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GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE

# ANNUAL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2024

IN PRESENTATION TO THE CHAIR, BOARD & CLUB DELEGATES AT THE  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE



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# Agenda



**GOTAFE GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE GV Hotel, Shepparton  
Thursday 12 December 2024 at 6.00pm**

## 1. Open

## 2. Acknowledgement to Country

We acknowledge the Country in which we meet upon today belongs to the Yorta Yorta People. We recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

## 3. Present

## 4. Apologies

## 5. Minutes of 2023 Annual General Meeting (as emailed and presented in Annual Report)

**Motion:** “The minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting are accepted as a true and correct record.”

**Moved:**                      **Seconded:**

## 6. Reports (As Presented in Annual Report)

- a. Chair Report – Jacqui Hudgson
- b. Operations Report – Brad Noonan
- c. Finance Report – Jacqui Hudgson/Stacey Cole

**Motion:** “The Chair, Operations and Finance reports as presented in the annual report, are accepted as true and correct.”

**Moved:**                      **Seconded:**

## 7. Election of Office Bearers of the GVL Board

- a. Board members not required to nominate – Stacey Cole, Andrea Pogue.
- b. Board members resigned – John Byrnes, Peter Cardamone, Nicole Miller.
- c. Therefore, there are four full Board vacancies and one casual vacancy.
- d. Board nominations have been submitted by Peter Foott, Brody Gray, Jacqui Hudgson, Ashok Kumar, Sharon O’Dwyer and Jason Sherlock.
- e. As the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacant positions, an election is now required.
- f. The vote will take place electronically via Slido.

## 8. Appointment of Annual Auditor

**Motion:** “That Goulburn Murray Audit Services be reappointed as the League’s auditor for 2025.”

**Moved:**                      **Seconded:**

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## **9. Appointment of Netball Hearing Officer**

**Motion:** “That Simone Cordy be appointed as the GVL’s Netball Hearing Officer for Season 2025.”

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**

## **10. Consumer Affairs**

- a. To receive and consider the statement to be submitted by the Board in accordance with section 102 of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

**Motion:** “The statement submitted by the Board in accordance with section 102 of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 is accepted.”

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**

**CARRIED**

## **11. Special Business**

## **12. Meeting closed**



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# Minutes



**GOTAFE GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE**  
**Shepparton Club**  
**Wednesday 13 December 2023**

**1. Open: 6:35**

**2. Acknowledgement to Country**

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**3. Present**

<b>Board</b>	<b>Position</b>		
Jacqui Hudgson	Chair		
Peter Foott	Deputy Chair		
Freddo McMahon	Board Member		
Mick Williams	Board Member		
John Byrnes	Board Member		
Peter Cardamone	Board Member		
<b>Club</b>	<b>Voting Delegate</b>	<b>Delegate</b>	
Benalla Football Netball Club	Geoff Hill		
Echuca Football Club	Justin Hatfield		
Euroa Football Netball Club Inc.	Scott Watson		
Kyabram Football & Netball Club	Tony Hansen	John Guinan	
Mansfield Football Club	Steve Bolitho		
Mooroopna Football Netball Club	Bill Dowling	Mick Betson	Janene Gattuso
Rochester Football Club	Justin Cleary		
Seymour Football Netball Club Inc	Wayne Aldous	Karen Wright	
Shepparton Football Netball Club	Brendan Bicknell	Maz Conti	
Shepparton Swans Football Club	Tish Cirillo		
Shepparton United Football Club	Beck Monk	Sharon O'Dwyer	Nat Kirby
Tatura Football Netball Club	Quiton Langlands	Simon Pogue	Steph Gorrie Smith
<b>Life Members</b>			
Norm Gillespie			
Kieth Wellman			
David Roff			
<b>AFL Goulburn Murray</b>	Shaun Connell		
Stacey Cole	Nominee		
Andrew Chittick	Nominee		
Andrea Pogue	Nominee		

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#### 4. Apologies

Nicole Miller	Nominee
Carmen Odwyer	Nominee
Michael Tehan	Life Member
Ian Howard	Life Member
Jo Spencer	Head of Operations
Caroline Greenfield	Mansfield FNC
Ray Robertson	Mansfield FNC
Tina Zappala	Mooroopna FNC
Catherine Brooks	Tatura FNC

#### 5. Minutes of 2022 Annual General Meeting (as emailed and presented in Annual Report)

**Motion:** “That the 2022 minutes be amended to include Tatura as an attendee at the Annual General Meeting”

**Moved:** Justin Hatfield (Ech) **Seconded:** Maz Conti (Shepp) **CARRIED**

**Motion:** “The minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting are accepted as a true and correct record.”

**Moved:** Wayne Aldous (Sey) **Seconded:** Quinton Langlands (Tat) **CARRIED**

#### 6. Reports (As tabled in Annual Report)

a. **Chair Report** – Jacqui Hudgson

Jacqui reflected on a successful season across both football and netball. She noted the efforts of the Board in working through the Strategic Plan and successful finals series which netted over 162 thousand dollars.

