

ANNUAL REPORT 2007-2008

The Sustainable Transport Coalition is a not-for-profit organisation working for sustainable transport solutions in WA.

The STC has key community groups and local councils as its members and a wide range of individual and organisational supporters.

This report summarises the STC's work over the 2007-08 financial year.



SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT COALITION
of
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

2007-2008 Annual Report

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Friends,

The past year for the STC has been a mix of 'the old and the new'. In terms of major activities, the STC undertook another Sustainable Transport Awards program. This was the fourth year that the Awards have been offered and they recognise the wide range of innovative activities undertaken by individuals and organisations over the previous 12 months. The nominations closed on 27 October and the Awards Breakfast was held on 6th December. The judging panel for 2007 were Gail White (Chair), Susan McCarrey (PTA), Des Snook (MRWA) and Debra Mayrhofer (BTA) and the Awards program was coordinated by Ms Yaya Mori.

This year's winners included Mr Colin Ashton-Graham of DPI (Outstanding Individual), Emeritus Prof. Peter Newman (Lifetime Achievement), Nexus Car Share (Special Achievement by an Organisation), City of Rockingham - Smarter Transport in the City (Local Government Innovation) and the Public Transport Authority - Cycling 100 Program (State Government Innovation).

The Awards were sponsored this year (2007) by BP, Woodside, DPI, Main Roads WA, PTA and Fremantle Ports. As always, we are grateful for their ongoing support.

The STC Committee decided to have a break from presenting the awards to allow it to focus on new initiatives. Some of these including responding to the new environment of substantially higher oil and fuel prices (oil had risen from US\$70 to over \$145 during this financial year) by publishing information on what motorists could do to lower their fuel costs. Ben Rose authored an A3 poster that outlined these ideas which was published in a new section of the STC web site.

The STC continued its focus on the impact of higher fuel prices on local government. Our workshop titled "Local Government Responses to Higher Fuel Prices & Climate Change" was well attended on 27 September. Held in conjunction with the WA Local Government Association (WALGA) and coordinated by Ms Yaya Mori, this seminar explored fuel reduction strategies that local governments could implement immediately. The seminar presented projects undertaken at Fremantle, Victoria Park and the City of Stirling. I returned to the City of Stirling in February 2008 to give a presentation on peak oil for its senior managers as they prepared an oil vulnerability plan for the Council.

The higher fuel costs, and subsequent pressures on the Perth public transport system, led to a number of media reports featuring members of the STC Committee including Ian Ker, Bruce Robinson and myself. Media outlets included the ABC 720 Morning Show, Stateline (10 March, 9 May and 6 June 2008), World Today (27 June 2008) and Lateline (8 November 2007) programs, *the West Australian* newspaper and *The Australian*.

The STC also worked closely with other organisations such as ASPO Australia and the WA Sustainable Energy Association. I was privileged – as STC Deputy Convenor – to speak at a WASEA breakfast seminar on 28 August 2007 titled "Why oil companies won't tell you world oil production has peaked". Bruce Robinson gave a presentation on the impact of peak oil at Curtin University on 10 August 2007, and later on Perth's planning for the WA Planning Commission on 26 October 2007. David Bennett returned to Curtin University on 24 August 2007 for a seminar on "Biofuels - A way out of oil dependency? A way to garner electoral votes?".

David Rice has been busy challenging the DPI and the WAPC to further develop the Network City approach to planning. This concept arose during the 'Dialogue with the City' public event in early 2003 but has been very slow in becoming a concrete approach used by state and local government to limit Perth's urban growth. A number of the Committee also met with the new Director General of DPI, Mr Eric Lumsden, in early 2008 to highlight the urgent issues we saw facing his department. Various STC Committee members have also participated in efforts by Main Roads WA to make their planning more sustainable in the face of the threats posed by climate change and peak oil.

The Committee welcomed new members Diana Ryan and Ben Rose, and elected a new Convenor, Jeff Pow, at its 2007 AGM on 12 September. We used the occasion to hear from Jim Krynen (PTA), Debra Mayrhofer (BTA) and Ian Ker (CATALYST) on bicycle planning issues and what Perth needs to do to encourage more cycling. A month later Jeff led a strategic planning session for the STC Committee, but due to personal issues, had to step down from the role in early 2008. The new Treasurer, David Bennett, was able to undertake a successful fundraising drive that helped secure the finances of the STC and allow us to underwrite the initiatives undertaken in 2007-08.

