



**Victorian Baby Health Centres Association (Inc.)**

**The Queen Elizabeth Hospital  
for  
Mothers and Babies**

Carlton Victoria 3053

*Annual Report 1984*



## Victorian Baby Health Centres Association (Inc)

### Aims and Objects of the Association

1. To provide facilities for Mothers and Babies in the State of Victoria and in particular Region Six.
2. To provide a hospital for mothers and babies and a model baby health centre for:-
  - (a) Clinical experience for Infant Welfare Sisters, Mothercraft Nurses and Child Care Workers.
  - (b) The education of parents in the care of children.
  - (c) Providing accommodation especially for nursing mothers and for difficult, delicate or premature babies who may require special investigation and expert care in regard to their rearing, and to provide temporary emergency care for mothers and babies or temporary care for children in time of family crisis.
3. To establish and operate a day care centre for the care and education of children.
4. To arrange for organised teaching to parents:
  - (a) during the pre-natal and post-natal period; and
  - (b) in the care of children.
5. To care for children at risk.
6. To co-operate with all present or future organisations working for the same objectives.
7. That the Hospital has a commitment to reviewing and developing strategies to meet the changing needs of the future.

## VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION (Inc) and THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL FOR MOTHERS & BABIES

CARLTON, VICTORIA 3053

## 66th ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT



WITH STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS  
AND DONORS AND STATISTICAL RETURNS  
FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1984

**Office Bearers and Committee**  
For the Twelve Months Ended 30th June, 1984

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LADY CURTIS  
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**Free Kindergarten Union of Victoria:**

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# The President's Report

On behalf of the Committee of Management, I have much pleasure in presenting to you The Sixty-sixth Annual Report of the Victorian Baby Health Centres Association and The Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Mothers and Babies for the year ended 30th June, 1984.

Government policies continue to have a direct effect on our capacity to deliver the type, and extent, of care which we would like.

The State Government announced that all public hospitals would have their approved operating budgets reduced by a further 2% as a cost cutting exercise in the health field. This imposed additional strains on an already tight situation and cut-backs in staff were inevitable to endeavour to keep within our budget. The staff have responded well under the circumstances but we would like to see an easing of the constraints.

Also introduced at the beginning of the year was the 38-hour week agreement in public hospitals. Funding for the extra staff needed was not approved until June, meaning that we were effectively further reduced in our staff levels for the whole year.

February saw the introduction by the Federal Government of their universal health scheme, Medicare, which offered free medical and hospital treatment in a public ward in a public hospital. As was expected this had an immediate effect on our patient mix, with a dramatic increase in public patients and a consequent drop in privately insured patients. This meant that we would not achieve the private fee income levels set by the Commission and was resulting in a liquidity crisis.

We were able to demonstrate to the Health Commission that our income problems were a direct result of the introduction of Medicare and they did approve additional funding to cover the loss in revenue.

Despite all these difficulties the Hospital has continued to provide its specialist services to mothers and babies in the Elvie Curtis Wing and the children in the Dr. Doris Officer Wing. There has been an increase in low intellect single mothers wanting to keep their babies and the staff have coped very well with the special needs of this group.

The Dr. Doris Officer Wing, in addition to its established role of caring for older children and babies with feeding and sleeping difficulties, continues to provide emergency short-term care for children of families in crisis, children "at risk", and we have maintained the policy of accepting children with specific handicaps.

Students from tertiary colleges use our facilities for clinical experience and we also participate in the School Work Experience Programme.

This year saw the launching of a new brochure on the Hospital and its services. These were forwarded to maternity hospitals, doctors, infant welfare centres, and welfare agencies in an attempt to publicise our facilities and they have been very well accepted.

During the year 311 mothers and 838 babies were cared for, a total increase of 112 patients on last year.

The Day Nursery maintained its full capacity of 30 children per day throughout the year. The demand for placements, particularly in the baby group, remained high. A number of subsidised places continue to be made available to families with special needs.

A Parents' Committee was formed in September to raise funds to assist with the Day Nursery expenses. This has been a most enthusiastic and energetic group and their efforts resulted in the raising of over \$6,400 in 10 months. On behalf of the Committee of Management I congratulate them and thank them for this magnificent achievement.

The staff have maintained a positive programme throughout the year and they are to be commended for their support of the parents and their interest in, and care of, the children for whom they are responsible.

Our Maternal and Child Health Centre consolidated its position in the delivery of services to the Carlton community. Regular contact is made with other agencies so that a comprehensive service can be provided to families in the area. Many babies have been born to families of Lebanese, Egyptian, Turkish and Vietnamese origin, reflecting the diversity of cultures in the local community. A number of support groups use the Centre on a regular basis and the parent group and play group have been well-attended throughout the year.

