

Atisha Centre



ANNUAL REVIEW 2020

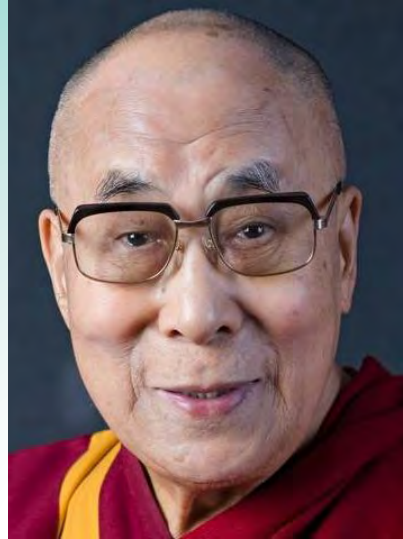
'A Land for Completing the Human Potential'

Lama Zopa Rinpoche

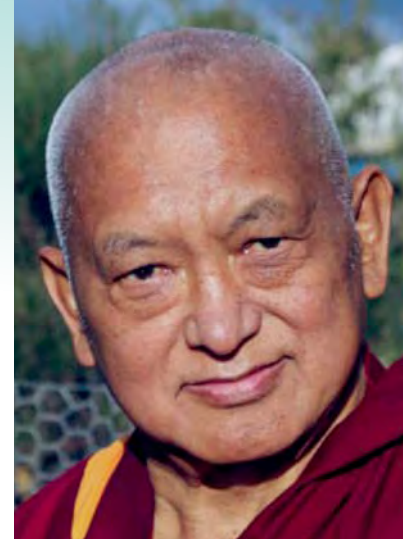
“At certain times, a silent mind is very important, but ‘silent’ does not mean closed. The silent mind is an alert, awakened mind, a mind seeking the nature of reality”

Lama Thubten Yeshe

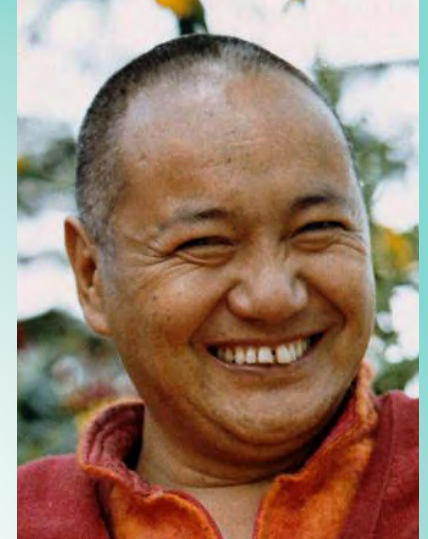




Our Spiritual Leader
His Holiness Dalai Lama



Our Spiritual Director
Kyabje Thubten Zopa Rinpoche



Our Inspiration and Founder
Lama Thubten Yeshe Rinpoche



Our Resident Teacher
Venerable Geshe Thubten Rabten



OUR PURPOSE WHAT WE PROVIDE

ATISHA CENTRE is dedicated to



- The transmission of Tibetan Buddhism through the promotion of study and dissemination of Buddhist teachings, emphasising the teachings of the Gelug lineage of Tibetan Buddhism.
- Atisha Centre's mission is to preserve the Mahayana Buddhist tradition by maintaining teaching and retreat facilities that support Mahayana practitioners in study, contemplation and meditation.
- We welcome people of all backgrounds and faiths to develop their natural wisdom and compassion through essential education and service.
- Maintaining at all times an affiliation with **FPMT Inc.**, a Californian non-profit, religious corporation representing an international group of organisations and individuals devoted to the transmission of the Mahayana Buddhist tradition and values worldwide through teaching, meditation and community service, and based upon the Buddhist tradition of Lama Tsongkhapa.



A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

2020 has been a very eventful year, to say the least. Re-reading my report for the 2019 Annual Review makes me realise how restricted the Centre's activities have become this year, due to the Covid 19 pandemic which first appeared in Victoria at the end of January. Due to the imposition of social distancing rules, we were left with no choice but to severely restrict our activities and eventually close the Centre to all visitors. This had the potential to cause a serious impact on our financial situation and for awhile we were concerned that the Centre would not be able to continue to meet its financial obligations. However, due to some cost-cutting measures and government grants and, more importantly, the very generous financial support we received from our members, by way of donations and also by



a pleasing increase in new membership, our financial situation has remained sound.

Despite the impact on our spiritual programme by COVID 19, Geshe Rabten continued to teach and we were able to make these teachings available online. The work of preparing and editing the videos of these teachings took many, many hours of work each week by our Spiritual Programme Coordinator Andy Melnic. I would like to thank Andy very much for his dedication to the work of enabling the Centre to maintain its core activity of offering the teachings of the Buddha, thereby giving people the opportunity to stay connected to the Centre and Geshe Rabten.

During the year, we welcomed two new members to our team: Jan Stewart - our new Office Manager and Sharon Nichols - the new Café Manager. Jan has many years experience in office management and has brought a high degree of professionalism to the role along with a very warm and welcoming manner. Likewise, Sharon, who previously owned and ran her own vegetarian café in the Adelaide Hills, was the much needed answer to our prayers for someone with experience and ability to manage the position. She has revitalised the café with her delicious meals and great coffee, plus a great work ethic.

