



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
MINUTES FOR THE 511TH MEETING OF THE
VICTORIAN ROVER COUNCIL
HELD AT VICTORIAN ROVER CENTRE
WEDNESDAY, 22ND MAY 2024, AT 7:30PM

1	Welcome	
1.1	Flag Break	Zac Geddes
1.2	Attendance & Apologies – Apologies – Catherine Kopec, Kieren Martin	Jessica Kaplan
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 – -	
1.5	Workplace Health & Safety Items 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water leak behind the building, but there aren't any damages in the building. - Smoke alarm is making noises, likely due to needing the battery changed 	
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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Izaak Kitching for his hard work as region chair and NRC delegate - Catherine Kopec for being a fantastic Chair for Bogong - Carlin from Gippsland, who went to great effort to go to Mt Dandenong's region meeting to promote CARB 	
2.2	Guest Speakers & Presentations:	
3	Items for Consent	
3.1	Minutes of the previous VRC Meeting — April	Zac Geddes
	Second: South West	

3.2	Correspondence	Jessica Kaplan
None to report		
3.3	VRC Financial Report	Jody Freeman
None reported		
3.4	Decisions of the VRC Chair to be ratified	Zac Geddes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Christopher Lamoureux for Training Officer for now until the end of June - Seconded: Plenty Valley - Passed 		
3.5	Notifications for the Baden-Powell Scout Award	Regions

4	Office Bearers Reports	
4.1	Chair	Zac Geddes
<p>It's been a busy and exciting month.</p> <p>The office bearers and executive have been working hard actioning any items needed to finish their terms on a bang.</p> <p>We have elections tonight which is very exciting. I look forward to the results and working with the new team. We are only going to achieve bigger and better things next year.</p> <p>I've been working on a few things that are exciting. Next month we are launching the Quality Rover Awards (QRAs).</p> <p>This is a Unit award designed to recognise excellent units who have a diverse, fun, and quality program. Stay tuned for next month's meeting. I hope we get to award this award to many units.</p> <p>Email at: chair@vicrovers.com.au </p>		
4.2	Deputy Chair	VACANT
<p>Email at: deputy.chair@vicrovers.com.au </p>		
4.3	Assistant Chair	Aodren Knight, Cam Cerda
<p>Aodren:</p> <p>I had the pleasure of attending the Surfmoot meeting this month, seeing the new committee in action, and hearing their ideas for the next event, their recent AGM is the sign that the AGM season is starting. Over the next few months we'll have a few of them, and they'll be here before we can blink.</p> <p>It's a good time to get unit leaders to ask around their unit what their long term goals are, and ask some questions to the current sub-committees, so they can jump on a committee with the start of a new term.</p>		

Cam:

Have been wrapping up projects and preparing for handover.

Email at:

assistant.chair@vicrovers.com.au

4.4 Secretary**Jessica Kaplan**

If you're online, please add who you're representing in your screen name.

Please make sure that all tabled items are submitted using the paper template. This helps differentiate tabled items in the appendices and make the minutes easier to read. As a reminder, items for tabling – including budgets – should be sent in by the deadline for agenda items and reports outlined in the reminder email.

If you have a general business item to present, please ensure you send through a short summary to me at secretary@vicrovers.com.au. Please ensure that reports and general business items sent through are sent to the secretary email and not my personal email address, just to keep it more organised. Thank you!

Email at:

secretary@vicrovers.com.au

4.5 Strategic Plan**Jess Hay**

After preparing the survey report last month, it has been a much less outwardly productive month this month. I have started communications with the Strategic Planning Patrol, however, we still only have representation from about half the Regions. It would be great to have representatives from the other half.

As I age out in less than a month, this will be my final VRC. I aim to have the outline of a strategic plan written and with the Strategic Planning Patrol by the time I age out along with some documentation of the work so far to assist with handover to the next Strategic Planning Officer. Overall, whilst this is behind where I had hoped things would be, the delay has largely come from the large amount of data collected as part of the surveys and I believe that the information gained from this will be invaluable in both creating and – when the time comes – reviewing the strategic plan.

Email at:

strategicplan@vicrovers.com.au

4.6 Membership Development**Nicola Dangerfield**

This month has been good, working with the Team on Mudbash Open Day. Sienna, as always, is doing an incredible job and we're supporting her in any ways we can.

