



GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE

# ANNUAL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2025

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



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# Agenda



**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE**  
**GV Hotel, Atrium Room (Upstairs), Shepparton**  
**Wednesday 10 December 2025 at 6.00pm (start)**

**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 2024 Annual General Meeting**

**Motion:** "The minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting are accepted as a true and correct record."  
**Moved:** **Seconded:**

**6. Reports (to be presented in Annual Report distributed prior to AGM)**

- a. Chair Report – Peter Foott
- b. Operations Report – Brad Noonan
- c. Finance Report – Peter Foott / Ashok Kumar

**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 – Peter Foott, Ashok Kumar, Sharon O’Dwyer and Jason Sherlock.
- b. Casual Board members required to nominate for full Board member position – Daniel Irwin and Alice Milner.
- c. There is also one (1) full Board vacancy.
- d. As per the GVL Rules, members will be notified of all final nominees five (5) days prior to the Annual General Meeting and whether a vote is required.

**8. Proposed changes to GVL Rules (as provided in AGM Meeting Papers included with Notice of Meeting email)**

**Motion:** "The proposed changes to the GVL Rules be accepted by the members as presented and be submitted to Victorian Consumer Affairs for approval."

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

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**9. Appointment of Annual Auditor**

**Motion:** “That Goulburn Murray Audit Services be reappointed as the League’s auditor for 2026.”

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

**10. Appointment of Netball Hearing Officer**

**Motion:** “That Simone Cordy be appointed as the GVL’s Netball Complaints Officer for Season 2026.”

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

**11. 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:**

**11. Special Business**

**12. Meeting closed**

# Minutes



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

**1. Open: 6:07pm**

**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** – Geoff Hill (Benalla FNC), Justin Hatfield, Mary Byrne, Kirsten Orr (Echuca FNC), Andrew Hill (Euroa FNC), Tony Hansen (Kyabram FNC), Steve Bolitho (Mansfield FNC), Bill Dowling, Janene Gattuso (Mooroopna FNC), Justin Cleary and Peter Ward (Rochester FNC), Peter Elliott, Karen Wright (Seymour FNC), Maz Conti, David Harcoan (Shepparton FNC), Kevin Hicks, Jason Kelly, Jo Zampaglione (Shepparton United FNC), Jarrod Sutherland, Tish Cirillo (Shepparton Swans FNC), Quinton Langlands, Simon Pogue (Tatura FNC), Stacey Cole, Peter Foott, Jacqui Hudgson, Nicole Miller, Andrea Pogue (GVL Board), Brad Noonan, Jo Spencer (AFL GM), Brody Gray, Ashok Kumar, Sharon O'Dwyer, Jason Sherlock (Board Nominees), Michael Milne (Auditor), Norm Gillespie (Life Member).

**4. Apologies** – Scott Watson & Felicity Watson (Euroa FNC), John Guinan (Kyabram FNC), Wayne Aldous (Seymour FNC), Brendan Bicknell (Shepparton FNC), Nat Kirby (Shepparton Utd FNC), Shaun Connell (AFL GM), Michael Tehan (Life Member), Keith Wellman (Life Member), Eugenie Stragalinos (Audit & Risk Committee).

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

**Amendment:** In the apologies, wish to amend Caroline Greenfield to Caroline Trenfield of Mansfield FNC.

**Motion:** "With the stated amendment, the minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting are accepted as a true and correct record."

**Moved:** Geoff Hill (Benalla FNC) **Seconded:** Andrew Hill (Euroa FNC) **Motion carried**

**6. Reports**

a. Chair Report – Jacqui Hudgson

Firstly, the Chair informed the members of an amendment to the printed report in the Annual Report. This was in relation to the opening paragraph of the report, where the Grand Final gate takings should read as \$66,302 and the takings across the full finals series be \$156,687.

The Chair read her report as tabled in the Annual Report, noting the successful Morrison and Wellman Family Medal night, continued success with livestreaming of games, and strong media partnerships particularly with the league radio partners and the usage of the GVL statistics with Premier Data and the MMG. All league partners were also thanked.

Those board members leaving the board in John Byrnes, Peter Cardamone and Nicole Miller were thanked for their work on the board.

b. Operations Report from Brad Noonan, Operations Manager was tabled as presented in the Annual Report

c. Finance Report – Jacqui Hudgson, Stacey Cole and league auditor Michael Milne presented the financial report, specifically highlighting the impacts on the 2024 result including; \$36,101 attributed to accounts from 2023 being received in the 2024 FY, \$16,818 attributed to a decrease in McPherson Media Group partnership value, \$11,000 in honorariums including the new Netball Umpire Development Co-ordinator appointment, \$16,395 additional expenses attributed to the hosting of the Interleague games in 2024, and a 10% increase in charges from the Greater Shepparton Council for the ground hire of Deakin Reserve for the Preliminary and Grand Finals. Motion: "The Chair, Operations and Finance reports as presented in the annual report, are accepted as true and correct."

