



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
MINUTES FOR THE 500TH MEETING OF THE
VICTORIAN ROVER COUNCIL
HELD AT VICTORIAN ROVER CENTER
WEDNESDAY, 24TH MAY 2023, AT 7:30PM

1	Welcome	
1.1	Flag Break	Catherine Marley
1.2	Attendance & Apologies Apologies –	Rachael Osborne
1.3	Acknowledgement of Country Rover Scouts Victoria acknowledges the traditional custodians of the lands on which this event takes place. We pay our respects to ancestors and Elders, past and present. We are committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to society.	
1.4	Conflict of Interest –	

2	Congratulations, Guest Speakers, Presentations and Formal Thanks	
2.1	Good on Ya Mate – Council acknowledges and thanks the exceptional contributions to Rovering over the past month. Good on ya to Callan for always being here and keeping the building nice Good on ya to the BPSA support team Thanks to Michael Hardwicke for jumping onto two BPSA panels in a row Congratulations to all the BPSA awardees tonight Shoutout to everyone who was at May Madness	
2.2	Guest Speakers & Presentations:	

3	Items for Consent	
3.1	Minutes of the previous VRC Meeting	Catherine Marley
	Motioned: Bays Seconded: South West	
3.1.1	Matters arising from the previous meeting	
	Melbourne Region are seeking clarification regarding the posthumous awarding of the BPSA to Kipp Stratman. VRC will be speaking to branch about this further.	
3.2	Correspondence	Rachael Osborne
	Nil	
3.3	VRC Financial Report	Jody Freeman
	Nil	
3.4	Decisions of the VRC Chair to be ratified	Catherine Marley
	Nil	
3.5	Nominations for the Baden-Powell Scout Award	Regions



Maddy Packer - *Port Phillip RU*
 Rachael Marley - *Craigieburn RU*
 Hayley Mildenhall - *Kilakari Pinpuna RU*
 Bailey Stone - *Kilakari Pinpuna RU*
 Lisa Topps - *Capstaff RU*
 Jade Sheehan - *4th Knox RU*
 Kent Bennett - *Everest le Page RU*
 Catherine Uber - *Carlton RU*
 Michelle Saffin - *Mullumbimba RU*
 Megan Heaney - *John Gardiner RU*

4 Office Bearers Reports

4.1 Chair

Catherine Marley

I had a meeting with Branch last Wednesday to discuss the Rover levy. We were told we need to change our funding model again. Branch does not support any outcome that leads to one section being charged more than another. I have requested we meet again next month to come to a solution, that way we will have time to look at our finances and budget for the next financial year. I will also be able to bring the incoming VRC chair to that meeting for a proper handover. We will need to prove we are doing everything we can to help ourselves before branch will offer any assistance in the process. I will be working on this with Jody over the next month.

I would like to formally apologise for the election procedures from last month. We removed three people from the elections due to being ineligible for the position of VRC Chair. We have followed policy to the letter and had to be strict due to ongoing pressure from Branch. The issue is the short notice given to these candidates. The candidates in attendance were approached before the meeting to let them know they were ineligible, and the candidates who weren't able to attend weren't told at all. I'm sorry for the pain and anger this has caused. I had 35 hours between the nominations being published and the election, and I was not able to give these candidates enough time to process this and rethink their plans for the next year. Due to these issues our election has been disputed, and handover has been delayed. I would like to extend my apology to Zac, who was elected at our last meeting. He's been caught in the crossfire and been unable to get the smooth transition he deserved. It is my understanding that the region chairs are revisiting the Training Requirements and Expectations policy, and wish to clarify grey areas identified throughout this process. I hope that we can resolve these issues during this meeting and prevent them from happening again in the future.

I'm excited to see the new team come together tonight at our election.

Email at:

chairman@vicrovers.com.au

4.2 Deputy Chair

Maddy Packer

This month the Regions have started the process of moving towards the next term of their committees, with Bays and Gippsland holding their elections this month. I was sadly unable to attend the Bays election, but well done Molly, on filling all the positions of your team, that is a great achievement. Thank you to Zoe for having me at the Gippsland elections, it was great to see you fill most of your positions as well.

I want to thank the outgoing members of the 2022/23 teams for both those regions for the work they have done in the last year, and welcome the incoming teams.

I look forward to the rest of the Region elections and am excited to see how they go.



As you have heard in Catherine's report, there have been discussions in regard to the VRC Chair election from last month. The Region Chairs have met multiple times over the last month to discuss this and I would like to thank them for their time and effort in resolving these discussions. The Chairs have done a great job in taking this very seriously, and understanding what is involved in the outcome of these discussions. You have all done very well, I am sure it has been an interesting experience for you all.

I look forward to the elections being held tonight and hope that I can start handover with the next VRC Deputy Chair soon. Good luck to everyone nominated for an OB position.

Email at:

deputy.chair@vicrovers.com.au

4.3 Assistant Chair

Anthony Lamb, Cam Cerda

Cam:

It was nice getting to catch up and touch base with the committees I look after this month, with all of them getting ready for busy times coming up, such as Mudbash and winter seasons and bookings.

In addition to that, I also got to join Bogong in their interview for a new Deputy Warden - so congratulations to the successful applicant.

Anthony:

Unfortunately I haven't been able to make it to many meetings over the last month, but I'm happy to say that the Surfmoot and MARB teams are both on track with their planning and are doing really well.

Over the coming weeks we will be having another meeting with the Subcommittee teams, so if all the Chairs can keep an eye out for an email with the details which I will be sending out soon.

Email at:

assistant.chair@vicrovers.com.au

4.4 Membership Development

Tori Lawson

- Winter gathering is coming 21-23rd July, rovers needed for tent. This will be passed over to the next membership dev officer.
- Issues with venturers moving up to rovers, a lot haven't been moving up to rovers and then abandon the movement entirely
- I have resources for rovers to pass on to venturers about rovers

Email at:

membership.development@vicrovers.com.au

4.5 Program

Aodren Knight

Nothing to report.

Email at:

program@vicrovers.com.au

4.6 Program Transition Officer

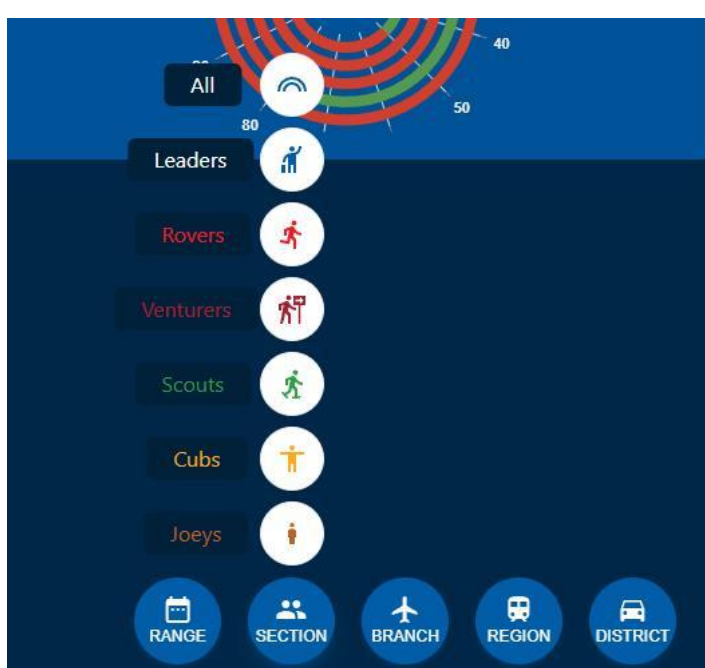
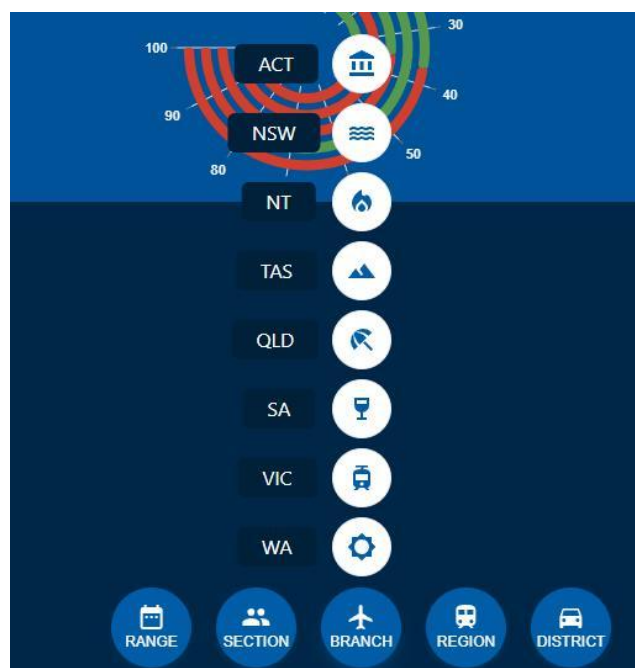
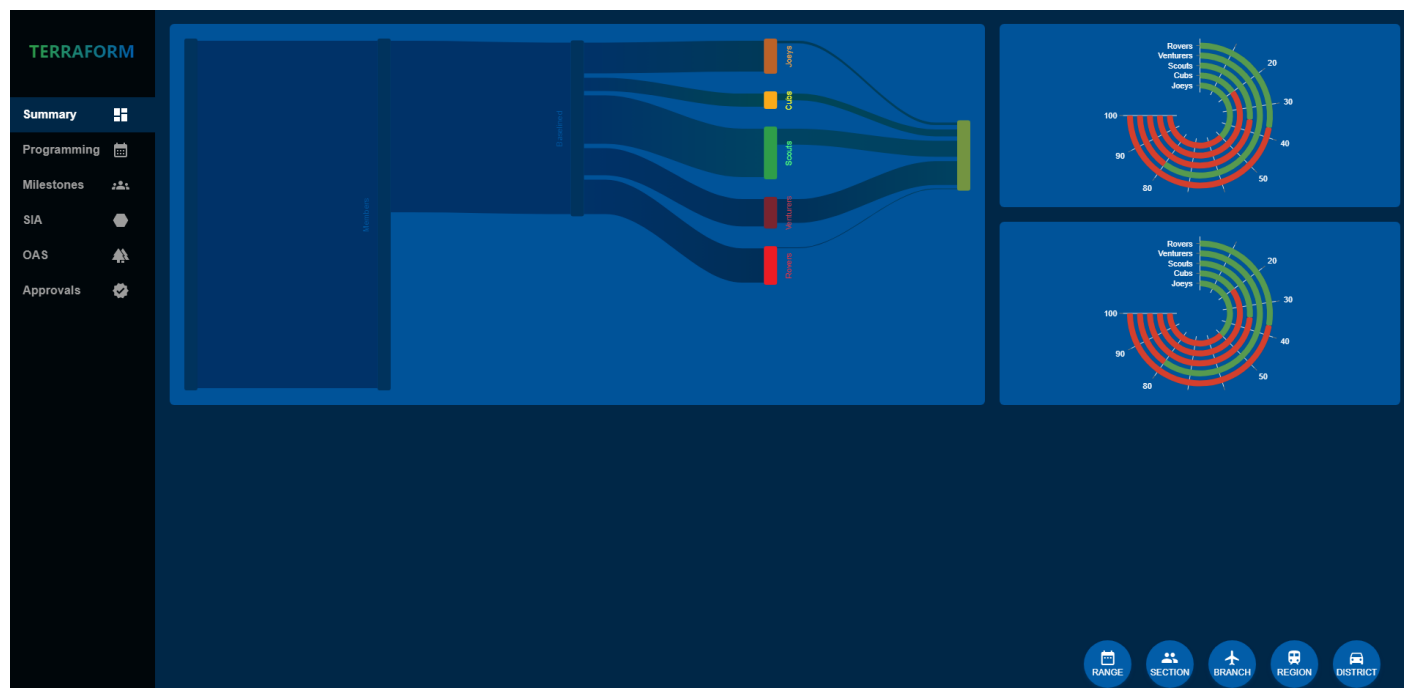
Harrison Feldman

The state Terrain Strategy team is going full steam ahead with a new application to get summarized data back out of Terrain. This will allow us to see the clear pain points and report directly back to Branch, Nation and Two Bulls as to what Terrain things to focus on fixing.

This app will allow Regions to see their region data, sections to see the section data and states to prove that Victoria clearly has the best data.

In the meantime, here are some sneak peek screenshots and our brand new app 'Terraform'.





Email at:

program.transition@vicrovers.com.au

4.7 Strategic Plan

Harrison Feldman

Nothing to report.

Email at:

strategicplan@vicrovers.com.au

4.8 Training

Breanne Simmons, Zac Geddes

Biggest highlight this month has been more updates on unit management.

We have tidied up a lot of the work we did with the prep.

There is two big updates.

1) We are looking at how the 30 hours is going to look for the purposes of the leadership course. One of the options we are looking at is pre work, including online modules. One of the modules we have decided on is “how to be an effective group support chairman”. If you want to get a head start, why not do that online module. It has a group perspective, but wear your Rover tinted glasses and you should get a lot out of it.

2) I also want to discuss further the table that branch, the rover training team are working on using this course as recognition for scouting essentials. More info to come.

Email at:

training@vicrovers.com.au

4.9 BPSA

Kieren Martin

- Lots of BPSA awardees this month as it is the last month on the old system
- Seeing a few hints of new system BPSAa already
- Reach out if you need help

Email at:

bpsa@vicrovers.com.au

4.10 NRC

Izaak Kitching

Nothing to report.

Email at:

nrc.delegate@vicrovers.com.au

4.11 Finance

Lily Stephens

Bogong budget looks fantastic, please keep sending budgets through early if you want feedback.

Email at:

finance@vicrovers.com.au

4.12 Secretary

Rachael Osborne

All reports **not** provided will not be typed up in their entirety; only key points will be listed. If you have a general business item to present, please ensure you send through a short summary to me.

Email at:

secretary@vicrovers.com.au

4.13 Resources

Callan Brouwer

In moving the spare general waste bin to the shed to dry out and deodorise, I took time to explore more of the resources stored there. When I returned the next week the bin was clean. I swapped it with the old broken green bin which to my great delight could get repaired. This means we can now sustainably compost non-recyclable low-ply scrap paper! The addition of the green waste bin marks the highlight of my waste management project.

I'm not sure what's going on with the cleaners but I've got a new cobweb duster to clean up the Centre. This has gone straight into database with the other resources I found and I'll use it as soon as I've got a spare while.

We're still waiting on the carpet order to my knowledge, and will plan working bees as necessary.

Email at:

resources@vicrovers.com.au

4.14 Marketing & Communications

Molly Hastings

email?



Email at:

communications@vicrovers.com.au

4.15 Visual Communications

Maddy McArthur

Due to University, progress on the Venturers to rovers promotional material hasn't progressed very far as of yet.

I am also doing some work on the Venture24 marketing team and am intending to work with the media OB (once I sort out the graphics with the other V24 marketing team members) to try and get something in the rover newsletter.

If anyone needs any help with creating graphics, you're always free to send me an email.

Email at:

visual.communications@vicrovers.com.au.

4.16 IT

Michael Watts

Reminder that the zoom accounts are still active, and bookings are available.

You can contact the IT Team at it@vicrovers.com.au, and the online store team at store@vicrovers.com.au. Please reach out if there is anything we can assist with.

4.17 Commissioner Group

Regi Caesar, Stephen Carter

Baden Powell Scout Award

The amount of BP Interviews that have occurred in the last month has been incredible. As we finish the last of the awards on the old system, I have been very impressed with the standards that have continued right to the last and I look forward to next year's Government House presentations for all of these amazing recipients.

Update on Census Statistics 2023

Good news our numbers are of course much better after all of the reactivations in the last month. We closed the census with a figure of 1133 Rovers in the state. As at the end of April we are back up to 1178.

												Trend	Trend14/23	Trend
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Current	2022/2023	2014/2023	2023/Current
GIPPSLAND	60	54	65	65	75	77	77	92	77	66	65	-14%	10%	-2%
MELBOURNE	171	165	184	190	177	173	173	174	167	165	173	-1%	-4%	5%
LERDERDERG	111	119	105	115	126	147	147	138	140	148	163	6%	33%	10%
PLENTY VALLEY	147	141	156	194	178	169	169	180	172	167	164	-3%	14%	-2%
MT DANDENONG	292	304	304	320	311	315	315	316	295	277	293	-6%	-5%	6%
BAYS	189	185	192	204	194	168	168	178	172	173	176	1%	-8%	2%
SOUTH WEST	70	76	72	59	65	75	75	71	71	76	77	16%	9%	3%
MURRAY MIDLANDS	54	66	75	68	69	63	63	70	71	61	67	-28%	131%	21%
TOTALS	1120	1132	1153	1216	1195	1188	1188	1220	1165	1133	1178	-30%	181%	43%

Carpet tiles

Jody has organised payment for the Carpet Tiles and they should arrive this week to the factory in Dandenong. I am looking for someone who is able to collect them between 7am and 3pm Monday to Thursday or 7am to 1pm Friday. They will need to be transported in a trailer or a Ute that is over 1 tonne please and brought to VRC for unloading. Please note that each box is approx. 20-25kg and there are approx. 30 boxes of tiles on the pallet.

State Commissioner Rover Support Award

Just a reminder that nominations for the award are to be submitted in writing to the SC Rover Support by the 30th



June and will be announced on World Scout Day - 1st August.