Jacqui remarked that strong foundations have been made through the media partnerships with local radio and print media, noting the GVL Stats coverage has been well received. Jacqui thanked outgoing Board members Freddo McMahon and Mick Williams for their support to her and the GVL over many years.

Jacqui acknowledged the support of the RAC Staff, Regional Manager and Commission throughout the year.

Jacqui was confident that the three new people elected onto the Board will bring a new dynamic that will continue to progress the GVL.

b. **Operations Report** – As tabled

c. **Finance Report** – Jacqui Hudgson

**Motion:** “The Chair, Operations and Finance reports as presented in the annual report, are accepted as true and correct.”

**Moved:** Karen Wright (Sey) **Seconded:** Brendan Bicknell (Shep) **CARRIED**



# Chair Report



## Season 2024 – so many highlights – Lets quickly recap the year

We had 8 different clubs represented on Grand Final day. This produced a ripper crowd and some super games of football and netball. On behalf of the board, I would like to thank all the volunteers, umpires, timekeepers, scoreboard attendants, coaches, team managers, trainers and umpires who have made the 2024 such a successful finals series. The Finals Series produced fantastic gates each week, concluding with a \$66,302 gate on Sunday at our Grand Final. This is roughly 6,000 paying attendees through the gate. Total gate for the 4-week finals series was \$156,687 with a total attendance across the 4 week finals series of just under 17,000 people. Congratulations goes to our Premier clubs Echuca (4 premierships), Euroa (2 premierships), Seymour, Shepparton Swans and Mooroopna and huge kudos to Shepp Bears, Rochester, Shepp Swans, Echuca, Mooroopna, and Mansfield for your efforts on the day.

We had just on 200 people gathered at the Morrison and Wellman Family Medal Night. We all came together to celebrate the successes of not just our Best and Fairest, but our umpires, our volunteers, our coaches and administrators. The vibe at the GV Hotel was incredible, and it was a super proud moment.

We continued again with livestreaming. Numbers were pleasing – across the season and for the Grand Finals. We had commentary and special comments for all 8 games on Grand Final day, interviews pre and post-game as well as on the spot with our boundary riders. Whether it was via the App or Web, viewers were able to tune in for all parts of the world; London, Canada, Qld, NT, and local Victorians just to name a few that we are aware of.

We are sure that radio coverage via One FM and broadcasts on Seymour, Mansfield and Benalla Community Radio stations has also complimented the spread of coverage to our wider community. The additional facet of GVL Data which has been well received by clubs and the general public and provides an additional point of difference for our League.

We have made significant investments that have set the League up to have several notable points of difference. We are setting the bar high as we continue to strive to be the League of Choice and solidify our Premier League Status.

The continuation of the GVL Statistics was welcomed by clubs and coaches in particular. Costs to clubs for this was \$2,000 per club and the League had intended to cover the rest through partnerships which had been secured before the season commenced. MMG continued the widely popular GVL Data in addition to daily articles across multiple mastheads in their group, their digital channels (including social media and websites) and the GVL Data weekly newsletter. The GVL has received extensive coverage throughout the season. We thank the team at MMG.

The GVL is very proud to have the following sponsors who without their ongoing support we would not be where we are today

- GOTAFE
- Gagliardi Scott Real Estate
- Mooroopna Golf Club
- Prominent Group
- McPherson Media Group
- Veolia
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- Darryl Twitt Motors
- Drives for Industry

All leading to the AGM tonight. Tonight, we farewell John Byrnes, Peter Cardamone and Nicole Miller from the board. Individually they have all brought a different set of expertise to the table and we are thankful for their contribution to the GVL and wish them well

Tonight, we hope to add three new faces to the board, two in a full time (2 yr) capacity and one in a casual 12-month position (that can be extended). We again hope that clubs have considered wisely the skill set required for the board to be able to take a more proactive approach to the behind-the-scenes necessities of the league. We need to continue to push the parameters of progression and be ahead of the game. You have challenged me to take the GVL to being the league of choice. We want to be the best, but this can only happen if we can fulfil the vacancies with the correct skillset, passion and commitment to all facets that the role entails from our board members. I am extremely confident that the correct choices will be made tonight. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the GVL board, Shaun Connell (AFL GM), Jo Spencer and Brad Noonan for their support, guidance, and encouragement over the past 12 months. Don't believe them when they say this job gets easier – its bloody tough and perhaps this year has been tougher than them all for all different reasons. But in saying that – I continue to learn and grow from the journey – no week is the same! I have been extremely privileged and proud to hold Chair for the 2024 season.

To my family thank you too for your support. I couldn't have done this without you. Thank you for being my voice of reason when I just needed someone to talk to. To the clubs and in particular club presidents and delegates, thank you too for your support and honest feedback throughout the season – your support means more than you know.

Jacqui Hudgson  
GOTAFE Goulburn Valley League Board Chair

# Operations Report



Season 2024 was a year of stability as the League's football and netball clubs had a second full season post Covid-19 and local flooding. Most clubs recorded stable numbers of player registrations in both football and netball, with the only clubs falling slightly being Rochester and Shepparton Swans who both continue their recovery from the devastating floods across the region in late 2022. As the league and region continues to recover from the pandemic and flooding, it is important that our entire community is supported, and our league members continue to be strong in the Goulburn Valley community.