In November, the Future Directions Report commissioned by the Committee was presented. The Report is still under consideration and many of the issues raised need on-going discussion in the light of the government commitment to regionalization of health services. All these factors will have an influence on the future role of this complex and are being addressed at the present time.

## Care-by-Parent Units

These units, which were a recommendation of the Medical Committee, provide accommodation for a parent with an older-age baby or toddler. Conversion of the isolation area and storeroom commenced in April with a planned completion date of 13th June, 1984. The major work was finished close to time, however there are some small areas still needing attention and then they will still need to be furnished. It is hoped they will be operating early in the new financial year.

## Committee

At the Annual Meeting, Lady Curtis stepped down as President after 17 years. Approximately 140 people were in attendance to honour Lady Curtis on the occasion of her retirement.

Dr. A. Clements spoke of her outstanding qualities and service as President and presented her with a gold pen. A portrait of Lady Curtis, by Miss Betty Reynolds was unveiled and this now hangs in the entrance foyer of the Hospital.

The Committee unanimously agreed that Lady Curtis should be made a Life Patroness of the Association.

Mrs. B. Harper resigned from the Committee in September, 1983. Mrs. Harper joined the Committee in 1971 and we thank her for her interest in, and contribution to, the Association as a Committee Member.

Mrs. E.D. Beaurepaire resigned as Honorary Treasurer, having held the position since 1979. Her work in this area was greatly appreciated and we are glad she has been able to remain on the Committee.

We were happy to have Miss D. Scott join the Committee in February, 1984. Miss Scott is a lecturer in Social Work in the Department of Social Studies at the University of Melbourne and is the current holder of the Vera Scantlebury Brown Scholarship under which she is doing research in the area of maternal depression.

Our thanks are extended to Mrs. J. Ogden for regularly attending the Hospital to sign cheques.

## Auxiliary

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital Auxiliary was established and held its first meeting in March, with myself as Convenor and Mrs. E.D. Beaurepaire as Treasurer.

Three functions have been held and these have been very successful with over \$5,000 being raised. We were very fortunate to have Dame Joan Hammond present a Morning Musicales by some of her students from the Victorian College of the Arts. They gave freely of their time and for this we were most grateful.

I would like to thank Vi Greenhalf for her generous help at the Walnut Tree functions.

We look forward to further progress as we have plenty of exciting plans for the future.

## Medical Staff

Our small but dedicated group of visiting medical staff continued to provide a high standard of skill and understanding in the care and treatment of our patients.

The Committee is most grateful for the support and service rendered by them.

It was with regret but understanding that we received the resignation in January of Dr. Michael Howson from the Medical Staff. His contribution to health care in Mothers' Wing during his eighteen months with us was most significant and was appreciated by both staff and patients.

## General Maintenance and Improvements

The hot water calorifier in the plant room became porous and the leaks could not be repaired. Replacement, at a cost of \$6,693, was effected under the Minor Works Programme.

The large open desk in the Hospital Nursery was removed and an enclosed office was built to house the sisters' station. This has enabled staff to hold private conversations with parents concerning their child.

Parking bays have been painted in the car park to facilitate more orderly parking of cars.

The inside of the Old Chapel was painted for us by the Carlton Lions Club who donated the paint and their labour. We are most grateful for the willing support we receive from the Carlton Lions.

Repairs to the large cracks in the wall at the western end of the Mothers' Wing corridor have been carried out and the entire northern wall was repainted. Expansion joints have also been put in the wall to prevent any reoccurrence.

# Report of the President of the Medical Staff

## Isabel Younger Ross Hall

This year saw the completion of the first twelve months of the licence agreement with The Melbourne Chorale. The arrangement has proved most satisfactory to both parties and we look forward to this continuing.

## Finance

Total Operating Expenditure amounted to \$1,263,365 for the year. Of this, salaries and wages were \$1,008,914 or 79.86%.

Total Income of \$1,203,553 was \$107,107 higher than last year with Commonwealth State and Municipal Grants for all areas totalling \$818,948. Patient fees amounted to \$261,394 a drop of \$43,303.

The overall result for the year showed a deficit of \$59,812 in the Operating Fund. Donations from various Trustees, Benefactors, and interested persons totalled \$32,175. These are listed later in the report.

## Acknowledgements

The Committee of Management thanks all those who have contributed so generously towards the financial needs of the Hospital. These donations have been of great benefit and are necessary to the Association's work in these days of economic stringency.

To the Caulfield Baby Health Centres Ladies Committee and the Riverside Card Group a special thank you for their continued support and donations to the Hospital during the year.

Our thanks are extended to the Sun Toy Fund for again supplying toys to the Nursery and Mr. & Mrs. W.R. Tunnecliffe for the nursery equipment, and to Mr. Hanks for his regular donations of children's clothing.