**Moved:** Karen Wright (Seymour FNC) **Seconded:** Geoff Hill (Benalla FNC) **Motion Carried**

# Minutes



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

Board members not required to nominate – Stacey Cole, Andrea Pogue.

Board members resigned – John Byrnes, Peter Cardamone, Nicole Miller.

Therefore, there are four full Board vacancies and one casual vacancy.

Board nominations have been submitted by Peter Foott, Brody Gray, Jacqui Hudgson, Ashok Kumar, Sharon O'Dwyer and Jason Sherlock.

GVL Operations Manager Brad Noonan and AFL GM Head of Operations Jo Spencer, Co-Chaired the election of Board Members.

Brad explained the process of the elections and that votes would be conducted by Slido with each club entitled to cast one vote. Voting delegates were asked to make their way forward to be recorded as voting and provided the QR Code to enable their vote to be place.

The results were as follows:

Peter Foott (92%), Jason Sherlock, (75%), Ashok Kumar (75%), Sharon O'Dwyer (67%), Brody Gray (50%), Jacqui Hudgson (42%).

Peter Foott was re-elected to the Board with Jason Sherlock, Ashok Kumar and Sharon O'Dwyer also being elected. Brody Gray and Jacqui Hudgson did not receive sufficient votes to be elected.

## 8. Appointment of Annual Auditor

**Motion:** "That Goulburn Murray Audit Services be reappointed as the League's auditor for 2025."

**Moved:** Andrew Hill (Euroa) **Seconded:** Steve Bolitho (Mansfield) **Motion Carried**

## 9. Appointment of Netball Hearing Officer

**Motion:** "That Simone Cordy be appointed as the GVL's Netball Hearing Officer for Season 2025."

**Moved:** Quinton Langlands (Tatura) **Seconded:** Bill Dowling (Mooroopna) **Motion Carried**

## 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:** Geoff Hill (Benalla) **Seconded:** Justin Hatfield (Echuca) **Motion Carried**

## 11. Special Business - Nil

## 12. Meeting closed 6:49pm

# Chair Report



To have the honour of leading our great league has been a privilege for myself and all the board members, all of whom have worked tirelessly throughout the year often making some very difficult decisions along the way. Looking back and reflecting on our season from where we were at the last AGM, we have achieved a lot of milestones. There's no doubt the league was in a tricky position at the start of the year. The board had to look at ways to save money and cut costs across the league and there were many long discussions by the board on how to do this. To Deputy Chair Jason Sherlock, Finance Director Ashok Kumar, Sharon O'Dwyer, Alice Milner, and Daniel Irwin, all of your support, leadership, encouragement and the rigorous discussions to make balanced decisions, has helped the league achieve our goals in our first year together as we strive to be the best league in Regional Victoria. Our new look board needs to be applauded for the enormous amount of time and effort they have put into a mainly thankless job. While extremely challenging at times, it is definitely a very enjoyable community experience that we all can be proud of.

Thanks to all our club Presidents and their respective boards for their support of the league, helping place the league in a stronger position at the end of the year. To the club committees, volunteers, football and netball athletes, club doctors, physios, trainers, timekeepers, netball and football managers, you are all rock stars that make our competitions happen every Saturday and what makes the GVL so special.

To Brad Noonan, your work this year and at some personal cost has been exceptional. To Shaun Connell, Jo Spencer, Andrew Moore, AFLGM staff and the AFLGM commission, you have been fantastic in supporting our league in a tough year, we thank you all.

Congratulations to Callum Brown of Mansfield on winning the Seniors Morrison Medal in your first year of playing in our league, well done. To our Reserves grade Abikhair medalist, Tom Magee from the Shepp Swans, your speech was an inspirational, "just play at the highest level you can, don't worry about money when playing footy make good friends." Thanks Tom, not a truer word spoken. And to the U18 Pattison medal winner, Noah Muir well done on an excellent year and all the best for the seasons to come.

To our Wellman Family medal winner Kim Borger taking out her second consecutive award and being the first premiership coach for Shepparton A-grade netball. What a fantastic achievement not only personally, but also for your club well deserved. To Seymour's stars Toni Bootland for winning the B grade Sandra Cox medal and Ruby Trimble taking out the B Reserve Gaye Eaton medal, what an achievement for both of you and the club. And we can't go past Shepparton's Byers sisters, Lily who won the 17&U Carol Ryan medal and Scarlet who tied with Mooropna's Layla Ratcliffe for the 15&U Jacqui Hudson medal.