IT Team Leader

We really are needing a Rover to step up to be the team leader for the IT Team. This role involves leading the existing team of Jeff, Nick and Edwin who are happy to continue doing all the behind-the-scenes IT programming. The Team Leader would be the face of the team, by coming to VRC meetings and reporting each month on what is happening.

Emails:

Regi: regi.caesar@vicrovers.com.au

Stephen: stephen.carter@vicrovers.com.au

5 Sub-Committee Reporting

5.1 Mafeking Rover Park

Charmaine Beggs

Fire is not a joke and not something to mess around with. We are very lucky that no one was seriously injured after the weekend however one attendee at the Working Bee was taken to hospital and released with Minor Burns due to an incident at the Bonfire Saturday night.

The Mafeking committee have introduced a policy around lighting bonfires and burn offs on-site this policy states that you must be CFA Qualified to light bonfires and burn offs including leaf litter and drain burns. This policy was put in place as a way to prevent a repeat of previous events at the park. Mafeking (with the support of from VRC, Mudbash and RSM to help ensure this is followed). Together we will be strongly enforcing this policy, Burn Offs and Bonfires will be lit by CFA Qualified members of Rovers/Scouting who have been approved by MRP Chairman (this involves sighting CFA Qualifications and on-site training for correct use of MRP drip torch and fire trailer).

We are proud of the hard work that has been completed over the last 2 working bees and would like to thank all the rovers in attendance for your hard work and dedication to getting the job done.

We are looking forward to mudbash next month, the parks looking great!

We have confirmed Venture24 followed by Explore it! At mafeking in January 2024. This is a big opportunity for mafeking to host two major events back to back. We will be in touch with more info on where and when you can help. The more hands the merrier for these two amazing events that will allow us to showcase Mafeking to the younger scouting sections.

We have put in EOIs for VG2023 and Kangaree 2025.

Mafeking submitted a OAS/SIA pitch to branch for possible funding of up to \$30k and are waiting to hear if we were successful.

Mafeking Christmas in July Dinner - Saturday 15th July 2023!

Since last years Christmas in July was such a success we are doing it again (note: we won't be having a planning meeting this time 🤖) Menu to come - check out our socials for more info.

We have finally sent off the quotes to branch to replace our broken water tank (insurance). We are just awaiting confirmation from Branch to send the money through so we can arrange the new tank to be delivered and then plumb it in.

Only 15 Tickets Left for Pub Tour!!

(maybe less as I sent my report in before the meeting)

Lastly, come see our lovely staff at the Mafeking Pub at Mudbash. Remember the roads to mafeking get slippery this time of year so drive with care and slow down, it's not a race until we are on the tracks!

5.2 Surfmoot

Kira Miles

This month has mainly been focused on the budget. The departments have started getting quotes, which will help us to determine how much money they will need to be allocated. The budget will be finalised amongst the

committee at our upcoming committee camp so it is ready to propose at the June VRC meeting. If all goes well, this means we could have the budget approved at the July VRC meeting and start ticket sales in August.

5.3 Mudbash Ben Courtney

- 2 ½ weeks away
- presales close this week
- 320 tickets sold
- tracks looking great, main arena looking great
- good work by mafeking
- if you've aged out and not racing, you can do 8 hours service over the weekend and get a service ticket

5.4 Rover Scout Motorsport (RSM) Mitchell Hanger

- been at mafeking helping with working bees
- confirmation that RSM is running an expéditioned for Venture24
- keen for Mudbash
- round 1 dates are posted on our Facebook

5.5 Bogong Rover Chalet Emily Kinross-Smith

We have had our last working bee before winter restocking all of the food, thanks again to our wonderful volunteers. We have also successfully found a successor for our Deputy Warden, congratulations Bryce Gibson. The warden team will be figuring out the handover in the coming months. Otherwise we look forward to welcoming everyone back for winter with week 1 beginning on the 23rd of June. If you have not booked in yet there are a small number of tickets available in rover weeks still but I recommend getting in quick! Also if you know anyone interested in getting involved with the chalet please tap them on the shoulder for me and reach out, we are looking for more rovers to join the team at our AGM in October.

5.6 W.F. Waters Lodge Sam Tomlins

No report submitted.

5.7 MARB Breanne Simmons

- Got a logo!
- Please buy tickets!!

5.8 Yearbook Rachael Osborne

I will be emailing all those we need reports from during the next two weeks. Please be ready!
Please send photos to yearbook@vicrovers.com.au

5.9 Rover Dinner Mt Dandenong

No report submitted.

6 Region Reporting

6.1 Bays Anthony Lamb

At our meeting a few weeks ago we held our elections for our 2023-2024 Exec Team, and it was good that we were able to fill all the positions. We have some people moving into other roles, but mostly fresh faces on the team which is great to see.

We are holding our AGM in a couple of weeks on 6th June due to a large number of our current exec team being away from the start of July.

Drew and I have continued to attend Unit Business meetings, having just been to one on Monday night. It would be good to get around to a couple more in the next month.

6.2 Gippsland Zoe Cooper

This month Gippsland have had our elections:

Chair: Zoe Cooper (continuing)

Deputy: Carlin Graham (continuing)

Secretary: Meg McGregor (incoming)

Treasurer: Tom Sibley (continuing)

VRC Rep: Tom Sibley (incoming) and Hamish McMillian (Continuing)

Training and Development: Gemma Burke (continuing)

We would like to thank everyone who has finished up their term and we hope they are proud of what they have achieved in their roles and welcome our new members.

Gippsland are beginning a push for membership as we have noticed that over the last few years our membership has drastically decreased and therefore are going to be workshopping ways to increase our numbers again. If anyone has had success in increasing numbers in a regional area, please send any ideas through as we will be experimenting with many different options.

6.3 Lerderderg

Wil Sumbler

This last month we had ourselves a Bunnings BBQ held on Mother's day, so obviously we made bank

We've also had an executive meeting discussing our goals and targets that we've reached as we near the end of our term, while also discussing goals and ideas for the upcoming term. While also putting out feelers for filling positions at our upcoming elections.

Big congratulations to Maddy Packer and Katie Condon for finishing their BPSA as well, very proud!!

6.4 Melbourne

Lily Stephens

Great month, looking forward to elections next month and welcoming in a new executive. We have 4 BP presentations and are looking forward to a few more interviews before next month's VRC.

We are currently discussing where funds from MRRC should be directed. And if we want to spend more, how we are going to fundraise for more money.

Unfortunately, we have seen a crew fold and another crew struggling. However, we are excited that Banksia RU are picking up the pace and it's fantastic to see them coming together so easily!

6.5 Mt Dandenong

Izaak Kitching

Our next meeting is elections, come on down. 7th of June at Heathmont.

6.6 Murray Midlands

Michael Hardwicke

Not much going on, but come to Mallee Mudcamp!

6.7 Plenty Valley

Nathan Box

This month's gathering was held online again, due to a number of our key members being sick. We've opened up nominations for our incoming exec, and have set the date for our AGM - July 6th. We also decided we'll have our June meeting at Mudbash. Congratulations to Rachael Marley from Craigieburn Rovers on achieving her BPSA!

6.8 South West

David Pattinson

The main points from South West this past month are:

- Had a working bee at our Villa down at Eumeralla which had a reasonable turnout from the region with tasks for everyone who turned up as well as a surprise inclusion from a colony of ants.
- Lily had her BPSA presentation at Eumeralla which went successfully
- Preparation for our AGM and exec elections at Mudbash as well as the next region trophy challenge are both underway



7 Other Reports

7.1 MPAC Report (Pete's Corner)

Nothing to report.

7.2 Diversity & Inclusion

Tori Lawson

- Was on the radio the other discussing neurodivergency and how to support youth and adults in groups
- working on resources
- hidden disability sunflower

8 Interstate, National and International Events and Contingents

9 Voting Items

9.1 Bogong Chalet Management Group Budget 2023-24

This document can be found on page 5 of the minute attachments.

Motioned: Mt Dandenong

Seconded: Bays

Passed.

Contact Peter Linnel with any feedback.

treasurer@bogongroverchalet.org.au

10 Items for the Information of the Victorian Rover Council

10.1 Requirements for Child Safety and WHS Modules for All Adults in Scouting

Please periodically remind the Rovers in your Regions, Subcommittees and Units that these modules may have expired without their knowledge, and that they need to re-complete them when this occurs.

11 Tabled Items

11.1 2023-23 Incoming VRC Chairman Revote

This document can be found on page 24 of the minute attachments.

Key points:

- Current policy remains vague in its current form as to the timing of the requirements for this position. Prior interpretation has resulted in the disqualification of candidates which the authors feel is unwarranted.
- Essentially, current policy in the Victoria Rovers Policy Book 2022 states [6. Rovers who do not meet training requirements for a position will not be eligible to nominate for election.]. The prerequisites for the position of Chairman stipulate that [5. The VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, VRC Assistant Chairman and VRC Training Officer shall have completed the Rover Advanced course and ideally have been awarded the Woodbadge.]. This point does not specify the timing of completion. It is reasonable to construe this in a manner which allows for completion of these training requirements at a later time.