Email at:

membership.development@vicrovers.com.au

4.7 Training**VACANT**

We had a training meeting last night where we discussed future plans.

Email at:

training@vicrovers.com.au

4.8	BPSA	Breanne Simmons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Locked down most details for an Adventurous Journey talk - Don't have a date and time, because the team ghosted me. Stay tuned! <p>Email at: bpsa@vicrovers.com.au</p>		
4.9	NRC	
<p>There is an NRC meeting tomorrow night, and more details will hopefully be available next month.</p> <p>Email at: nrc.delegate@vicrovers.com.au</p>		
4.10	Finance	Kieren Martin
<p>No report submitted</p> <p>Email at: finance@vicrovers.com.au</p>		
4.11	Resources	Callan Brouwer
<p>If you have an extension ladder, please be in contact so that we can get the smoke alarm fixed. There may still be some glass particles at the back of the room, so please be aware of that.</p> <p>Email at: resources@vicrovers.com.au</p>		
4.12	Marketing & Communications	Sienna Brown
<p>Hey all, lots is happening at the moment however I have been a little bit distracted with Mudbash in the last month but still have been able to get some stuff done marketing-wise! I have had my first meeting with my marketing team to get them up to date on the project which the main focus is creating a Guide to Marketing, Retention & Growth Development for Rover Units. We plan to kick this project into full swing after Mudbash. I also wish to put together an annual social media schedule outlining all major events, holidays, important dates and filler content/ campaigns focusing on Rover individual stories, exciting rover news, unit updates and much more. The plan is to work alongside the Viscom officer to have graphics completed at the start of the term to be ready to go for the incoming term. At this current time, we are organising a stock-up of some merch freebies for venture camps and for the VRC tent at Mudbash.</p> <p>Email at: communications@vicrovers.com.au</p>		
4.13	Visual Communications	Maddy McArthur
<p>No report submitted</p> <p>Email at: visual.communications@vicrovers.com.au.</p>		
4.14	IT	Alex Costin
AGM Season		

AGM season is upon us once again. As your teams hold their AGM's please let the IT team know the results so we can get emails, websites, etc updated in a timely fashion.
Please also let us know throughout the year if people join/leave your team so we can keep them up to date.

Microsoft 365 Rollout

The rollout is continuing, however most OB's will be onboarded after elections once we know who the new VRC team will be to avoid any re-work.

Online Store

Thanks to region teams for reminding their regions about any pending collections, we've had a good number of orders collected.

With Mudbash coming up we will endeavour to have any outstanding orders available at Mudbash to collect there.

VMS Release Notes

- Event Management
 - Region stats on dashboard now include percent of region registered for event
 - Tweaks to coupons
 - Various bug fixes
- Microsoft 365 login has been turned on for select people. As the rollout continues we will turn it on for more people.

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.

4.15 Commissioner Group

Stephen Carter, Sarah Austin, Lachlan McDonald

When ringing one of the commissioners outside of the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. could everyone please remember to text before ringing to make sure that they're able to take the phone call. Thank you!

Reminder to all commissioners that we're having our meeting next week at the VRC centre. Pizza will be served at 7:00 p.m.

There will also be a paper tabled about the Recruitment and Retention Fund. Please have a read of that and bring it up with your executive teams; the aim of it is to improve both recruitment of new Rovers from Venturers and the retention of existing Rovers, as well as subsidising Rover training.

While you are writing reports for AGMs, please also write a report for the yearbook. That can be sent to yearbook@vicrovers.com.au.

Emails:

Stephen: stephen.carter@vicrovers.com.au

Sarah: sarah.austin@vicrovers.com.au

Lachlan: lachlan.mcdonald@vicrovers.com.au

5 Sub-Committee Reporting

5.1 Mafeking Rover Park

Caitlin Durant

Big month for the park this month! I would like to say a huge thank you to all those who made it to the working bee this month. We managed to get so much done and the park is looking absolutely incredible as a result. Big thank you to RSM, Mudbash and VRC for the track works that have been going on at the park! They are looking absolutely incredible! We put some additional money into the project to get some more works done as well and are working on acquiring some more corvettes to help with drainage around the park. The tractor is almost finished. Just a few more adjustments to be made and then we will be good to go so a massive thank you to Philip Cook, past Ken Tickell Rover for that. Please don't forget to let your regions know about the region competition we have running and make sure they are getting up before the End of the July working bee to get in with a chance of winning a free weekend at the park for you region!