In August, we farewelled Liam Chambers who passed away after a long struggle with cancer. Liam was a long-time friend, supporter and ex-director of Atisha Centre, who gave much time and energy to developing the Centre in all its aspects. We were very pleased to be able to offer our gomba as the venue for Liam's funeral service and the event was live-streamed, so members of his family who live in the USA could participate. Liam is missed by his many friends at the Centre.

At the heart of any Dharma Centre are the dedicated volunteers who give their time and energy to ensuring that the Centre functions as a well-organised environment in which to study and meditate

on the teachings of the Buddha. I would like to acknowledge the resident volunteers: Steve, our Property Manager, works tirelessly in maintaining the buildings and grounds with the help of his crew: Phil, Neil, Bill and Paul. Ken is our gardener who cares for and maintains the gardens and plants in all weathers. He has done so for more than 15 years. Ken and Helen are responsible for the potted plants which are on display at the entrance to the courtyard. These plants have proved to be a constant source of income for the Centre. One of the key roles in any Centre is that of the cleaners, and Atisha Centre is very fortunate to have Norma and her assistant Trish who maintain a very high standard of cleanliness throughout the Centre.



Lama's Dharma Shop is one of the stand-out successes of the past year, in particular, the recently opened, online version of the shop which has thrived through the shutdown.

The success of the shop is due to the enthusiastic dedication and hard work of Robyn Ralton who has been associated with Atisha Centre for more than 40 years and has recently joined the Atisha Centre Board as the Vice-Chairperson.

We are very fortunate to have a fledging nuns' community in our midst, led by Venerable Tsapel, and we are grateful for her help in giving teachings and for advice with the spiritual programme. Venerable Drime who recently became ordained has kindly volunteered as the Gompa Manager since she arrived at the Centre, and we are very grateful for the great job she has done in keeping the gompa looking clean and beautiful.

As most of you are aware, we have had to face the distressing issue of Geshe Rabten's and his assistant Venerable Dorje's visa applications being declined by the Immigration Department. I would like to thank

everyone for the very heartening support letters to the Minister of Immigration to try and resolve this situation.

The Centre remains a peaceful, harmonious centre of Buddhist study and practice, supported by dedicated members whose generosity of time, energy and membership fees enable the Centre to continue to offer the teachings of Lord Buddha to everyone who is interested in developing their hearts and minds.

I stood down as Director on 23 October, 2020. The Board, with the approval of Lama Zopa Rinpoche has appointed Venerable Gyälten Döndrup as my replacement. He will be living at the Centre full-time. I am sure, having a member of the sangha as Director will bring great benefit and I would like to wish him every success.

Finally, I am very grateful to Lama Zopa Rinpoche for giving me the opportunity to offer some small service as Director of Atisha Centre and I would like to thank everyone for the help and support.

Frank Brock
CENTRE DIRECTOR

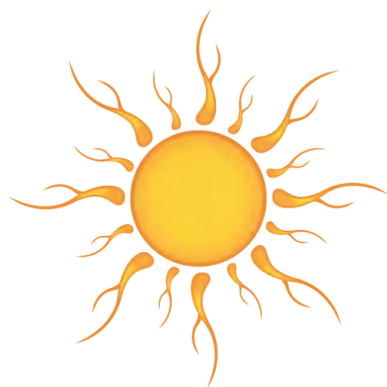


MESSAGES FROM THE BOARD - SECRETARY

The events of 2020 have highlighted, perhaps more than ever, at least in this lifetime, the importance of community and interconnectedness.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who has a connection to Atisha Centre, whether as residents, staff members, volunteers, members or friends. Your contribution to our community has come in many forms: an outpour of support for Geshe Rabten in his visa difficulties, prayers, emails of encouragement, personal skills and abilities, precious time and energy, material gifts, financial donations, kindness and love. Please know that your generosity is greatly appreciated. With these inspiring, heartfelt contributions, I am confident that Atisha Centre will continue to flourish and grow.

Liam Chambers, former Director and Chairperson of Atisha Centre, was a remarkable embodiment of this generosity. He is a great loss to Atisha Centre and as a Board member, I have missed his insight and contributions and his obvious love for Atisha Centre.



I also want to acknowledge our outgoing Director, Frank Brock. He has fulfilled the role of Director with great skill and commitment and a deep motivation to be of service to Atisha Centre.

Welcome to our new Director, Venerable Döndrup, who brings with him a wealth of experience, joyous enthusiasm and exciting ideas to further expand Atisha Centre's role in contributing to the wellbeing and happiness of all sentient beings.



Carmella Quimbo
BOARD SECRETARY

MESSAGES FROM THE BOARD - CHAIR

I pay my respects to the traditional owners of the land on which the Atisha Centre sits, the Dja Dja Wurrung people and I pay my respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.



Since joining Atisha Centre's Board as Vice-Chair in November last year, following the sad passing of our Chair Liam Chambers in August this year, I was asked to assume the position of Chair. Despite feeling very much like "the new kid on the block" I accepted the role and feel very privileged to be part of such a committed group of people. I thank Liam and his family for the years of commitment and generosity he showed all of us at Atisha Centre and hope that his family and friends are at peace since his passing.

Welcome to Robyn Ralton who accepted the role of Vice-Chair and to our new Director Venerable Döndrup who has taken over the reigns from Frank Brock whom, while we will be sad to see go, know he will continue to make contributions as part of the Atisha Centre community.