We cannot forget to congratulate all the premiership winners across all grades;  
Football – Kyabram (Seniors), Seymour (Reserves), Shepparton (U18)

Netball – Shepparton (A Grade & 17&U), Echuca (B Grade & 15&U), Seymour (B Res)

We wish you all the best for season 2026 because clubs are now chasing you to knock off the Champions. We will certainly look forward to stronger sides across all grades again in season 2026.

We also should stand to thank and appreciate our umpires on all levels across all games of football and netball. If you are a first-time umpire in netball or have umpired 500 games in football, we thank you for your time and efforts. This brings me to a new topic trying to introduce a centralized panel of netball umpires to move away from the demands and reliance on club umpires. This may take some time to achieve and is an aspirational target for season 2027, but discussions have begun with key stakeholders and who knows, we might see the netball umpires join with the football umpires as one big body.

The league Risk and Audit Committee is a group relatively unknown but dedicated to helping the league. To Chris Teitzel, Claire Barnes and Eugenie Stragalinos thanks to you all for your time and expertise in helping the league become bigger and stronger. Particularly to Chris, who steps down after 10 years as Chair of the committee, we thank you for your work and guidance and wish you all the best with your future endeavors.

Next year will bring more interest to the GVL, with challenges and change to the way we operate particularly as we learn more about the implications of the AFL Victoria RAC review. We will need to explore best practices in financial and competition management, also build processes and better structure for what our league will need to strengthen our way forward for the next decade to come. We will be building a new Strategic Plan and stronger financial model that will help implement how the league operates. We will need to employ more staff to help build our business and strengthen relationships with our commercial and club partners. We also need to improve our social media presence across more platforms while building on our own strong brand.

Just one last thing we need to continue to discuss and build which is our people and culture. We all know, and it's been commented and acknowledged by others external to the GVL, that our culture across our league is very good. But we need to continue to improve in this vital area of our league and community. So be kind and respectful to each other over the off season and on behalf of the GVL Board, I wish you all a safe and merry Christmas followed by a successful, enjoyable new year. Big love to you all.

Regards

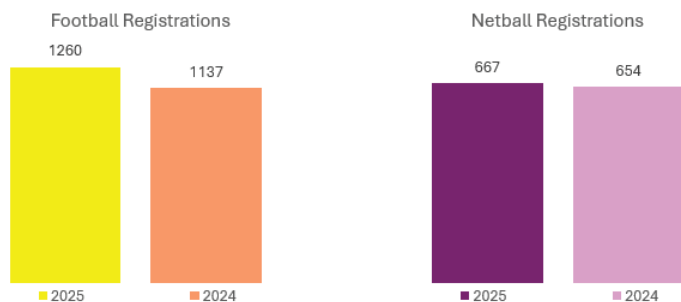
**Peter Foott**  
GVL Chair

# Operations Report



Season 2025 was a year of change in the Goulburn Valley League, with new contenders in football and netball competitions along with a new board administering the league. Since the Covid-19 disruptions, the league has seen the likes of Echuca dominating football with three straight premierships and Euroa, and Mooroopna battling out the Netball competition. But 2025 saw the rise of some new teams to take away Premierships, with Kyabram taking out the Football title and Shepparton finishing their undefeated A Grade Netball season with their first ever Premiership. The rise of these new Premiers brought new excitement around the season and particularly the finals.

The league also experienced stable registration numbers in both football and netball, with small increases in both.



## FOOTBALL REPORT

The home and away season saw a tight battle between the Top Four teams, with Kyabram successful taking out the minor premiership, followed by Rochester, Mansfield and Echuca only two wins behind the Bombers. Positions fifth and sixth were also closely fought, with Shepparton Swans eventually taking out fifth place and Shepparton holding on to the last finals spot. It was great to see the Mansfield and Shepparton Swans make the finals after missing out last season.

Grand Final day saw the dominant Kyabram take on Rochester who after falling short in the Preliminary Final made the big day this year. Both teams certainly brought their supporters to Deakin Reserve for the big game, but Kyabram were too strong on the day capturing the flag in what was a very strong season for the club with all three teams in the finals.

The Reserves season came to an exciting end with the average margin across the finals series only 14 points, culminating in an exciting Grand Final which saw Seymour who finished fourth, edging out the ladder leaders Kyabram.

Shepparton's U18 team finished a dominating season taking out the Premiership over local rivals Mooroopna. In what was a much anticipated Grand Final, the Bears showed their class over the Cats to take out a convincing victory.