5.2 Surfmoor

Kira Miles

The committee had our first meeting of the term, where we decided our theme! We will be announcing our theme at Mudbash, so get keen for that.

In the last month, we have managed to find a Power and Comms team, an Assistant Treasurer and another PR and Marketing assistant. We officially have all our major positions filled! We are still on the lookout for more Site and Services assistants, so if you know anyone who would be interested please let me know.

For the next month, we are continuing our planning and starting to get quotes. We are aiming to have our budget proposed in June, but it may be July as our AGM was pushed back by a month.

5.3 Mudbash

Sienna Brown

Mudbash is fast approaching in 2 weeks and so we are pushing tickets hard! SO BUY YOUR TICKETS TO MUDBASH! Shout out to Lerderderg for being the region with the highest percentage of Rovers buying tickets so far! We are aiming to get 50% of Rovers in attendance this year! Please make sure you are sharing Mudbash content with your regions and units as we have a massive range of activities & entertainment on offer this year with some really exciting motorsport action. Merch and merch packs are also back in the store for post-event shipping! We have been focusing heavily on capital works and already completed several projects we outlined in our budget last year, including bathroom upgrades, PA & communication updates, property maintenance and our track works including the revival of Hill Climb - a massive thanks to James from Bill Waters for being an absolute legend on the bobcat! Also a massive shoutout to everyone who attended all the working bees leading up to the event. We are super keen to see a bunch of new units getting involved in racing and building buggies (including Class 3). The Mudbash Committee has put so much great work into this year's event and I'm super excited for Mudbash 2024. I hope I see each and every one of you there to make this the biggest and best Mudbash yet!

5.4 Rover Scout Motorsport (RSM)

Lachlan Setter

Track works are going well, everything is looking stunning so far
 Chatting to units about getting cars up to scratch for racing
 Please put in an entry form for Mudbash!
 We have a new RA in Brett Seviour

5.5 Bogong Rover Chalet	Catherine Kopec
<p>Ski fun day, ski expo and ski moot briefing days coming up</p> <p>Week 10 of Ski Moot (August 30th to September 7th) is a Rover week, please sign up! It's a great week, known for good snow.</p> <p>Ski fun day will either be at Lake Mountain or Baw Baw</p>	
5.6 W.F. Waters Lodge	Brendan Pumpa
<p>Getting ready for the snow season</p> <p>Having a working bee next weekend, trying to get more Rovers involved</p> <p>3-4 Rovers involved on the committee at the moment, working to get more Rovers involved</p>	
5.7 MARB	Michael Watts
<p>MARB prep is in full swing.</p> <p>We have our tickets online, please encourage your regions to come and please let us know which of your region meetings would be best for us to come along to!</p> <p>Looking forward to a great night out with as many participants as possible.</p>	
5.8 Yearbook	
No report submitted	
5.9 Rover Dinner	Bays
<p>Deposit has been paid</p> <p>Meetings coming up in the next few weeks to get more things organised</p>	

6 Region Reporting	
6.1 Bays	Anthony Lamb
<p>We have had our elections for our next exec team, I would like to congratulate David from A.B Balcombe who is the next Bays Chair. We were also able to get a full team in with a few of my current team continuing/stepping up and a few new faces. Over the next few weeks we will be working on our handovers and preparing for our AGM.</p>	
6.2 Gippsland	Zoe Cooper
<p>Had to postpone region meeting</p> <p>Tickets are starting to sell for CARB — please get in and buy your tickets!</p> <p>An email has been sent to every active unit in the state and there are flyers on every region chair's table.</p> <p>Managed to get to almost every single region meeting this month</p>	

