



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
MINUTES FOR THE 494TH MEETING OF THE
VICTORIAN ROVER COUNCIL
HELD AT VICTORIAN BRANCH ACTIVITY CENTER
WEDNESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER 2022, AT 7:30PM

1	Welcome	
1.1	Flag Break	Catherine Marley
1.2	Attendance & Apologies Apologies – Aodren Knight	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. The brand new MARB committee!! To Catherine Marley for putting together a fantastic Rover dinner. To all the units already working on flood relief - amazing work.	
2.2	Guest Speakers & Presentations:	

3	Items for Consent	
3.1	Minutes of the previous VRC Meeting	Catherine Marley
	Motioned: Bays Seconded: Plenty Valley	
3.2	Correspondence	Rachael Osborne
	Nil.	
3.3	VRC Financial Report	Jody Freeman
	The full financial report for the financial year ended 30 June 22 for the consolidated Victorian Rover Council operations is attached, and tabled for noting, as presented at Rover Dinner 2022. Over the last couple of months, the State audit work has been completed with a few queries that we have responded to. I would like to thank and acknowledge the assistance of our various Treasurers for the last year, particularly Peter for Bogong and Will at WF Waters. If anyone has any questions or comments on the financials, please send them through to treasurer@vicrovers.com.au	
3.4	Decisions of the VRC Chair to be ratified	Catherine Marley



a) Bogong Chalet Management Group Chair

That Emily Kinross-Smith will be ratified as the BCMG Chair.

Motioned: Melbourne

Seconded: Bays

b) Bogong Budget amendment

Changing the donation to Falls Creek SES from \$500 to \$1000.

Motioned: Bays

Seconded: Mt Dandenong

c) The Bogong Management Group has made an update to their operating guidelines.

The changes are noted below.

'Purpose:

Allow summer attendees to join the BCMG

Minimum of two overnight visits required to ensure they understand the Chalet

Wording changes:

Eligible Rover - An Alpine Rover; or, a Rover or Adult member that has attended two overnight events at the Bogong Rover Chalet, whilst of Venturer age or above, at any time of year.

Eligible Venturer - An Alpine Venturer; or, a Venturer that has attended two overnight events at the Bogong Rover Chalet, whilst of Venturer age or above, at any time of year.

Wording change from "Alpine rover" to "Eligible rover" throughout operating guidelines.'

Motioned: Bays

Seconded: Melbourne

d) MARB 2023 Chair

That Breanne Simmons will be the chair of MARB 2023.

Motioned: Mt Dandenong

Seconded: Plenty Valley

3.5 Nominations for the Baden-Powell Scout Award**Regions****4 Office Bearers Reports****4.1 Chair****Catherine Marley**

It's been an eventful month, with lots of meetings, plans and weather events.

I'd like to thank everyone here tonight for adapting to changing plans. I'd prefer to have our away meeting this week but unfortunately the flooding in northern Victoria prevented that. CARB and the VRC Away Meeting have both been postponed.

We are working with Scouts Victoria to provide flood relief in the coming weeks. Scouts VIC has published an expression of interest from where you can receive further information as it comes.

(<https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/flood-relief-expression-of-interest/?src=redirect>) You can register as an individual or a whole unit. I urge everyone around this table to take part in these recovery efforts. We are all busy but service to the community is important, especially in times of need.

We are looking for three Rovers to lead teams on the ground in Seymour, Shepparton and Echuca. If you're interested in assisting with this send me a message or an email. We need people to coordinate Rover teams and be a point of contact for the city councils to work with.



We are also currently looking for Electricians, Plumbers and Builders to help with specialised tasks. Both qualified tradies and apprentices are welcome.

On a brighter note, we have set a date for the Mental Health first aid course. This will be held on the 10/11th of December at VRC. This course will be fully subsidised by VRC using the funds allocated for paying the last quarter of the 2021-2022 NRC Levy. All rovers who complete this course commit to joining our welfare team and providing Mental Health First aid at Rover events. I've been contacting the people who filled out the expression of interest form. Registration details will be sent to these people shortly. If you are interested in joining this course, let me know, and I may be able to squeeze you in.

I met with the State Leadership Team last week to discuss the Rover section. They are interested in aiding us in transitioning over to the new program, and have been working with Harrison on this.

The VRC exec have split up the assistant chair portfolio in order to make it more manageable.

The split is as follows:

Regi & Rach

Surfmoot

MARB

Rover Dinner

Pete & Catherine

Mafeking

Stephen & Maddy

Bogong

Baw Baw

RSM

Mudbash

AIM

Hopefully we see a lot of service over the next month.

Email at:

chairman@vicrovers.com.au

4.2 Deputy Chair

Maddy Packer

Hi all, this month has been a slow one for me, with not much going on. I was glad to hear that Rover Dinner went well, very sad I couldn't be there. Another congratulations to all the Awardees, well deserved.

The Region Chairs have updated me on their regions and it sounds like there is a lot happening on their end, I am keen to hear how things go for the projects they have ahead. I want to give thanks to Michael and the Murray Midlands Region for all the work they are putting in for Flood Recovery, as well as any and all Rovers from other regions helping out. This is definitely a time in need and if you have the time and resources available, I highly suggest putting your hand up to help in any way you can.

It was great to have the Region Rover Commissioners attend this meeting, I look forward to this becoming a regular occurrence.

That's all from me for now, stay safe out there right now and look out for fellow Rovers if you are able.

Email at:

deputy.chair@vicrovers.com.au	
4.3 Assistant Chair	VACANT
No report submitted.	
Email at: assistant.chair@vicrovers.com.au	
4.4 Membership Development	Tori Lawson
<p>I have been working on a template for the workshop I've been working on over the past couple of months. I will be presenting this to the Venturers at VVC for their feedback, and I have had feedback from a regional Rover Unit - that it may be beneficial to provide nearby Rover units with their local Venturer unit locations so they know where they can recruit members from. I will raise this with VVC in order to see if making a Unit map (similar to the one that Rovers made for Venturers) would be beneficial and feasible. I am looking to attend VG potentially to promote Rovers, possibly with the Rover stand.</p> <p>A concern that has been raised to me from a couple of Units is that their units are refusing/unwilling to move to the current program and this is causing dissent within units, making a workshop such as the one I am working on important to make sure Rovers are not being left behind. This is important to address as new rovers will be required to complete the current program if they wish to complete their BPSA, and if their units are not facilitating/supporting this then many rovers will likely leave or look for a new unit - again a big struggle in regional Victoria as the units are more spread out. I am happy to work on a booklet/resource that units can utilise/provide to their members to ensure understanding about the current program. I strongly recommend rovers, older and younger, to complete their Scouting Essentials course, even if not going for their BP, in order to learn enough about the current program to support their unit.</p>	
Email at: membership.development@vicrovers.com.au	
4.5 Program	Aodren Knight
<p>Attended the state program meeting, program review next year to find any major issues and ensure badgework is meeting the standard</p> <p>Expressions of interest form for the rover snow camp is out, please give it a look: https://forms.gle/g3oUSFQ63CeoQwVM6</p>	
Email at: program@vicrovers.com.au	
4.6 Program Transition Officer	Harrison Feldman
Nothing to report.	
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
Rovember is coming up, if you would like to attend registrations close this week!	
Email at:	



training@vicrovers.com.au

4.9 BPSA

Kieren Martin

We're coming into the last couple months of the year so I suggest if you haven't started both community development and personal growth badges by now you'd better get on it. If you don't have both badges started by next month you are going to have to transfer onto the new system. I will be prompting those who I know are on the old system over the next month but please don't leave it until the last minute. I will also be checking in with the region BPSA officers.

Email at:

bpsa@vicrovers.com.au

4.10 NRC

Izaak Kitching

Last month as you all know Victoria has become financial members of NRC again for the next 12 months. I attended the September remote meeting along with Catherine and Pete, there was a presentation from the Asia Pacific Region and the Regional Youth Representatives and the two representatives outlined their role on the APR youth council.