### Seniors

- Premiers: Kyabram
- Final Score: Kyabram 13.14.92 def Rochester 8.14.62
- Barry Connolly Medal (Best in Finals Seniors): Mitch Trehwella (Rochester)

- Wilf Cox Medal (Best on Ground in the Grand Final – Seniors): Mick Mattingly (Kyabram)
- AFL Vic Country Medal Seniors: Kaine Herbert (Kyabram)

### Reserves

- Premiers: Seymour
- Final Score: Seymour 6.9.45 def Kyabram 5.8.38
- Peter Ryan Medal (Best in Finals Reserves): Thomas Burnett (Kyabram)
- Max Murley Medal (Best on Ground in the Grand Final – Reserves): Lachlan Waite (Seymour)

### Under 18's

- Premiers: Shepparton
- Final Score: Shepparton 19.14.128 def Mooroopna 4.2.26
- Garry Lyon Medal (Best in Finals U18s): Liam Teague (Shepparton) and Jayden Thorn (Mooroopna)
- Freddo McMahon Medal (Best on Ground in the Grand Final – U18s): Sam O'Brien (Shepparton)
- AFL Vic Country Medal U18s: Sam O'Brien (Shepparton)

## NETBALL REPORT

The GVL Netball again proved itself as one of the strongest regional competitions in Victoria. The A Grade Grand Final was much anticipated between two of the strongest teams in the league Shepparton and Euroa. But after an undefeated season, the Bears stormed home over the Magpies to record a 21-goal win to take out their first title for the club.

After finishing fifth on the ladder, Echuca peaked at the right time to take out the B Grade Premiership over the minor Premiers Seymour, however the Lions were successful in the B Reserves Final achieving back-to-back titles over Euroa. After winning the A Grade flag, Shepparton also took out the 17&U title over Mooroopna, with Echuca who won the 15&U were another team to achieve back-to-back titles taking out Grand Final also over Mooroopna.

### A Grade

- Premiers: Shepparton
- Final Score: Shepparton 62 def Euroa 41
- Best on Court: Sophie Harmer (Shepparton)

### B Grade

- Premiers: Echuca
- Final Score: Echuca 44 def Seymour 38
- Best on Court: Jessie Milligan (Echuca)

### B Reserve

- Premiers: Seymour
- Final Score: Seymour 45 def Euroa 29
- Best on Court: Ruby Trimble (Seymour)

### 17 & Under

- Premiers: Shepparton
- Final Score: Shepparton 30 def Mooroopna 28
- Best on Court: Bella Gale (Shepparton)

### 15 & Under

- Premiers: Echuca
- Final Score: Echuca 53 def Mooroopna 50
- Best on Court: Sarah Head (Echuca)

## INTERLEAGUE

The GVL travelled to Wangaratta to face our Interleague rivals, the Ovens & Murray League. Following some great battles seen across both football and netball in 2024, it was expected to be another day of close fought contests as the GV's best once again represented the purple and gold with pride!

In the football, the day started with a classic contest between the U18's with O&M eventually taking it out by 13 points. The game proved that both leagues have some major talent coming through to Senior football in coming years. Unfortunately for the GVL, O&M were too strong in the Senior game taking it out by 77 points. After 10 weeks of preparation, the O&M were a well-oiled outfit getting revenge on the GVL after their loss last year.

The netball competition once again proved just how good both leagues were on the court, with the purple and gold taking out two of the three games. The 15&U game was taking out by a strong O&M team, before an all-time classic in the 17&U game down to a two goal victory to the GVL, before the GVL showed their strength in the Open game dominating their rivals.

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. Thanks to our coaches who guided the teams in the lead-up and on game day. Thanks goes to; Rum Yze (U18's), Dale Osborne (Seniors), Kelly Hill (15&U), Matt Healey (17&U) and Bree and Di Hanslow (Open) for their commitment to the league.

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

### Football Results

U18 – GVL 9.6.60 lost to O&M 10.13.73

Seniors – GVL 7.8.50 lost to O&M 18.19.127

### Netball Results

15 & U – GVL 38 lost to O&M 69

17 & U – GVL 52 def O&M 50

Open – GVL 68 def O&M 31

## NETBALL VICTORIA ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our netballers once again represented the league strongly during the Netball Victoria Association Championships series. Both the league's junior teams took out the titles during the North East Association Championships in May before going to the State Finals where the 15&U team were successful in taking out the State title, with an injury ravaged 17&U team having winning 5 of their 11 games but not qualifying for finals. For the second year in a row, the GVL Open team made the Final game and this time came away with the trophy proving just how strong the league's netball competition is. Again, many thanks to the coaches for their work with the teams, particularly Shinea Sali for stepping up to lead the Open team.