Well, what can be said that has not already been said about 2020? What a valuable lesson in impermanence and the importance of making good use of every moment we are given. Speaking personally, I have really struggled with being unable to attend Atisha Centre for over seven months now, and would like to take this opportunity sincerely to thank Geshe Rabten and Venerable Dorje for keeping the opportunity to attend teachings available by teaching online, as well as ensuring the Easter and Spring Retreats ran as planned, although through a different means. Thanks to Venerable Tsapel for guiding us through meditations during these retreats. Congratulations and sincere

thanks go to Andy for his tireless work on getting the teachings and retreats online and ensuring no matter where we were in lockdown, we could have access to these inspiring and comforting teachings.

We are still challenged in 2020 by the uncertainty that surrounds our teachers being granted their visas. I hope that by the time we are holding this AGM, commonsense has prevailed and both Geshe Rabten and Venerable Dorje have been granted their visas, and we can look forward to many more years of learning from their wisdom.

Again, my sincere thanks go to my fellow Board members for their work and commitment to building Atisha Centre, and to our outgoing Director Frank and our incoming Director Venerable Döndrup. I pray that 2021 is a year of stability and growth.

Jeannie McIntyre
CHAIR



SPIRITUAL PROGRAMME



"Compassion ... opens an inner door, and once through the door we can communicate with our fellow human beings and other sentient beings."

His Holiness the Fourteenth Dalai Lama

"The most powerful, immediate way to stop problems is to remember emptiness. You should especially remember emptiness when you are in situations where there is a danger of giving rise to strong anger or uncontrolled desire and creating heavy negative karma and causing great harm to others."

Lama Thubten Zopa Rinpoche

This year of 2020 has been fraught with pandemics and uncertainty. Many Programme events have been planned, organised and then cancelled through ever-changing government regulations. Fortunately, thanks to our wonderful teacher, Venerable Geshe Rabten and his excellent translator Venerable Lobsang Dorje we have managed to provide a fairly continuous online Programme.

Before the 'troubles', in the second half of last year our programme was very active and well-attended. Many thanks for the continued programme support from the monks at Thubten Shedrup Ling Monastery and the nuns from the virtual Machig Labron Nunnery. As usual, I am very grateful to all the volunteers and coordinators of our different events.

Our regular programme continued to make great Dharma teachings available to local students as well as students from Melbourne, Wodonga, Geelong and other far-flung provinces. On Wednesday nights, Genla continued to teach, in depth, on the *lam rim* text by His Holiness the 3rd Dalai Lama, "Essence of Refined Gold". Genla's commentary presents in detail, meditation methods of understanding and realising the graduated path. Now, including all the online teachings, we are up to session number 77.

Venerable Lozang Rigsäl has continued to lead "Healing Meditations" each Tuesday mornings for two hours. These sessions are proving quite popular and have been open to everybody. They include meditations, discussions and offer support for people dealing with life problems, or dealing with others facing those. This event has now resumed since

the ease of lockdown.

Our Buddhist Study Group took place until lockdown, approximately twice monthly and continued to attract a core group of students. Genla is still teaching Purbuchok Ngawang Jampa's "Lorig - Awarenesses and Knowers", one of the main texts covering Buddhist psychology and deals with the various ways in which we cognise objects in terms of accuracy and decisiveness. It is a major component of the Buddhist map of the mind.

Online this year, Genla taught "37 Practices of Bodhisattvas", a course which included excellent meditations led by Venerable Tenzin Tsapel, and "Clearing the Mind", a short course on purification, also with meditations led by Venerable Tsapel. Genla taught an amazing series of 14 teachings on Lama Tsongkhapa's "Song of Spiritual Experience" as well as some single teaching events: "Introduction to Meditation"



and "Heart Advice" - advice on how to deal with the pandemic and the mind.

At Christmas, we once again held our regular Chenrezig retreat, very popularly led by Venerable Tony Beaumont. A great way to end the year and begin the next.

"Discovering Buddhism" has now reached Module

11 and continues to have a steady group of attendees. Many thanks to our course leaders, Venerable Thubten Lhundrup and this year also Venerable Tenzin Tsapel.

"One Day Meditations" and "Intro to Buddhism" courses on Saturdays are led by Venerable Jampa Choepal. Many thanks! These one-day events attract a lot of people.

At the end of last year and the beginning of this, Venerable Thubten Drime has been leading very popular, twice-weekly Hatha Yoga sessions. Thank you for this. I hope they can continue again soon. We are all getting very stiff!

Most of our other events have been on hold during the pandemic.

"Lama's Dharma Shop", our book and gifts shop, improves and gets more exciting all the time, under the management of Robyn Ralton. Thank you to all the hard work from Robyn and all her volunteers who serve in the shop.

The "Publications Project" continues to develop. Geshe Rabten's teachings are being transcribed and edited. We are always looking for more volunteers to be involved with this project. All the teachings given by Geshela are available online as audio files, together with supporting handouts. From the beginning of last year all Geshela's teachings have also been videoed and transported to Youtube.



Finally, many thanks to everyone who has helped with the Programme and to Michael Chambers for his continued IT troubleshooting.