Gratitude is expressed to the Government of Victoria, the Commonwealth Government, the many Trust Companies and Charitable Funds, the City of Melbourne and the Waste Paper and Cardboard Appeal.

Appreciation is recorded for financial assistance and ready advice from the Health Commission.

## Conclusion

On behalf of the Committee, I sincerely thank all members of staff for their service and dedication throughout the year. To my fellow Committee members I say thank you for the interest you continue to show in the work of the Association and the welfare of the mothers and babies in our community.



Mrs. K.J. Shaw  
President

In last year's Annual Report, I made the comment that developments during that year were characterised by consolidation and expansion. The year July 1983 to June 1984 was one in which there were fewer identifiable signs of growth. As I see it, this is not unexpected. There have been many factors that have impinged upon the medical staff in the last year. Despite such influences it is my opinion that the medical staff have continued to maintain the high standard of health care congruent with the aims and objectives of the Victorian Baby Health Centres Association.

On the debit side, the year saw the resignation of Dr. Michael Howson in January. Dr. Howson made a significant contribution to the health of many mothers and infants during his eighteen months at this hospital. Professional commitments elsewhere played a role in his resignation. I am most grateful for his active clinical participation in the mothers' wing especially, and also his willingness to share his ideas at staff meetings. The resignation of Sister Sterndale came as a shock and was experienced as a loss by the medical staff. In a relatively short time at the hospital she gave generously of her time and energy to both patients and staff. For those with whom she worked, Sister Sterndale's commitment was exemplary. We wish both Dr. Howson and Sister Sterndale well.

Unfortunately the year did not see the realisation of the introduction of medical student teaching. The proposed plan for one or two fifth year Monash students to undertake an elective met with no response from the University. This is regrettable but the necessary groundwork has been done should we wish to pursue this matter in the future.

On a brighter note, the medical staff spent considerable time in contributing to the Future Directions Working Party sub-committee. Subsequently the research consultant employed by the hospital was invited to a medical staff meeting and collected input from our group. When the report was compiled we discussed the findings and recommendations before forwarding a consensus view to the Committee of Management. The introduction of Medicare and the industrial disputes involving medical staff in public hospitals appears to have had minimal impact on the medical staff at this hospital. These issues which featured prominently in the news during the last twelve months were obviated by a number of factors. However, I anticipate that in the near future, both the medical staff and the Committee of

Management will have to address themselves to a wide range of employment issues. Sessional allocation and delineation of clinical privileges to name but two. Hopefully negotiations can proceed such that those in the position of delivering the health care can maintain and indeed improve upon current clinical standards.

The first six months of 1984 were particularly busy in both the mothers' wing and the nursery. Sister Evans and her staff have done an excellent job often under arduous conditions in both areas. My impression is that during this six month period there was an above average number of mothers with emotional difficulties in the mothers' wing. This created an unprecedented demand for help. I would like to thank the nursing staff for the way in which they helped such mothers and their babies. There has been a broadening of the admission criteria such that emotionally disturbed mothers may now be admitted under certain circumstances. This benefits both the community and the hospital but it does require continued hard work, diligence and care by both the medical and nursing staff. My gratitude extends to Dr. Danielson and Dr. Melville for their continued good work. Dr. Murnane continues to organise the in-service teaching programme and for this I am most grateful. There are limitations on what a visiting staff can achieve but I think the efforts that have been made are admirable.

There is an ever increasing role for the hospital to play in social and preventive medicine. It is to be hoped that the long overdue appointment of a Social Worker will be forthcoming in the near future. I would anticipate the load now being borne by both medical and nursing staff might diminish as a consequence. The imminent conclusion of the Care-by-Parent units will fulfil a critical need as does the nursery wing generally. I would like to welcome Sisters Nugent and Peacock and wish them well in their work in the nursery wing area.

Finally I would like to acknowledge the invaluable work of Dr. Murnane as staff representative on the Committee of Management. I would also like to thank Dr. Danielson for her work as medical staff secretary. Over many years both Dr. Murnane and Dr. Danielson have given their time and energy most generously in the service of this hospital.

In conclusion I see the next twelve months as a challenge. Notwithstanding the difficult economic climate and current industrial tensions the opportunity for continued development exists.

Dr. Peter G. Smith  
M.B., B.S., F.R.A.N.Z.C.P.



## Report of the Director of Nursing – 1983 - 1984

All the nursing staff wish Lady Curtis a very happy retirement after so many years of dedicated service to The Queen Elizabeth Hospital. We also congratulate Mrs. Shaw on becoming the new President.

The hospital has had another busy year with 1149 admissions occupying 8306 bed days, which gives an average of twenty-two admissions each week. This compares with 1037 admissions last year occupying 8146 bed days.

