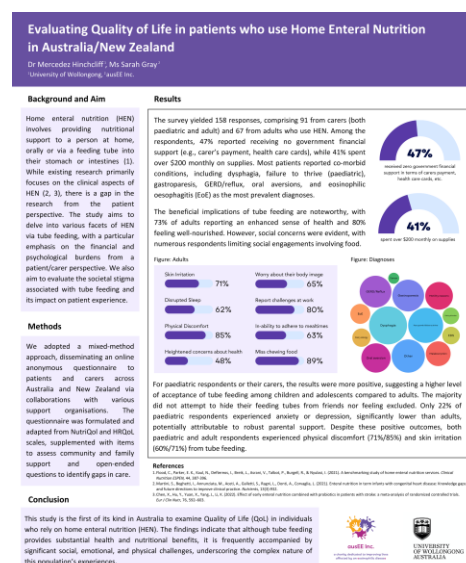
Please consider a donation to the [ausEE Medical Research Fund](#) to help support more research into eosinophilic diseases.

RESEARCH PROJECT

Home Enteral Nutrition Quality of Life

This study was conducted by Dr Mercedes Hinchcliff, a researcher at the University of Wollongong and President of ausEE Inc. The purpose of this research was to investigate tube feeding and elemental formula use in Australia/New Zealand and health-related quality of life. A [Summary of Survey Results](#) from this research were released during Feeding Tube Awareness Week 2024.

At the AGW 2024 conference a poster from this research titled 'Evaluating Quality of Life in patients who use Home Enteral Nutrition in Australia/New Zealand' was presented and the abstract subsequently published in the Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology [AGW24 Supplement](#), Nutrition section.



Future Goals

ausEE Inc. envisages a future where people affected by eosinophilic diseases have timely access to consistent care, are well-supported within their communities, and benefit from greater awareness and understanding of their conditions. We are a national charity that receives no government funding, and as such, we rely on our fundraising and the generosity of our supporters to support the work of our mission.

ausEE's mission is to improve the lives of those affected by eosinophilic diseases through providing support, evidence-based information, resources, advocacy and by campaigning to raise awareness and funds for research in Australia.

Our resources are limited, and we continue to seek support from the Australian Government for the development and implementation of initiatives that address core issues for our patient community and offer solutions to help to provide a better future for Australians living with eosinophilic diseases.

Key Issues and Solutions

Lack of National Standards of Care - There are currently no formal guidelines for eosinophilic disease management in Australia, leading to inconsistent care. ausEE recommends developing National Standards of Care through collaboration with key medical organisations and stakeholders to ensure consistent, patient-centred, and effective long-term care.

Delays in diagnosis - Many patients experience long delays between symptom onset and diagnosis. This can worsen disease outcomes and increase the burden on healthcare services. ausEE calls for the development of a clearly defined referral and diagnosis pathway, supported by medical bodies and health services, to facilitate earlier and more accurate diagnoses.

Access to support services - People living with eosinophilic diseases often face daily challenges that benefit from strong community support. ausEE proposes expanding peer-led support networks, especially in regional and remote areas, and developing patient toolkits with clear, accessible information and access to mental health support.

Low awareness and education - Despite ausEE's efforts, awareness of eosinophilic diseases remains low among both the public and health professionals. To address this, ausEE plans to expand outreach to hospitals and clinics across Australia, broaden educational resources to cover a range of eosinophil-associated diseases, and grow our national awareness campaigns.

Want to help us to achieve these goals? Please register your interest to volunteer for ausEE [here](#).

Fundraising and Donations

ausEE Inc. is a registered health promotion charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and a registered charity in Queensland (CH1899), New South Wales (CFN/21530), Australian Capital Territory (L 19000791), Victoria (59406), South Australia (CCP2998), Western Australia (CC21779) and Tasmania (C/31).

ausEE Inc. is endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as a deductible gift recipient. [Donations](#) over \$2 are tax deductible. All donations received contribute to our mission to improve the lives of those affected by eosinophilic diseases. We thank our members, supporters and donors who help support us in our mission.