## UMPIRING

The league's partnership with the GVFUA continued to grow this season, with the association recruiting 28 new umpires in season 2025 to finish with 282 registered umpires, including doubling the number of female umpires to 32. Further to this, during the GVL Finals series 16 field umpires under the age of 21 were appointed to GVL Senior finals games.

Prior to the season, feedback was received from clubs requesting additional support and training for club-based umpires. As a result, a structured education session was developed and offered to all Club umpires. While participation

was low, those umpires who did participate received fortnightly information on match management, knowledge of rules, reporting procedures and positioning. This program will be offered again in the 2026 season which will hopefully enhance the club umpire program.

## NETBALL UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT

Netball Umpiring numbers and training is a challenge for both GVL clubs and the league itself and will be an area of focus for the league over the next 12 months. Through the league's Umpire Development Co-ordinator, Janet McKenzie, we are looking to implement additional training and development sessions for our umpires in 2026 and provide opportunities for them to enhance their skills on the court.

## GVL MORRISON AND WELLMAN FAMILY MEDAL NIGHT

For the second consecutive year, it was a thrilling count in the Morrison Medal seeing Mansfield's Callum Brown awarded the medal while it was a second consecutive Wellman Family Medal for Shepparton's Kim Borger. A number of other grades also saw exciting counts come down to the wire with all the winners as follows:

### BEST & FAIREST MEDAL WINNERS

MEDAL	GRADE	WINNER	CLUB	VOTES
Morrison Medal	Seniors	Callum Brown	Man	20
Abikhair Medal	Reserves	Thomas Magee	Sw	20
Pattison Medal	U18	Noah Muir	She	25
Wellman Family Medal	A Grade	Kim Borger	She	37
Sandra Cox Medal	B Grade	Toni Bootland	Sey	30
Gaye Eaton Medal	B Reserve	Ruby Trimble	Sey	27
Carol Ryan Rising Star	17&U	Lily Byers	She	33
Jacqui Hudgson Medal	15&U	Layla Ratcliffe	Moo	32
		Scarlet Byers	She	32

### MVP AWARDS

GRADE	WINNER	CLUB	VOTES
Senior	Kade Chalcraft	Shepp Utd	60
Reserves	Jack Frampton	Benalla	45
Under 18	Xavier Wapling	Benalla	74
A Grade	Kim Borger	Shepparton	34
B Grade	Ashley Webster	Seymour	36
B Reserve	Lauren Jess	Echuca	32
17 & Under	Kate Head	Echuca	36
15 & Under	Ellie Robinson	Shepp Utd	47

### GENERAL AWARDS

AWARD	NAME	CLUB
Administrator of the Year Award		Sh Swans
Volunteer of the Year Award	Greg Comer	Shepp
Rising Star Award (Football)	Oliver Warburton	Sh Swans
Future Star Award (Netball)	Rhani Hendy	Moo
Netball Umpire Development Award		Mans
George Hunter Champion Club Award	Shepp	664 points

### COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS

#### Football

Senior Coach of the Year Award: Corey Carver & Kaine Herbert, Kya  
Youth Coach of the Year Award: Mark Patten & Peter Ryan, Kya

#### Netball

Senior Coach of the Year Award: Kim Borger, Shepparton  
Youth Coach of the Year Award: Tia Webb, Rochester

### QUALIFIED LIFE MEMBERS

Ash Holland, Shepparton  
Brett Mahoney, Mansfield  
Bridgette McCarty, Rochester  
Ellie Fuhrmiester, Seymour

**LEADING GOALKICKER AWARDS**

	WINNER	CLUB	GOALS
Steve O'Toole Leading Goal Kicker (Seniors)	Nathan Wright	Ben	64 goals
GV Finance Brokers Jack Edwards Leading Goal Kicker (Reserves)	Jack Radford	Sey	69 goals
Mal Reid Leading Goal Kicker (Under 18)	Adam Storer	Man	55 goals

**GOAL SHOOTING AWARD**

	CLUB	GOALS
A Grade	Euroa	1153
B Grade	Euroa	1017
B Reserve	Seymour	845
17 & Under	Echuca	917
15 & Under	Shepp Utd	1030

**GOAL DEFENDING AWARD**

	CLUB	GOALS
A Grade	Tatura	684
B Grade	Seymour	620
B Reserve	Seymour	510
17 & Under	Shepparton	554
15 & Under	Shepparton	464

**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 off clubs. The League is very fortunate to have some long-standing partners like Veolia, GoTafe and Goulburn Valley Water who have supported the league over long periods of time, along with some new partners who we look forward to creating strong relations with in coming seasons. We thank each of them for contributing positively to our League.