NRC conference:

The NRC conference will be from 20th-22nd January 2023 at Bay Park in Victoria.

Environment and Sustainability Project patrol:

There is a formation of an Environment and Sustainability Project patrol and will be involved in increasing sustainable practices in Rovering, spreading awareness and devising systems to offset environmental harm caused by Scouting activities. If interested you can sign up via <https://forms.office.com/r/tjk5hNh2JZ> and for more information contact Steph via email steph.cowling@scouts.com.au

NRC Chairman nominations

Nominations for the NRC chairman are open and close at 11.59pm AEDT Sunday 13 November 2022, you can submit a nomination form via <https://forms.office.com/r/qvA2mnUf9A>

Voting items

1. was an outline for the NRC strategic Plan which will also allow grass roots rovers to view.
 2. was a conflict of interest procedure because prior to the review they had done they did not have a conflict of interest procedure they could follow.
 3. Procurement Guideline as they didn't have a guideline they could follow when they undertake procurement procedures.
- All three of these papers passed.

Email at:

nrc.delegate@vicrovers.com.au

4.11 Finance

VACANT

No report submitted.

Email at:

finance@vicrovers.com.au

4.12 Secretary

Rachael Osborne

Thanks to everybody who made sure their reports were in on time, I really appreciate it!

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

Not much has been happening at the Rover Centre, except for another minor emergency. The 240L yellow recycling bin was stolen after collection one week and has now been replaced.

My work has been in creating a database on Airtable. This will in future hold all Centre bookings and resources out for loan.

A VRC patrol will start pulling up the expired carpet tiles this weekend; and I'm planning another few working bees for next month. Hopefully once the electrical works happen we can reopen the Centre in December.

Email at:

resources@vicrovers.com.au

4.14 Marketing & Communications

Molly Hastings

This month I've found myself more active and on top of membership and post requests into the Rovers Members Page. Also for the Vic Rovers Insta and Facebook we have been doing the Meet the Unit Monday so if you know any units interested please let me know so I can reach out to them. The newsletter is the same so please if you've got anything you'd like to include just send an article with photos if you'd like to my email and I'll organise that to be included. This month I plan on doing a weekly posting plan for myself every Sunday night and organising to have some more regular posts occurring to further boost our engagement.

Looking at doing some more video work on Instagram reels/Tiktok for events!

Email at:

communications@vicrovers.com.au

4.15 Visual Communications

Maddy McArthur

No report submitted.

Email at:

visual.communications@vicrovers.com.au

4.16 IT

Michael Watts

The migration to the new online store is now complete and we are again fully functional. Work is ongoing to build the IT team up and so if you know anyone interested please pass my email on.

The projector and power leads will be installed over this period of work at the VRC. This will be done in between the removal and installation of carpet tiles.

A reminder to please allow a few days notice for your zoom meeting requests as I am not always available or near a computer every day.

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

Peter Wotherspoon, Regi Caesar, Stephen Carter

Rover Dinner

Rover Dinner, the equivalent of the rover Section ARAP, was a successful event held at the Eltham Community Centre. I was pleased to see so many attending and supporting those members of the Section who had received Awards. On an unfortunate note, Alex Preston, a W F Waters recipient in 2019 was due to receive his award (having lived in Canada for the past few years) but he, and his family, tested positive to COVID and were unable to be present. Alex was presented with his award at the VRC Exec meeting on 16 October.

A big thanks to Catherine for all her work in organising the event with assistance from members of Plenty Valley Region.

Scout Promise

Just a further reminder of changes to the Scout Promise. There are two versions of the Scout Promise. One remains unchanged but, the traditional version is now altered to the following:

*On my honour
I promise that I will do my best
To do my duty to my God, and
To the **King** of Australia
To help other people,
And to live by the Scout Law*

Rover Centre

Given the damage to the carpet as a result of the recent “flood” within the Centre, it will need to be taken up and replaced. Whilst there are some spare carpet tiles, there are insufficient numbers for a complete replacement. It is likely that there are extra tiles at Gilwell and I am waiting to confirm how many may be available. It may be that for a short time we can use the Centre without carpet.

The power upgrades are scheduled to take place on 7 November.

National Rover Council Election of Chair

Nominations for the next NRC Chair are now open. Details as follows:

Nominations close at 11:59PM AEDT on Sunday 13 November 2022, with the Chair elections at the NRC Remote meeting (date TBC). All nominations must be submitted here: <https://forms.office.com/r/qvA2mnUf9A>

Following changes at the recent NRC Remote meeting, the Chair is elected at the last Remote meeting of the year, allowing them to shadow the current Chair.; all other NRC Team roles will be elected at the 2023 NRC Conference. NRC Team position descriptions are outlined in [the NRC By-Laws](#), though we have also created a PDF of the latest position description for the NRC Chair that is available on our website : <https://rovers.scouts.com.au/rovering/nrc-elections-2023/>

Nominations are open to invested Rovers currently registered with a Branch of Scouts Australia, and are subject to endorsement from their BRC Chair. It is recommended that NRC Chair nominees have prior experience on the National Rover Council.

To allow all candidates an equal opportunity, we ask them to provide a pre-recorded 'candidate statement' (voice recording) of no more than 5 min outlining their reasons for candidacy. Candidate statements must be submitted to the Returning Officer (NRC Adviser) by the close of nominations (please contact the Returning Officer if you have any concerns/questions). Only the Returning Officer will have a copy of the file; it will be played for the purpose of the election, and then deleted. [More information is in the Nomination Form.](#)

Could I encourage any member of the Section who may be interested in the role to consider nominating.

Baden-Powell Lodge Unit Service Award

The Baden-Powell Lodge has, for many years, provided support to the Section through the above Award. Nominations for the award are now open. Details of criteria and nomination process are contained on the website. Nominations close with Peter on 30 November.

Rover Levy

The VRC has previously endorsed the introduction of a Rover Levy to apply to all members of the Section. The levy is to start from 1 July and invoices will be sent to individual Units in the coming weeks. The delay in sending invoices is due to some administrative and technical issues which have now been overcome.

Rover Advisor Seminar

Another seminar in the revised format was run successfully on 22 October. Thanks to all who attended and to Regi for organising the day (and for morning tea).

Emails:

Pete: sc.rovers@vicrovers.com.au

Regi: regi.caesar@vicrovers.com.au

Stephen: stephen.carter@vicrovers.com.au

5 Sub-Committee Reporting		
5.1 Mafeking Rover Park		Charmaine Beggs
No report submitted.		
5.2 Surfmoort		Jojo Mitchell
We currently have merch in the works and have had a Q store visit to see what we will need. Our activities head has reached out to multiple groups to see who's available to attend that weekend. We had Cameron attend the last meeting as Assistant RA which was great and I've gotten in contact with Jody Freeman about insurance options.		
5.3 Mudbash		Ben Courtney
Some positions are still available for the committee, message the Mudbash FB page for more info.		
5.4 Rover Scout Motorsport (RSM)		Mitchell Hanger
Our next meeting will be held at the next race event.		
5.5 Bogong Rover Chalet		Emily Kinross-Smith
It's been another busy month for Bogong with our winter parties continuing weekly with each week continuing to be almost full. We've had one more Ski Moot party conclude since the last VRC meeting, with one final Ski Moot set to ski in in a couple of weeks time. We also had our annual Ski Fun Day event run at Lake Mountain with 8 participants, and most of those went on to complete the Trained Participant course the following day that was run by the State Alpine Team. In addition to that, two rovers have completed a course in Jindabyne to become Alpine Guides, which will greatly assist us going forward in being able to meet the newly required safety measures of having people with the required qualifications involved with the Chalet. Our ARAP is also coming up in a couple of months, and with that comes elections! If you're interested in joining the Bogong Chalet Management Group or just want to hear about what we've been up to over the last year, then save the date - 12th October. We will also have a few positions that will need filling at this election which include the		

Alpine Rover Crew Chair, Alpine Rover Crew Secretary and Honorary Bookings Support Officer. If you're interested in any of these positions or would like some more information on what these positions entail, please be sure to let us know.