6.3 Lerderderg	Katelynn Condon
<p>We are preparing for our AGM and getting the team ready for a smooth handover.</p> <p>We are finalising a few projects and preparing for our last exec meeting as the current exec.</p> <p>Regarding the CRC rover unit that is trying to form, we are trying some new efforts to get them involved in other units' activities with some strategies, including providing a planner of all the units programmed nights, as well as inviting them along to specific events. We're hoping to see some positive progress.</p>	
6.4 Melbourne	Harrison Feldman
<p>AGM coming up in the next couple of weeks</p> <p>Rafiki Trivia night coming up this Saturday, please buy tickets!</p> <p>Thank you for the Strat Plan report! We're now using the report to look at what physical items we want to provide to our units. We're currently putting out a membership development survey to see what we can provide to our units.</p>	
6.5 Mt Dandenong	Benjamin Ceravolo
<p>Had a campfire, marshmallows and smores</p> <p>Sorted out gate duty for Mudbash</p> <p>Have been to almost every Unit, and might get to all by the end of the term.</p> <p>Meetings are always on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 8pm, Heathmont Scout Centre, February — December.</p>	
6.6 Murray Midlands	Ben Okely
<p>Not much to report this month, as we are preparing for our AGM at Mudbash & are in the beginning stages of organising our Region camp in September.</p>	
6.7 Plenty Valley	Nicola Dangerfield
<p>This month has been really great. We had a really productive and full in person meeting.</p> <p>I've visited 2 crews last month, with another two on the calendar for this month, which has been really beneficial.</p> <p>Sadly we're taking the steps to close a unit at the moment, Its been slowly dying for a while, but we think it's time to pull the pin.</p>	
6.8 South West	Matthew Pannan
<p>May has been full of preparation for our elections next month. We've revised our duty statements, begun working on some proposed changes to discuss in the new term, and cleaned up some old jobs to prepare the seats for a new executive! Our AGM will be held at 12 p.m. on Saturday at the South West Mudbash campsite; if anyone wishes to attend, feel free, but please let me know beforehand.</p>	

Moving onto more fun stuff, we've had our last Villa working bee of the term, resulting in a freshly cleaned-up porch and repainted front wall. Our region trophy was also challenged, so congratulations to Yarrimbak for winning it from Kulin with a knot relay at their construction night! Also, South West merch has arrived! Our first order of stubby holders is officially in production, and has thankfully arrived just in time for distribution at Mudbash.

7 Other Reports

7.1 Terrain

Harrison Feldman

Terraform has now been launched, Zac now has access to it.

If you would like snapshots of your region's data please email

Harrison.Feldman@scoutsvictoria.com.au

7.2 MPAC

Peter Wotherspoon

See Appendix 2 for a decision paper outlining a proposal regarding upcoming plans for MPAC (also in the Voting Items section)

After discussions/open forum, we've had conversations about the future of MPAC

Might be better off looking at a staged development rather than doing the whole lot in one go

There's a lot of work we need to do to move ahead, and more details can be presented back to the council in terms of proposals and financial information.

Looking for an endorsement from the council before the projects go ahead

8 Interstate, National and International Events and Contingents		
8.1	Country Area Rover Ball	
	Gippsland Region 6 th July 2024 Theme: Demigods Gala	
8.2	7 th Roverway 2024	
	Norway 22 July – 1 August 2024 https://scouts.com.au/event/roverway2024/	
8.3	AJ2025	
	Maryborough, Queensland 6 – 15 January 2025 Will need a Queensland Blue Card (their version of the WWC) Applications close at the end of June	
8.4	16 th World Scout Moot 2025	
	Portugal 25 July – 3 August 2025 https://scouts.com.au/event/wsm2025/	

	Age cut off: be 25 at the start	
8.5	23rd National Rover Moot	
	Western Australia January 2027	
8.5	26th World Scout Jamboree 2027	
	Poland 30 July — 8 August 2027 https://www.jamboree2027.org/	
If you wish to add an event, please email secretary@vicrovers.com.au		

9 Voting Items

9.1 Budget — Bogong Rover Chalet

See Appendix 1 for Bogong Rover Chalet's proposed 2024-2025 operating budget.

This is an amended version from the one that was in last month's minutes.

Please note that operating costs have increased a lot over the past year, which has influenced the budget.

Motioned: Bogong

Seconded: Plenty Valley

Passed

9.2 MPAC Decision Paper

See Appendix 2 for a decision paper outlining a proposal regarding MPAC

Motioned: Peter

Seconded: Melbourne

Passed

9.3 Training Exemption Paper

See Appendix 3 for a paper to provide a training exemption for some Office Bearer roles.