Catherine Marley, VRC Chairman, motions to table and then vote on this item immediately.
Seconded by Melbourne.

Passed.

11.2 2023-24 VRC Nominations - Training Exemption Vote

This document can be found on page 27 of the minute attachments.

Key points:

- The policy book is outdated and, as it stands, it currently states that the training requirement (Rover Advanced Training) no longer exists yet is still required for the roles of VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, VRC Assistant Chairman and VRC Training Officer, found under point five of the training requirements and expectations.
- The policy book is outdated and, as it stands, it currently states that the training requirement (Rover Basics) no longer exists yet is still required for the roles of all other Office Bearer Positions, found under point four of the training requirements and expectations.
- The decision was made by the current executive committee to keep this outdated course listed in the policy book until a more appropriate training course (Unit Management Course) is introduced.

Catherine Marley, VRC Chairman, motions to table and then vote on this item immediately.
Seconded by Murray Midlands.

Passed.

12 Standing Items

12.1 Unit Names and Scarves

Regions

12.2 Workplace Health & Safety Items

Seek online access or do not attend meetings if you are sick. If anything in or of the Rover Centre isn't working as it should, please email resources@vicrovers.com.au immediately with a brief report.
 Remember to wash hands often with soap and water.

12.3 WWCC/e-Learning Reminders

Details of members with outstanding membership requirements are sent to Unit Leaders and Region Teams every month. Please ensure these are actioned in a timely manner.
 If you'd like an ad-hoc report please contact Jeff.

12.4 Operoo

Any event you run should be registered with Operoo. Contact the State Operoo team @ Operoo@scoutsvictoria.com.au to inform them of your event, they will help you with the process around that

12.5 ScOUT & ABOUT

Register your event through the link here. Anything from Working Bees to weekend camps.



<https://myrecord.scoutsvictoria.com.au/memberportal/scouting-activity/vic>

12.6 Terrain

More to come.

12.7 Active Rover Policy

You can find a summary sheet and optional approval form for this policy at <https://www.vicrovers.com.au/resources/policies>

13 VRC Office Bearer 2023-24 Nominations and Elections

13.1 Chairman Revote

Revote for VRC Chairman for the 2023-24 term.

Applicants:

- Zac Geddes
- Lily Stephens
- Izaak Kitching - *ineligible due to age*
- Aodren Knight - *ineligible due to age*

Lily Stephens requires a training exemption to run in this election.

Approved.

VRC Chairman for the 2023-24 term is Zac Geddes.

13.2 Office Bearer Nominations

Elections of Office Bearers for the 2023-24 term

Applicants:

- Cameron Cerda - Assistant Chairman
- Aodren Knight - Assistant Chairman - *ineligible due to age*
- Aodren Knight - Secretary - *ineligible due to age*
- Aodren Knight - NRC Delegate - *ineligible due to age*
- Molly Hastings - Deputy Chairman
- Sienna Brown - Marketing & Communications Officer
- Maddy McArthur - Visual Communications Officer
- Izaak Kitching - NRC Delegate - *ineligible due to age*
- Lily Stephens - NRC Delegate

Applicants have had their active Rover status checked prior to tonight's elections.

Applicants will have a strict maximum of 5 minutes to speak and answer any questions before voting takes place.

13.3 Office Bearer Elections

Assistant Chairman

Applicants:

- Cam Cerda
- Aodren Knight - *ineligible due to age*

Cam Cerda requires a training exemption to run in this election.



Approved.

VRC Assistant Chairman for the 2023-24 term is Cam Cerda.

Deputy Chairman

Applicants:

- Molly Hastings

Molly Hastings requires a training exemption to run in this election.

Approved.

VRC Deputy Chairman for the 2023-24 term is Molly Hastings.

Secretary

Applicants:

- Aodren Knight - *ineligible due to age*

Role stays open to nominations.

Training Officer

Requires endorsement from Rover Training Support team.

Role stays vacant.

NRC Delegate

Applicants:

- Lily Stephens - Withdrawn
- Izaak Kitching - *ineligible due to age*
- Aodren Knight - *ineligible due to age*

Role stays open for nominations.

Note: Catherine Marley (chairman) and Rachael Osborne (secretary) left the meeting at this time.

Information Technology Officer

Applicants:

- Nil

Role stays open to nominations.

Marketing and Communications Officer

Applicants:

- Sienna Brown

VRC Marketing and Communications Officer for the 2023-24 term is Sienna Brown.

Membership Development Officer

Applicants:

- Nil

Role stays open to nominations.

Program Officer

Applicants:

- Nil

Role stays open to nominations.

Resources Officer

Applicants:

- Callan Brouwer

VRC Resources Officer for the 2023-24 term is Callan Brouwer.

Strategic Plan Officer

Applicants:

- Nil

Role stays open for nominations.

Visual Communications Officer

Applicants:

- Maddy McArthur

VRC Visual Communications Officer for the 2023-24 term is Maddy McArthur.

BPSA Support Officer**Applicants:**

- Breanne Simmons

VRC BPSA Support Officer for the 2023-24 term is Breanne Simmons.

Finance Officer

This role has a 24 month term.

Lily Stephens continues in this role for the 2023-24 term.

Environment Patrol Leader**Applicants:**

- Nil

Role stays open for nominations.

Diversity and Inclusion Patrol Leader**Applicants:**

- Nil

Role stays open for nominations.

Blood Challenge Patrol Leader**Applicants:**

- Nil

Role stays open for nominations.

14 General Business**14.1 Other Business**

Closing Parade: Flag Down & Rover Prayer
Meeting Closed at: 10:34pm

**VRC MINUTE
APPENDIX
MAY MEETING
23.05.24**

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VRC ATTENDANCE
500TH MEETING OF THE VRC
HELD AT THE VICTORIAN ROVER CENTER
WEDNESDAY, 24TH MAY 2023, AT 7:30PM

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
Office Bearers	Chair	Catherine Marley	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Maddy Packer	✓	
	Assistant Chair	Cam Cerda	✓	
		Anthony Lamb	✓	
	Membership Development	Tori Lawson	✓	
	Program	Aodren Knight	✓	
	Program Transition	Harrison Feldman	✓	
	Training	Breanne Simmons	✓	
		Zac Geddes	✓	
	BPSA	Kieren Martin	✓	
	NRC Delegate	Izaak Kitching	✓	
	Secretary	Rachael Osborne	✓	
	Resources	Callan Brouwer	✓	
	Strategic Planning	Harrison Feldman	✓	
	PR and Marketing	Molly Hastings	✓	
	Visual Communications	Maddy McArthur		X
	IT	Michael Watts		X
	Finance	Lily Stephens	✓	
	ASC Rover Support	Regi Caesar	✓	
	ASC Rover Support	Stephen Carter	✓	
	Honorary Treasurer	Jody Freeman		X
Bays	Chair	Molly Hastings	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Anthony Lamb	✓	
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Drew Lazenby	✓	

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
Gippsland	Chair	Zoe Cooper	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Carlin Graham	✓	
	VRC Rep	Hamish McMillan	✓	
Lerderderg	Chair	Wil Sumbler	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Katelynn Condon	✓	
	VRC Rep	Tess Williamson		X
	VRC Rep	Ben Di Quinzio	✓	
	Region RC	Scotty Harrison		X
Melbourne	Chair	Lily Stephens	✓	
	Secretary	Thomas Whitehead	✓	
	BPSA Support	Kent Bennett	✓	
	Region RC	Greg Davies	✓	
Mt Dandenong	Chair	Izaak Kitching	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Brit Oakley	✓	
	Development Officer	Ben Ceravolo	✓	
	Secretary	Gillian O'Connor		X
	Region RC	Maria Armstrong	✓	
Murray Midlands	Chair	Michael Hardwicke	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Charmaine Beggs	✓	
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Mark "Barney" Thornton	✓	
Plenty Valley	Chair	Nathan Box	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Cam Cerda	✓	
	VRC Rep	Tori Lawson	✓	
	Region RC	Jeff McIlvain	✓	
South West	Chair	David Pattinson	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Matthew Pannan	✓	
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Craig Miller (Asst.)	✓	
Mafeking	Chair	Charmaine Beggs	✓	
Surfmoot	Chair	Kira Miles	✓	
Mudbash	Chair	Ben Courtney	✓	

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
RSM	Chair	Mitchell Hanger	✓	
Bogong	Chair	Emily Kinross-Smith	✓	
W.F. Waters	Chair	Sam Tomlins		X
MARB	Chair	Breanne Simmons	✓	
Rover Dinner	Chair	Mt Dandenong	✓	
Yearbook	Chair	Rachael Osborne	✓	
Guests	RSM Rover Advisor	Lachlan McDonald	✓	
	Mudbash Vice Chair/Mafeking Secretary/RSM	Caitlin Durant	✓	
	Mudbash	Sienna Brown	✓	
	BPSA Recipient	Bailey Stone	✓	
	BPSA Recipient	Hayley Mildenhall	✓	
	Melbourne Region Communications	Angelina Malcontenti-Wilson	✓	
	Melbourne Region Secretary	Thomas Whitehead	✓	



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NOTICE OF MOTION: BUDGET PROPOSED FOR 2023/24

Notice:

The Bogong Chalet Management Group hereby gives the Victorian Rover Council notice that the following motion is to be tabled for discussion at the April General Business Meeting of the Victorian Rover Council to take place on Wednesday the 27th of April 2023, and that the question be put to the assembled Council at the May General Business Meeting to take place on Wednesday the 24th of May 2023 and that the votes be taken and recorded at that time.