The Nursery continues to fulfil a valuable function in providing emergency short-term care to families in need of help. Situations such as the admission of mother to hospital, or a family crisis may necessitate the child being in our care. Also our medical/health orientation enables us to help with feeding and sleeping problems.

Many of our children are referred by social agencies and we communicate extensively with the referring agency to monitor the continuing care of the child and family. This also helps to ensure that our care continues to be the one most appropriate until the child can be returned home or placed in alternative care. Our participation in case conferences enables us to share our knowledge of the child and family with other agencies involved with the family.

We also try to send a representative each month to meetings with other emergency care givers, in order to share our concerns and keep abreast of the problems in the community.

We welcome Sisters Jenny Nugent and Eileen Peacock to the staff. They join a very caring group in the Nursery.

The Mothers' Wing continues to help mothers having problems. There has been a long-standing tradition of helping mothers with breast feeding problems and with the management of colicky, unsettled babies and premature babies. In addition, now we are getting a demand to help and

assess low intellect single mothers wanting to keep their babies and also older age babies with feeding, weaning and sleeping problems.

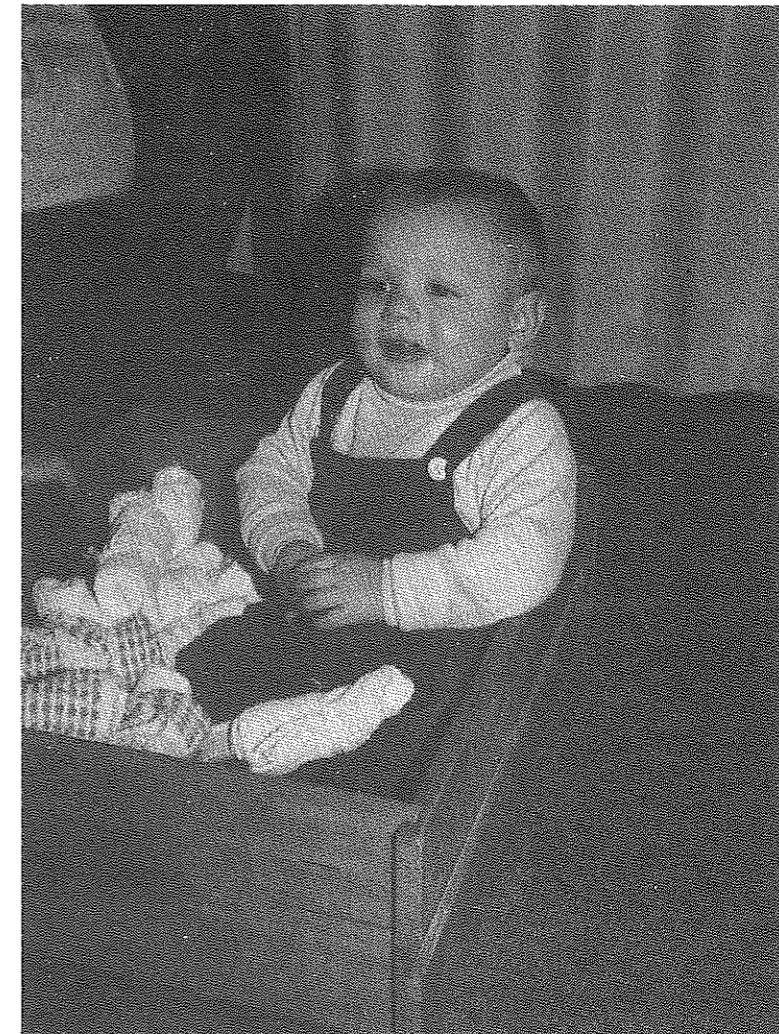
The older age babies have previously been required to reside in the Nursery end while mother is in Mothers' Wing, making it a difficult management problem for staff. We look forward to the opening of the Care-by-Parent units where these mothers and children can be together.

We are fortunate to have the services of Drs. Danielson and Melville as our visiting medical officers, and Drs. Murnane, Smith and Oberklaid as our consultants. We really appreciate their care of the patients, support for the staff and participation in inservice training. All the staff were particularly grateful for the strength and support we received from Dr. Danielson when we experienced a cot death in the hospital.

This year has seen a large increase in the number of pre-school mothercraft students from Phillip, Frankston and Prahran T.A.F.E. Colleges. It is good to see the students working with mothers and children in a residential setting.

I would like to thank the staff for all their hard work throughout the year. There have been cut-backs involving the mothercraft nurses and domestic staff which make life difficult for everyone. However, it is when seeing such things as the enthusiasm at the childrens' Christmas party; the physical and emotional thriving of a child who has been with us for five months; and the contentment of a mother taking home a settled babe, that reinforces the belief in what we are doing and provides the strength to carry on.