Motion to waive the requirement for this paper to sit on the table for a month.

Motioned: Zac

Seconded: Bays

Passed

Amendment: nominations will be opened to the floor this evening for positions that already have nominations

Motioned: Zac

Seconded: Lerderderg

Passed

Paper with amendment

Motioned: Zac

Seconded: Plenty Valley
Passed

10 Discussion Items

10.1

11 Tabled Items

11.1 Mafeking Rover Park Pricing Proposal

Please see Appendix 4 for a paper outlining a proposal for pricing changes at Mafeking.

Haven't done a price increase in many years, only once in the thirty years of the park
Need more income to keep the park going

11.2 Recruitment and Retention Fund Proposal

Please see Appendix 5 for a discussion paper outlining a proposal for a grant.

12 Standing Items

12.1 Unit Names and Scarves

Regions

12.2 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 the IT Team.

WWC: 52 missing, 7 expiring soon

Elearning compliance: 93.48% compliant

12.3 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.

12.4 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>

12.5 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 Elections and Nominations

13.1 VRC Office Bearer Nominations

Elections of Office Bearers for the 2024–25 term

Applicants:

- Matthew Pannan - Deputy Chair
- Sienna Brown - Assistant Chair
- Chris Lamoureux – Training Officer
- Jessica Kaplan - Secretary
- Thomas Whitehead - NRC Delegate
- Jessica Kaplan - NRC Observer
- Grace Wingate – Membership Development Officer
- Sienna Brown - Media and Communications Officer
- Lacey Ewenson – Visual Communications Officer
- Brendan Pampa - Resources Officer
- Mac Creek – Diversity and Inclusions Patrol Leader

13.2 VRC Office Bearer Elections

Everyone elected tonight should bring their filled in Active Rover Forms next month
Positions left unfilled will be left open for one month

Election of Deputy Chair:

- Matthew Pannan
- Seconded by Plenty Valley
- Elected

Election of Assistant Chair:

- Sienna Brown
- Seconded by Mt Dandenong
- Elected

Election of Training Officer:

- Chris Lamoureux
- Seconded by South West
- Elected

Election of Secretary:

- Jessica Kaplan
- Seconded by Plenty Valley
- Elected

Election of NRC Delegate:

- Thomas Whitehead
- Seconded by Melbourne
- Elected

Election of NRC Observer (2 position):

- Jessica Kaplan

- Seconded by Plenty Valley
- Elected

Election of Membership Development Officer:

- Grace Wingate
- Seconded by Bays
- Elected

Election of Marketing and Communications Officer:

- Sienna Brown
- Seconded by Plenty Valley
- Elected

Election of Visual Communications Officer:

- Lacey Ewenson
- Seconded by Bays
- Elected

Election of IT Officer:

- None

Election of Resources Officer:

- Brendan Pumpa
- Seconded by Lerderderg
- Elected

Election of Finance Officer:

- None

Election of BPSA Support Officer:

- None

Election of Strategic Plan Officer:

- None

Election of Diversity and Inclusion Patrol Leader:

- Mac Creek
- Seconded by Melbourne
- Elected

14 General Business**14.1 Unfilled Office Bearer positions**

- NRC Observer

- IT Officer
- Finance Officer
- BPSA Support Officer
- Strategic Plan Officer

Closing Parade: Flag Down
Meeting Closed at 10:09 pm

**VRC MINUTES
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MAY MEETING
22.05.24**

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VRC ATTENDANCE
511TH MEETING OF THE VRC
HELD AT THE VICTORIAN ROVER CENTER
WEDNESDAY, 22ND MAY 2024, AT 7:30PM

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
Office Bearers	Chair	Zac Geddes	✓	
	Deputy Chair	-		
	Assistant Chair	Cam Cerda	✓	
		Aodren Knight	✓	
	Strategic Plan	Jess Hay	✓	
	Secretary	Jessica Kaplan	✓	
	Membership Development	Nicola Dangerfield	✓	
	Training	Christopher Lamoureux	✓	
	BPSA	Breanne Simmons	✓	
	NRC Delegate	Izaak Kitching		
	Resources	Callan Brouwer	✓	
	Marketing & Communications	Sienna Brown	✓	
	Visual Communications	Maddy McArthur		
	IT	Alex Costin	✓	
	Finance	Kieren Martin		X
	SC Rover Support	Stephen Carter	✓	
	ASC Rover Support	Sarah Austin	✓	
		Lachlan McDonald	✓	
	Honorary Treasurer	Jody Freeman		
Bays	Chair	Anthony Lamb	✓	