Finally, during this financial year the STC began planning, in association with the Conservation Council of WA and UWA, a conference titled "Fuelling Food in WA" to be held on 3 October 2008. This conference is being coordinated by David Bennett who has been able to secure funding from UWA, the Department of Agriculture and Food and Fremantle Ports.

All in all, it's been a very exciting and challenging year for all involved. I hope you can join us in the future, as a member or to enjoy one of our regular breakfasts and functions. All the best,

David Worth – Convenor

WHAT WE DO

- Kick-start much-needed transport and planning policy debates
- Bring inspiring speakers to WA
- Undertake research to tease out the issues and resolve them
- Create opportunities for people to take action and get involved
- Lobby on transport issues of importance to the WA community
- Network; Inform; Collaborate
- Monitor Government Policy and Performance

WHO WE ARE

- We are ordinary Western Australians committed to making transport more sustainable
- Our Committee is diverse and inter-disciplinary
- We represent our members; Individuals, Local Governments and Non-Government Organisations

HOW YOU CAN JOIN US

Go to our website at www.stcwa.org.au, click on *About Us* and then *Members* to download the membership form. From our homepage you can also subscribe to our informative regular email newsletter.



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Sustainable Transport Awards

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This year's winners were:

- Outstanding Individual:
Mr Colin Ashton-Graham, Travelsmart Program, DPI
- Special Award for Lifetime Achievement-
Emeritus Prof. Peter Newman
- Special Achievement by an Organization-
Nexus Car Share
(Highly commended: Men of the Trees 'Carbon Neutral Program')
- Local Government Innovation Award-
City of Rockingham- Smarter Transport in the City
(Highly commended: City of Fremantle Public Transport Initiatives)
- State Government Innovation Award-
Public Transport Authority- Cycling 100 Program
(Highly commended: QE II Travel Plan)

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Public Transport



STC joined the Public Transport Users Association to produce a report titled "*Moving Australians Sustainably: Transport Policy in the National Interest*". Released in August 2007, this seminal report was also endorsed by People for Public Transport (SA), Community Action for Sustainable Transport (QLD), Action for Public Transport (NSW) and the ACT Transit Group. Covering economic, social and environmental aspect of transport, the report can be found at:

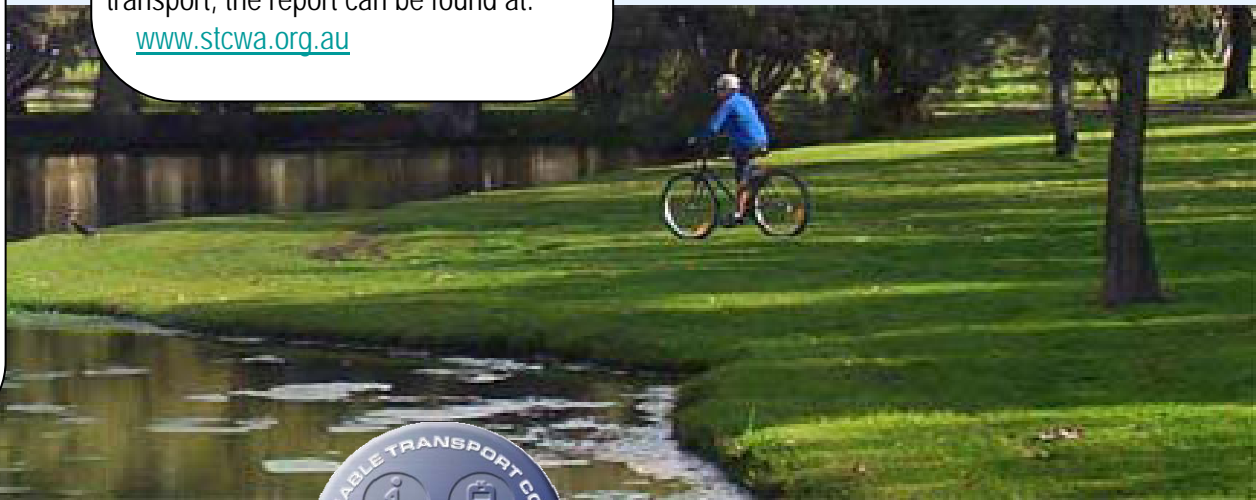
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Education