## FOOTBALL REPORT

Despite the overall strength of the Echuca FNC, the League has become a stronger competition over the last three seasons, with the average margin in games dropping from almost 10 goals to below 8 goals in the Seniors. It is also pleasing to see smaller margins in the Reserves and U18 grades.

The two Grand Finalists in Echuca and Shepparton showed their dominance during the home and away season with only one loss and finishing 4 games clear on the ladder. However, they were certainly pushed by Rochester who had a fantastic season finishing with 13 wins including 10 in succession and the consistent challengers in Mooroopna (12 wins), Kyabram (10 wins) and Euroa (9 wins). For those clubs who missed the finals, Mansfield had a strong first half of the season before slipping away, Shepparton Swans had a very encouraging second half of the season, while Seymour struggled to find consistency. It was a challenging year for Benalla, Shepparton United and Tatura.

In the Reserves competition, Echuca proved their overall strength as a club going undefeated for the season to take-out the Premiership. There was a battle amongst Rochester, Kyabram, Euroa and Seymour as to who would challenge Echuca and Shepparton Swans showed the club can be positive about 2025. Echuca's and Shepparton's dominance from the Seniors flowed down to the Under 18 level, also finishing top two on the ladder like in the Seniors. The Shepparton Swans showed promise for the years ahead making it to the U18 Grand Final with Seymour, Mooroopna, Kyabram and Rochester showing the evenness of the competition.

Congratulations to the Echuca FNC for taking out the Senior, Reserves and U18 Premierships which is a truly amazing achievement, being the club's second clean sweep of all three grades in three years.

**Seniors – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Echuca  
 Final Score: Echuca 23.16.154 defeated Shepparton 9.4.58  
 Barry Connolly Medal (Best in Finals Seniors): Ashley Holland (Shepp)

**Wilf Cox Medal (Best on Ground in the Grand Final – Seniors):**  
 Cooper Willoughby (Echuca)  
**AFL Vic Country Medal Seniors:** Sam Willoughby (Echuca)

**Reserves – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Echuca  
 Final Score: Echuca 13.11.89 defeated Rochester 6.8.44  
**Peter Ryan Medal (Best in Finals Reserves):** Tighe O'Brien (Echuca)  
**Max Murley Medal (Best on Ground in the Grand Final – Reserves):** Tighe O'Brien (Echuca)

**Under 18's – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Echuca  
 Final Score: Echuca 12.9.81 defeated Shepparton Swans 12.8.80  
**Garry Lyon Medal (Best in Finals U18s):** Sam Bicknell (Sh Swans)  
**Freddo McMahon Medal (Best on Ground in the Grand Final – U18s):** Jaxon McMinn (Echuca)  
**AFL Vic Country Medal U18s:** Sam Bicknell (Shepp Swans)

## NETBALL REPORT

The GVL Netball competition continued to prove itself as one of the strongest regional competitions in the state. Season 2024 A Grade saw an incredibly tight season seeing eventually Premiers Euroa, Mooroopna, Tatura and Echuca regularly swapping places among themselves in the top four. Euroa certainly proved their strength in the finals, while Shepparton and Seymour all showed their capabilities to make the finals action with the Shepparton Swans not far behind.

In B Grade, Euroa and Mooroopna showed the strength of their programs making it to the Grand Final with Euroa making it the A/B Grade double Premiership for 2024. B Reserves Grade saw Seymour and Rochester show why their programs were also strong, battling out the B Reserve Grand Final with Seymour taking out the flag. The junior grades also saw some fantastic action over the season, with Shepparton Swans taking out the 17&U title over Mooroopna, while Echuca grabbed a netball title also defeating the up & coming Mansfield girls in the 15&U grade in what was a tight battle.

**A Grade – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Euroa  
 Final Score: Euroa 50 defeated Echuca 38  
 Best on Court: Hollie Reid (Euroa)

**B Grade – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Euroa  
 Final Score: Euroa 40 defeated Mooroopna 34  
 Best on Court: Sarah Ternes (Euroa)

**B Reserve – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Seymour  
 Final Score: Seymour 44 defeated Rochester 30  
 Best on Court: Toni Bootland (Seymour)

**17 & Under – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Shepparton Swans  
 Final Score: Shepparton Swans 46 defeated Mooroopna 41  
 Best on Court: Ruby Diffey (Shepp Swans)

**15 & Under – Grand Final**  
 Premiers: Echuca  
 Final Score: Echuca 45 defeated Mansfield 51  
 Best on Court: Kate Head (Echuca)



**INTERLEAGUE REPORT – GVL v O&M**

The GVL hosted our rivals the Ovens & Murray League at Deakin Reserve in May, and it was a fantastic day of representative sport in both football and netball. It was great to see the Purple and Gold guernseys and dresses on our home decks again. While the juniors in both sports fought hard without success, both the Senior football and Open netball teams had stirring victories over the arch enemy. It should also be noted that it was the first time that a 15&U netball team have represented the League in Interleague competition. This is something we are excited to continue in coming years to give our future netball stars something to aspire to.