5.6 W.F. Waters Lodge **Todd Henderson**

No report submitted.

5.7 MARB **Breanne Simmons**

We have our elections this Tuesday night, congrats to the new team...

5.8 Yearbook **Rachael Osborne**

The 2021-22 yearbook exists! I hope those of you who came along to Rover dinner enjoyed seeing them in person as much as I did! Thanks again so much to Catherine, Maddy, Regi and Pete for all their amazing work!

5.9 Rover Dinner **Plenty Valley**

Rover Dinner was held at the start of this month. Thank you to everyone who aided with the planning and running of this event, and especially to our wonderful MCs Tristan Knight and Nathan Jetson. The evening was a resounding success and each of our awardees were able to get the recognition they deserve. I'm happy to hand Rover Dinner onto Mount Dandenong Region for 2022-2023. I'm looking forward to their event.

6 Region Reporting

6.1 Bays **Molly Hastings**

This month has been a fairly steady one for Bays. I unfortunately couldn't attend our monthly meeting but it was great to hear that my exec stepped up and made sure the meeting ran smoothly and had lots of snacks! We've had an issue with unit leaders submitting reports so this month the region's goal is to have all of them in on time. I've started brainstorming on some fundraising ideas to work with my team on to get a Bays fundraiser happening early next year so look out for that! Also we've got our end of year breakup in December coming up and we are looking at doing a big outing so hopefully we get some good attendance on that.

6.2 Gippsland **Zoe Cooper**

This month Gippsland have been busy planning the House of Mouse Trivia Night. It'll be held this Saturday at Turks sports bar in Traralgon at 7pm. Everyone is welcome, the trybooking link is trybooking.com/CDMFM and tickets are \$20 each or \$100 for a table of 6. Please push this with your units as we would love for this night to be a success. There is free accommodation at the Traralgon scout hall so don't worry about having to drive home late and intoxicated (there will be people not drinking to keep an eye on the night). Otherwise not too much happening in this area, we would like to thank everyone who was involved in planning the RA mini conferences, we have a couple of RAs go and they came back raving!

6.3 Lerderderg **Wil Sumbler**

This last month has been quite a productive one. Our latest region meeting was held at a local bowling alley, as a joint night with the CRC Venturers, pretty happy to have a good attendance and active engagement from both Venturers and Rovers. Keen to see this relationship grow in the future.

A few weeks ago we celebrated 2 of our Rovers receiving the WF waters award at Rover Dinner.

I'm proud of the efforts that a handful of our region have put into helping with flood relief during this tough time, clean up, sand bags, and helping with accommodation. An extremely unfortunate event that many hands are helping make the work lighter.

We're currently working with the Beyond initiative to put together a conference for Rovers to help promote the next step of scouting, how we could ease their transition to becoming a leader or join an activities team.

6.4 Melbourne **Lily Stephens**

We've had a good month with heaps of ARAPs to look back on the last 12 months. We've had so many positive

responses from families, friends, politicians and other scouting people.

A couple weeks ago, we also brought in two new rovers to join our region team, having split the Sec/Treas role into two. We welcome Ben and Thomas to the team and are looking forward to working with them over the next 6 months.

Lots of work has been put into our Great Gilwell Getaway for next year with both Rovers and Venturers being invited. <https://www.facebook.com/events/3271039886462906>

6.5 Mt Dandenong

Izaak Kitching

This month has been a busy month, at Rover dinner three our region members Danny Wallace, Kieron Younger and Madeline Ancil all received their WF awards and Mitchell Hanger being awarded the chairman's award. We had a great turn out from the region who attended Rover dinner.

Last week the exec team had our exec retreat at Harkaway Scout Camp. It was a great weekend away, we did lots of socialising and were able to get to know each other better, we also had some admin work we wanted to get done.

They included:

- Planning out Moist moot which will be on the 3rd-5th March 2023.
- We are also in the process of putting together a incident/ behavioural PDF form if any incidents occur which will only be seen by Maria and depending on the issue will be able to escalate to the appropriate body weather it can be dealt at a region level or if it needs to be taken higher up the chain.
- We also have started making plans for two Roventure events next year one being at the end of term 1 and the other event in term 3 more planning does need to take place so we can promote them as early as possible next year.
- We also went through all the design ideas for the region's blood challenge as a way to get more of our members participating in the Rover blood challenge. The designs will be voted on at next month's region meeting and the winning design will be turned into a badge.

6.6 Murray Midlands

Michael Hardwicke

October has been a wild, unpredictable, and devastating month for much of Murray Midlands.

All of us will have seen the pictures of Echuca, Sheparton-Maroopna, and Mildura. These are only some of the worst-hit parts of Murray Midlands. These floods are ongoing and the lasting damage will only be discovered over the coming weeks and months.

Scouts Victoria is beginning an emergency relief effort which I am hopeful to see restore local communities and Scouting in the region.

As a result of this flooding, Murray Midlands will be postponing CARB 2022: Castles and Catapults from later this week to February next year.

6.7 Plenty Valley

Nathan Box

This month's meeting was hosted at Handfield Rovers in Eltham, who are a smaller crew we don't hear from too often, so it was fantastic to catch up with them and see how they've been going.

Our team has made good progress on their projects: our treasurer updated our bank signatories last week, our secretary is looking into emailing out agendas rather than just posting on Facebook, and my deputy has been filling in for me in meetings where I haven't been able to make it.

6.8 South West

David Pattinson

South West has been keeping busy. We have finally completed our new region scarves with the addition of the Western region tape and our region badge. We will have a physical version of it to present next month as they're currently all in Ballarat, in the meantime I sent through an image of what they look like with my report.

As per usual planning for events is being done including our region break-up, we finally have a date, as well as a few venturer events run by the rovers for each of the separate scouting regions within South West.

Each of the units are still keeping as active or involved as they can with a few changing their regular nights to be more suitable for the unit.

A number of members also attended, participated and even chaired a few Group/District and Region ARAPs over the past month as well.

7 Other Reports

7.1 MPAC Report

Nothing to report.

8 Interstate, National and International Events and Contingents

8.1 Apple Isle Moot - Tasmania

Lily Twyford

STANDING NOTES

- The contingent fee is up on the vicrovers store and available to purchase! Reminder that this is mandatory. THIS IS DUE NOVEMBER 2nd!
- Travel fee is optional and is up on the vicrovers store and available to purchase! Full terms and conditions will be available when purchasing from the store. THIS IS STRICTLY DUE NOVEMBER 2nd!

BBQ was a success! Thank you all for attending. Travel was a whirlwind of trauma but has been sorted - prices raised to \$318 with all other previous details remaining. We are looking into options for travel from Melb to the ferry OR staying overnight in Geelong - will keep those who are travelling with the contingent updated via email and socials.

We will also potentially be hosting another event, date to be confirmed in December, where people will be able to collect their merch before the event.

Registrations close November 1st and all contingent fees are due November 2nd - I said this last month but it's even more relevant now, that is not far away at all - it's next week!

As always, you can check out their website - <https://www.appleislemoot.com.au/home> and don't forget to check out on Facebook and Instagram the victorian contingent info - 'Victorian Contingent to AIM 2023' <https://www.facebook.com/VicconAIM2023> & @vicconaim2023
<https://www.instagram.com/vicconaim2023/?hl=en>

9 Voting Items

9.1 Mudbash 2023 Budget

The budget and cover letter can be found on page 5 of the minute attachments.

Motioned:**Seconded:**

Mount Dandenong motion to postpone this vote, seconded by Melbourne.

