

**Annual Report from the Treasurer,  
Wellington Botanical Society for the year ending 30 June 2017**

The accounts for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 show a surplus of \$1,133 on the normal operations of the Society recorded in the General Account. The greater surplus is due to the fact that no Bulletin was published, and it was unnecessary to transfer as much money to provide for the print run coming up. Operating expenses have been similar to previous years, with some decline in printing payments.

The transfer of \$960 each year from the General Account to the Student Field Grant Account represents the rent of the lecture room we use for meetings. The University allows the Society to use the room for our monthly meetings free of charge.

On the income side, subscriptions received have increased. Interest received declined, but this was anticipated last year. Currently we have an average interest return of 3.71 % p.a. on invested funds down from 3.85 % p.a. last year.

\$2,600 was awarded from the Jubilee Award Fund, \$600 was given as a Victoria University Student Field Grant, and \$150 was awarded to a school student at the NIWA Wellington Science Technology Fair 2016. Jubilee Award Fund donations rose again this year, which is wonderful, and very much appreciated. Sufficient funds have been put aside to cover the cost of printing Bulletin 57 in the 2017/2018 financial year.

**Subscriptions for the year ended 30 June 2018 :**

It is recommended that at our August AGM, the Society resolve to maintain subscriptions at the current level.

Ordinary membership \$35, Country \$30, Joint/family \$40, Student \$10  
(rebate of \$5 if paid before 30 November 2017 – unless you choose to forego)

Lea Robertson  
Hon. Treasurer  
13<sup>th</sup> August 2017