Many thanks to the following people for their efforts in making the Spiritual Programme happen and successful:

- Venerable Thubten Gyatso for "Study Group" meditations and discussions, "Wednesday Night Teachings" in December, puja leading, "Sunday Meditations".
- Venerable Tenzin Tsapel for "Discovering Buddhism", "One Day Meditation" courses, puja leading, course meditations and "Sunday Meditations".

- Venerable Jampa Choepal for “One Day Meditation” and “Intro to Buddhism” courses, “Tuesday Night Meditations” and “Tuesday Night Intro” classes, and “Sunday Meditations”.
- Venerable Thubten Lhundrub for “Discovering Buddhism” modules and “Sunday Meditations”.
- Venerable Lozang Rigsäl for “Healing Meditations”, puja setups and “Sunday Meditations”.
- Venerable Lozang Yeshe for “Tuesday Night Meditations”, Study Group” discussions and “Sunday Meditations”.
- Carol Donne for leading “Friday Meditations” and coordinating “Discovering Buddhism” and “Afternoons with Genla”.
- Helen Sleswick for coordinating “Sunday Meditations”, “Healing Meditations” and “Community Day” events.
- Venerable Thubten Drime for the role of Gompa Manager, coordinating different events and Hatha Yoga.
- Raelene Boycott for coordinating “Tuesday Night Meditations”.
- Jeannie McIntyre for coordinating “Study Group” and various retreats.
- Joanna Mananis for videoing - Publications Project.
- Robyn Ralton and staff of volunteers in Lama’s Dharma Shop.
- Pauline Walden for managing the Library.

Please rejoice in all the good work done by everybody.

Andy Melnic

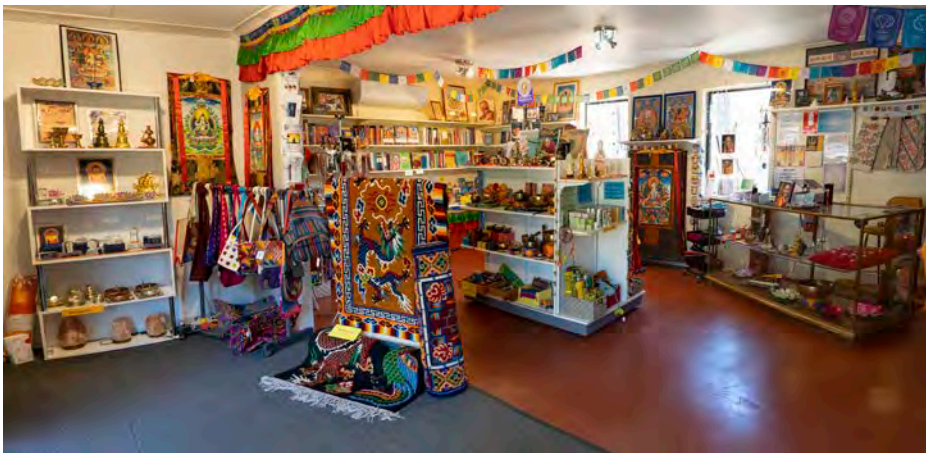
SPIRITUAL PROGRAMME COORDINATOR



LAMA'S DHARMA SHOP

Lama's Dharma Shop continues to be a hive of activity at Atisha Centre. For the 2019/2020 financial year we achieved total sales of \$62,299, which I think is a very good result given that the shop was closed for 11 weeks from late March to early June 2020 during the first coronavirus lockdown.

The main reason why we were able to maintain a steady level of sales, even during the lockdown, is that in February 2020 we (fortuitously) launched the online shop. This was a mammoth task which would not have come to fruition without the expertise of Tim Allen who donated many hours of his time, and continues to offer his help for problem solving and administrative tasks. Needless to say we are very grateful to Tim for all that he has contributed.



Through Lama's Dharma Shop online we have reached out to people all over Australia, many who now order from us on a regular basis. It has become more and more obvious that we have found a niche market for the service and products that we offer, in particular the specialty Dharma and Tibetan items.

A highlight of the year has been the publication of 'Big Love', the monumental biography of Lama Yeshe, which has been about 20 years in the making. Congratulations and much gratitude goes to all those who were involved in the production of this outstanding publication. We received our copies in May, and it has been very well-received by old and new students alike.

Ken Fox and Helen Sleswick have been working hard at developing Lama's Hardy Plants - the selection and display of succulents that we have for sale in the courtyard. Through their efforts, and by making it easier for people to pay for the plants through the shop system, sales of plants have increased dramatically. For the financial year we sold 154 plants which generated \$822 income.



Many people contribute to the success of the shop, and in particular our wonderful team of volunteers - Cilla Brady, Vanessa Conroy, Pina Mancinelli, Fiona Silver, Pauline Walden, and Lou Payne – a huge thank you to you all. Thanks also to Jan Stewart and Ken Fox who open the shop for customers outside of our normal shop hours.

I'm also very grateful to Frank Brock, Andy Melnic, Jan Stewart, and Sharon Nichols for their support and advice.

I rejoice in all the good work and goodwill that has been achieved at Atisha Centre over the past year.

Robyn Ralton
SHOP MANAGER

PROPERTY

The 2020 summer ended in March with a four inch rain event that filled all dams in the region to overflowing. This was followed by a very wet winter which has kept the dams and tanks full for the past eight months. The gardens and forest have benefitted from the rain and the spring growth in the trees is very lush and green at present.