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
	Assistant Chair	Lizzie Honeybone		
	Observer	Christopher Lamoureux	✓	
	Region RC	Drew Lazenby	✓	
Gippsland	Chair	Zoe Cooper	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Carlin Graham	✓	
	Secretary	Meg McGregor		
	VRC Rep	Thomas Sibley		
Lerderderg	Chair	Katie Condon	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Tess Williamson	✓	
	VRC Rep	Eleyne Ferguson	✓	
	Region RC	Scotty Harrison		
Melbourne	Chair	Harrison Feldman	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Thomas Whitehead	✓	
	VRC Delegate	Edward Manson		
	Region RC	Greg Davies	✓	
Mt Dandenong	Chair	Ben Ceravolo	✓	
	Development	Andrew Weller	✓	
	Region RC	Maria Armstrong		
Murray Midlands	Chair	Ben Okely	✓	
	Secretary	Maxine Campbell	✓	
	Region RC	Mark “Barney” Thornton	✓	
Plenty Valley	Chair	Nicola Dangerfield	✓	
	Treasurer	Christian Miller Grinzi	✓	
	VRC Rep	Cam Cerda	✓	
	Region RC	Jeff McIlvain	✓	
South West	Chair	Matthew Pannan	✓	



Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (X)
	Deputy Chair	David Pattinson		
	Secretary	Ethan Gray	✓	
	Region RC	Craig Miller (Asst.)		
Mafeking	Chair	Caitlin Durant	✓	
Surfmoot	Chair	Kira Miles	✓	
Mudbash	Chair	Sienna Brown	✓	
RSM	Chair	Lachlan Setter	✓	
Bogong	Chair	Catherine Kopec		X
	Representative	Aaron Boutcher	✓	
	Hon. Treasurer	Peter Linnell	✓	
W.F. Waters	Chair	Brendan Pumpa	✓	
MARB	Chair	Michael Watts		
Rover Dinner	Chair	Bays		
Guests	MPAC	Peter Wotherspoon	✓	
	Carlton	Mac Creek	✓	
	Ken Tickell	Lacey Ewenson	✓	
	Surrey Thomas	Grace Wingate	✓	



BOGONG CHALET MANAGEMENT GROUP ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/25

Version:	1.3	Drafted:	Wednesday, 8 th May 2024
Prepared By:	Peter Linnell	Proposed:	
		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 2024 and 2025 and an estimated snapshot of the financial position of the Bogong Rover Chalet as at the 30th of June 2025. 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. It is for this reason, that provisions will be made for expenditure, which, for various reasons may not occur, to provide for both the control of costs and the capacity to make necessary spending in these areas.

The budgeted financial statements and summaries included in this report have been prepared for the Financial Year covering the period from the 1st of July 2024 to the 30th of June 2025. 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. The Statements are also compared against the Current Financial Year to Date as at the 31st of March 2024.

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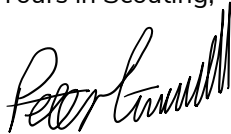
Treasurer's Declaration:

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 the 30th of June 2025 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Notes to the Budgeted Financial Statements and the Statement of Significant Policies.
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 the 8th of May 2024, and from such date forward.

Yours in Scouting,

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

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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.

The recently emerged challenges of the high levels of inflation have put pressure on our budgetary position. This, along with continued discussions and planning regarding the implementation and rollout of 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.

Inflation Challenges:

The effects of the recent inflation problems washing through the broader economy on the financial position of the Chalet will require continuous scrutiny to ensure that they are minimized. Although these negative effects are expected to be relatively minor, there remains a limited risk of longer-term implications for the Chalet's overall financial position.

Ongoing adjustments in the broader economy in response to the inflation challenges by both government and businesses will require a continuous process of review and adjustment of operational policy and practice to ensure proper oversight and cost efficiency.

This presents a significant risk factor for cost fluctuations, which will impact, either positively or negatively, on the Chalet's operational finances. This impact will be evident across all categories of Income and Expenditure, however other items outside these groups may be affected as well.