Passed.

Any feedback can be sent to the Mudbash team.

accounts@mudbash.com chair@mudbash.com

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 VRC Financial Report 2022

This document can be found on page 9 of the minute attachments.

This is not to be voted on, just noted by the table.

Send any feedback to Jody Freeman.

treasurer@vicrovers.com.au

12 Standing Items

12.1 Unit Names and Scarves

Regions

South West Region Rover Community are changing their scarf, see below.



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 becomes depleted, faulty, damaged, or otherwise unsafe. 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 General Business

13.1 Other Business

GILWEROO

Gilweroo are looking for Rovers to assist at the event in Elmore the weekend of November 18-20. Email Peter Macdonald at admin@gilweroo.com.au if you'd like to help out! We're also looking for a Rover to manage communications between the event team and the Rover volunteers.

DON'T FORGET!!

AG - Regi wants you!!!! Contact her if you can help. Last weekend in February.

The regions will have a look at aiding the finance team in order to check over budget before they are presented to VRC.

Mullumbimba are doing a mango drive - go to their Instagram to buy a tray of mangoes for \$27!!

Jeff is doing Movember! Give him money for his upper lip.

Closing Parade: Flag Down & Rover Prayer

Meeting Closed at: 8:49 pm

**VRC MINUTE
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22.10.26**

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Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
Office Bearers	Chair	Catherine Marley	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Maddy Packer	✓	
	Assistant Chair	N/A		
	Membership Development	Tori Lawson		X
	Program	Aodren Knight		X
	Program Transition	Harrison Feldman	✓	
	Training	Breanne Simmons	✓	
		Zac Geddes		X
	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	✓	
	Finance	N/A		
	SC Rover Support	Peter Wotherspoon	✓	
	ASC Rover Support	Regi Caesar	✓	
	ASC Rover Support	Stephen Carter	✓	
	Honorary Treasurer	Jody Freeman	✓	
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	Jack Ballantyne		X
	VRC Rep	Hamish McMillan	✓	
	Region RC	John Ernst	✓	
Lerderderg	Chair	Wil Sumbler	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Katelynn Rose		X
	VRC Rep	Tess Williamson	✓	
	VRC Rep	Ben Di Quinzio		X
	Region RC	Scotty Harrison	✓	
Melbourne	Chair	Lily Stephens	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Lilith Stewart		X
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Greg Davies	✓	
Mt Dandenong	Chair	Izaak Kitching	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Brit Oakley	✓	
	VRC Rep			
	Secretary	Gillian O'Connor		X
	Region RC	Maria Armstrong	✓	
Murray Midlands	Chair	Michael Hardwicke	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Charmaine Beggs		X
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Mark "Barney" Thornton	✓	
Plenty Valley	Chair	Nathan Box		X
	Deputy Chair	Cam Cerda	✓	
	VRC Rep	Tori Lawson		X
	Region RC	Jeff McIlvain		X
South West	Chair	David Pattinson	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Matthew Pannan	✓	
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Lillian Miller (Asst.)		X
Mafeking	Chair	Charmaine Beggs		X
Surfmoot	Chair	Jojo Mitchell	✓	
Mudbash	Chair	Ben Courtney		X

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
RSM	Chair	Mitchell Hanger		X
Bogong	Chair	Emily Kinross-Smith	✓	
W.F. Waters	Chair	Todd Henderson		X
MARB	Chair	Breanne Simmons	✓	
Rover Dinner	Chair	Plenty Valley	✓	
Apple Isle – Vic Con	Chair	Lily Twyford	✓	
Yearbook	Chair	Rachael Osborne	✓	
Guests	RSM Rover Advisor	Lachlan McDonald	✓	

MAFEKING
ROVER PARK

MUDBASH 2023

BUDGET REPORT

9-11TH
JUNE 2023

Introduction

Mudbash is an event operated by the Rover Section of The Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch. Rovers are 18-26 years of age. The Mudbash Committee as the organizing body, runs the event and is made up primarily of Rovers. There are several Advisors and Commissioners assisting the Committee with running the event.

The weekend entails low speed motorsport events run under the Confederation of Australian Motorsport. Each "Rover Unit" enters a vehicle to compete in and each crew member is a driver, passenger or both for events. The Rover Units camp on site for the weekend.

Expectations of up to 700 people will camp on site for the weekend, although over recent years this number has been around the 600-800 mark. The Sunday of the event weekend is "Open Day", which is designed for members of the public and other scouts to be on site.

The property is 319 acres in size and is in Caveat. The site is a rural/recreational property with several buildings, open grass areas and thick scrub in areas.

We are planning to conduct Capital works around the Main arena to install additional permanent Speakers around the arena, The works will involve trenching and installing underground services to the main arena. These costs are listed in the budget.

Budget Breakdown

Income

Mudbash ticket price has now been set at \$70 presold (inclusive of square processing fee) and remaining \$95 at the gate. We have decided to keep the tickets at \$70, the same as last event, because of the inflation that has drastically effect everything this finical year. As much as we would love to lower the fees with the new rover levy coming in it does not seem feasible with the current finance climate. Service tickets are included at the reduced cost of \$30, this acknowledges the committee's voluntary nature and provides incentive to participate. Or 'work' for your dinner.

Sponsorship income has remained in the budget, this is more of a bonus rather than a necessity, why it has remained in the budget.

Driver fees are as per previous years, continuing the existing strategy of late fees to promote a more organised event and gaining early commitment from Rover units.

Expenditure

While allowing for general inflation, Mudbash is going to pump some more into our beloved activities and entertainment teams to get some more activities assets along with additional attractions. We are also have capital works planned to improve the infrastructure around the main arena.

We are expecting an increase in administration cost due to the acquisition of more participant wristbands and have lowered the admin supplies to be a more realistic estimation given the actuals from the previous event.

The Entertainment budget had a marginal increase due to general inflation and the additional performers.

The Treasurer's budget has remained the same as previous year's budget and any reserve funds will get delegated out as required.

Activities received an increase due to received feedback from participants requesting more activities to be held for those who are not driving. This increase will go toward the acquisition of new assets.

Works and Services have overall received a marginal increase from previous budgeted cost. However, note the previous events actuals reflect a last-minute hire fee from the toilet supplier. Additionally, we have Allowed for a Pump out for mid-way through the event as we have found this was a necessity from the previous event.

Events budget has had to allow the cost of hire for Rally clocks as they were required last event.

Power and Comms has lowered cost due to the RSM team no longer needing Radio equipment supplied.

P&R and Marketing has lowered due to majority of the marketing materials being acquired in the past few events.

Misc Spending reflects the capital works planned to take place in the coming months prior to the event, these works will consist of additional lighting and power around the main arena. Along with this we have allowed for a small increase in fuel cost. This is because the generator was oversized in previous years.

Closing Statement

With last year's event feedback from the participants, we are trying to better the event for those who aren't spending the duration of the event racing during the day. I like to think our budget reflects this well as we try to grow and use the money our participants contribute to add to the event. Our capital works are planned and getting ran past the Mafeking committee, we are also adding into our works budget to hopefully keep the facilities in better condition throughout the event. We believe this proposed budget adequately reflects the concerns raise from last month's VRC meeting regarding the Rover Levey as the ticket price has lowered from the inflated price to remain the same as the previous year's cost. We believe the savings from the inflation along with the additional attractions is acceptable to be exempt from the rover levy due to the acquisition of additional assets and capital works.