C.A. Evans  
Director of Nursing



# Maternal and Child Health Centre Report

This year has been one of consolidation rather than of change both in the work of the Maternal and Child Health Centre and in Carlton services generally. The new individuals and groups providing family services in Carlton are settling down and representatives of all agencies have worked towards the provision of a comprehensive service to families in the area. Increasingly these same families are becoming involved in the planning of their services.

The number of young children in the central Carlton area has remained fairly stable during the past 3 years, with a slight rise in new births and children enrolling at the Centre, again, this year.

The work of consultation at the Centre and visits to homes continues. The parent group and the playgroup have been well attended throughout the year.

The diversity of the Carlton population always influences the nature of the services provided from the Centre. This year many babies have been born into families of Lebanese, Egyptian, Turkish and Vietnamese origin. All these cultures have traditions which confine the mother and baby to the house for a period of 40 days or longer following the birth. There is a need for home visits during this period and the portable scales are a useful tool for the nurse and a welcome demonstration of the babies' progress to many parents.

The Family Planning Clinic continues to be held weekly and attendances are high.

A paediatrician from the Royal Children's Hospital visits monthly as part of the hospital's Ambulatory Paediatric Programme. Valuable links have been established with the hospital through this programme.

The pre-school Dental Service and audiologist visit monthly and a monthly immunization programme is held.

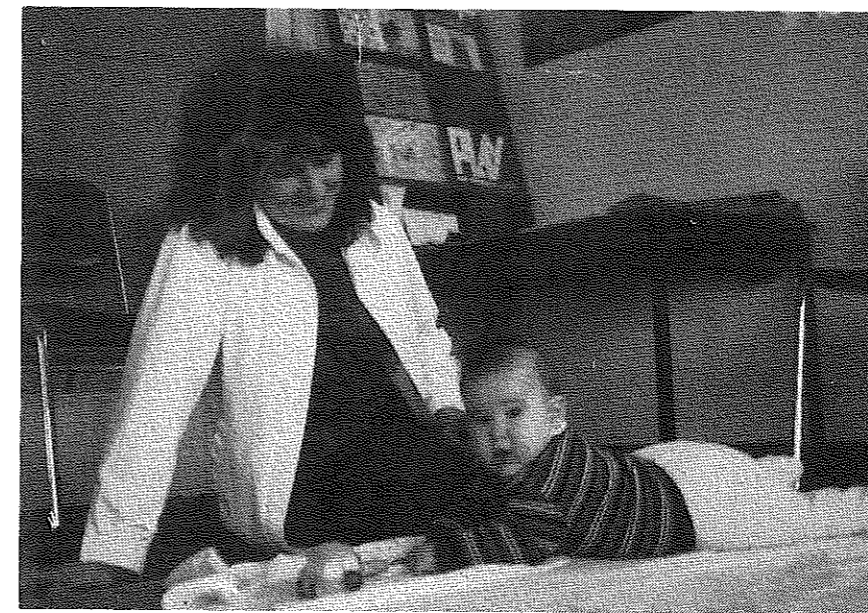
We are fortunate to have experienced workers from the Early Childhood Development Programme to call upon as needed. These workers include a physiotherapist, a dietician, a speech pathologist, a psychologist and an occupational therapist.

As always, Sr. Linden and Sr. Evans and the other services which form the Queen Elizabeth complex have been of great assistance to me and to many of the local families during the year.

### Attendances

Under 12 years	1061
1-5 years	<u>458</u>
	1519
Birth Notifications	93
New Enrolments	176
Home Visits	673
Telephone Consultations	620

Sr. H. Morris  
Infant Welfare Sister





## Report of the Day Nursery Director

The past year has seen the continued running of the Day Nursery at full capacity and the demand for both full and part-time places remains high.

During this time salaries have escalated and a 38 hour week for some staff members was introduced. The 38 hour week in particular has added a further burden to our running expenses.

In September 1983 a Fund Raising Committee of parents was formed at the instigation of Mrs. Sylvia Mainwaring. This was a most timely and successful venture as over the past 10 months the parents have raised over \$6,400. This money was obtained through the parents' efforts in holding a variety of fund raising events which had universal appeal.

Everyone has worked hard and the Committee and parents will continue the fund raising next year to help with the Day Nursery expenses. They are to be congratulated on their very fine efforts and co-operation.

We have continued to receive very useful and worthwhile assistance for our parents and children from several of the local Services. These include the Social Workers from the Melbourne City Council, Catholic Family Welfare and the Ambulatory Paediatrics Department of the Royal Children's Hospital.

Sr. Morris at the Health Centre and Sr. Evans and her staff in the Hospital have again provided valuable support for the children whenever it was needed. We are most grateful for all their efforts on our behalf.