Motion:

That the Victorian Rover Council approve and adopt the Bogong Chalet Management Group Operating Budget for the 2023/24 Financial Year as proposed by the Bogong Chalet Management Group.

Background:

The Bogong Chalet Management Group has completed the process of drafting its Annual Operating Budget for the 2023/24 Financial Year. This proposed budget is hereby submitted to the Victorian Rover Council for consideration and approval, as per the requirements of the Finance Policy of the Council and the Operating Guidelines of the Management Group.

If you have any queries about this notice, please contact our treasury team at treasurer@bogongroverchalet.org.au.

Yours in Scouting,

Peter Linnell.

Honorary Treasurer,
Bogong Chalet Management Group.



BOGONG CHALET MANAGEMENT GROUP ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/24

Version:	1.1	Drafted:	Wednesday, 15 th March 2023
Prepared By:	Peter Linnell	Proposed:	Wednesday, 27 th April 2023
		Approved:	

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SCOPE, DECLARATION & OUTLOOK

Annual Budget:

Scope & Purpose:

This report has been prepared to provide the Bogong Chalet Management Group (BCMG) Committee a budget outline for operations in 2023 and 2024 and an estimated snapshot of the financial position of the Bogong Rover Chalet as at 30th June 2024. As such this document is not intended to replace or otherwise supersede any other reporting documents and does not constitute a published statement of position.

It must also be remembered that a budget is only an educated best estimate of future financial position and is only intended for use as a guide to assist with appropriate performance tracking and proper maintenance of financial control measures.

The budgeted financial statements and summaries included in this report have been prepared for the Financial Year covering the period of 1st July 2023 to 30th June 2024. This includes, a Budgeted Operating Income & Expenditure Statement, a Budgeted Balance Sheet, a Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity, a Budgeted Statement of Cash Flows, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Circulation & Control:

This report has been prepared for the use of the Bogong Chalet Management Group and related expressly authorised entities, circulation of this document without the prior written consent of the BCMG Committee is strictly prohibited. The BCMG Committee reserves the right to take any reasonable and necessary actions to address any misuse or misappropriation of this document.

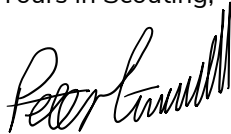
Treasurer's Declaration:

I, Peter Edward Linnell, declare that in the conduct of my duties as the Honorary Treasurer of the Bogong Rover Chalet, and therefore a member of the Bogong Chalet Management Group (BCMG) Committee, the following statements are both true and correct:

1. That the BCMG Committee fully endorses all statements made in this report regarding the Chalet's Financial Position and Outlook.
2. That the financial statements and notes, as set out herein present fairly the Chalet's estimated financial position as at 30th June 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.
3. That it is the considered opinion of the Treasurer and the Committee there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Chalet will be able to pay its debts and meet its financial obligations as and when they become due and payable.
4. That the Treasurer and the Committee extend their sincere gratitude for the assistance and support provided by the Victorian Rover Council Accounts & Finance Team, and the Scouts Victoria State Accounts & Finance Team.

This declaration is given freely and without qualification upon the date of 15th March 2023, and from such date forward.

Yours in Scouting,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Linnell', with a stylized, wavy flourish at the end.

P.E. Linnell BAcc Swinburne.

Position & Outlook:

Current Position:

The long-term financial position of the Chalet is sound and stable. The Chalet maintains a strong reserve of funds with which to meet its future financial needs and obligations and has retained the capacity to fund ongoing capital works projects and preparations for winter season operations.

Continued active consideration of operational policy regarding, the management of responses to COVID-19 and other health concerns, the restructuring of Scouts Australia's skills and training recognition system, and Scout Victoria's reforms to adventurous activities policy, will present continuing challenges which may impact upon the Chalet's financial position.

Pandemic & COVID Challenges:

The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the financial position of the Chalet have and will continue to be minor, although negative, and remains unlikely to have serious long-term implications for general operations.

Ongoing adjustments to policy measures and advice for the management of COVID-19 by both government and scouting authorities will require a continuous process of review and adjustment of operational policy and practice to ensure both compliance and safety.

This presents a large risk factor for attendance fluctuations, which will impact, either positively or negatively, on the Chalet's operational finances. This impact will be most evident in both bookings revenues and variable or "per-head" expenses. Other items outside these groups may be affected as well, however, it is most likely that this will be driven by external factors.

Projects & Capital Works:

The ongoing program of capital works and other improvement and maintenance projects will require continued review and management to ensure that the projects of greatest priority are able to be fully funded for completion to the required standard. This will necessitate the careful planning and consideration of all projects to ensure that funds are only allocated to projects assessed as being of high priority.

Bookings & Participation:

Overall, the interest in attending a winter party has remained very strong, even with the required measures that the Chalet has had to enact because of the pandemic. This trend is one that is confidently forecast to continue over the next few years.

However, the continued uncertainties and ongoing effects of the pressures on both weather and climate systems present, by far, the greatest risk to attendance levels, especially in the winter season. This is not unique to the Chalet, being a long-term challenge for all alpine activity hubs and businesses.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, SUMMARIES AND NOTES

Budgeted Operating Income & Expenditure Statement:

For Financial Year 2023/24.

Summary:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Income	\$	\$	\$	\$	
WINTER BOOKINGS	18,757.50	29,305.00	126,385.10	97,095.00	118,120.00
SUMMER BOOKINGS	-	1,610.00	-	3,000.00	1,989.00
CHALET EVENTS	-	-	-	1,500.00	1,000.00
Interest	692.03	824.09	1,648.48	1,000.00	5,000.00
Merchandise – Onsite Store	197.00	1,821.45	5,369.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	-	550.00	60.00	-	-
Prepaid Revenue Adjustment	(17,632.50)	4,012.50	14,460.00	-	-
Sponsorship/Donations	-	290.00	810.00	-	-
Total Income	2,014.03	38,413.04	148,732.58	103,595.00	129,109.00
Less Operating Expenses					
WINTER PARTIES	2,881.55	12,879.37	52,330.96	38,000.00	55,907.00
CHALET BULK SUPPLIES	32,005.56	28,127.01	978.91	26,250.00	37,750.00
SUMMER HIRE	120.00	1,654.35	-	1,600.00	1,600.00
CHALET EVENTS	-	-	198.37	1,500.00	500.00
PHONES	841.20	1,145.40	586.35	1,250.00	1,250.00
COMPLIANCE COSTS	690.50	1,121.53	324.00	1,120.00	1,120.00
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	5,745.42	1,708.71	1,397.26	3,000.00	3,000.00
MERCHANDISE	2,490.91	90.91	581.82	1,750.00	3,250.00
PROMOTIONS & MARKETING	-	-	-	800.00	600.00
WORKING BEE COSTS	1,939.86	947.35	30.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
Bank Charges	-	30.00	45.00	50.00	50.00
Consulting & Accounting	400.92	439.10	234.56	400.00	450.00
Depreciation	11,211.04	11,125.98	5,826.51	-	-
Heritage	414.55	-	-	-	-
Insurance	15,369.52	15,788.86	-	17,000.00	17,000.00
Prepaid Expense Adjustment	(28,932.46)	6,486.85	28,770.56	-	-
Sundry Expenses	191.15	441.45	436.08	250.00	500.00
VRC Appropriation	-	-	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Expenses	45,369.72	81,986.87	91,740.38	99,720.00	124,727.00
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(43,355.69)	(43,573.83)	56,992.20	3,875.00	4,382.00

A Detailed Breakdown of Income and Expense Items is attached Below, along with any Notes to these items.