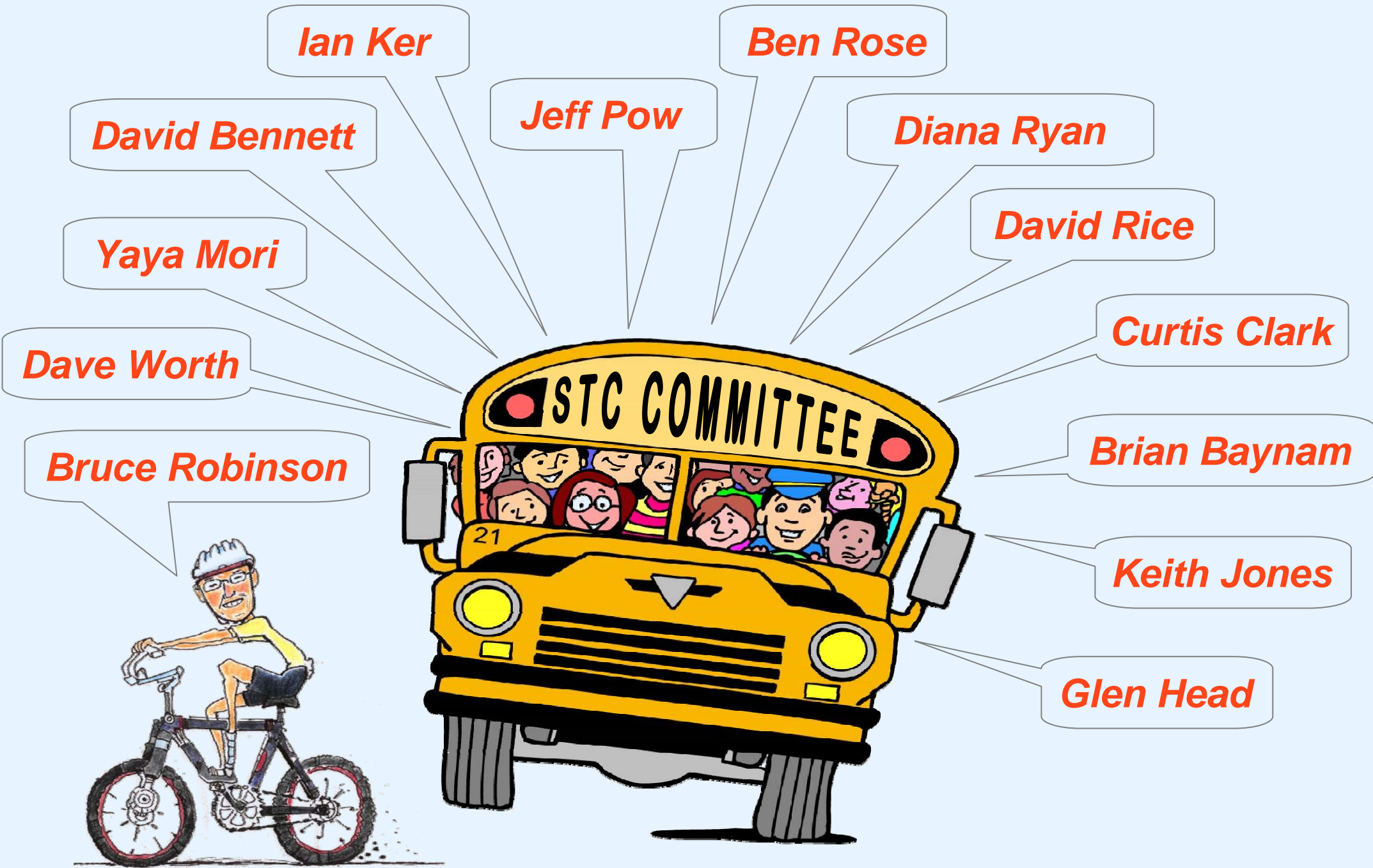


Bruce Robinson from the Association for the Study of Peal Oil (ASPO) organised a series of presenters from ASPO and STC to present on Peak Oil issues to a Mature Adult Learners Association (MALA) group.

Over 8 mornings, the group was treated to a series of interactive presentations on a variety of topics, from urban design, to food, alternative fuels and public policy.