2024 FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS

[2024 Tax Appeal](#)

[Facebook Fundraisers](#)

[National Eosinophilic Week / Top 8 Challenge](#)

[Giving Tuesday](#)

[Online Store](#)



2024 FUNDRAISING PROGRAMS

ausEE is registered with these fundraising programs:

[Containers for Change](#)

[Entertainment Memberships](#)

[Gingerbread Folk](#)

[Give with Bing](#)

[Play for Purpose](#)

[Shopnate](#)



2024 DONATION COLLECTION BOXES

Advantage Willsmere Village Pharmacy, Kew, VIC
Amcal North Balwyn Pharmacy, Balwyn North, VIC
Amcal Tunstall Square Pharmacy, Doncaster East, VIC

2024 DONATION PLATFORMS

Our registered fundraising and donation platforms are:

[Benevity](#), [Facebook Fundraisers](#), [GiveNow](#), [MyCause](#), [My Giving Circle](#), [PayPal Giving](#) and [Raisely](#).



2024 MEMBER FUNDRAISING

Member/Supporter	Fundraiser Name	Amount Raised
Ashlee Wilson	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 5
Aimee Lowe	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 18
Bethany	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 50
Daniel Lightowler	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 200
Olivia Gray	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 210
Kim Darley	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 213
Laura Briggs	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 516
Grace Wong	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 560
Aimee and Isla	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 571
Sammy Cairnduff	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 589
Jane Gilluley	Top 8 Challenge	\$ 643
Lecky Family	Top 8 Challenge	\$1,048
Connor Androutsis	Top 8 Challenge	\$1,058
Jenny Lee	Top 8 Challenge	\$1,069
Laura's birthday fundraiser for ausEE Inc.	Facebook Fundraiser	\$ 121
Melanie's birthday fundraiser for ausEE Inc.	Facebook Fundraiser	\$ 151
Lissa's birthday fundraiser for ausEE Inc.	Facebook Fundraiser	\$ 450
Kimberley Hunt	Sunday Funday Markets	\$ 300

2024 SPECIAL DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Vanessa Lecky	\$1,368 – Employer matched donation
Shane Walsh	\$2,000 – Donation in support of granddaughter Amya
Rotary Club of Moorabbin	\$2,032 – Donation in support of a community member
Lisa Walsh	\$7,000 – Donation in support of granddaughter Amya



2024 DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ausEE Inc. would like to thank the following donors who made contributions of \$100 and over:

Anonymous	K Gwynne	N Mogg
Anonymous	S and S Harpas	C Ralph
Anonymous	G Heinrich	S Schumacher
L Briggs	M Hughes	M Smith
C Burke	L Lanyon	C Tropiano
A Camilleri	V Lecky	J and M Walsh
H Dowse	Je Lee	R Wong
A Fraser	Ju Lee	
S Green	M Marshall	

Thank you to the following donors who made contributions of \$250 or more:

D Brandt	A Cairnduff	R and G Daoutidis
S Flynn	Sunday Funday Markets	

We thank the following donors who made contributions of \$1,000 or more:

S Gray	Wholesome Blends
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Thank you to our monthly donors during 2024:

M Mercer	D Paterson
N Schapowal	K Stock

2024 GRANTS

Global Allergy & Airways Patient Platform Communication Grants for:

World Asthma Day (7 May)	World Eczema Day (14 Sep)	World Lung Day (25 Sep)
World Urticaria Day (1 Oct)	World Chronic Cough Day (15 Oct)	World COPD Day (20 Nov)

Our Supporters

In 2024 ausEE Inc. gratefully received support in the form of sponsorships from the following:

2024 SUPPORTERS



Together we know more.
Together we do more.

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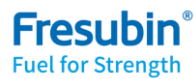


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2024 PRIZE GIVEAWAY SPONSORS



Top 8 Challenge Prize Sponsor

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RUN &
FLUSH &
CLOSE &
REPEAT.
#TUBELIFE



FTAW 2024 Prize Sponsors

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Audit Review: ausEE Inc. Annual Financial Statements

Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 30 June 2024

INCOME	2024	2023
Grants – Other	\$ 621.46	\$ 4,204.14
Donations Received	\$ 25,536.01	\$ 20,436.24
Non Tax-Deductible Gifts	\$ 152.80	\$ 128.26
Sales of Goods	\$ 3,179.34	\$ 5,101.87
Sponsorship & Licensing Fees	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 71,337.20
Interest	\$ 1,005.56	\$ 693.14
Recoupment	\$ -	\$ 292.47
Total Income	\$ 102,495.17	\$ 102,193.32
EXPENDITURE		
Advertising & Marketing	\$ 311.44	\$ 428.34
Assets Purchased <\$5,000	\$ -	\$ 404.68
Audit Fees	\$ 350.00	\$ 330.00
Bank Fees	\$ 6.34	\$ 8.28
Client Support Services	\$ 1,345.00	\$ 2,909.09
Computer Expenses	\$ 1,190.34	\$ 2,027.13
Credit Card Fees	\$ 24.09	\$ 6.76
Donations Paid (Medical Research Grant)	\$ 19,000.00	\$ -
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 805.86	\$ 597.98
Insurance	\$ 3,144.03	\$ 2,680.92
Membership Fees Paid	\$ 200.00	\$ 337.03
Postage, Freight & Courier	\$ 1,020.34	\$ 1,235.50
Printing & Stationery	\$ 734.99	\$ 471.35
Publications & Information Resources	\$ 707.75	\$ 566.47
Salaries & Wages	\$ 63,996.22	\$ 54,811.20
Superannuation	\$ 7,257.50	\$ 5,755.18
Storage Costs	\$ 181.82	\$ 545.44
Telephone & Internet	\$ 241.53	\$ 233.20
Training - Development	\$ -	\$ 1,079.94
Travel & Accommodation	\$ 2,882.60	\$ 4,346.03
Volunteer Costs	\$ 1,327.44	\$ 1,182.80
Total Expenses	\$ 104,727.29	\$ 79,957.32
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (2,232.12)	\$ 22,236.00

Assets and Liabilities Statement ausEE Inc. as at 30 June 2024

Assets	30 June 2024		30 June 2023	
Current Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	133,484.37	\$	129,561.92
Total Current Assets	\$	133,484.37	\$	129,561.92
Total Assets	\$	133,484.37	\$	129,561.92
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Trade and Other Payables	\$	5,816.02	\$	3,969.48
GST Payable	\$	6,068.03	\$	1,760.85
Total Current Liabilities	\$	11,884.05	\$	5,730.33
Total Liabilities	\$	11,884.05	\$	5,730.33
Net Assets	\$	121,600.32	\$	123,831.59
Member's Funds				
Capital Reserve	\$	121,600.32	\$	123,831.59
Total Member's Funds	\$	121,600.32	\$	123,831.59

Notes to the Financial Statements

ausEE Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2024

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognizing revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

2. Cash on Hand	2024	2023
Suncorp Account - Medical Research Fund	\$ 41,858.35	\$ 47,225.10
Suncorp Account - Operational	\$ 91,626.02	\$ 82,336.82
Total Cash on Hand	\$ 133,484.37	\$ 129,561.92

3. Trade & Other Payables	2024	2023
PAYG Withholdings Payable	\$ 3,794.00	\$ 2,532.00
Superannuation Payable	\$ 2,022.02	\$ 1,437.48
Total Trade & Other Payables	\$ 5,816.02	\$ 3,969.48

Independent Auditor's Review Report ausEE Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2024

Report of the Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of ausEE Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the responsible entities declarations.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of ausEE Inc. is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of ausEE Inc. and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on our review. We have conducted our review in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards on Review Engagements ASRE 2415 Review of a Financial Report: Company Limited by Guarantee under the ACNC Act, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the ACNC Act including: giving a true and fair value of the registered entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and complying with the Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 (ACNC Regulation). ASRE 2415 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the review of the financial report.

A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirement of the ACNC Act. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the ACNC Act, which has been given to the responsible entities of Strength Potential Incorporated would be in the same terms if given to the responsible entities as time of this auditor's report.

Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report of ausEE Incorporated does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 including:

1. giving a true and fair view of the registered entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
2. complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.



Auditor: Rowena Anderson

Auditor's address: Coastal Accountants & Advisors, 8/21 Birtwill Street, Coolum Beach QLD 4573

Dated: 15th November 2024

Statement By Members of the Committee ausEE Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2024

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 2 to the financial statements. In the opinion of the committee the financial report:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of ausEE Inc. as at 30 June 2024 and its performance for the year ended at that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that ausEE 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:



Sarah Gray
CEO, ausEE Inc.

Dated: 8th December 2024



Mercedes Hinchcliff
President, ausEE Inc.