Thanks must go to all the players who represented the League so well on the day. We hope it gives you aspirations of continuing to represent the GVL in the future. Particular thanks also to our coaches who helped provided such great leadership and guidance to the players both in the lead-up and on game day. Thanks goes to; Rum Yze (U18's), Mark Lambourn & Sam Reid (Seniors), Ellie Fuhrmeister and Courtney Aldous (15&U), Kim Borger (17&U) and Rachel Whipp and Ellie Warnock (Open).

Finally, thanks to all the support staff who volunteered their time on the day.

**Netball Results**

15&U: GVL 36 lost to O&M 49  
17&U: GVL 44 lost to O&M 64  
Open: GVL 45 def O&M 40

**Football Results**

U18: GVL 7.4.46 lost to O&M 11.8.74  
Sen: GVL 8.15.63 def O&M 7.6.48

**NETBALL VICTORIA ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Our netballers in the Open and 17&U divisions also represented the GVL with pride in the Netball Victoria Association Championships series. Our Open division team won through to the Grand Final to eventually be runners-up which is a fantastic achievement in such a tough competition. Our 17&U team found the competition tough but were able to win a couple of games during the final day. Congratulations to all players and coaches on these wonderful achievements. Even winning through to the finals is a great result so well done.



Maree Williams



Ashley Watson



Andrew Moore

**AFL AND AFL VICTORIA COMMUNITY AWARDS**

In September, the League in association with AFL Goulburn Murray was pleased to announce two of our amazing contributors to the League had won AFL and AFL Victoria awards.

Maree Williams from the Shepparton Swans FNC received the National AFL Merit Award for her services to her beloved club and the community. Rochester FNC Senior Coach, Ashley Watson was announced as the AFL Victoria, Gerard Fitzgerald Senior Coach of the Year recipient for his wonderful season with the Tigers.

The League would also like to recognise AFL Goulburn Murray, Director of Umpiring Andrew Moore who was awarded the AFL Victoria Community Umpire Manager of the Year.

All three of these award winners are very deserving of their recognition and the League congratulates them on their awards.

**UMPIRING**

The league's partnership with the GVFUA continued to grow this season, with the association recording 254 registered umpires in 2024. Of these, 15 umpires under the age of 21 took control of GVL senior games as field umpires which is a wonderful achievement for them and great for the development of our league moving forward. Further to this, the GVL Senior Grand Final panel was the youngest ever which again shows that the future of the league is in good hands. Congratulations also goes to Chris McCallum, being recognised with a Service Recognition Award from the league for his long-standing services in umpiring and the league tribunal. Finally, congratulations also to the 15 current & past umpires inducted into the inaugural GVFUA Hall of Fame. With over 1740 GVL senior games between these umpires, our league is indebted to you for your service.

**NETBALL UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT**

During the 2024 season, the league appointed Janet McKenzie to the position of Netball Umpire Development Co-ordinator. This role has been implemented by the board to support clubs in promoting umpire growth, particularly aspiring umpires looking to achieve their C badge and experienced umpires to achieve higher level skills.

During the GVL finals, many of the newly badged umpires were appointed to finals games. Their professionalism and rules knowledge during some highly contested games certainly reinforced the decision of the board to implement this additional support for our umpires. With Janet's passion for umpiring and willingness to help provide support to our umpires, the league is in good hands.

**GOTAFE GVL MORRISON & WELLMAN FAMILY MEDAL NIGHT**

In what could only be described as two of the most thrilling vote counts in League history, both the Senior football and A Grade netball best and fairest awards went right down to the wire before Ash Holland and Kim Borger both from Shepparton FNC were named as the League's best players for 2024. It was an incredible night for the Shepparton FNC with Bears players taking home five of the eight Best & Fairest awards.

The winners are as follows:

**BEST & FAIREST MEDAL WINNERS**

- Morrison Medal:** Senior, Ashley Holland, Shepp, 25 votes
- Abikhair Medal:** Reserves, Rowan Hiscock, Shepp, 20 votes
- Pattison Medal:** U18, Jensen Dowling, Shepp, 26 votes
- Wellman Family Medal:** A Grade, Kim Borger, Shepp, 30 votes
- Sandra Cox Medal:** B Grade, Ella Knightly, Sh United, 23 votes
- Gaye Eaton Medal:** B Reserve, Shara Brooks, Roc, 27 votes
- Carol Ryan Rising Star:** 17&U, Montanna Burke, Shepp, 36 votes
- Jacqui Hudgson Medal:** 15&U, Eva Clydesdale, Mans, 32 votes



Ashley Watson



Kim Borger

**MVP AWARDS**

- Seniors:** Ashley Holland, Shepp, 56 votes
- Prominent Group:** Reserves, Chris Bamford, Ben, 49 votes
- Darryl Twitt Motors:** U18, Mitchell Walters, Euroa, 50 votes
- Darryl Twitt Motors:** U18, Xavier Wapling, Ben, 50 votes
- A Grade:** Natasha Atkinson-Brown, Sh Swans, 43 votes
- B Grade:** Micaela Herbert, Kya, 34 votes
- B Reserve:** Matesse Ryan, Shepp, 41 votes
- 17&U:** Rose Byrne, Echuca, 39 votes
- 15&U:** Penny Mason, Shepp, 43 votes