Mudbash 2023										Scaled Summary			
	Budget 2023			Variance	Actuals 2022			2022 Budget			Budget for 2023	Actual 2022	Budget 2022
Income													
Tickets	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total	Income	Total	Total
Presold	\$ 70.00	500	\$ 35,000.00	27%	\$ 68.46	374	\$ 25,604.04	\$ 70.00	580	\$ 40,600.00	Tickets	\$ 40,500.00	\$ 35,286.24
Gate	\$ 95.00		\$ -	0%	\$ 88.02	77	\$ 6,777.54	\$ 90.00	100	\$ 9,000.00	Merchandise	\$ 10,860.00	\$ 15,601.45
New Rover	\$ 45.00	50	\$ 2,250.00	41%	\$ 44.01	30	\$ 1,320.30			\$ -	Committee payments	\$ 5,250.00	\$ 4,831.00
Service	\$ 30.00	25	\$ 750.00	30%	\$ 29.34	18	\$ 528.12	\$ 30.00	25	\$ 750.00	Driver Fees	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,249.40
Short Stay Tickets	\$ 50.00	50	\$ 2,500.00	82%	\$ 48.90	9	\$ 440.10			\$ -	Sponsorships	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,000.00
Short Stay Tickets (no catring)	\$ 35.00		\$ -	0%	\$ 34.23	18	\$ 616.14			\$ -	Loans & Misc.	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700.00
Committee Tickets			\$ -	0%			\$ -			\$ -	Total Income	\$ 64,710.00	\$ 60,168.09
Gate Cash Tichets			\$ -	0%	\$ 90.00	3	\$ 270.00			\$ -	Expenses	Total	Total
Total		625	\$ 40,500.00	13%		529	\$ 35,286.24		705	\$ 50,350.00	Administration	\$ 250.00	\$ 106.13
Merchandise	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total	Chairperson	\$ 1,410.00	\$ 707.76
Jumpers	\$ 60.00	150	\$ 9,000.00	56%	\$ 48.90	81	\$ 3,960.90	\$ 55.00	150	\$ 8,250.00	Entertainment	\$ 12,400.00	\$ 12,236.42
Badges	\$ 6.00	150	\$ 900.00	37%	\$ 4.89	116	\$ 567.24				Treasurer	\$ 3,192.00	\$ 616.51
Bungles			\$ -	0%	\$ 10,537.95	1	\$ 10,537.95				Activities	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,064.10
Stubby	\$ 12.00	80	\$ 960.00	44%	\$ 9.56	56	\$ 535.36	\$ 12.00	250	\$ 3,000.00	Works and Services	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 4,419.31
Total		380	\$ 10,860.00	-44%		254	\$ 15,601.45		400	\$ 11,250.00	Events	\$ 1,070.00	\$ 919.40
Committee payments	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total	Power and Comms	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 3,752.44
Committee Jackets	\$ 75.00	40	\$ 3,000.00	28%	\$ 75.00	29	\$ 2,175.00	\$ 65.00	40	\$ 2,600.00	Program & PR	\$ 909.90	\$ 1,288.55
Committee Workshops	\$ 75.00	30	\$ 2,250.00	65%	\$ 71.00	11	\$ 781.00			\$ -	Miscellaneous	\$ 18,750.00	\$ 23,323.57
Committee Catering	\$ 75.00	40	\$ 3,000.00	38%	\$ 75.00	25	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 65.00	40	\$ 2,600.00	Total Expenses	\$ 49,156.90	\$ 49,434.19
Total		70	\$ 5,250.00	8%		36	\$ 4,831.00		1610	\$ 2,600.00	Adjustment Total	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 9,389.59
Driver Fees	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total	NET RESULT		
Timley team Entry Fees	\$ 50.00	40	\$ 2,000.00	12%	\$ 48.90	36	\$ 1,760.40	\$ 50.00	35	\$ 1,750.00	\$2,853.10	\$1,344.31	\$1,488.00
Class 3 per head	\$ 10.00	10	\$ 100.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 10.00	10	\$ 100.00			
Team Entry Fee + Late Fee	\$ 100.00	0	\$ -	0%	\$ 97.80	5	\$ 489.00	\$ 100.00	0	\$ -			
Total		50	\$ 2,100.00	-7%		41	\$ 2,249.40		2385	\$ 1,850.00			
Sponsorships	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Platinum	\$ 500.00	0	\$ -	0%	\$ 500.00	0	\$ -	\$ 500.00	0	\$ -			
Gold	\$ 400.00	1	\$ 400.00	-100%	\$ 400.00	2	\$ 800.00	\$ 350.00	1	\$ 350.00			
Silver	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 200.00	0%	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 200.00			
Bronze	\$ 150.00	3	\$ 450.00	100%	\$ 150.00	0	\$ -	\$ 150.00	3	\$ 450.00			
Supporter	\$ 50.00	5	\$ 250.00	100%	\$ 50.00	0	\$ -	\$ 50.00	5	\$ 250.00			
Classifieds	\$ 20.00	0	\$ -	0%	\$ 20.00	0	\$ -	\$ 20.00	0	\$ -			
Total		10	\$ 1,300.00	23%		3	\$ 1,000.00		4090	\$ 1,250.00			
Loans & Misc	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Unexplained income from 2022			\$ -	0%			\$ -			\$ -			
Tenders (Bar, Canteen, Pub Tour)	\$ 700.00	1	\$ 700.00	100%	\$ 700.00	0	\$ -	\$ 700.00	1	\$ 700.00			
Float	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00	-20%	\$ 1,200.00	1	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00			
Total		2	\$ 1,700.00	29%		1	\$ 1,200.00		6487	\$ 1,700.00			
Total Income			\$ 64,710.00				\$ 60,438.09			\$ 71,600.00			
Expenses													
Administration	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Admin supplies	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 150.00	29%	\$ 106.13	1	\$ 106.13	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 200.00			
Wristbands	\$ 100.00	1	\$ 100.00	100%			\$ -			\$ -			
Total		2	\$ 250.00	58%		1	\$ 106.13		1	\$ 200.00			
Chairperson	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Damages	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00			
Vice Chairman Meal	\$ 100.00	0	\$ -	0%			\$ -	\$ 100.00	1	\$ 100.00			
RA Costs	\$ 50.00	1	\$ 50.00	4%	\$ 47.76	1	\$ 47.76	\$ 50.00	1	\$ 50.00			
Committee	\$ 360.00	1	\$ 360.00	-83%	\$ 660.00	1	\$ 660.00	\$ 360.00	1	\$ 360.00			
Total		3	\$ 1,410.00	50%		2	\$ 707.76		1	\$ 1,510.00			
Entertainment	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Bands/DJ's	\$ 2,100.00	1	\$ 2,100.00	19%	\$ 1,695.00	1	\$ 1,695.00	\$ 1,900.00	1	\$ 1,900.00			
Generator	\$ 1,100.00	1	\$ 900.00	-7%	\$ 965.58	1	\$ 965.58	\$ 900.00	1	\$ 900.00			
Truck Hire	\$ 1,200.00	1	\$ 1,200.00	-15%	\$ 1,375.00	1	\$ 1,375.00	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00			
Band Rider	\$ 800.00	1	\$ 400.00	58%	\$ 166.98	1	\$ 166.98	\$ 550.00	1	\$ 550.00			
Stage	\$ 4,500.00	1	\$ 4,000.00	34%	\$ 2,625.00	1	\$ 2,625.00	\$ 4,000.00	1	\$ 4,000.00			
Lighting	\$ 2,000.00	1	\$ 2,000.00	27%	\$ 1,455.30	1	\$ 1,455.30	\$ 1,500.00	1	\$ 1,500.00			
Audio	\$ 1,800.00	1	\$ 1,800.00	-82%	\$ 3,270.81	1	\$ 3,270.81	\$ 1,400.00	1	\$ 1,400.00			
Various			\$ -		\$ 682.75	1	\$ 682.75	\$ 400.00	1	\$ 400.00			
Total		7	\$ 12,400.00	1%		7	\$ 12,236.42		8	\$ 11,650.00			
Treasurer	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Insurance	\$ 1,500.00	1	\$ 1,500.00	61%	\$ 579.81	1	\$ 579.81	\$ 1,400.00	1	\$ 1,400.00			
VRC Ticketing	\$ 1,200.00	1	\$ 1,200.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 1,160.00	1	\$ 1,160.00			
Audit Fee	\$ 462.00	1	\$ 462.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 426.00	1	\$ 426.00			
Refund Fees*	\$ 30.00	1	\$ 30.00	-22%	\$ 36.70	1	\$ 36.70	\$ 30.00	1	\$ 30.00			
Total		4	\$ 3,192.00	81%		2	\$ 616.51		4	\$ 3,016.00			
Activities	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Onsite Activities	\$ 2,500.00	1	\$ 2,500.00	17%	\$ 2,064.10	1	\$ 2,064.10	\$ 1,250.00	1	\$ 1,250.00			
Contigencies	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 890.00	1	\$ 890.00			
Total		2	\$ 3,500.00	41%		1	\$ 2,064.10		2	\$ 2,140.00			
Works and Services	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Toilets	\$ 2,000.00	1	\$ 2,000.00	-30%	\$ 2,590.00	1	\$ 2,590.00	\$ 1,701.00	1	\$ 1,701.00			
Toilet Pumpout	\$ 850.00	1	\$ 850.00	100%			\$ -			\$ -			
Toilet Paper	\$ 600.00	1	\$ 600.00	-32%	\$ 789.28	1	\$ 789.28	\$ 740.00	1	\$ 740.00			
General Supplies	\$ 300.00	1	\$ 300.00	38%	\$ 186.03	1	\$ 186.03	\$ 440.00	1	\$ 440.00			
Bins	\$ 875.00	1	\$ 875.00	2%	\$ 854.00	1	\$ 854.00	\$ 875.00	1	\$ 875.00			
Total		5	\$ 4,625.00	4%		4	\$ 4,419.31		4	\$ 3,756.00			
Events	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Trophies	\$ 150.00	1	\$ 150.00	0%	\$ 149.40	1	\$ 149.40	\$ 400.00	1	\$ 400.00			
Junior Development Program Helmets			\$ -	0%			\$ -			\$ -			
4X4 Service Team	\$ 400.00	1	\$ 400.00	0%	\$ 400.00	1	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.00	1	\$ 500.00			
Cattle Tags	\$ 120.00	1	\$ 120.00	0%	\$ 120.00	1	\$ 120.00	\$ 130.00	1	\$ 130.00			
Rolly Clocks	\$ 150.00	1	\$ 150.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 150.00	1	\$ 150.00			
Event Permit	\$ 250.00	1	\$ 250.00	0%	\$ 250.00	1	\$ 250.00	\$ 235.00	1	\$ 235.00			
Total		5	\$ 1,070.00	14%		4	\$ 919.40		5	\$ 1,415.00			
Power and Comms	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Cherry Picker	\$ 550.00	1	\$ 550.00	100%			\$ -			\$ -			
PA Hire	\$ 1,100.00	0	\$ -	0%			\$ -			\$ -			
Radios	\$ 2,300.00	1	\$ 2,300.00	-60%	\$ 3,679.50	1	\$ 3,679.50	\$ 4,050.00	1	\$ 4,050.00			
Miscllaneous	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 200.00	64%	\$ 72.94	1	\$ 72.94			\$ -			
Total		3	\$ 2,850.00	-32%		1	\$ 3,752.44		11	\$ 4,050.00			
Program & PR	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Programs (1 page fliers enough for both days)	\$ 400.00	1	\$ 400.00	13%	\$ 347.76	1	\$ 347.76	\$ 250.00	1	\$ 250.00			
Canva group access (5 users)	\$ 209.90	1	\$ 209.90	100%			\$ -	\$ 165.00	1	\$ 165.00			
Promotions	\$ 300.00	1	\$ 300.00	-214%	\$ 940.79	1	\$ 940.79	\$ 200.00	1	\$ 200.00			
Total		3	\$ 909.90	-42%		2	\$ 1,288.55		3	\$ 615.00			
Miscellaneous	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$	Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total			
Committee Catering	\$ 75.00	40	\$ 3,000.00	38%	\$ 75.00	25	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 2,600.00	1	\$ 2,600.00			
Committee Merch	\$ 2,600.00	1	\$ 2,600.00	-46%	\$ 3,803.53	1	\$ 3,803.53	\$ 2,600.00	1	\$ 2,600.00			
Merchandise	\$ 8,000.00	1	\$ 8,000.00	-74%	\$ 13,899.20	1	\$ 13,899.20	\$ 8,000.00	1	\$ 8,000.00			
Capital Improvements	\$ 3,000.00	1	\$ 3,000.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	1	\$ 5,000.00			
Fuel	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00	9%	\$ 914.38	1	\$ 914.38	\$ 800.00	1	\$ 800.00			
Front Gate Float	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00	-20%	\$ 1,200.00	1	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,000.00	1	\$ 1,000.00			
Ticket Refunds			\$ -	0%	\$ 1,631.46	1	\$ 1,631.46			\$ -			
First Aid	\$ 150.00	1	\$ 150.00	100%			\$ -	\$ 100.00	1	\$ 100.00			
Total		46	\$ 18,750.00	-24%		30	\$						