The electrical upgrade of the accommodation was completed in January, which has stopped the circuit breaker blowing at the main power box

when the accommodation is full. The next year will involve repairs to the accommodation railing and then a second coat of paint as well as another coat of varnish on the verandah decking, which wears out fast due to exposure to the sun.

The outdoor seating area of the dining room was repainted and there was a new lean too built behind the kitchen for storage racks and the freezers. A section of the fascia was also replaced due to the end having rotted. The rest of the kitchen building will be repainted in 2021.

The office has been repainted, after repairing the walls, and is now looking fresh and clean. The shop walls will be repainted in 2021. Both the shop and office need to have their tile roof repaired and rejuvenated with a tile treatment process.



The roof over the prayer wheels was rebuilt in the same style as the reclining buddha roof and the roof of the Tsa Tsa house will need to be repainted due to wearing of the paint. Extension work has commenced on the bedroom behind the library and should be completed in 2021.



I have seen an increase in the numbers of birds, possums and lizards around the centre and new nesting boxes have been installed for owls. Unfortunately one of the kookaburras that moved into the nearby forest last year was killed recently, either by a cat or fox. The next phase of nature regeneration will involve building safe abodes for reptiles to protect them from deprecation by feral cats, foxes and dogs. Signs will also be made to

encourage people to drive slower as there have been sightings of lizards on the driveway as well as reports of squashed lizards on the roads throughout the property.

Firewood continues to be collected and \$3000 was again given to the Geshe fund. Many thanks to the volunteers that help maintain the centre and gardens – William Atherton, Phillip Bassett, Paul Dunn, Ken Fox, Neil and Norma Mitting and our new rake master Mark Leigh.



Also a big thank you to Thi for all the amazing plants donated to the Centre.

Steve Williams
PROPERTY MANAGER

KITCHEN MANAGEMENT AND CAFÉ

I came to Atisha in mid-February this year to take up the position of Kitchen and Café Manager. There had not been a manager for quite a while, so my first challenge was to re-open the café. Everyone was happy to see it resurrected, bringing new energy to the Courtyard. Unfortunately, after only five weeks, Covid-19 forced the Centre into lockdown and the café and kitchen closed for three months.

The café was able to reopen in late June, but again, after only five weeks, it was closed because of the second lock-down. Third time lucky, we were able to reopen the café in late September. However due to there being no face-to-face programme, there were no group meals

served from the kitchen. Instead, people were able to purchase from the café a variety of homemade savoury meals and cakes, and hot chai to chase away those wintry chills.

To say that 2020 has been a challenging year is an understatement; yet despite a global pandemic, two lockdowns, a two-month road closure and a cold, wet winter, I feel that the Wishfulfilling Jewel Café has lived up to its name, a bright spark in an otherwise bleak year.

Sharon Nichols

KITCHEN AND CAFÉ MANAGER



MEMBERSHIP

Our current financial membership stands at 122 up from 98 at this time last year. During the first half of this year and corresponding with the lockdowns as a result of Covid19, we saw a greater number of people either re-subscribing or becoming new members. This has been most beneficial for the Centre at a time when cancellations of face to face teachings, courses and retreats resulted in revenue loss. At the time of this report a number of membership renewals are outstanding and counting those our total would be up to 134. Our membership is flourishing and the support shown for our Geshe and his translator is truly overwhelming.



This financial year we received \$1589.70 from UFS Pharmacies. UFS is a not-for-profit membership organisation. Their “Building A Healthier Community Program” aims “to support organisations through (their) membership process”. If you become a member of UFS you are able to nominate Atisha Centre and 50% of your membership fee will be donated to Atisha Centre and so, this year our cheque for \$1589.70 was a result of 174 people nominating Atisha Centre.

Requirements for membership have evolved in line with FPMT policy. This has meant members are required to sign a Membership Agreement form declaring commitments.

Many thanks to all our members, whose generosity and commitment to Atisha Centre, enable the teachings and retreats in beautiful surroundings, to flourish.

Kathy Rice
MEMBERSHIP MANAGER



OFFICE AND ACCOMMODATION

In February this year I started as Atisha Centre Office Manager. It was very hot here and I was looking forward to working and serving for Lama Zopa Rinpoche’s coming retreat – the energy at the Centre was buzzing. And then the Covid-19 pandemic hit.

Since then, Atisha Centre has been closed and re-opened a couple of times due to government restrictions, although the Office has stayed open and we have continued to offer teachings online. We have also been very grateful for all the donations and new members during this time.

While the Centre was physically closed we took the opportunity to paint and redecorate the Office – it was definitely a group effort. And now the volunteers are kindly painting the outside of the office – a real spring clean!

We are now happily open again. We have developed Airbnb at our accommodation block, and have resumed taking accommodation bookings.

The volunteers are back, Food Share has resumed on Tuesdays, and the shop and café are open for visitors. People have started to come back to the Centre, walk the beautiful grounds, and do private meditation in the gompas. We hope to be able to offer teachings in our gompas very soon.

The office is starting to get busier again, and we strive every day to practise service as a path to enlightenment.