**GENERAL AWARDS**

**Administrator of the Year Award:** Scott Watson, Euroa  
**GOTAFE Volunteer of the Year Award:** Nicole Lewis, Sh United  
**Veolia Spirit of the GVL Award:** David Harcoan, Shepparton  
**Mooroopna Golf Club Rising Star Award (Football):** Coby James, Mooroopna  
**Mooroopna Golf Club Most Talented Award (Netball):** Mackenzie O'Dwyer, Shepparton  
**Netball Umpire Development Award:** Eric Billing  
**George Hunter Champion Club Award:** Echuca, 706 points  
**Shepparton News Award:** Anthony Depasquale, Kyabram

**COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

**Football Senior Coach of the Year Award:** Xavier Stevenson & Ted Lindon, Shepparton  
**Football Youth Coach of the Year Award:** Ramadan Yze, Sh United  
**Netball Senior Coach of the Year Award:** Belinda Lees, Echuca  
**Netball Youth Coach of the Year Award:** Dayna Williams & Asha Gray, Mooroopna

**ELECTED LIFE MEMBERS:** Maree Williams, Sh Swans  
**QUALIFIED LIFE MEMBERS:** Andrew Bell, Euroa, Ellie Cuttriss, Rochester, Belinda Lees, Echuca, Nathan McCarty, Rochester, Marcus Varley, Euroa.

**LEADING GOALKICKER AWARDS**

**Steve O'Toole Leading Goal Kicker (Seniors):** Riley Mason, Seymour, 72 goals  
**GV Finance Brokers Jack Edwards Leading Goal Kicker (Reserves):** Julian Morgan, Seymour, 52 goals  
**Microphone Media Mal Reid Leading Goal Kicker (Under 18):** Tobie Woodfine, Rochester, 81 goals

**GOAL SHOOTING AWARD**

**A Grade:** Euroa, 1120 goals  
**B Grade:** Euroa, 982 goals  
**B Reserve:** Seymour, 919 goals  
**17 & Under:** Shepparton, 1029 goals  
**15 & Under:** Echuca, 880 goals

**GOAL DEFENDING AWARD**

**A Grade:** Mooroopna, 599 goals  
**B Grade:** Euroa, 561 goals  
**B Reserve:** Seymour, 520 goals  
**17 & Under:** Mooroopna, 516 goals  
**15 & Under:** Shepparton, 513 goals

**LEAGUE PARTNERS**

Our League Partners are a crucial part of the GVL and are extremely valuable to us. They allow our League to continue to support our football and netball athletes and take the pressure of clubs. A huge thanks to our Naming Right's Partner, GOTAFE who have been supporting the GVL since 2011 creating a significant partnership for the League. The League is also very fortunate to have many long-standing partners that continue to support us. We thank each of them for contributing positively to our League. Our partners are:



Without the continued support of all our partners, we couldn't do what we do. We thank them and encourage everyone to support their businesses where they can.

**MEDIA**

The League continued to have strong relationships with all media and received valued support across print, radio and television. Our partnerships with our media partners allow us to get stories from around the League out to the community. Our relationship with the McPherson Media Group and their mastheads including The Shepparton News, Kyabram Free Press, Benalla Ensign, Seymour Telegraph and the Riverine Herald went from strength to strength. We received fantastic coverage of GVL Data as well as news stories of our League and our member clubs.

Thank you also to The Shepparton Adviser, Euroa Gazette and Mansfield Courier for their coverage. Radio support of the GOTAFE GVL was provided by Southern Cross Austereo (MMM 95.3 & Hit 96.9) as well as local community radio station partners Seymour FM, Radio Mansfield and OneFM. The partnership with OneFM created an exciting livestream offering over the season with their calls used on most streams. The Streamer platform hosted our Live Streams this year, with the audience continuing to grow. We also thank our match day filming partners Sports Focus Videography, League videographer Shane Shepherd and Haig Lindsay and the team at Prolmage Broadcast for all their assistance through the season. Thank you to each and everyone of our media partners for your continued support.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

The GOTAFE GVL has maintained a very large following through the social media channels Twitter and Facebook and through its website [www.gvleague.com.au](http://www.gvleague.com.au), throughout 2024.  
**Facebook:** 2024 13,557 followers (2023 12,655, 2022 11,804)  
**Twitter/X:** 2024 3,056 followers (2023 3,101, 2022 3,117)  
**Instagram:** 2024 2,619 followers (2023 2,300, 2022 1,850)  
**LinkedIn:** 2024 424 followers (2023 418, 2022 358)

**THANK YOU'S AND CLOSING**

In my first season with the League, I have been excited to see how the community joins forces to get our clubs out on the field. From attending Thursday night club dinners and seeing the respect players show the volunteers, to being at games on a Saturday with all the old club legends around supporting the current group, I have really enjoyed being part of the GVL. I'm looking forward to helping everyone continue to develop their clubs and our League to be one of the major regional competitions in Victoria.