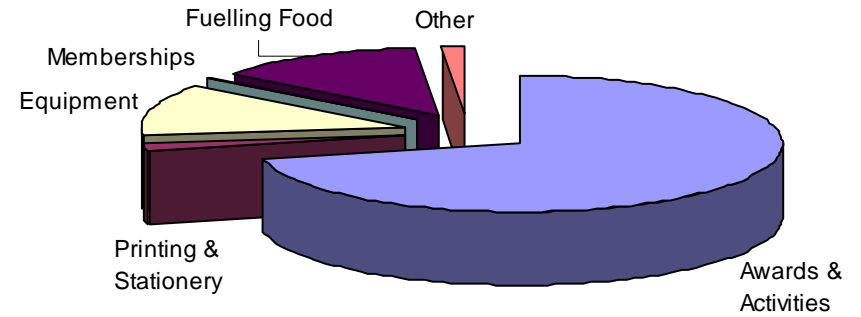


**Sustainable Transport Coalition of WA (Inc)
Statement of Income and Expenditure
Financial Year Ending 30 June 2008**

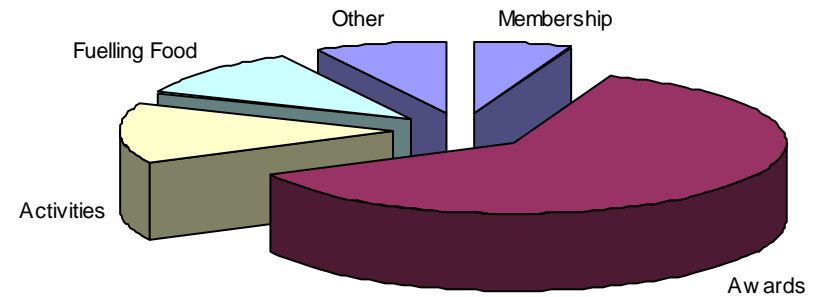
	2007-08	2006-07
Income		
Membership	\$682.00	\$330.00
Individual	\$40.00	\$60.00
Community +10	\$780.00	\$600.00
Local Govt	\$200.00	\$200.00
State Govt	<u>\$1,702.00</u>	<u>\$1,190.00</u>
Equipment Grant		\$11,500.00
STC Awards	\$17,070.00	<u>\$1,140.00</u>
Grants	<u>\$1,338.00</u>	\$12,640.00
Breakfast	\$450.00	\$240.00
Activities		\$1,055.00
Biofuels		\$3,000.47
Transport Solutions -Sept 2006	\$3,010.00	
Home show - June 2006	\$600.00	
Transport Solns Forum - Sept 2007	\$14,070.20	\$6,318.85
ASPO		\$65.00
Environment Awards Dinner	\$3,300.00	
Fuelling Food	\$799.51	\$127.87
ATO		<u>\$1,270.00</u>
Interest	<u>\$2,130.00</u>	<u>\$28,906.89</u>
Paypal (not defined)	<u>\$44,469.71</u>	

	2007-08	2006-07
Expenditure		
STC Awards	\$9,993.73	\$13,164.19
Admin	\$3,275.00	\$3,224.00
Breakfast	\$2,380.22	\$480.75
Expenses	\$3,000.00	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
Awards	<u>\$18,648.95</u>	\$18,868.94
Activities		\$116.36
Biofuels		\$260.00
Environment Awards Dinner	\$462.00	\$4,047.54
Printing/Stationery	\$2,720.95	
Equipment purchases	\$479.50	\$330.00
Computer repair	\$240.00	
Annual Report	\$180.00	\$528.53
Memberships CCWA & WASEA	\$312.60	
Website	\$3,300.00	\$3,610.14
Fuelling Food		\$3,610.14
Homeshow exhibition	\$12,746.50	\$2,829.40
ASPO	\$26.00	\$43.55
Bank fees	-\$123.39	<u>\$570.00</u>
GST	<u>\$38,993.11</u>	<u>\$31,204.46</u>
Surplus	<u>-\$1,233.92</u>	<u>-\$2,297.57</u>


STC - KEY EXPENSES 2007-08



STC - KEY INCOME 2007-08



“The purchase of a projector and screen accounts for most of the difference between the financial years...” David Bennett, Treasurer

A cyclist wearing a helmet and a backpack is riding a bicycle on a circular platform. The background is a light blue gradient. A torn paper graphic is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the following text:

Do you want to continue to
WORRY ABOUT rising OIL PRICES
or **DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM??**

Join the STC team and make a difference!

Thanks!!

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