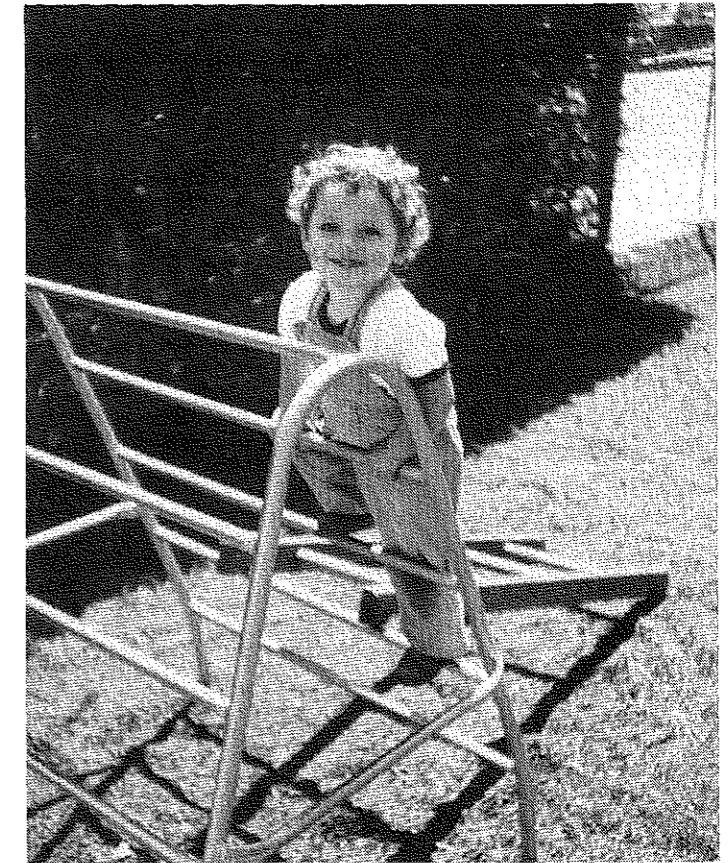
Students from Lincoln Institute, Phillip Institute, and the Institute of Early Childhood Development have been provided with practical experience at the Nursery during the year. Several school students, also, have visited us as part of their school Work Experience Programme.

The old Chapel Hall continued to serve as a venue for Inservice provided by the Pre-school Adviser for Local Day Cares and Kindergartens.

Two new staff have joined us in the past year and have settled in very satisfactorily.

Our staff have maintained a high standard of caring for the children and have been most supportive of our parents at all times.

Sr. M. Linden  
Day Nursery Director





**VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION (INC.)  
AND  
THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 30th JUNE 1984**

		1983	1983
			\$
Hospital Capital	836,438		795,230
Day Nursery Capital	286,542		278,414
Specific Purpose Funds -			
Collier Trust	4,019		4,505
Olney Prize	1,102		1,037
M.E. White Trust	1,308		1,190
Care By Parents Units	-	6,429	12,667
Operating Fund -			
Balance 1/7/83	77,430		
Add Superannuation adjustment and increase in Stores (\$88)	351		
	<u>77,781</u>		
Deduct Deficit for Year (1983 Deficit \$49,015)	59,812	17,969	77,430
<b>Total Capital and Funds</b>	<u>\$1,147,378</u>		<u>1,170,473</u>
Represented by -			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS AND INVESTMENTS AT COST</b>			
<b>Specific Purpose Funds</b>			
Cash at Bank	4,829		6,132
Investments	1,599	6,428	13,267
<b>Capital Funds</b>			
Cash at Bank	19,249		2,250
National Australia Savings			
Bank Investment Accounts	106,371		80,758
Investments	208,000	333,620	208,000
Cash in Hand		110	110
Stores on Hand		4,006	3,918
Debtors		17,020	40,170
Cash at Bank - Operating Fund		17,031	12,322
National Australia Savings			
Bank Investment A/c - Operating		72,837	86,200
		<u>451,052</u>	<u>453,127</u>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Buildings at Cost	718,823		712,514
Plant & Equipment at Cost	70,537		
Less Provision for Dep'n.	20,844	49,693	54,800
		<u>768,516</u>	<u>767,314</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u>1,219,568</u>	<u>1,220,441</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Sundry Creditors and Accruals	13,037		25,102
Provision for Annual Leave	42,927		-
Provision for Long Service Leave	16,226	72,190	24,866
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>\$1,147,378</u>	<u>1,170,473</u>

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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - OPERATING FUND  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE 1984**