Finally, I also wish to express my thanks to the GVL Board for all their support, along with the continued commitment to the league. Another thank you is to all the Club executives and delegates who play a crucial part in the link between the league and the clubs. All of these are volunteers who without their passion for their clubs and the league, our competition would be much harder to conduct. And to the AFL Goulburn Murray staff who welcomed me into the team this year. Your experience, support and guidance has been invaluable as I learnt the ropes of running sport in the GV. Thanks to you all!

Brad Noonan  
 Operations Manager  
 Goulburn Valley League

# Finance Report

FOR PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2024

## Profit/Loss

- Net Loss for end of the 2024 F/Y is reported at -\$87,005. Of this, \$36,101 as outlined below was in relation to 2023 Finals expenses. Therefore, actual result for 2024 F/Y -\$50,904.

## This 2024 F/Y result can be attributed to the following:

- \$36,101 attributed to accounts from 2023 being received in the 2024 FY. These are attributed to Finals Expenses (Venue Hire, Security/Gates & Floats) and Weekender printing expenses.
- \$16,818 attributed to a decrease in McPherson Media Group partnership value. The reduction in partnership income was the result of MMG's refusal to meet the board's partnership proposal. With negotiations being on the eve of the season, a final agreement was reached with the specification of new negotiations in 2025.
- \$11,000 honorariums; attributed to the new Netball Umpire Development Co-ordinator appointment, and accompanying honorarium and Board honorariums taken in 2024 that were not claimed in 2023.
- In 2024, Interleague expenses totalled \$42,642 compared to \$26,247 in 2023, a difference of \$16,395. Interleague costs were higher than the previous year, mainly due to the costs associated with the GVL hosting the games including equipment hire, live streaming, security/gates, printing of the Weekender and catering.
- A 10% increase in charges from the Greater Shepparton Council for the ground hire of Deakin Reserve for the Preliminary and Grand Finals.
- Sponsorship and Advertising income relating to the launch of the league's new app was not received as expected. This was due to significant delays in obtaining critical technical support from the AFL, ultimately leading to the app not being launched as planned.
- With the support of the Apps developer, the \$35,000 budgeted expense associated with App development has been deferred in full to 2025. The League will be focusing on achieving sponsorship and advertising targets aligned with the app in 2025.

## In relation to areas where improved income or savings in expenditure were achieved during 2024;

- Live streaming and recording of finals were reduced to achieve a saving of \$34,000 against budget. The League's previous streaming platform Cluch, went into administration. The League was able to purchase a video camera and two LiveU units which allowed it to appoint a camera operator to film a football match per round. Based on prior stats, the Board determined that it would not livestream a netball match per round but would however record the match instead.
- All games are now livestreamed on Streamer platform that does not carry the costs that were incurred with our previous provider. The first three weeks of finals were streamed in the same way we streamed games during the home and away season, providing a saving of \$17,215 against the budgeted expense.
- League Presentation Night catering costs were reduced by \$5,433 against budget.
- Meeting expenditure was reduced by \$1,927 compared to budget.
- Sponsor Servicing expense budgeted at \$10,000 was not realised this season, hence why there was no actual cost for 2024. It is expected that there will be a cost for this in 2025.



# Morrison & Wellman

## 2023 Medal Winners



**Morrison Medalist:** Ashley Holland, Shepparton



**Wellman Family Medalist:** Kimberly Borger, Shepparton

<b>Morrison Medal</b> Ashley Holland, Shepparton	25
<b>Abikhair Medal</b> Rowan Hiscock, Shepparton	20
<b>Pattison Medal</b> Jensen Dowling, Shepparton	26
<b>Seniors MVP Award</b> Ashley Holland, Shepparton	56
<b>Prominent Group Award</b> Chris Bamford, Benalla	49
<b>Darryl Twitt Motors Award</b> Mitchell Walters, Euroa	50
<b>Darryl Twitt Motors Award</b> Xavier Wapling, Benalla	50
<b>Wellman Family Medal</b> Kimberly Borger, Shepparton	30
<b>Sandra Cox Medal</b> Ella Kightly, Shepparton United	23
<b>Gaye Eaton Medal</b> Sahra Brooks, Rochester	27
<b>Carol Ryan Rising Star</b> Montanna Burke, Shepparton	36
<b>Jacqui Hudgson Medal</b> Eva Clydesdale, Mansfield	32
<b>A Grade MVP Award</b> Natasha Atkinson-Brown, Sh Swans	43
<b>B Grade MVP Award</b> Micaela Herbert, Kyabram	34
<b>B Reserve MVP Award</b> Matesse Ryan, Shepparton	41
<b>17 &amp; Under MVP Award</b> Rose Byrne, Echuca	39
<b>15 &amp; Under MVP Award</b> Penny Mason, Shepparton	43



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FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024



**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 41 996 689 463**

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**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 41 996 689 463**

**COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

Your committee members submit the financial report of Goulburn Valley League Incorporated for the financial year ended 31 October 2024.

