



# News

September 2019



## Welcome

Welcome to the September edition of the *LLL News*. In this issue read about the LLL's *Walk My Way* sponsorship, our EOFY summary, the retirement of our Promotions Officer and how to avoid being scammed.

Feel free to share this newsletter with other like-minded supporters of the LLL.

If you received a hard copy of the newsletter and would prefer a copy via email, just send an email to the address below.

We hope you enjoy reading and would welcome any feedback by emailing [promotions@lll.org.au](mailto:promotions@lll.org.au) or phoning 1800 556 457.

*Feature photo:*  
*Walk My Way, South Australia*

## *LLL sponsorship – Walk My Way*

More than 700 people around Australia have put their feet where their heart is and stepped out for this year's *Walk My Way*.

An initiative of Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS), *Walk My Way* is a 26km walking challenge where participants ask friends and family to sponsor them, with every \$26 raised helping a refugee child go to school in countries like Kenya, Somalia and Djibouti.

Walks were held in Hahndorf (SA), Darwin (NT), Perth (WA), Melbourne (Vic) and on the Sunshine Coast (Qld).

Thanks to participants in the 2019 *Walk My Way* events, ALWS has reported that enough money was raised to support 10,000 refugee children to go to school.

In 2019, the LLL provided financial assistance to help cover costs in staging this year's walks.

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# EOFY in summary – LLL supporting the wider Church

The LLL's mission is to 'assist the Lutheran Church of Australia in its mission'. We thank God for the many blessings over the last financial year, and thank depositors and other supporters for their support.

## Deposits

LLL deposits exceeded \$1.1 billion as at 30 June 2019.

## Grants

Grants from LLL Permanent Funds totalled over \$2.5 million during the last financial year. These grants are made possible by legacies and donations that have been gifted to LLL Permanent Funds, and Board allocations to support specific ministries of the LCA at national, district and local levels.

Non-interest-bearing account grants paid to LCA ministries during the last year totalled over \$1.25 million. We sincerely thank those depositors who elect to forego interest on their LLL Savings Accounts to enable the LLL to provide these extra benefits to 267 different LCA ministries.

LLL Mission Stimulus Grants totalling \$75,000 were also awarded in 2019 to four fantastic mission projects in South Australia, Queensland and two in Victoria.

## Loans approved

It is exciting to see that the Church is still developing in many areas, with 13 loans totalling nearly \$27 million in Lutheran schools, and five loans for over \$4.5 million in congregations and other Church projects approved in the last financial year.

LLL loans are provided only to LCA organisations and totalled nearly \$300 million as at 30 June 2019.

We sincerely thank all depositors for continuing to support the Church through LLL Savings Accounts.

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In 2018/2019 –  
Benefits & Services to the LCA estimated at over \$9.6 million.

LLL received over \$680,000 in Legacies and Donations

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# 2019 Together in mission – On its way!

In this year's edition you will find out about:

- » REG re-launch
- » New location for PNG artefacts
- » Deaf Ministry – Auslan – Seeing the word
- » Developments at Luther Heights (Qld) and Navigator College (SA)
- » LLL Mission Stimulus Grants
- » Lutheran Media – Live streaming the love of Jesus
- » A Tract Mission challenge

And much more!

Keep an eye out for the 2019 *Together in mission*, which will be distributed to all congregations with the calendars in the next few weeks.



## Announcing:

The LLL banking App is coming soon. Sign up to the LLL News for the announcement.

[www.lll.org.au/news](http://www.lll.org.au/news)

# LLL sponsorship – Walk My Way (continued)

Additionally, the LLL provided a sweat towel for every walker, which is much-needed after a 26km trek – and especially useful for removing sand after beach walking in WA!

The LLL congratulates all ALWS staff and volunteers for working tirelessly in putting these events together this year.

In 2020, ALWS plans to expand the number of Walk My Way events to the Gold Coast (Qld), Melbourne (Vic), the Barossa Valley (SA) and Albury (NSW).

The LLL was pleased to be associated with Walk My Way in 2019 and looks forward to supporting the various walking challenges in 2020.



## Thank you for your service Marie!



In October we will say goodbye to Marie Pawsey, LLL's Promotions Officer based in Queensland, who will be retiring after nearly 13 years of service with the LLL.

Marie started with the LLL in January 2007 and was the first LLL employee based outside of South Australia. Her primary role was to promote the LLL in congregations, schools and at Synods and Conferences in Queensland. During her tenure Marie has also been an advocate for the LLL outside of her home state, crisscrossing Australia many times. She has become a very familiar face of the LLL.

We will miss Marie's enthusiasm and passion for the LLL and its mission and wish her every happiness and blessing in her retirement. We know it won't be long until she is off traveling again!



*They say change  
is as good as a  
holiday... right?*

Here at the LLL we are feeling pretty refreshed after the launch of the new look LLL website.

Check out [www.lll.org.au](http://www.lll.org.au) for information relating to:

- » Interest rates
- » Accounts
- » Internet banking
- » Online account opening forms
- » Giving to the LLL and how the LLL aids the Lutheran Church of Australia
- » Together in mission publication
- » Financial statements

# Avoid being scammed. What you can do.

As technology improvements are made every day to ensure the safety of personal information, scammers have evolved to be evermore deceptive in their pursuit of gaining access to your personal details.

Scammers can use you to gain access to your computer simply by an unsolicited phone call, text message or fake email. Scammers will present themselves as being from a reputable business such as government agencies, service providers and/or banks and may offer to guide you through a series of steps which results in them gaining full access to your computer. For example, the scammer may ask for you to log on to your internet banking for you to check to see if it is still working. While you are doing this they are seeing everything you are doing so that they can access your login details and other personal information. Without your knowledge they can transfer funds from your accounts.

## To safeguard yourself from a scammer:

- » Never login to internet banking at the request of anyone.
- » Never share your password.
- » Never provide your personal details to any unsolicited caller or via email or text message.
- » Never allow anyone to gain access to your computer, either remotely or in person without fully understanding



what the process is and knowing the credentials of the person.

## Do:

- » If you suspect the unsolicited caller to be reputable, tell them you'll call the provider back (this way you know they are legitimate).
- » Change your passwords on your computer and all online logins regularly and use a strong password.
- » Regularly update your computers anti-virus software.
- » Encrypt or password-protect any files on your computer that contain personal details.
- » Log out of your computer.

Safeguarding your personal information is of the utmost importance; stay vigilant, be wary of cold calls asking for access to your computer, and seek clarification from a third party if necessary before releasing any information.

For more information on scams and what to do, visit the ASIC Money Smart website; [moneysmart.gov.au/scams](http://moneysmart.gov.au/scams)



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