		1983	1983
			\$
<b>INCOME</b>			
C'wealth and State Government Grants	760,717		615,268
Patients' Fees	261,394		304,697
Day Nursery Fees	66,005		60,109
Government Subsidy - Day Nursery	58,231		62,872
Boarders	4,640		7,010
Cost Recoveries	9,647		6,552
Donations	4,391		3,286
Interest Received	11,637		15,007
Meals and Accommodation	12,723		10,401
Isabel Younger Ross Memorial Hall - Net Income	8,601		3,348
Transfers - Specific Purposes and Capital - Day Nursery	5,567		7,896
		<u>1,203,553</u>	<u>1,096,446</u>
<b>LESS EXPENDITURE</b>			
Bad Debts	1,590		5,377
Salaries and Wages	1,008,914		893,318
Visiting Medical Officers	6,433		6,119
Superannuation	5,557		6,247
Food Supplies	31,639		32,126
Medical and Surgical	5,176		4,456
Fuel, Light and Power	31,682		30,682
Domestic Charges	44,072		50,008
Maintenance	22,914		18,670
Administrative	95,288		84,028
Depreciation	5,522		6,089
Provision for Long Service Leave	4,578		8,341
		<u>1,263,365</u>	<u>1,145,461</u>
<b>Net Expenditure for Year - Transferred   to Operating Fund</b>		<u>\$59,812</u>	<u>49,015</u>

**AUDITOR'S REPORT**

I report that I have examined the Accounts of The Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Mothers and Babies for the year ended 30th June 1984.

These Accounts comprise the Statements of Assets and Liabilities and Income and Expenditure, explanatory notes and supplementary information for the Operating and Other Funds.

In my opinion, the Accounts are properly drawn up in accordance with the requirements of the Health Commission of Victoria so as to give a true and fair view of the Institution's financial affairs as at 30th June 1984 and of the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

8th August, 1984.

I.L. MURRAY  
Chartered Accountant

**COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
**Operating Fund**

	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>INCOME</b>					
Meals and Accommodation	10,271	10,901	11,540	10,401	12,723
Donations	16,133	12,205	5,416	3,286	4,391
Child Endowment	1,764	672	452	920	290
Day Nursery Fees	38,158	48,143	50,906	60,109	66,005
Government Subsidy - Day Nursery	36,449	47,719	47,604	62,872	58,231
State Government Grants	438,710	564,030	677,352	601,797	742,171
Municipal Grants	9,024	9,717	13,435	12,551	18,256
Patients' Fees	176,040	161,429	234,760	304,697	261,394
Trainees' Fees	374	-	-	-	-
Boarders	6,485	5,975	6,315	7,010	4,640
Isabel Younger Ross Memorial Hall - net income	543	370	2,939	3,348	8,601
Cost Recoveries	5,228	7,747	2,886	6,552	9,647
Interest Received	2,397	1,041	8,221	15,007	11,637
Day Nursery - Transfer (Capital & Specific Purposes Fund)	4,500	-	5,000	7,896	5,567
Deficit for the year - transferred to Operating Funds	3,949	-	-	49,015	59,812
	<u>\$750,025</u>	<u>\$869,949</u>	<u>\$1,066,826</u>	<u>\$1,145,461</u>	<u>\$1,263,365</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Salaries and Wages	567,837	620,409	747,695	893,318	1,008,914
Visiting Medical Officers	5,337	6,887	4,115	6,119	6,433
Superannuation	4,747	4,039	3,931	6,247	5,557
Food Supplies	78,639	75,512	30,692	32,126	31,639
Medical and Surgical	3,381	4,230	3,577	4,456	5,176
Fuel, Light and Power	18,759	25,226	26,639	30,682	31,682
Domestic Charges	34,219	42,436	40,897	50,008	44,072
Maintenance	19,900	27,074	52,454	18,670	22,914
Administrative	17,206	17,593	73,283	84,028	95,288
Depreciation	-	-	2,925	6,089	5,522
Provision for Long Service Leave	-	-	2,485	8,341	4,578
Bad Debts	-	-	-	5,377	1,590
Surplus for the year - transferred to Operating Funds	-	46,543	78,133	-	-
	<u>\$750,025</u>	<u>\$869,949</u>	<u>\$1,066,826</u>	<u>\$1,145,461</u>	<u>\$1,263,365</u>

**CONTRIBUTORS**

**VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION**

Estate of the late George Adams	\$1,000.00
Australian Paper Manufacturers	3,500.00
Thomas Baker (Kodak) Alice Baker and Eleanor Shaw Benefactions	500.00
Estate of the late E.G. Batchelor	704.51
Fred J. Cato Charitable Fund	100.00
Walter & Eliza Hall Trust	500.00
Estate of Sir Walter Leitch	467.79
J.R. McPherson Fund	750.00
David Syme Charitable Trust	130.00
Joe White Bequest	300.00
Estate of the late Edward Wilson	500.00
	<u>8,452.30</u>