**Committee Members**

The names of the committee members in office at anytime during or since the end of the year are:

Jacqui Hodgson, Chairperson  
Peter Foott, Deputy Chairperson  
John Byrnes  
Peter Cardamone  
Stacey Cole, (Appointed 23 November 2023)  
Andrea Pogue (Appointed 23 November 2023)  
Nicole Miller (Appointed 23 November 2023)  
Frederick McMahon (Resigned 13 December 2023)  
Mick Williams (Resigned 13 December 2023)

**Principal Activities**

To promote, propagate and encourage the games of Australian Football and Netball, organising and carrying on Australian Football and Netball competitions between members of the league.

**Significant Changes**

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.

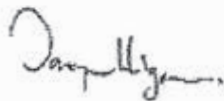
**Operating Result**

The surplus (deficit) after providing for income tax amounted to (\$87,005) 2023 \$26,257.

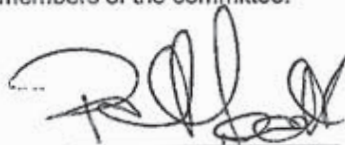
**Events subsequent to the End of the Reporting Period**

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly alter the operations of the association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the association, in future years.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the members of the committee:



\_\_\_\_\_  
Jacqui Hodgson, Chairperson



\_\_\_\_\_  
Peter Foott, Deputy Chairperson

**Dated:** 5 December 2024

**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue and other income	2	634,850	655,043
<b>Expenses</b>			
AFL regional administration fee		(144,690)	(142,476)
Analytics, video and streaming		(90,463)	(86,042)
Audit expense		(1,700)	(1,650)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses		(4,434)	(3,078)
Finals expense	3	(158,816)	(129,081)
Interleague expenses	3	(42,643)	(26,249)
Netball expense		(5,471)	(13,904)
Presentation night and trophies		(24,220)	(13,495)
Printing		(34,562)	(33,735)
Umpire expense		(170,853)	(147,865)
Other expenses	3	<u>(44,003)</u>	<u>(31,211)</u>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) before income tax expense</b>		(87,005)	26,257
Income tax expense	1 (c)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) for the year</b>		(87,005)	26,257
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>			
Other comprehensive income		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity</b>		<u><u>(87,005)</u></u>	<u><u>26,257</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 41 996 689 463**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	68,886	187,367
Accounts receivable and other debtors	5	27,398	9,550
Inventories	6	792	2,870
Other current assets	7	-	937
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>97,076</u>	<u>200,724</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	8	<u>7,771</u>	<u>6,155</u>
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>7,771</u>	<u>6,155</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u><u>104,847</u></u>	<u><u>206,879</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable and other payables	9	8,123	23,150
Other liabilities	10	-	-
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>8,123</u>	<u>23,150</u>
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u><u>8,123</u></u>	<u><u>23,150</u></u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>96,724</u></u>	<u><u>183,729</u></u>
<b>MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>			
Retained surplus		<u>96,724</u>	<u>183,729</u>
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>		<u><u>96,724</u></u>	<u><u>183,729</u></u>

**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

**AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Retained Surplus \$	Total \$
<b>Balance at 1 November 2022</b>	157,472	157,472
<b>Comprehensive income</b>		
Surplus/(deficit) attributable to	26,257	26,257
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to members of the association</b>	<u>26,257</u>	<u>26,257</u>
<b>Balance at 31 October 2023</b>	<u>183,729</u>	<u>183,729</u>
<b>Balance at 1 November 2023</b>	183,729	183,729
<b>Comprehensive income</b>		
Surplus/(deficit) attributable to	(87,005)	(87,005)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to members of the association</b>	<u>(87,005)</u>	<u>(87,005)</u>
<b>Balance at 31 October 2024</b>	<u>96,724</u>	<u>96,724</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from grants and customers		679,953	710,039
Interest received		-	156
Payments to suppliers and employees		(792,384)	(666,132)
Interest paid		-	-
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>12 (b)</b>	<u>(112,431)</u>	<u>44,063</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		<u>(6,050)</u>	<u>(8,111)</u>
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<u>(6,050)</u>	<u>(8,111)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		(118,481)	35,952
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		<u>187,367</u>	<u>151,415</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	<b>12 (a)</b>	<u><u>68,886</u></u>	<u><u>187,367</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

**1 Statement of Material Accounting Policies**

The financial statements are a special purpose report prepared for use by the committee. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

These financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic)*. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

**(a) Property, Plant and Equipment**

All property, plant and equipment except for freehold land and buildings are initially measured at cost and are depreciated over their useful lives to the association.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the committee to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

**Depreciation**

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated on a diminishing value basis over their estimated useful lives to the entity commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

**(b) Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors**

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

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**(c) Income Tax**

No provision for income tax has been raised as the entity is exempt from income tax under *Div 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

**(d) Inventories**

Inventories held for sale are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Inventories acquired at no cost, or for nominal consideration, are valued at the current replacement cost as at the date of acquisition.

