

# Worldsmart Retail

*the success series*

## FINANCE MANAGER



### **Customer:**

Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation

### **Application:**

Finance Manager

**“** We are now working with more accurate financial information in a more timely and efficient manner thanks to Finance Manager.

**Andrew Hepworth**

Technical Services Manager

**ALPA**

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### **Background:**

The Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation (ALPA), established in 1972, is an Aboriginal-owned benevolent organisation which provides benefits to its members from the successful operation of community retail stores. ALPA own five and manage twelve other stores in some of the most remote locations in Australia.

### **Challenge:**

When your stores are located over 500kms from head office and are only accessible by air or sea, you need to have some very strict processes in place to ensure that your stores are being run in a profitable and efficient manner. One of the biggest challenges faced by ALPA was controlling and reporting finances within the store. Filling out spreadsheets, and other paper based forms was generating too many errors and the time lag of getting the paperwork back to head office for more manual handling was taking too long.

### **Solution:**

ALPA purchased Finance Manager from Worldsmart Retail to overhaul the complete financial process from stores to head office. Cashier balances and invoices are now entered at store level directly into Finance Manager. This data is then exported to head office on a daily basis along with cashier performance, store sales and cost of goods sold which are all automatically generated from Grocery Manager. Once reviewed by Head Office, the data is then exported to their accounting system.

### **Outcome:**

The time taken to manage the financial process at both a store and head office level has been reduced dramatically along with a marked improvement in accuracy of information. Being able to then pass this information directly into their accounting system means that the double and triple handling that previously existed has been eliminated freeing up resources to focus on other parts of the business.

### **Unique Challenge?**

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