Honorary Treasurer's Report for the year ended 30 June 2022

The financial statements of the Consolidated Victorian Rover Council consist of The Victorian Rover Council; our three properties - Bogong Rover Chalet, WF Waters Lodge and Mafeking Rover Park; and five event and activity sub committees.

The Consolidated Victorian Rover Council has reported a turnover of \$406,399 for the year ended 30 June 2022 (2021 \$160,342), and a net surplus of \$8,480 (2021 deficit of \$69,772). Turnover is well up for the year as we returned to more normal operations, except for the results of Bogong Rover Chalet.

All activities including the VRC reported a surplus for the year, with exception being the Bogong Rover Chalet which has reported a deficit of \$44k. This deficit is due to overhead and winter party 2021 expenses incurred for a season cut short by Covid. The aggregate surplus of \$8.5k is net of \$31k of depreciation and includes \$41k in insurance charges paid to Scouts Victoria.

As of 30 June 2022, net assets are \$1,206,786, whilst cash assets equate to \$634,041 (2021: \$680,851). The majority of cash balance sits with our three properties; however, VRC also retains historical reserves. Cash as expected, reduced as we refunded winter bookings from 2021 winter season, and have incurred ongoing operating costs and capital outlays in our property assets.

A breakdown of net assets (at cost) and income between activities is represented as follows:

	Net Assets (\$ at cost)		Turnover \$	
	As at	As at	For year	For year
	30-Jun-22	30-Jun-21	Ended 30-Jun-22	Ended 30-Jun-21
Victorian Rover Council	230,917	228,965	26,433	6,750
Bogong Rover Chalet	299,249	342,823	37,589	1,322
WF Waters Rover Lodge	170,964	165,113	115,133	77,585
Mafeking Rover Park	413,184	409,642	50,250	17,130
Rover Scout MARB	11,259	10,863	14,255	1,044
Victorian Contingent Moot	4,939	3,722	1,217	-
Rover Scout Motorsport	22,716	1,511	34,285	-
Rover Scout Mudbash	13,476	555	79,189	15,470
Rover Scout Surfmoot	49,082	44,110	48,048	41,041
	\$1,215,786	\$1,207,306	\$406,399	\$160,342

For our snow assets, the turnover represents revenue earned for the 2021 winter season and Summer 2022. For Bogong, the season was cancelled part way through, however for WF Waters Lodge a partial operation was possible and bookings have been strong for both properties through 2022. Bogong Rover Chalet has incurred two years of significant deficits due to closures, and whilst costs are curtailed where possible, charges including insurance, maintenance and depreciation are unavoidable.

Event operations have returned to normal with surpluses for Surfmoot, Marb and Mudbash reported. RSM in addition has received two \$10k grants for equipment purchases.