Income:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2022/23 Budget
<u>Winter Bookings</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current Financial Year	12,757.00	112,365.00	115,960.00	73,765.00	92,380.00
Next Financial Year	16,357.50	14,585.00	14,700.00	13,345.00	12,480.00
Ski Hire & Transport	4,675.00	14,635.00	16,240.00	9,985.00	13,260.00
Refunds	(14,850.00)	(112,280.00)	(20,514.90)	-	-
Total Winter Bookings	18,757.50	29,305.00	126,385.10	97,095.00	118,120.00
<u>Summer Bookings</u>					
Mountain Bike Weekend	-	1,610.00	-	2,000.00	999.00
Summer Bookings	-	-	-	1,000.00	990.00
Total Summer Bookings	-	1,610.00	-	3,000.00	1,989.00
<u>Chalet Events</u>					
Member Events	-	-	-	1,500.00	1,000.00
Special Events	-	-	-	-	-
Total Chalet Events	-	-	-	1,500.00	1,000.00

Notes to Income:

1. The following Items have been calculated using an estimated reduction of 10% in the number of bookings in each category from the previous opened season, this is then multiplied by the current booking rates.
 - a. Winter Bookings – All Categories.
 - b. Summer Bookings – All Categories.
2. Interest Revenue has been set in accordance with expectations of trends in Interest Rates.
3. Other Revenue Items have been set according to the best reckoning of the BCMG, with reference to trends indicative of future financial performance.

Expenditure:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
<u>Winter Parties</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Badges & Scarves	662.27	-	2,718.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Falls Creek SES Donation	500.00	500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fresh Food	-	2,278.74	10,912.73	7,500.00	11,080.00
Postage & Admin	538.09	-	20.64	500.00	500.00
Ski Hire & Transport	-	4,997.73	11,798.62	12,000.00	13,560.00
Tawonga Hall	1,000.00	-	2,810.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
Transport Falls Creek Coaches	-	4,598.18	20,568.27	12,000.00	23,268.00
TryBooking Fees	181.19	504.72	2,530.20	2,000.00	2,499.00
Total Winter Bookings	2,881.55	12,879.37	52,358.46	38,000.00	55,907.00
<u>Chalet Bulk Supplies</u>					
Diesel Fuel	506.24	2,254.19	-	3,750.00	5,000.00
Firewood	7,811.28	-	-	5,000.00	6,000.00
Food & Consumables	22,919.39	24,879.95	978.91	16,000.00	20,000.00
Garbage Disposal	248.46	533.41	-	500.00	500.00
Gas	520.19	459.46	-	1,000.00	1,250.00
Total Chalet Bulk Supplies	32,005.56	28,127.01	978.91	26,250.00	32,750.00
<u>Summer Hire</u>					
General Hire Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Mountain Bike Weekend	120.00	1,654.35	-	1,600.00	1,600.00
Total Summer Bookings	-	1,654.35	-	1,600.00	1,600.00
<u>Chalet Events</u>					
Member Events	-	-	198.37	1,500.00	500.00
Special Events	-	-	-	-	-
Total Chalet Events	-	-	-	1,500.00	500.00
<u>Phones</u>					
Bookings Phone	450.36	600.00	366.38	650.00	650.00
Chalet Phone	390.84	545.40	318.15	600.00	600.00
Total Phones	841.20	1,145.40	684.53	1,250.00	1,250.00
<u>Compliance Costs</u>					
CFA Services	533.00	607.27	-	600.00	600.00
Food & Health Registration	157.50	319.00	324.00	320.00	320.00
Rent	-	195.26	-	200.00	200.00
Total Compliance Costs	690.50	1,121.53	324.00	1,120.00	1,120.00
<u>Repairs & Maintenance</u>					
Equipment	1,492.18	988.28	378.36	1,000.00	1,000.00
General	4,253.24	720.43	1,018.90	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Repairs & Maintenance	5,745.42	1,708.71	1,397.26	3,000.00	3,000.00
<u>Merchandise</u>					
Badges & Scarves	-	-	181.82	-	500.00
Jackets	90.91	90.91	-	1,250.00	1,250.00
Other Kit	2,400.00	-	400.00	500.00	1,500.00
Total Merchandise	2,490.91	90.91	581.82	1,750.00	3,250.00
<u>Promotions & Marketing</u>					
General	-	-	-	-	-
Marketing	-	-	-	750.00	500.00
Outdoors Expo	-	-	-	50.00	100.00
Total Promotions & Marketing	-	-	-	800.00	600.00
<u>Working Bee Costs</u>					
Fuel – Transport	671.79	291.92	30.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Food & Miscellaneous	1,268.07	655.43	367.71	750.00	750.00
Total Working Bee Costs	1,939.86	947.35	397.71	1,750.00	1,750.00

Notes to Expenditure:

1. Adjustments to all expenses have been calculated using both the latest Consumer Price Index data obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, and Linear Forecasting Formulas incorporating the past five years and the Year to Date. The larger of the two values produced by these calculations has been preferred in all cases. Estimated adjustments for variable costs are made on a per head basis.
2. Winter Parties:
The following expense items are reflective of the cost per head of participation in a Winter Party and therefore fluctuate along with the number of participants. All values are calculated based on an estimated reduction of 10% in the number of bookings in each category from the previous opened season, this is then multiplied by the current pricing rates and estimates.
 - a. Fresh Food
 - b. Ski Hire & Transport
 - c. Transport Falls Creek Coaches
 - d. TryBooking Fees
3. Chalet Bulk Supplies:
These Items are listed in the budget to facilitate the resupply of the Chalet for the 2024 Winter Season.
 - a. Food & Consumables is calculated based on the maximum amount of bulk food per head that can be stored at the Chalet.
 - b. Diesel Fuel, Firewood, Garbage Disposal and Gas are calculated based on average resupply requirements to fully stock the Chalet for a Winter Season.
4. Insurance:
This expense item has been adjusted to reflect the continued trend of increases in costs.
5. Working Bee Costs:
These expense items remain set at the same level as the previous budget to reflect the expected level of maintenance and construction activity, particularly in relation to the ongoing renovation works on the bathroom facilities at the Chalet.
6. VRC Appropriation:
This expense item is set by the decisions of the Victorian Rover Council.

Budgeted Balance Sheet:

For Financial Year 2023/24.

Summary:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Bank					
BBL Bookings Accounts	16,107.43	34,032.64	90,291.49		50,000.00
SV – Bogong Chalet Investment	139,529.89	64,354.78	65,432.67		91,000.00
SV SDF #2 – Bogong Rover Chalet	-	30,210.34	30,716.34		31,000.00
SV SDF #3 – Bogong Rover Chalet	-	-	25,064.59		-
	155,637.32	128,597.76	211,505.09		172,000.00
Current Assets					
Accounts Receivable	-	-	17,936.83		-
Prepayments	35,257.41	28,770.56	-		-
	35,257.41	28,770.56	17,936.83		-
Fixed Assets					
BUILDINGS & IMPROVEMENTS	125,916.94	116,119.25	111,180.15		126,000.00
EQUIPMENT	2,760.90	7,049.21	6,161.80		6,000.00
MOTOR VEHICLES & TRAILERS	-	-	-		-
Construction in Progress	4,813.74	25,035.96	28,452.23		10,000.00
	133,491.58	148,204.42	145,794.18		142,000.00
Non-Current Assets					
Advance – Mafeking Rover Park	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00		20,000.00
NAB Term Deposits	30,000.00	-	-		-
	50,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00		20,000.00
Total Assets	374,386.31	325,572.74	395,236.10		334,000.00
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	696.45	259.09	163.23		-
GST	(2,605.99)	(3,395.87)	(1,168.85)		(3,000.00)
Revenue Received in Advance	18,472.50	14,460.00	-		-
Rounding	0.03	0.03	0.03		-
	16,562.99	11,323.25	(1,005.59)		(3,000.00)
Non-Current Liabilities					
Phoenix Venturers Reserve	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
Total Liabilities	31,562.99	26,323.25	13,994.41		12,000.00
Net Assets	342,823.32	299,249.49	381,241.69		322,000.00
Equity					
Current Year Earnings	(43,355.69)	(43,573.83)	56,992.20	3,875.00	.,00
Capital Works Reserve					98,000.00
General Reserve					54,000.00
Retained Earnings	386,179.01	342,823.32	324,249.49	299,249.49	165,618.00
Total Equity	342,823.32	299,249.49	381,241.69	303,124.49	322,000.00

A Detailed Breakdown of Fixed Asset Items is attached Below, along with any Notes to this Statement.

Fixed Assets:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
<u>Buildings & Improvements</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
At Cost	316,034.95	316,034.95	316,034.95		340,000.00
LESS Accumulated Depreciation	(190,118.01)	(199,915.70)	(204,854.80)		(214,000.00)
Total Buildings & Improvements	125,916.94	116,119.25	111,180.15		126,000.00
<u>Equipment</u>					
At Cost	42,173.27	47,789.87	47,789.87		48,000.00
LESS Accumulated Depreciation	(39,412.37)	(40,740.66)	(41,628.07)		(42,000.00)
Total Equipment	2,760.90	7,049.21	6,161.80		6,000.00
<u>Motor Vehicles & Trailers</u>					
At Cost	3,033.00	3,033.00	3,033.00		3,000.00
LESS Accumulated Depreciation	(3,033.00)	(3,033.00)	(3,033.00)		(3,000.00)
Total Motor Vehicles & Trailers	-	-	-		-

Notes to the Balance Sheet:1. General Note:

This Balance Sheet has been calculated on the basis of the best reckoning of the BCMG regarding relevant trends that would have a significant impact upon the Chalet's financial performance and relevant operational requirements.