Dated: 8th December 2024

Member and Supporter Stories

“ Since his eosinophilic oesophagitis (EoE) diagnosis, Oliver has undergone five endoscopies to monitor his condition. ”

- Elisha (Oliver's mum)

#MyEADStory

Oliver
Eosinophilic Oesophagitis (EoE)

NEOSW 2024
National Eosinophilic Week
4-10 August 2024




#MyTubie

Feeding Tube Awareness Week
4-10 February 2024

Talakai has his nasogastric (NG) tube because he aspirates on all fluids, which means it would all go down to his lungs when swallowing, which is very dangerous. Having an NG tube helps keep Talakai safe and out of hospital.

- Sammie




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Volunteer Spotlight

“ I owe so much to ausEE and am proud to give back to the community and hope to support other families on their journeys until there is a CURE! ”

Mercedez
ausEE President

International Volunteer Day 2024




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#MyTubie

Feeding Tube Awareness Week
4-10 February 2024

My son Ezra was diagnosed with EoE at 10 months of age. Prior to the diagnosis he would refuse to feed and had poor weight gain. He had a hospital admission and a nasogastric tube placed to increase his weight. Forever grateful for the healthcare we have.

- Stacey



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Volunteer Spotlight

“ I love volunteering at ausEE because ausEE volunteers helped me and my son so much when he was very young and really sick. I'm pleased to have the chance to pay it forward. ”

Kylie
ausEE Board Member

International Volunteer Day 2024



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“ Advocate, if something doesn't seem right then keep searching till you find an answer. ”

- Julie (Aaliyah's mum)

#MyEADStory

Aaliyah
Eosinophilic Oesophagitis (EoE)

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National Eosinophilic Week
4-10 August 2024



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“ I want to raise funds for research and increase awareness of eosinophilic diseases to help my sister and others living with these life-impacting diseases. ”

Supporter Spotlight

Olivia

#Top8Challenge

I'm taking the **TOP 8 CHALLENGE** on 08/08/2024



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“ My blood disorder is considered a diagnosis of exclusion, meaning that it is only made when no other underlying cause for the elevated eosinophils can be identified through medical evaluation. ”

#MyEADStory

Connor
Hypereosinophilic Syndrome (HES)

NEOSW 2024
National Eosinophilic Week
4-10 August 2024



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“ I want to raise awareness and support research for eosinophilic diseases, including my disease, Hypereosinophilic Syndrome. ”

Supporter Spotlight

Connor

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#MyTubie

Feeding Tube Awareness Week
4-10 February 2024

Bodhi liked to pull the nasogastric tube (NGT) out and needed mittens in the end as getting the tube in was a traumatic experience for him. Still I'm grateful that the NGT is an option for our littles.

- Christine



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“ After another scope, it was decided that we would progress to a four food elimination diet, meaning wheat, dairy, egg and soy were removed from his diet. After a month, the change was significant. ”

- Jenny (Matthew's mum)

#MyEADStory

Matthew
Eosinophilic Oesophagitis (EoE)

NEOSW 2024
National Eosinophilic Week
4-10 August 2024



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Volunteer Spotlight

“ Andy got diagnosed with EoE at 15 months and at that point I was told about ausEE and the amazing work they are doing to research this condition. I have been a part of the ausEE community since that point. ”

Kristin
ausEE Treasurer

International Volunteer Day 2024




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#MyTubie

Feeding Tube Awareness Week
4-10 February 2024

Seeing our landmarks lit up in purple and blue is a visual reminder that we are not alone. Our normality in this life may not be the same as someone else's, shall we continue to expand our acceptance of normality.

- Kate



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“ With continued fundraising for research, better tests and options for treatment will become available. Please, if you can, donate to help our fab little boy. Every little bit counts. ”

Supporter Spotlight

Jenny

#Top8Challenge

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#MyTubie

Feeding Tube Awareness Week
4-10 February 2024

My son Sebastian had a nasogastric tube put in following 6 months of poor weight gain. The nasogastric tube helped him to start hitting important milestones for his development. We are so grateful for the tube - it gave us our healthy and happy baby back!

- Kristen



ausEE Inc.

“ I was told by many health professionals the projectile vomiting was normal and something he would eventually grow out of. ”

- Stacey (Ezra's mum)

#MyEADStory

Ezra
Eosinophilic Oesophagitis (EoE)

NEOSW 2024
National Eosinophilic Week
4-10 August 2024



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affected by an eosinophilic disease

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