**(e) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

**(f) Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customer.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

**(g) Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024	2023
		\$	\$
<b>2. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME</b>			
Sponsorship		100,182	133,173
Club - admin levy		57,600	54,000
Club - umpires		169,095	159,304
Club - analytics		24,000	12,000
Club - video		30,000	30,000
Club - gv weekender		37,625	31,203
Club - GVFL administration		1,200	1,200
Club - trainers association		(1,440)	2,400
Club - netball affiliation		25,800	24,000
Club - investigation costs		-	2,137
Club - fines		3,300	13,410
Club - tribunal		2,059	1,909
Finals gate		151,281	153,007
Finals Catering Rights		10,168	17,281
Interleague		10,788	6,000
Presentation night		8,650	7,077
Sales - footballs		181	2,364
Sales - other		2,019	436
Other income		2,342	3,986
Interest income		-	156
		634,850	655,043
<b>3. EXPENSE</b>			
Umpires		32,482	31,136
Weekender		8,753	7,476
Ground rental, toilet hire and waste		28,217	7,509
Gatekeepers		-	-
Gatepayment distributions		10,179	20,064
Catering		480	713
Live streaming and statistics		9,725	31,350
Security and St Johns ambulance		54,481	26,053
Signage and printing		-	395
Finals other		14,499	4,385
<b>Finals</b>		158,816	129,081
Accommodation		-	2,093
Catering		7,691	1,900
Clothing		16,365	18,920
Commentary, broadcasting and statistics		500	-
Livestreaming		4,900	-
Printing		1,724	-
Gatekeepers		2,730	-
Netball umpires		1,200	1,121
Interleague equipment hire, photos, AFLGM, other		7,533	2,215
<b>Interleague</b>		42,643	26,249
Accounting		566	336
Broadcasting radio		-	8,473
Board training and seminars		6,949	-
Honorariums		11,000	-
Website		2,143	2,110
Telephone		4,071	2,800
Hall of fame		4,786	-
Investigations		-	3,251
Meetings		3,073	5,177
Subscriptions		5,941	2,650
Footballs		-	2,000
Sundry		5,474	4,414
<b>Other expenses</b>		44,003	31,211



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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash at bank		68,886	181,367
Float		-	6,000
		<u>68,886</u>	<u>187,367</u>
<b>5. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND OTHER DEBTORS</b>			
Accounts receivable		27,398	9,550
		<u>27,398</u>	<u>9,550</u>
<b>6. INVENTORIES</b>			
Uniform inventory at cost		792	2,870
		<u>792</u>	<u>2,870</u>
<b>7. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Prepaid expense		-	937
		<u>-</u>	<u>937</u>
<b>8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>			
Plant and equipment		15,356	9,306
Less accumulated depreciation		(7,585)	(3,151)
		<u>7,771</u>	<u>6,155</u>
<b>9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND OTHER PAYABLES</b>			
Accounts payable		2,477	28,952
GST		5,646	(5,802)
		<u>8,123</u>	<u>23,150</u>
<b>10. OTHER LIABILITIES</b>			
Contract liability - revenue in advance		-	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>11. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD</b>			
The Committee members are not aware of any matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly alter the operations of the association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the association, in future years.			

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>12. CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>			
<b>(a) Reconciliation of Cash</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		68,886	187,367
		68,886	187,367
		68,886	187,367
<b>(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit</b>			
Profit after income tax		(87,005)	26,257
Non-cash flows in profit:			
Depreciation		4,434	3,078
Changes in Assets & Liabilities:			
(Increase) Decrease in accounts and other receivable		(17,848)	(8,050)
(Increase) Decrease in inventories		2,078	-
(Increase) Decrease in other assets		937	7,000
Increase (Decrease) in contract liability		-	-
Increase (Decrease) in accounts and other payable		(15,027)	15,778
		(112,431)	44,063
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(112,431)</b>	<b>44,063</b>

**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

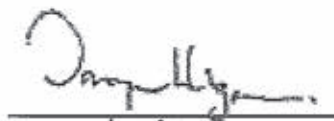
The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3 to 11:

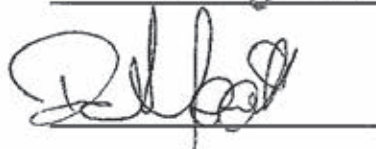
1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Goulburn Valley League Incorporated as at 31 October 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that Goulburn Valley League Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

Jacqui Hudgson, Chairperson



Peter Foott, Deputy Chairperson



Dated: 5 December 2024



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**  
**To the Members of Goulburn Valley League Incorporated**  
**Report on the Audit of the Financial Report**

**Opinion**

I have audited the special purpose financial report of Goulburn Valley League Incorporated (the Entity), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 October 2024, the statement of profit and loss, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and the declaration by those charged with governance.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report gives a true and fair view of, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at 31 October 2024, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act Victoria (2012)*.

**Basis for Opinion**

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

**Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting**

I draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared to assist the registered entity with reporting requirements under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act Victoria (2012)*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. My report is intended solely for the registered entity and should not be distributed to or used by parties other than the registered entity. My report is not modified in respect of this matter.

**Other Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon**

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Entity's annual report for the year ended 31 October 2024 but does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

**Responsibilities of Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report**

Those Charged with Governance are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act Victoria (2012)*, and for such internal control as Those Charged with Governance determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



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In preparing the financial report, Those Charged with Governance are responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Those Charged with Governance either intend to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those Charged with Governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report**

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by responsible entities.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the responsible entities' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the responsible entities regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.



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**Date: 5th December 2024**

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