Given lockdowns effecting operations in 2021, the results for the financial year ended 30 June 2022 overall are a good outcome for the section. We expect to return to more standard operations in all activities for financial year 2023. The Rover section is also continuing to invest in our facilities with several capital investments underway and the section remains in a sound financial position.

Signed on behalf of the Victorian Rover Council



Jody R. Freeman CPA
Honorary Treasurer
Melbourne 6 September 2022

**THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
VICTORIAN ROVER COUNCIL
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2022**

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
EQUITY		
Retained Earnings	1,215,786	1,207,306
VRC CONSOLIDATED EQUITY	<u>1,215,786</u>	<u>1,207,306</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank or Investment	634,041	680,851
Debtors	37,192	11,075
Prepayments	45,177	54,471
Advances Other	29,598	29,598
Victorian Branch Grants Held	10,000	0
	<u>756,008</u>	<u>775,995</u>
Property Plant & Equipment Assets		
Land at Cost	185,000	185,000
Buildings	857,898	826,597
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(539,035)</u>	<u>(516,639)</u>
	318,863	309,958
Plant & Equipment	312,308	280,382
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(225,041)</u>	<u>(216,109)</u>
	87,267	64,273
Total Property Plant & Equipment Assets	<u>591,130</u>	<u>559,231</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,347,138</u>	<u>1,335,226</u>
LIABILITIES		
Creditors	59,806	28,259
Amounts received in advance	71,546	99,661
	<u>131,352</u>	<u>127,920</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>1,215,786</u>	<u>1,207,306</u>
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022		
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The Scout Association of Australia
Victorian Branch Rover Council

**CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

FINAL

		Victorian Rover Council	Bogong Rover Chalet Management Group	Baw Baw Rover Crew	Mafeking Rover Park	Rover Scout MARB	Vic Contingent Moot	Rover Scout Motorsport	Rover Scout Mudbash	Rover Scout Surfmoor	Consolidated Total
INCOME	Baw Baw Rover Crew	4,000		115,133							119,133
	Bogong Rover Chalet Mgmt Group	-	37,589								37,589
	Mafeking Rover Park	800			50,250						51,050
	Rover Scout Motorsport	300						14,285			14,585
	Events	10,866				14,255	1,217				26,339
	Mudbash	5,000							79,189		84,189
	Surfmoot	5000								48,048	53,048
	Sundry	-			-			20,000			20,000
	Rover Events & Merch	466									466
	Interest	1,090	824	487	266	1	0	0	1	1	2,671
		<u>27,522</u>	<u>38,413</u>	<u>115,620</u>	<u>50,516</u>	<u>14,256</u>	<u>1,217</u>	<u>34,285</u>	<u>79,190</u>	<u>48,049</u>	<u>409,070</u>
EXPENDITURE	Promotional expenses	204									204
	Publications	1,055									1,055
	Training Subsidies and Courses	-									-
	Activities	10,025				13,597	0	12,781	61,269	38,078	135,750
	NRC Levy	10,324									10,324
	NRC Meeting	(150)									(150)
	Post, Stat. & Office Exp.	773									773
	Depreciation	-	11,126	9,052	11,150						31,328
	Rovers Events & Merch	-									-
	Insurance	438	15,789	15,733	9,124						41,085
	Operating Expenses - Property Divisions	-	55,072	80,983	25,901						161,956
	Sundry Expenses	2,901	-	4,000	800	264	-	300	5,000	5,000	18,265
		<u>25,571</u>	<u>81,987</u>	<u>109,769</u>	<u>46,975</u>	<u>13,861</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13,081</u>	<u>66,269</u>	<u>43,078</u>	<u>400,590</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) YTD		1,952	(43,574)	5,851	3,542	396	1,217	21,205	12,921	4,971	8,480
		-		-							-
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) YEAR TO DATE		<u>1,952</u>	<u>(43,574)</u>	<u>5,851</u>	<u>3,542</u>	<u>396</u>	<u>1,217</u>	<u>21,205</u>	<u>12,921</u>	<u>4,971</u>	<u>8,480</u>

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Notes:

1 The sundry expenses of activities is counted as income to the VRC (appropriations).

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

FINAL

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Current Assets	Cash at Bank or on Deposit (BRC)	252,763	128,598	133,236	68,205	7,017	4,736	13,647	17,336	8,503	634,041
	Accounts Receivable	6,462	-	-	7,015	74	203	-	10,754	206	24,714
	Loan - Doutta Gala Rover Crew	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Prepayments	-	28,771	9,597	-	5,597	-	-	-	-	43,965
	Stock/Stores	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non Current Assets	Scouts Aust Vic Branch Grant	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
	Property Plant and Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Land At Cost	-	-	-	185,000	-	-	-	-	-	185,000
	Building at Valuation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Buildings at Cost incl Improvements	-	316,035	108,065	408,762	-	-	-	-	-	832,862
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	-	(199,916)	(89,539)	(249,580)	-	-	-	-	-	(539,035)
	Plant & Equipment at Cost	-	47,790	221,092	19,607	-	-	-	-	-	288,489
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	-	(40,741)	(160,604)	(3,604)	-	-	-	-	-	(204,948)
	Vehicles & Trailers at Cost	-	3,033	-	20,786	-	-	-	-	-	23,819
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	-	(3,033)	-	(17,060)	-	-	-	-	-	(20,093)
	Constuction in progress	-	25,036	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,036
	Other Subcommittees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sundry	-	-	1,212	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,212
	Advances - Mafeking Rover Park	29,598	20,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,598
	Advances - Other	(39,628)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39,628	-
Total Assets		249,195	325,573	223,058	439,132.15	12,687	4,939	23,647	28,090	48,338	1,354,659
Liabilities	Accounts Payable	15,009	259	-	6,409	264	-	300	18,422	1,008	41,671
	Advance Bookings	368	14,460	55,553	-	1,165	-	-	-	-	71,546
	BRC Loan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bogong Loan	-	-	-	20,000	-	-	-	-	-	20,000
	GST	(56)	(3,396)	(3,459)	(638)	-	(0)	631	(3,808)	(1,752)	(12,478)
	Other	62	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62
	Funds on behalf of others	2,895	15,000	-	178	-	-	-	-	-	18,073
Total Liabilities		18,278	26,323	52,094	25,949	1,429	(0)	931	14,614	(744)	138,874
Net Assets		230,916	299,249	170,964	413,184	11,259	4,939	22,716	13,476	49,082	1,215,785
		228,964	342,823	165,113	409,642	10,863	3,722	1,511	555	44,110	1,207,305
		230,916	299,249	170,964	413,184	11,259	4,939	22,716	13,476	49,082	1,215,785
		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA VICTORIAN BRANCH ROVER COUNCIL

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30 JUNE 2022

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TURNOVER BY ENTITY



	For year Ended 30-Jun-22	For year Ended 30-Jun-21
Victorian Rover Council	26,433	6,750
Bogong Rover Chalet	37,589	1,322
WF Waters Rover Lodge	115,133	77,585
Mafeking Rover Park	50,250	17,130
Rover Scout MARB	14,255	1,044
Victorian Contingent Moot	1,217	-
Rover Scout Motorsport	34,285	-
Rover Scout Mudbash	79,189	15,470
Rover Scout Surfmoot	48,048	41,041
	\$406,399	\$160,342

The Consolidated Victorian Rover Council has reported a turnover of \$406,399 for the year ended 30 June 2022 (2021 \$160,342), and a net surplus of \$ 8,480 verses the previous year which reported a deficit of \$69,772.

Turnover was up in excess of 250% as we returned to mostly normal operations after COVID-19 pandemic had severely curtailed our operations in prior year.
Revenue for ski lodges is for the 2021 white season.