**SPECIFIC PURPOSES**

Caulfield Baby Health Centres Ladies Committee	145.00
J.M. Hough	20.00
H.V. McKay Charitable Trust	2,000.00
Perpetual Trustees - Estate of the late Sir William Zeal	1,000.00
Riverside Card Group	60.00
	<u>3,225.00</u>

COMMITTEE DUES 50.00

**DAY NURSERY DONATIONS**

S.J. Priestley	200.00
S. Mainwaring	200.00
P. Pierce	200.00
S.D. Clark	500.00
Mrs. Dusting	30.00
J.A. Whitworth	200.00
E.J. Virgin	100.00
M. Powell	400.00
J. Damiani	30.00
E. Cooper	200.00
B. Kennedy	25.00
J. Clark	100.00
D. Wells	100.00
Chocolates	72.50
Susie's Clothes	719.00
Trading Table	210.60
Barbecue	63.53
Day Nursery Raffle	1,604.30
Used Clothes	239.74
Wine Money	1,111.95
Fundraising Activities	165.00
	<u>6,471.62</u>

**THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL**

William Angliss (Victoria) Charitable Fund - (Lord Mayor's Fund)	2,000.00
Mrs. E. Besen	100.00
Mr. Bridgborn	2.00
B. Brockhodt	15.00
G. Cohen	100.00
Collier Charitable Fund - (Lord Mayor's Fund)	3,000.00
L. Cortese	30.00
Mrs. N.A. Edwards	500.00
Mrs. A.H. Fraser	20.00
Miss J. Fraser	10.00
C. Hogan	15.00
J.G. Holmes Pty. Ltd.	1,600.00
Hospitals and Charities Sunday Committee	161.00
S. Katsipodas	3.00
Mrs. N.D. Lofts	25.00
Lord Mayor's Fund	4,754.00
J. Madijski	30.00
N. Monty	15.00
Mrs. R. McLean	25.00
Pethard Tarax Charitable Trust	750.00
Mr. & Mrs. R. & L.B. Rapke	10.00
Royal Overseas League	100.00
M. Sanders	18.00
Mr. & Mrs. Stephens	60.00
Mrs. W.M.K. Stephens	50.00
W. Straus	50.00
Sun News Pictorial - Sunball	50.00
A. Taylor	15.00
M. Teasdale	12.00
M. Valsanoulas	3.00
J.B. Were & Son	500.00
Mrs. I.D. Wharrie	3.00
	<u>14,026.00</u>

**STATISTICAL**

	<b>Bed Capacity</b>	<b>Cot Capacity</b>	<b>Total Capacity</b>
Nursing Mothers	8	-	8
Infants 0 - 1 years	-	14	14
Toddlers 1 - 2 years	-	4	4
Pre-school 2 - 3 years	-	4	4
Pre-school over 3 years	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
	10	26	36

**DAILY AVERAGE OF OCCUPIED BEDS AND COTS FOR THE YEAR**

Mothers	2.66
Nursing Mothers	2.76
Breast-fed Babies	3.01
Artificially fed babies (under 12 months)	
Premature	0.23
Delicate	-
Normal	8.09
Toddlers 1 - 2 years	2.33
Pre-school 2 - 3 years	2.14
Pre-school over 3 years	1.73

**TOTAL PATIENTS**

<b>Mothers</b>	311
<b>Babies</b>	<u>838</u>
	1,149

**SUMMARY OF BED OCCUPANCY**

	<b>Total Bed Days</b>	<b>Daily Average</b>	<b>Occupancy Rate</b>
Elvie Curtis Wing	4163	11.37	71.06%
Dr. Doris Officer Wing	<u>4332</u>	<u>11.84</u>	<u>59.20%</u>
Hospital	8495	23.21	64.47%

Average Length of Stay - 7.29 days  
Average Daily Bed Cost - \$130.10

**THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL  
FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES  
53 Lytton Street, Carlton**

**NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Form of Bequest Clause  
Which may be included in a Will

I, ..... bequeath  
to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Mothers and Babies, 53 Lytton Street, Carlton,  
Melbourne, in the State of Victoria .....  
(here state bequest) and I direct that the said Bequest be applied to \* .....  
..... Fund. I further direct that the said bequest shall be paid free  
of duty, and that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the Queen Elizabeth  
Hospital for Mothers and Babies shall be sufficient discharge for the payment  
thereof.

\*Here insert one of the following funds - Building and Equipment, Specific Purposes.

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Mothers and Babies invites you to assist its  
work by -

Contributing to Building and Equipment funds.

Gifts of eggs, flowers, fruit, linen, babies' clothing, etc.

Joining or forming an Auxiliary.

All gifts will be gratefully acknowledged.

**Donations of \$2.00 or more to the Hospital are allowable  
as deductions for income tax purposes.**