Jan Stewart
OFFICE MANAGER



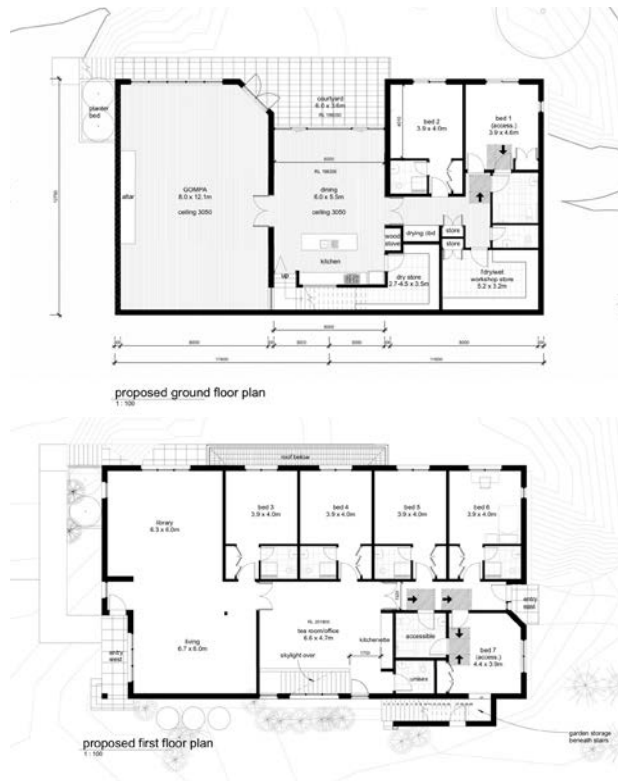
MACHIG LABDRON NUNS' COMMUNITY

Two additional nuns joined Lozang Rigtsal and me at the end of last year: Tenzin Lekdron, from Melbourne, who is continuing her work for Sri Lanka, online, while events prevented her from returning there this year, and Thubten Drieme from Bunbury, Western Australia who is the Atisha Centre Gomba Manager.



prolonged delays we hope to submit our plans once both those plans are finally approved.

It has been a slow year for progress, however, each of the nuns purchased some temporary accommodation to enable the four of us to live together as a community here for the time being. Geshe Rabten has been a great support as has Atisha Centre, The Great Stupa, the Monastery and the wider Dharma community. This has been most encouraging. Thank you all. We include you all in our love and prayers daily. May we fulfill our teachers' wishes and may the Dharma flourish.



Gruen Eco Design completed the sketch plans for our proposed two-storey, seven bedroom, passive design building. It is planned for a site north of the proposed Lama Yeshe Village. The plans have not been submitted to Council.

The Great Stupa has been engaged with the Council on the Environment Management Plan and an application for an amenities block. After