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CONSOLIDATED RESULT



- With the exception of Bogong Rover Chalet, all formations in the Victorian Rover Council Group returned a surplus for the year.
- Our activity committees comprising MARB, Mudbash, Surfmoot, Vic Contingent, Rover Scout Motorsport and VRC contributed a combined surplus of \$42,661. This includes \$20,000 in RSM grants and \$1200 in Moot buddies sponsorship. VRC reported a surplus of
- Mafeking reported a surplus of \$3,542, WF Waters Lodge \$5,851 and Bogong Rover Chalet reported a deficit of \$43,574. This deficit is due to significant unavoidable costs and the substantial cancellation of the 2021 winter season. 2022 has been a strong season and FY23 will largely be a return to normal for Bogong.
- The aggregate surplus of \$8.5k is net of \$31k of depreciation and includes \$41k in insurance charges paid to Scouts Victoria.

Consolidated	\$
Revenue	409,070
Expense excl Insurance & Depreciation	(328,177)
Gross surplus / (deficit)	80,893
Insurance expense	(41,085)
Depreciation expense	(31,328)
Net result	8,480

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THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA VICTORIAN ROVER COUNCIL CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2022		
	2022 \$	2021 \$
EQUITY		
Retained Earnings	1,215,786	1,207,306
VRC CONSOLIDATED EQUITY	<u>1,215,786</u>	<u>1,207,306</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank or Investment	634,041	680,851
Debtors	37,192	11,075
Prepayments	45,177	54,471
Advances Other	29,598	29,598
Victorian Branch Grants Held	10,000	0
	<u>756,008</u>	<u>775,995</u>
Property Plant & Equipment Assets		
Land at Cost	185,000	185,000
Buildings	857,898	826,597
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(539,035)	(516,639)
	<u>318,863</u>	<u>309,958</u>
Plant & Equipment	312,308	280,382
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(225,041)	(216,109)
	<u>87,267</u>	<u>64,273</u>
Total Property Plant & Equipment Assets	<u>591,130</u>	<u>559,231</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,347,138</u>	<u>1,335,226</u>
LIABILITIES		
Creditors	59,806	28,259
Amounts received in advance	71,546	99,661
	<u>131,352</u>	<u>127,920</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>1,215,786</u>	<u>1,207,306</u>



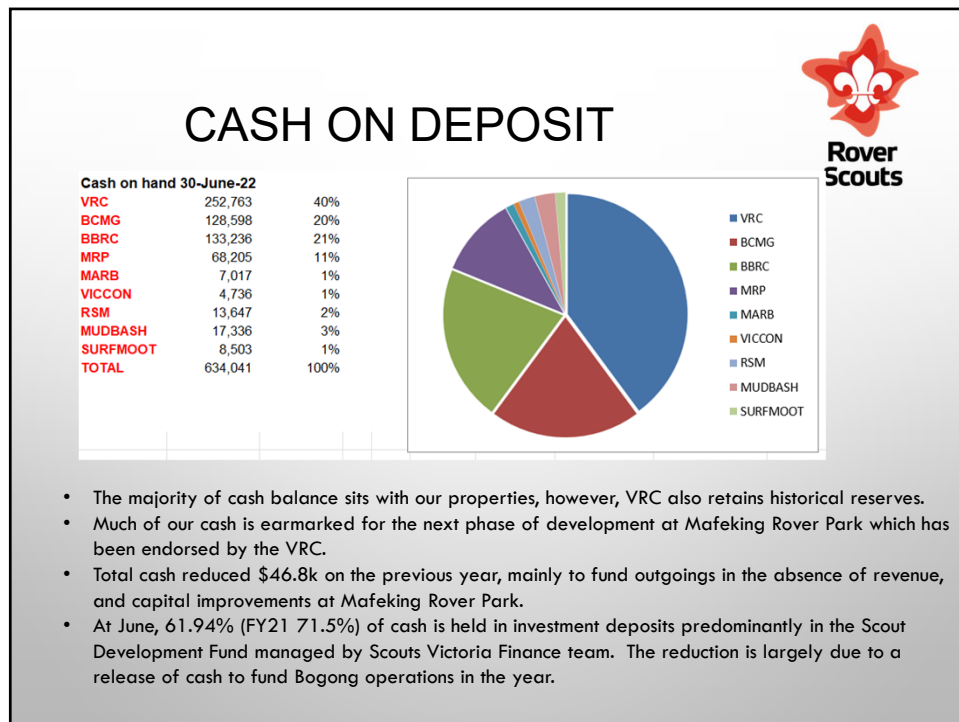
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NET ASSETS BY ENTITY		
	Net Assets (\$ at cost)	
	As at 30-Jun-22	As at 30-Jun-21
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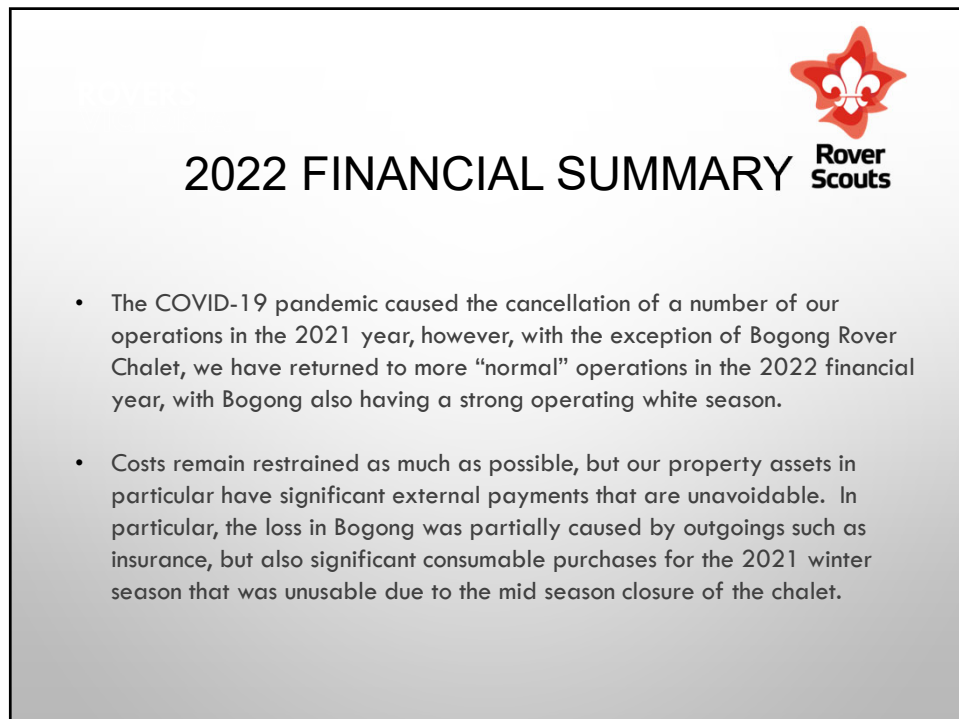


As of 30 June 2022, net assets are \$1,215,786.

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2022 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- For the VRC itself, costs in 2022 were able to be contained, the largest cost being our contribution to National Rover Council.
- VRC faced a squeeze between increased NRC costs, and difficulty in collecting this via our traditional appropriation method. Whilst VRC has reserves, annual operating costs need to be met from annual operating income.
- The VRC voted to withhold the final payment to NRC for 2022, and its pleasing that some action has been taken on fees, with the 2023 levy waived, and the amount per head reduced in subsequent years.
- VRC is now financial with the NRC having paid the latest account.

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2022 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

- I thank and acknowledge the work done by Cameron Phillips our first VRC Finance Officer. With his contribution, the Finance Committee made significant updates to finance policies and templates. This position remains vacant for the ensuring year.
- In previous years, I indicated that the conditions we have were challenging, and this was still the case as we commenced the 2022 year, however as we progressed we were able to run a reasonably normal program, and this has flowed into higher turnover, and a better operating result for the section.
- In addition, we have invested in a number of capital items to take us forward.
- The consolidated VRC remains in a sound position as we progress through financial year 2023.

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