Our partners are:

Veolia	GV Health Public Health Unit
Pacific Fuel Solutions	Rich River Golf Club
Goulburn Valley Water	GV Hotel
Goulburn Valley Finance	New Balance / Belgravia Apparel
GoTafe	Quality Teams
Darryl Twitt Motors	

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 PARTNERS**

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.

Thank you also to The Shepparton News, Kyabram Free Press, Benalla Ensign, Seymour Telegraph and the Riverine Herald, The Shepparton Adviser, Euroa Gazette and Mansfield Courier for their coverage.

Radio support of the GVL was provided by Southern Cross Austereo (MMM 95.3) and particularly the local community radio partners Seymour FM, Radio Mansfield and OneFM. Thank you to all of your crews for their continued support and coverage of our league. We should also thank SEN Goulburn Valley for covering the Senior Grand Finals.

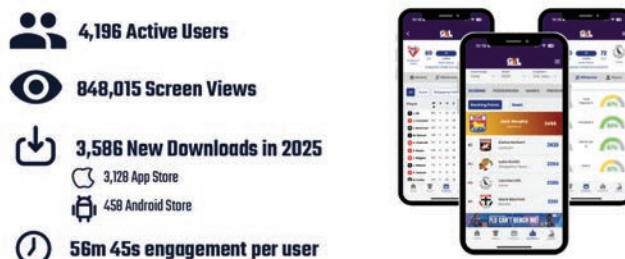
The Streamer platform continued to host the league's Live Streams this year, providing excellent coverage for our audience. We also thank our match day filming partners Sports Focus Videography, League videographer Shane Shepherd and Haig Lindsay and the team at Prolmage Broadcast for all their assistance through the season.

Thank you to each of our media partners for your continued support.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

The GVL continues to see increased following through the social media channels Facebook and X, along with website [www.gvleague.com.au](http://www.gvleague.com.au), and in 2025 the league saw the exciting introduction of the League App. Our Facebook following saw a 6% increase to over 14,000 followers, while the league continues to develop its presence on X.

As mentioned, the league was pleased to launch the GVL App in 2025 and while certainly having plenty of learnings from the first year, the league is excited with the results of the Apps first season with;



**THANK YOU'S AND CLOSING**

While it was a challenging start to the year, it's been a positive one for the league on and off the field. The involvement of new teams in the finals, new Premiers and a more solid position off the field has made it a successful year for the league.

Finally, thanks to the GVL Board for all their support and passion to make the GVL the leading sporting league in regional Victoria. As always, thank you to all Club executives and delegates who provide so much of their time and energy to their clubs, helping create such a positive environment for their communities. Also, thanks to the AFL Goulburn Murray staff thanks for your support and guidance. I look forward to another great year of the GVL in 2026!

**Brad Noonan**  
**GVL Operations Manager**  
**AFL Goulburn Murray**

# Finance Report

FOR PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2025

The league is pleased to report a Net Profit for end of the 2025 F/Y of \$54,255. This result sees a significant turnaround from the \$87,005 loss experience in F/Y 2024 following an extensive review of league financials and business model, resulting in a 5% increase in income and a 15% decrease in expenditure during 2025.

**Some key points from the financial statements are as follows;**

## Income

- Club levies: a 25% increase from club levies was an important component of the improved position. While the league is always mindful of increasing financial demands on our clubs, this was the first time post-Covid the league had placed such an increase on clubs, and essential due to the increase in operational expenses faced by the league.
- Finals gate takings: a 32% increase in income from gate takings, on the back of the first increase in admission entry fees since Covid. As with the club levies, the league was conscious of implementing this increase, however due to the significant increase in operational costs for the finals, this was necessary.

## Expenditure

- A key focus this year was to review expenditure across the league, particularly the operations of the finals series which resulted in the league reducing finals expenses by 23%.
- Another focus point was expenses associated with the Interleague program. It must be recognised that as hosts of the 2024 event at Deakin Reserve, there were significant costs in conducting the event that were not experienced in 2025. With the introduction of a new apparel partner in New Balance on a multi-year agreement the league was able to reduce apparel costs by 52%, a great result and the league looks forward to enhancing the partnership with New Balance in coming years.
- In terms of investment, the league saw the creation of the GVL App a vital engagement initiative for the league initially introduced by past GVL Boards that came to life in 2025. As with the introduction of any new piece of technology, the App has some fine tuning to be done, but the league is excited by the opportunity to communicate and engage with supporters through the App.