2. Capital Works & General Reserve:

These items are set on the basis of capital works and other contingency requirements that the BCMG Committee has deemed necessary and appropriate.

Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity:

For Financial Year 2023/24.

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
<u>Equity</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening Balance	386,179.01	342,823.32	299,249.49	299,249.49	332,762.00
Current Year Earnings	(43,355.69)	(43,573.83)	56,992.20	3,875.00	4,382.00
Capital Works Reserve					98,000.00
General Reserve					54,000.00
Retained Earnings	-	-	25,000.00	-	(152,000.00)
Total Equity	342,823.32	299,249.49	381,241.69	303,124.49	337,144.00

Notes:

This Statement of Changes in Equity has been calculated on the basis of the rest reckoning of the BCMG regarding relevant trends that would have a significant impact upon the Chalet's financial performance and relevant operational requirements.

Budgeted Cash Flow Statement:

For Financial Year 2023/24.

Summary:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Cash Flows	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Operating Activities					
Receipts from Customers	1,014.03	38,413.04	134,032.58		129,109.00
Payments to Suppliers	(33,645.57)	(71,258.37)	(85,999.34)		(125,227.00)
Receipts from Others	3,524.36	(829.76)	(1,020.20)		3,200.00
	(29,107.18)	(33,675.09)	47,013.04		7,082.00
Investing Activities					
Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment	(4,813.74)	(25,838.82)	(3,416.27)		(37,000.00)
Other items from Investing Activities	(28,932.46)	36,486.85	28,770.56		
	(33,746.20)	10,648.03	25,354.29		(37,000.00)
Financing Activities					
Other items from Financing Activities	17,632.50	(4,012.50)	10,540.00		-
	17,632.50	(4,012.50)	10,540.00		-
Net Cash Flows	(45,220.88)	(27,039.56)	82,907.33		(29,918.00)
Cash & Cash Equivalents					
Opening Balance	200,858.20	155,637.32	128,597.76		216,000.00
Net Change for the Period	(45,220.88)	(27,039.56)	82,907.33		(29,918.00)
Closing Balance	155,637.32	128,597.76	211,505.09		186,082.00

A Detailed Breakdown of Operating, Investing & Financing Activities Items is attached Below, along with any Notes to those items.

Notes:1. General Note:

This Balance Sheet has been calculated on the basis of the best reckoning of the BCMG regarding relevant trends that would have a significant impact upon the Chalet's financial performance and relevant operational requirements.

2. Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment:

These items are set on the basis of capital works and other contingency requirements that the BCMG Committee has deemed necessary and appropriate.

Operating Activities – Receipts from Customers:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Receipts from Customers	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Winter Bookings					
Current Financial Year	12,575.00	112,365.00	115,960.00		92,380.00
Next Financial Year	16,357.50	14,585.00	-		12,480.00
Ski Hire & Transport	4,675.00	14,635.00	16,240.00		13,260.00
LESS Refunds	(15,850.00)	(122,280.00)	(20,514.90)		-
	17,757.50	29,305.00	111,685.10		118,120.00
Summer Bookings					
Mountain Bike Weekend	-	1,610.00	1,290.00		999.00
Summer Bookings	-	-	-		990.00
		1,610.00	1,290.00		1,989.00
Chalet Events					
Member Events	-	-	-		1,000.00
Special Events	-	-	-		-
	-	-	-		1,000.00
Interest	692.03	824.09	1,648.48		5,000.00
Merchandise	197.00	1,821.45	5,369.00		3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	-	550.00	60.00		-
Sponsorship/Donations	-	290.00	810.00		-
Prepaid Revenue Adjustment	(17,632.50)	4,012.50	14,460.00		-
Total Receipts from Customers	1,014.03	38,413.04	134,032.58		129,109.00

Operating Activities – Payments to Suppliers:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Payments to Suppliers					
Winter Party Costs					
Badges & Scarves	662.27	-	2,718.00		1,000.00
Falls Creek SES Donation	500.00	500.00	1,000.00		1,000.00
Fresh Food	-	2,278.74	10,912.73		11,080.00
Postage & Admin	538.09	-	20.64		500.00
Ski Hire & Transport	-	4,997.73	11,798.62		13,560.00
Tawonga Hall	1,000.00	-	2,810.27		3,000.00
Transport – Falls Creek Coaches	-	4,598.18	20,568.27		23,268.00
TryBooking Fees	181.19	504.72	2,530.20		2,499.00
	2,881.55	12,879.37	52,358.46		55,907.00
Chalet Bulk Supplies					
Diesel Fuel	506.24	2,254.19	-		5,000.00
Firewood	7,811.28	-	-		6,000.00
Food & Consumables	22,919.39	24,879.95	978.91		20,000.00
Garbage Disposal	248.46	533.41	-		500.00
Gas	520.19	459.46	-		1,250.00
	32,005.56	28,127.01	978.91		32,750.00
Summer Hire					
General Hire Costs	-	-	-		-
Mountain Bike Weekend	120.00	1,547.74	106.61		1,600.00
	120.00	1,547.74	106.61		1,600.00
Compliance Costs					
CFA Services	533.00	607.27	-		600.00
Food & Health Registration	157.50	319.00	324.00		320.00
Rent	-	195.26	-		200.00
	690.50	1,121.53	-		1,120.00
Merchandise					
Jackets	-	181.82	181.82		1,250.00
Other Kit	2,400.00	-	400.00		500.00
	2,400.00	181.82	581.82		1,750.00
Phone Expenses					
Bookings Phone	450.36	600.00	272.70		650.00
Chalet Phone	386.25	545.40	310.92		600.00
	836.61	1,145.40	583.62		1,250.00
Repairs & Maintenance					
Equipment	1,492.18	988.28	378.36		1,000.00
General	4,253.24	720.43	1,018.90		2,000.00
	5,745.42	1,708.71	1,397.26		3,000.00
Promotions & Marketing					
General	-	-	-		-
Marketing	-	-	-		750.00
Outdoors Expo	-	-	-		50.00
	-	-	-		800.00
Working Bee Costs					
Food etc.	1,268.07	655.43	367.71		1,000.00
Fuel – Transport	671.79	291.92	30.00		750.00
	1,939.86	947.35	397.71		1,750.00
Bank Charges	-	30.00	45.00		50.00
Chalet Events – Member Events	-	-	198.37		500.00
Consulting & Accounting	397.86	437.73	231.15		400.00
Heritage	-	414.55	-		-
Insurance	15,369.52	15,788.86	-		17,000.00
Sundry Expenses	191.15	441.45	421.08		250.00
Prepaid Expense Adjustment	(28,932.46)	6,486.85	28,770.56		-
VRC Appropriation	-	-	-		5,000.00
Total Payments to Suppliers	33,645.57	71,258.37	85,999.34		122,546.00

Operating Activities – Receipts from Others:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Receipts from Others	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
GST	3,524.36	(829.76)	(1,020.20)		3,200.00
Total Receipts from Others	3,524.36	(829.76)	(1,020.20)		3,200.00

Investing Activities:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings & Improvements – At Cost	-	-	-		10,000.00
Construction in Progress	4,813.74	20,222.22	3,416.27		25,000.00
Equipment – At Cost	-	5,616.60	-		2,000.00
Total Payment for PP&E	4,813.74	25,838.82	3,416.27		37,000.00
Other items from Investing Activities					
NAB Term Deposits	-	(30,000.00)	-		-
Prepayments	28,932.46	(6,486.85)	(28,770.56)		-
Total Other items from Investing Activities	28,932.46	(36,486.85)	(28,770.56)		-

Financing Activities:

Line Items	FY2020/21 Actuals	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Year To Date	FY2022/23 Budget	FY2023/24 Budget
Other items from Financing Activities	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue Received in Advance	17,632.50	(4,012.50)	10,540.00		-
Total Other items from Financing Activities	17,632.50	(4,012.50)	10,540.00		-

Notes:3. General Note:

This Balance Sheet has been calculated on the basis of the best reckoning of the BCMG regarding relevant trends that would have a significant impact upon the Chalet's financial performance and relevant operational requirements.

4. Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment:

These items are set on the basis of capital works and other contingency requirements that the BCMG Committee has deemed necessary and appropriate.

Statement of Significant Policies:

The Honorary Treasurer has prepared the financial statements on the basis that the Bogong Rover Chalet is a subordinate entity of, and reports to, both the Victorian Rover Council and the Scout Association of Australia – Victorian Branch. This financial report has therefore been prepared in such a manner as to fulfill those reporting requirements.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below which the Bogong Chalet Management Group (BCMG) Committee have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of the Chalet. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The accounting policies that have been adopted in the preparation of this report are as follows:

Inventories:

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on a first-in, first-out basis and include direct materials, direct labour, and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead expenses.

