



DICTIONARY OF SYDNEY TRUST ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS 2015

ABOUT THE DICTIONARY

The Dictionary of Sydney provides an online resource of reliable historical and cultural information about the greater Sydney region including the city and the surrounding metropolitan area, extending from the Hawkesbury River in the north to Port Hacking in the south and from the Blue Mountains in the west to the Pacific coast in the east.

DIRECTORS

Chair Professor Paul Ashton.

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Staff (1.95 FTE)

Kim Hanna (Executive Officer); Jacqueline Spedding (Coordinating Editor); Jenny McInerney (Research and Editorial Assistant); Linda Braidwood (Multimedia Editor); Naomi Parry (Project Editor); Prudence MacLeod (Education Officer) Kim Jackson (Technical Consultant); James Wu (Finance Manager).

Volunteers

Christina Aloisio, Karen Bryant, Nicole Cama, Michaela Cameron, Catie Gilchrest, Trudy Holdsworth, David Morgan, Neil Radford and Garry Wotherspoon (Value in Kind staff \$54,600; Value in Kind Other \$46,600)

HIGHLIGHTS

Income

In addition to City of Sydney sponsorship, over \$97K income was generated in 2015 through successful project grant applications.

Education

The Dictionary engaged its first Education Officer, Prudence McLeod, to create curriculum material for the secondary school market.

Audience development

In 2015, the Dictionary developed a partnership with 2RPH. The radio station records entries from the Dictionary and broadcasts them on a regular basis during the week.

Dictionary of Sydney Incorporated

In 2015, the Dictionary of Sydney Trust was wound-up and assets transferred to the Dictionary of Sydney Incorporated.

KEY CONTENT

The Dictionary currently has over 900 entries, over 12,000 entities and nearly 4,000 media items.

The Dictionary of Sydney published a total of 134 entries during the year. This comprised unsolicited entries, some commissioned pieces and four curated content projects:

The Georges River Project

The Dictionary secured funds through the Federal Government's My Community Heritage grant program to commission fourteen entries on the Georges River. These were published in October.

The First Fleet Project

The Maritime Museums of Australia Project Support Scheme provided funds to produce new entries on the First Fleet. These were published in April.

Aboriginal Heritage Project

The NSW Department for Environment and Heritage through their Aboriginal Heritage Projects scheme enabled the Dictionary to commission nine thematic entries regarding key Aboriginal sites. These were published in May.

Liverpool Oral Histories Project

Supported by Oral History NSW, Liverpool Council and the Royal Australian Historical Society, the dictionary brought online 65 oral history transcripts and audio file. These were published in June.

FINANCIAL AND MEDIA SUMMARY

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

2015

DICTIONARY OF SYDNEY

KEY METRICS



ALL METRICS

METRIC	THIS YEAR (2015)	LAST YEAR (2014)	% CHANGE	5 YEAR TREND
INCOME	\$297,016.00	\$310,316.00	↓ -4%	
EXPENDITURE	\$294,068.00	\$278,704.00	↑ 6%	
OPERATING PROFIT	\$3,038.00	\$31,612.00	↓ -90%	
CURRENT ASSETS	\$231,166.00	\$131,919.00	↑ 75%	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$69,309.00	\$37,228.00	↑ 86%	
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	\$161,857.00	\$158,831.00	↑ 2%	
CITY OF SYDNEY	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	→ 0%	
OTHER INCOME	\$97,106.00	\$110,316.00	↓ -12%	

* These figures combin accounts for DoS Trust and Dos Inc

Blog entries	55	63	↓ -13%	
Facebook	1651	1276	↑ 29%	
Twitter	1413	1015	↑ 39%	
Media	101	67	↑ 51%	
App Downloads	1040	464	↑ 124%	

PRINCIPAL SPONSOR



PROJECT SPONSORS

Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities; Liverpool Council, Maritime Museums of Australia Project Support Scheme, NSW Department of Environment and Heritage, Oral History NSW, Royal Australian Historical Society, Sydney Mechanics School of the Arts



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