Tenzin Tsapel

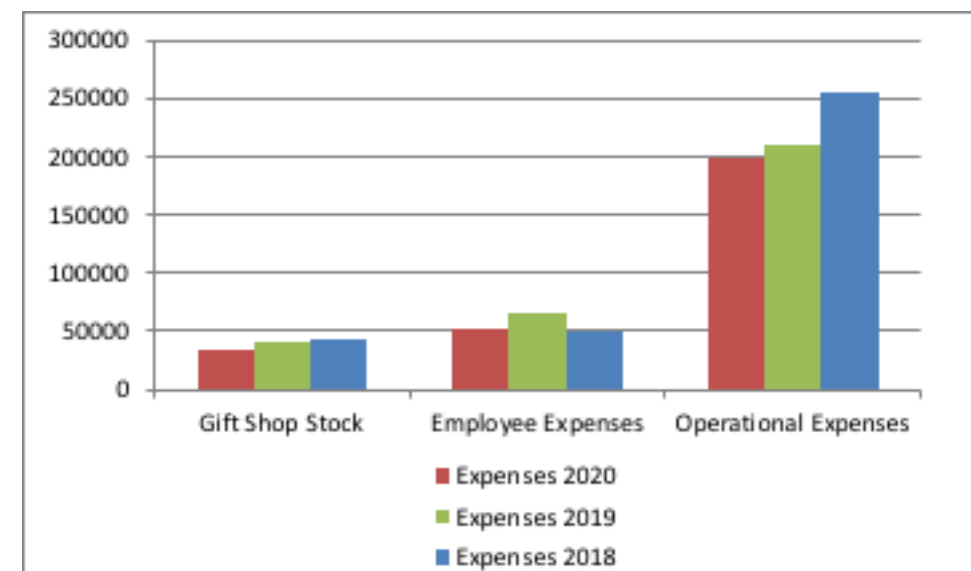
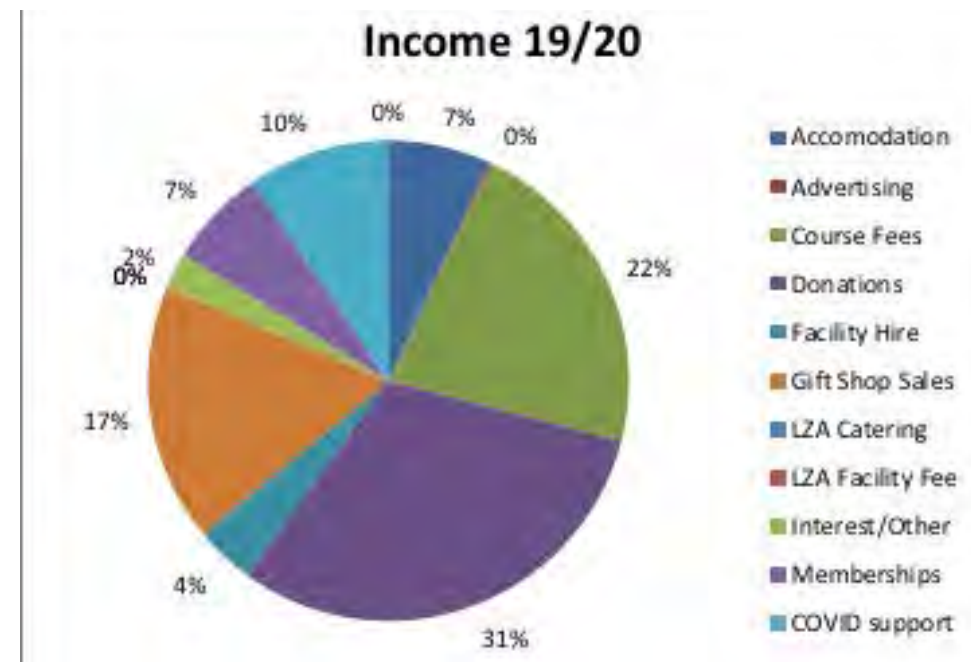
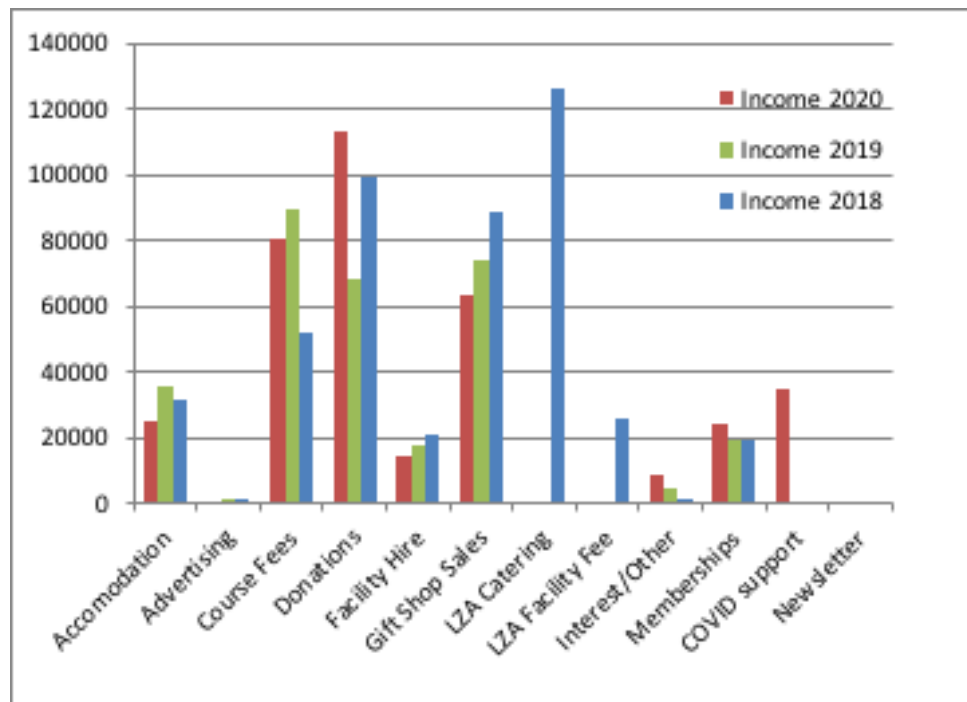
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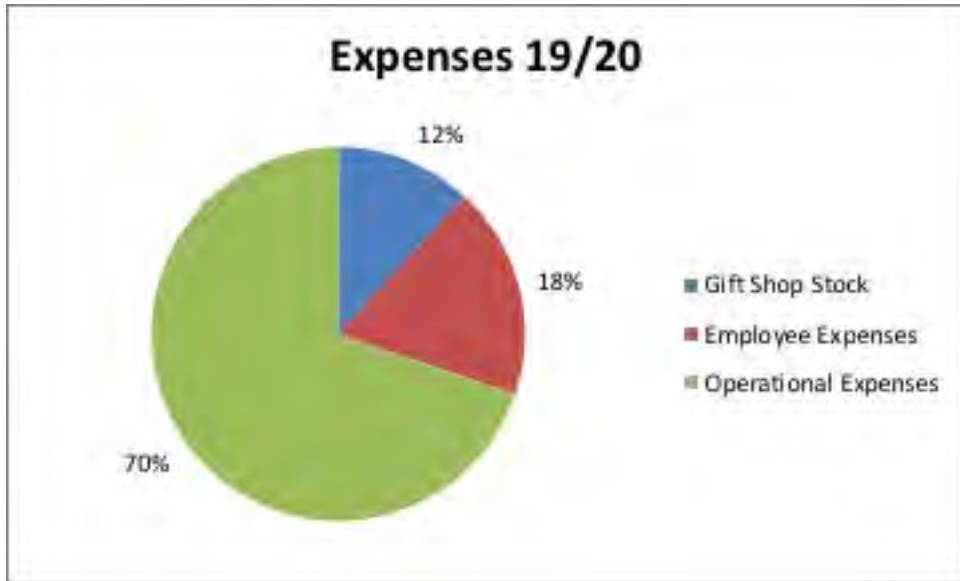


FINANCES 2019/2020

FINANCIAL REPORT

The 2019/20 financial year has seen the Atisha Centre report an overall profit of \$75,050, an improvement from a loss of \$11,139 in the prior year. This result is mostly due to the COVID support packages that Atisha has received, including Business Support Fund, Jobkeeper Wage Subsidy and Cash Flow Boost, as well as numerous and generous donations from our community.