Property, Plant & Equipment:

Property, plant, and equipment are carried at cost, independent of BCMG Committees' valuation. All assets, excluding freehold land and buildings, are depreciated over their useful lives to the Chalet.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation reserve in members' equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the profit and loss. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the profit and loss and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings.

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

Provisions:

Provisions are recognised when the Chalet has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at reporting date.

Cash & Cash Equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents includes 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.

Receivables:

Receivables, including distributions receivable, are recognised at the nominal transaction value without taking into account the time value of money. If required a provision for doubtful has been created.

Payables:

Payables, including bank borrowings and distributions payable, are recognised at the nominal transaction value without taking into account the time value of money.

Revenue & Other Income:

Revenue is measured at the value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

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

Revenue recognition relating to the provision of services is determined with reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at reporting date and where outcome of the contract can be estimated reliably. Stage of completion is determined with reference to the services performed to date as a percentage of total anticipated services to be performed. Where the outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent that related expenditure is recoverable.

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

Goods and Services Tax:

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 balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Finance Leases:

Leases are classified as finance leases wherever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

**SCOUTS VICTORIA**

Victorian Rover Council

23/05/2023

Item Title		<i>2023-24 Incoming VRC Chairman Revote</i>
	Information	
	Discussion	
x	Decision	
Document Author		<i>Michael Hardwicke (Murray Midlands Region Chair)</i> <i>Izaak Kitching (Mt Dandenong Region Chair)</i> <i>Nathan Box (Plenty Valley Region Chair)</i> <i>Anthony Lamb (Bays Region Deputy Chair)</i> <i>Zoe Cooper (Gippsland Region Chair)</i> <i>Carlin Graham (Gippsland Region Deputy Chair)</i> <i>Tori Lawson (Plenty Valley VRC Rep)</i>
Strategic Alignment		<i>To enable a revoting of the position of VRC Chairman for the upcoming term of 2023-2024</i>
Consultation		<i>VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, Assistant Rover Support Commissioner, Acting Rover State Commissioner, Region Chairs and Region Deputy chairs</i>
Implementation Period		<i>Immediate</i>

KEY POINTS

- Current policy leaves room for this to be open to interpretation. As a result of this, the authors above are unsatisfied with the execution of the recent April Chairman election

BACKGROUND

- Current policy remains vague in its current form as to the timing of the requirements for this position. Prior interpretation has resulted in the disqualification of candidates which the authors feel is unwarranted.
- Essentially, current policy in the Victoria Rovers Policy Book 2022 states [6. Rovers who do not meet **training requirements** for a position will not be eligible **to nominate** for election.]. The prerequisites for the position of Chairman stipulate that [5. The VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, VRC Assistant Chairman and VRC Training Officer shall have **completed the Rover Advanced course** and ideally have been awarded the Woodbadge.]. This point does not specify the timing of completion. It is reasonable to construe this in a manner which allows for completion of these training requirements at a later time.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Victorian Rover Council:

- Allow for a revote of the VRC Chair position

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Lead	<i>Michael Hardwicke (Murray Midlands Region Chair) Izaak Kitching (Mt Dandenong Region Chair) Nathan Box (Plenty Valley Region Chair) Zoe Cooper (Gippsland Region Chair)</i>
Assists	<i>Anthony Lamb (Bays Region Deputy Chair) Carlin Graham (Gippsland Region Deputy Chair) Tori Lawson (Plenty Valley VRC Rep)</i>
Cost	<i>The implementation of this paper will have no financial costs to the VRC or any other parties.</i>
Risks	
Milestones	<p><i>On top of email and message conversations, there have been 4 formal meetings to discuss.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. 10th of May: VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, Assistant Rover Support Commissioner, Acting Rover State Commissioner, Region Chairs and Region Deputy chairs</i> <i>2. 21st of May: VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, Assistant Rover Support Commissioner, Acting Rover State Commissioner, Region Chairs and Region Deputy chairs</i>

	<p>3. 22nd of May: Region Chairs and Region Deputies</p> <p>4. 23rd of May: Region Chairs and Region Deputies</p> <p>5. 24th of May: Region Chairs and Region Deputies</p> <p>Important note:</p> <p><i>For the second half of meeting 3, meeting 4, and meeting 5 any members who had a conflict of interest did not attend.</i></p>
Outcomes	<p><i>The region chairs would like for the VRC to allow a revote for the position of VRC Chairperson at the May VRC meeting.</i></p>

AMENDMENTS

N/A

**SCOUTS VICTORIA**

Victorian Rover Council

23/05/2023

Item Title		<i>2023-24 VRC Nominations - Training Exemption Vote</i>
	Information	
	Discussion	
x	Decision	
Document Author		<i>Izaak Kitching (Mt Dandenong Region Chair)</i> <i>Nathan Box (Plenty Valley Region Chair)</i> <i>Anthony Lamb (Bays Region Deputy Chair)</i> <i>Zoe Cooper (Gippsland Region Chair)</i> <i>Carlin Graham (Gippsland Region Deputy Chair)</i> <i>Michael Hardwicke (Murray Midlands Region Chair)</i> <i>Tori Lawson (Plenty Valley VRC Rep)</i>
Strategic Alignment		<i>To formalise a temporary procedure to immediately elect a full office bearers team for the 2023-24 term</i>
Consultation		<i>VRC Chairman, Assistant Rover Support Commissioner, Acting Rover State Commissioner, Region Chairs</i>
Implementation Period		<i>Immediate</i>

KEY POINTS

- Current policy references training activities that are no longer run.
- This paper intends to enable an incoming team to be formed in the absence of a proper policy change, to reflect actual available and suitable courses

BACKGROUND

- The policy book is outdated and, as it stands, it currently states that the training requirement (Rover Advanced Training) no longer exists yet is still required for the roles of VRC Chairman, VRC Deputy Chairman, VRC Assistant Chairman and VRC Training Officer, found under point five of the training requirements and expectations.
- The policy book is outdated and, as it stands, it currently states that the training requirement (Rover Basics) no longer exists yet is still required for the roles of all other Office Bearer Positions, found under point four of the training requirements and expectations.
- The decision was made by the current executive committee to keep this outdated course listed in the policy book until a more appropriate training course (Unit Management Course) is introduced.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Victorian Rover Council:

- Permit training exemptions to be voted on, on a case by case basis, for those who need a training exemption get voted into the 2023/24 VRC council.
- Allow candidates to get voted in with an exemption under the expectation that they complete the relevant training course within a three month period of the commencement of their term
 - Chairman, Assistant Chairman. Deputy Chair & Training Officer: Scouting Leadership
 - All other Office Bearer Positions: Scouting Essentials
- Within a month of the commencement of their term the individual must provide evidence that they have completed the relevant On-Demand training and be enrolled in the relevant course within this three month period from the commencement of their term.
 - If the individual is unable to provide the above evidence within a month of the commencement of their term or the satisfactory completion of the required training within the three months from the commencement of their term, they will be asked to step down by a member the Commissioner Team

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Lead	<i>Izaak Kitching (Mt Dandenong Region Chair)</i> <i>Nathan Box (Plenty Valley Region Chair)</i> <i>Zoe Cooper (Gippsland Region Chair)</i> <i>Michael Hardwicke (Murray Midlands Region Chair)</i>
Assists	<i>Anthony Lamb (Bays Region Deputy Chair)</i> <i>Carlin Graham (Gippsland Region Deputy Chair)</i> <i>Tori Lawson (Plenty Valley VRC Rep)</i>
Cost	<i>The implementation of this paper will have no financial costs to the VRC or any other parties.</i>
Risks	- <i>Electing an under qualified / in-experienced member to a an Executive/ Office Bearer position</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training courses may be postponed or not run causing a member to not have completed their training for a significant portion of their term. - The VRC are trying to cut back on exemptions
Milestones	<p>On top of email and message conversations, there have been 4 formal meetings to discuss.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 10th of May: Region Chairs, Region Deputies, Members of VRC and appropriate RA's 2. 21st of May: Region Chairs, Region Deputies, VRC Chair, VRC Deputy and appropriate RA's 3. 22nd of May: Region Chairs and Region Deputies 4. 23rd of May: Region Chairs and Region Deputies 5. 24th of May: Region Chairs and Region Deputies <p>Important note:</p> <p>For the second half of meeting 3, meeting 4, and meeting 5 any members who had a conflict of interest did not attend.</p>
Outcomes	<p>Upon the completion of this process, the Region Chairs would like to see that any member applying for a position outlined above and is in need of a training exemption be given proper consideration and be granted a training exemption on a case by case basis as outlined in our Action Requested.</p>

AMENDMENTS

N/A