## Sponsorship

In these challenging economic times, the league experienced a decline of 12% in Sponsorship. This was mainly due to the league naming rights partner GoTafe reducing their partnership after many years as the league's major partner, however it was great to retain GoTafe as a league partner at a reduced level. The league was pleased to introduce four new partners into the GVL and look forward to further enhancing these partnerships and more new ones in coming years.

## Summary

During the next year, the league will continue to consolidate its business model to ensure the continued financial stability of the league and opportunities to further support the clubs who make up our great league.

# Morrison & Wellman

## 2025 Medal Winners



**Morrison Medalist:** Callum Brown, Mansfield



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

**MORRISON MEDAL**  
Callum Brown, Mansfield 20

**ABIKHAIR MEDAL**  
Thomas Magee, Sh Swans 24

**PATTISON MEDAL**  
Noah Muir, Shepparton 25

**SENIORS MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Kade Chalcraft, Sh United 60

**RESERVES MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Jack Frampton, Benalla 45

**U18S MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Xavier Wapling, Benalla 74

**WELLMAN FAMILY MEDAL**  
Kimberley Borger, Shepparton 37

**SANDRA COX MEDAL**  
Toni Bootland, Seymour 30

**GAYE EATON MEDAL**  
Ruby Trimble, Seymour 21

**CAROL RYAN RISING STAR**  
Lily Byers, Shepparton 33

**JACQUI HUDGSON MEDAL**  
Layla Ratcliffe, Mooroopna 32  
Scarlet Byers, Shepparton 32

**A GRADE - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Kimberley Borger, Shepparton 34

**B GRADE - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Ashlyn Webster, Seymour 36

**B RESERVE - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Lauren Jess, Echuca 32

**17 & UNDER - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Kate Head, Echuca 36

**15 & UNDER - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Ellie Robinson, Sh United 47



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ABN: 41 996 689 463

FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2025

**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 2025.

**Committee Members**

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

Peter Foott, Chairperson	
Jason Sherlock, Deputy Chairperson	(Appointed 12 December 2024)
Ashok Kumar, Treasurer	(Appointed 12 December 2024)
Sharon O'Dwyer	(Appointed 12 December 2024)
Alice Milner	(Appointed 19 March 2025)
Daniel Irwin	(Appointed 14 May 2025)
Jacqui Hudgson	(Resigned 12 December 2024)
John Byrnes	(Resigned 12 December 2024)
Peter Cardamone	(Resigned 12 December 2024)
Nicole Miller	(Resigned 12 December 2024)
Stacey Cole	(Resigned 2 January 2025)
Andrea Pogue	(Resigned 2 January 2025)

**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 \$54,255 2024 (\$87,005).

**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:



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**Peter Foott, Chairperson**



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**Jason Sherlock, Deputy Chairperson**

Dated: 3.12.2025

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

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Revenue and other income	2	668,725	634,850
<b>Expenses</b>			
AFL regional administration fee		(149,028)	(144,690)
Analytics, video and streaming		(71,150)	(90,463)
Audit expense		(1,785)	(1,700)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses		(14,739)	(4,434)
Finals expense	3	(124,070)	(158,816)
Interleague expenses	3	(10,835)	(42,643)
Netball expense		(3,607)	(5,471)
Presentation night and trophies		(20,043)	(24,220)
Printing		(2,503)	(34,562)
Umpire expense		(183,014)	(170,853)
Other expenses	3	<u>(33,696)</u>	<u>(44,003)</u>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) before income tax expense</b>		54,255	(87,005)
Income tax expense	1 (c)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) for the year</b>		54,255	(87,005)
<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>54,255</u></u>	<u><u>(87,005)</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	119,115	68,886
Accounts receivable and other debtors	5	17,050	27,398
Inventories	6	297	792
Other current assets		-	-
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>136,462</u>	<u>97,076</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Software	7	24,376	-
Property, plant and equipment	8	2,702	7,771
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>27,078</u>	<u>7,771</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u><u>163,540</u></u>	<u><u>104,847</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable and other payables	9	12,561	8,123
Other liabilities	10	-	-
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>12,561</u>	<u>8,123</u>
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u><u>12,561</u></u>	<u><u>8,123</u></u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>150,979</u></u>	<u><u>96,724</u></u>
<b>MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>			
Retained surplus		<u>150,979</u>	<u>96,724</u>
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>		<u><u>150,979</u></u>	<u><u>96,724</u></u>