Total income for this year was \$54,889 higher than last year thanks to the above support and an increase in membership. Due to COVID 19 and the restrictions that were placed on the operation of the centre, there was a decline in accommodation, course fees and gift shop sales.

Total cash in the bank at year end totalled \$232,729, up from \$204,000 last year. This balance includes Nunnery and dharma project committed amounts.

With the decrease in activity at the centre, there has been a decrease across all three major expense categories compared to last financial year.

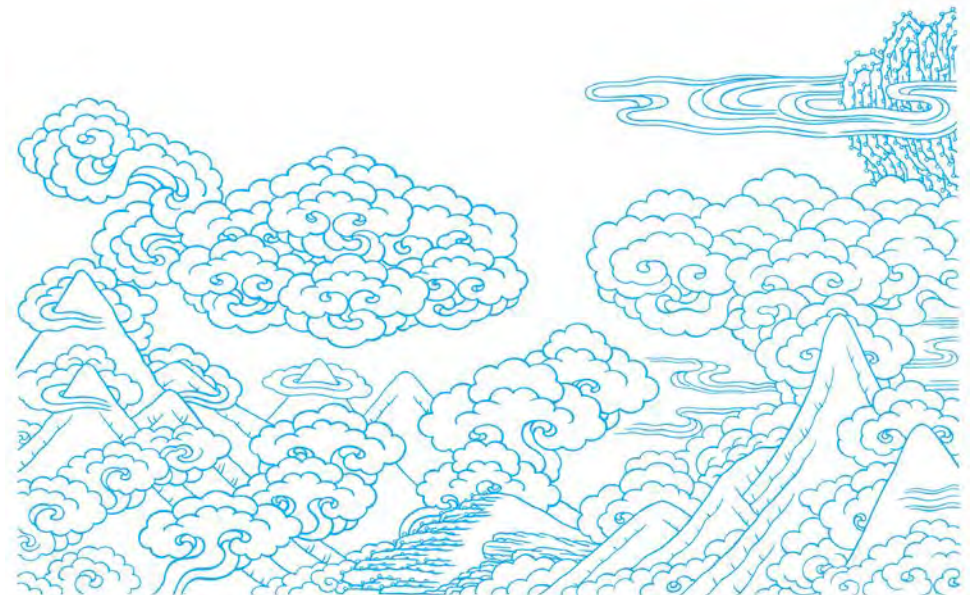
Monthly recurrent payments include:

- Insurance \$1,170
- IT assistance \$50
- Photocopy Hire \$208

Offerings are also made on a regular basis including:

- \$50 to TSL Monastery
- Offerings to Sangha for meditations, teachings and retreats
- Geshe and translator offerings (\$1100/fnt) and insurance expenses (\$750/mth)
- Long life Pujas for HHDL and Lama Zopa Rinpoche
- Light offerings
- And other times throughout the year as required.

Wendy Buchan and Tom Castles
FINANCE MANAGER AND TREASURER



ATISHA CENTRE STAFF

BOARD

CENTRE DIRECTOR:

OUTGOING: Frank Brock / INCOMING: Venerable Gyälten Döndrup

SPIRITUAL PROGRAMME COORDINATOR: Andy Melnic

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TREASURER: Tom Castles

SECRETARY: Carmela Quimbo

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OFFICE MANAGER: Jan Stewart

FINANCE MANAGER: Wendy Buchan

MEMBERSHIP: Kathy Rice

SPIRITUAL PROGRAMME

SPC: Andy Melnic

GOMPA MANAGER: Venerable Thubten Drime

SHOP MANAGER: Robyn Ralton

LIBRARY: Pauline Walden

TUESDAY NIGHT MEDITATION COORDINATOR: Raelene Boycott

DISCOVERING BUDDHISM COORDINATOR: Carol Donne

FRIDAY MEDITATION COORDINATOR: Carol Donne

DINING AND CATERING

KITCHEN MANAGER: Sharon Nichols

NUNNERY

MACHIG LABDRON NUNNERY: Venerable Tsapel

PUBLICITY

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NEWSLETTER: Andy Melnic

MAINTENANCE AND GROUNDS

PROPERTY MANAGER: Steve Williams

GARDENS AND GROUNDS: Ken Fox

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IT CONSULTANT: Michael Chambers

GESHE AND TRANSLATOR

GESHE CARE: Kathy Rice

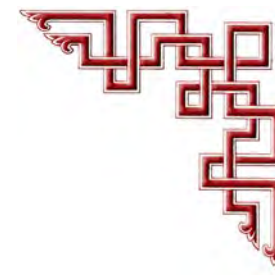
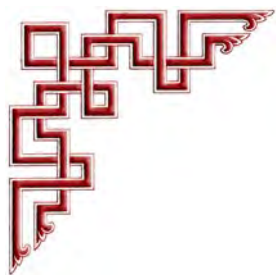
ACCOMMODATION

ACCOMMODATION MANAGER: **Vacant

PROJECTS

MERIT BOX: Helen Sleswick

KADAMPA STUPA: **Vacant



THANK YOU

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