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

**AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2025**

	Retained Surplus \$	Total \$
<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>
<b>Balance at 1 November 2024</b>	96,724	96,724
<b>Comprehensive income</b>		
Surplus/(deficit) attributable to	54,255	54,255
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to members of the association</b>	<u>54,255</u>	<u>54,255</u>
<b>Balance at 31 October 2025</b>	<u><u>150,979</u></u>	<u><u>150,979</u></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 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from grants and customers		744,545	679,953
Interest received		-	-
Payments to suppliers and employees		(660,270)	(792,384)
Interest paid		-	-
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>12 (b)</b>	<u>84,275</u>	<u>(112,431)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(2,702)	
Payments for Software		(31,344)	(6,050)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<u>(34,046)</u>	<u>(6,050)</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		50,229	(118,481)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		68,886	187,367
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	<b>12 (a)</b>	<u>119,115</u>	<u>68,886</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 2025**

**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 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>2. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME</b>			
Sponsorship		87,786	100,182
Club - admin levy		72,000	57,600
Club - umpires		179,558	169,095
Club - analytics		25,200	24,000
Club - video		31,500	30,000
Club - gv weekender		-	37,625
Club - GVFL administration		1,200	1,200
Club - trainers association		600	(1,440)
Club - netball affiliation		32,400	25,800
Club - fines		5,800	3,300
Club - tribunal		545	2,059
Finals gate		204,566	151,281
Finals Catering Rights		14,707	10,168
Interleague		-	10,788
Presentation night		11,491	8,650
Sales - footballs		-	181
Sales - other		792	2,019
Other income		578	2,342
		668,725	634,850
<b>3. EXPENSE</b>			
Umpires		36,094	32,482
Weekender		8,870	8,753
Ground rental, toilet hire and waste		5,337	28,217
Gatekeepers		17,460	-
Gatepayment distributions		14,707	10,179
Catering		600	480
Live streaming and statistics		11,400	9,725
Security and St Johns ambulance		13,616	54,481
Finals other		15,986	14,499
<b>Finals</b>		124,070	158,816
Catering		1,745	7,691
Clothing		7,796	16,365
Commentary, broadcasting and statistics		-	500
Livestreaming		-	4,900
Printing		403	1,724
Gatekeepers		-	2,730
Netball umpires		-	1,200
Interleague equipment hire, photos, AFLGM, other		891	7,533
<b>Interleague</b>		10,835	42,643
Accounting		669	566
Home & Away live streaming		10,050	-
Board training and seminars		-	6,949
Honorariums		4,500	11,000
Website		2,078	2,143
Telephone		3,706	4,071
Hall of fame		-	4,786
Investigations		825	-
Meetings		333	3,073
Subscriptions		7,552	5,941
Sundry		3,984	5,474
<b>Other expenses</b>		33,696	44,003

**GOULBURN VALLEY LEAGUE INCORPORATED**  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash at bank		119,115	68,886
Float		-	-
		<u>119,115</u>	<u>68,886</u>
<b>5. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND OTHER DEBTORS</b>			
Accounts receivable		17,050	27,398
		<u>17,050</u>	<u>27,398</u>
<b>6. INVENTORIES</b>			
Uniform inventory at cost		297	792
		<u>297</u>	<u>792</u>
<b>7. SOFTWARE</b>			
GVL App - at Cost		34,045	-
Less accumulated depreciation		(9,670)	-
		<u>24,376</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>			
Plant and equipment		8,356	15,356
Less accumulated depreciation		(5,655)	(7,585)
		<u>2,702</u>	<u>7,771</u>
<b>9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND OTHER PAYABLES</b>			
Accounts payable		6,129	2,477
GST		6,432	5,646
		<u>12,561</u>	<u>8,123</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 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>12. CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>			
<b>(a) Reconciliation of Cash</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		119,115	68,886
		119,115	68,886
		119,115	68,886
<b>(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit</b>			
Profit after income tax		54,255	(87,005)
Non-cash flows in profit:			
Depreciation		14,739	4,434
Changes in Assets & Liabilities:			
(Increase) Decrease in accounts and other receivable		10,348	(17,848)
(Increase) Decrease in inventories		495	2,078
(Increase) Decrease in other assets		-	937
Increase (Decrease) in contract liability		-	-
Increase (Decrease) in accounts and other payable		4,438	(15,027)
		4,438	(15,027)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>		84,275	(112,431)

**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 2025 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:

**Peter Foott, Chairperson**



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**Jason Sherlock, Deputy Chairperson**



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**Dated:** 3.12.2025.



**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 2025, 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 2025, 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 2025 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.



**Michael Milne CA**

**Date: 5th December 2025**

**375 Wyndham Street Shepparton, VIC 3630**



# A GRADE



# B GRADE



# B RESERVE



# 17 & UNDER

# 15 & UNDER





**U18s**



**SENIORS**

**RESERVES**





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