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 continued to be strong. 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 2024/25.

Summary:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
<u>Income</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	
WINTER BOOKINGS	29,305.00	142,890.10	126,254.50	118,120.00	140,310.00
SUMMER BOOKINGS	1,610.00	1,290.00	2,595.00	1,989.00	1,878.00
CHALET EVENTS	-	-	1,450.00	1,000.00	-
Interest	824.09	4,973.08	4,973.82	5,000.00	5,000.00
Merchandise – Onsite Store	1,821.45	5,658.00	6,732.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	550.00	575.00	60.00	-	-
Prepaid Revenue Adjustment	4,012.50	(16,580.00)	31,050.00	-	-
Sponsorship/Donations	290.00	810.00	850.00	-	-
Total Income	38,413.04	139,065.18	173,965.32	129,109.00	150,188.00
<u>Less Operating Expenses</u>					
WINTER PARTIES	12,879.37	54,590.50	51,905.76	55,907.00	51,744.00
CHALET BULK SUPPLIES	28,127.01	37,038.16	14,807.23	37,750.00	48,500.00
SUMMER HIRE	1,654.35	1,708.41	250.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
CHALET EVENTS	-	198.37	-	500.00	500.00
PHONES	1,145.40	1,175.43	712.67	1,250.00	1,250.00
COMPLIANCE COSTS	1,121.53	519.26	10,353.44	1,120.00	6,900.00
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	1,708.71	5,607.99	1,566.08	3,000.00	6,000.00
MERCHANDISE	90.91	4,079.56	11,503.97	3,250.00	3,250.00
PROMOTIONS & MARKETING	-	49.95	-	600.00	600.00
WORKING BEE COSTS	947.35	1,608.19	3,880.48	1,750.00	2,000.00
Bank Charges	30.00	46.80	48.00	50.00	50.00
Consulting & Accounting	439.10	475.94	390.70	450.00	450.00
Depreciation	11,125.98	11,682.14	9,045.46	-	-
Insurance	15,788.86	15,788.86	15,944.81	17,000.00	17,000.00
Prepaid Expense Adjustment	6,486.85	(9,620.55)	38,391.11	-	-
Sundry Expenses	441.45	1,270.31	1,391.09	500.00	1,500.00
VRC Appropriation	-	1,000.00	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Expenses	81,986.87	127,219.32	160,190.80	124,727.00	146,344.00
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(43,573.83)	11,845.86	13,774.52	4,382.00	3,844.00

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

Income:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
<u>Winter Bookings</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current Financial Year	112,365.00	116,195.00	133,180.00	92,380.00	117,480.00
Next Financial Year	14,585.00	31,050.00	-	12,480.00	9,740.00
Ski Hire & Transport	14,635.00	16,240.00	11,910.00	13,260.00	13,090.00
Refunds	(112,280.00)	(20,594.90)	(18,835.50)	-	-
Total Winter Bookings	29,305.00	142,890.10	126,254.50	118,120.00	140,310.00
<u>Summer Bookings</u>					
Mountain Bike Weekend	1,610.00	1,290.00	-	999.00	938.00
Summer Bookings	-	-	2,595.00	990.00	940.00
Total Summer Bookings	1,610.00	1,290.00	2,595.00	1,989.00	1,878.00
<u>Chalet Events</u>					
Member Events	-	-	-	1,000.00	-
Special Events	-	-	1,450.00	-	-
Total Chalet Events	-	-	1,450.00	1,000.00	-

Notes to Income:

1. The following Items have been calculated using an estimated reduction of 15% 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	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
<u>Winter Parties</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Badges & Scarves	-	2,718.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Falls Creek SES Donation	500.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fresh Food	2,278.74	12,903.60	10,413.08	11,080.00	10,850.00
Postage & Admin	-	261.81	19.64	500.00	500.00
Ski Hire & Transport	4,997.73	11,798.62	11,798.62	13,560.00	9,444.00
Off-Mountain Accommodation	-	2,810.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Transport Falls Creek Coaches	4,598.18	20,568.27	24,925.46	23,268.00	23,250.00
TryBooking Fees	504.72	2,530.20	3,052.79	2,499.00	2,700.00
Total Winter Bookings	12,879.37	54,590.50	51,905.76	55,907.00	51,744.00
<u>Chalet Bulk Supplies</u>					
Diesel Fuel	2,254.19	5,415.45	-	5,000.00	8,000.00
Firewood	-	5,681.82	11,938.18	6,000.00	12,000.00
Food & Consumables	24,879.95	24,404.31	1,857.80	20,000.00	26,000.00
Garbage Disposal	533.41	99.62	311.25	500.00	500.00
Gas	459.46	1,436.96	700.00	1,250.00	2,000.00
Total Chalet Bulk Supplies	28,127.01	37,038.16	14,807.23	32,750.00	48,500.00
<u>Summer Hire</u>					
General Hire Costs	-	-	250.00	-	-
Mountain Bike Weekend	1,654.35	1,708.41	-	1,600.00	1,600.00
Total Summer Bookings	1,654.35	1,708.41	250.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
<u>Chalet Events</u>					
Member Events	-	198.37	-	500.00	500.00
Special Events	-	-	-	-	-
Total Chalet Events	-	198.37	-	500.00	500.00
<u>Phones</u>					
Bookings Phone	600.00	630.03	394.52	650.00	650.00
Chalet Phone	545.40	545.40	318.15	600.00	600.00
Total Phones	1,145.40	1,175.43	712.67	1,250.00	1,250.00
<u>Compliance Costs</u>					
CFA Services	607.27	-	4,100.00	600.00	1,200.00
Essential Safety Measures Audit	-	-	-	-	5,000.00
Food & Health Registration	319.00	324.00	6,058.18	320.00	500.00
Rent	195.26	195.26	195.26	200.00	200.00
Total Compliance Costs	1,121.53	1,121.53	10,353.44	1,120.00	6,900.00
<u>Repairs & Maintenance</u>					
Equipment	988.28	3,617.78	962.18	1,000.00	2,000.00
General	720.43	1,990.21	603.90	2,000.00	4,000.00
Total Repairs & Maintenance	1,708.71	5,607.99	1,566.08	3,000.00	6,000.00
<u>Merchandise</u>					
Badges & Scarves	-	158.18	1,500.00	500.00	500.00
Jackets	90.91	181.82	600.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Other Kit	-	3,739.56	9,403.97	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total Merchandise	90.91	4,079.56	11,503.97	3,250.00	3,250.00
<u>Promotions & Marketing</u>					
General	-	-	-	-	-
Marketing	-	-	-	500.00	500.00
Outdoors Expo	-	49.95	-	100.00	100.00
Total Promotions & Marketing	-	49.95	-	600.00	600.00
<u>Working Bee Costs</u>					
Fuel – Transport	291.92	582.49	1,146.20	1,000.00	1,000.00
Food & Miscellaneous	655.43	1,025.70	2,734.28	750.00	1,000.00
Total Working Bee Costs	947.35	1,608.19	3,880.48	1,750.00	2,000.00

Notes to Expenditure:

1. General Note to Expenses:

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:

a. Variable Expenses:

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 15% in the number of bookings in each category from the previous opened season, this is then multiplied by the current pricing rates and estimates.

- i. Fresh Food
- ii. Ski Hire & Transport
- iii. Transport Falls Creek Coaches
- iv. TryBooking Fees

b. Falls Creek SES Donation:

In recognition of the amount of work that the Falls Creek SES Unit does to assist in keeping Chalet attendees safe, we give them an annual donation in recognition of their service to us and the wider community up there. The amount of \$1,000.00 was chosen by the BCMG Committee, previously this amount was set at \$500.00, which was itself an increase from \$250.00 many years ago. This is a reflection of the effects of time and inflation on the overall buying power of that amount.

c. Off-Mountain Accommodation:

This line refers to the overnight accommodation for the Friday night before the first day of a Winter Party, which will be provided at either the Tawonga Community Hall or the Mount Beauty Scout Hall.

3. Chalet Bulk Supplies:

These Items are listed in the budget to facilitate the resupply of the Chalet for the 2025 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. Compliance Costs:

These expense items have been adjusted to reflect the expected increases in costs for the year ahead.

The line referring to the Essential Safety Measures Audit is a new line that will more accurately break down future expenditures related to this cost, the provision made is the best estimate of the potential cost of future occurrences. Previously, these costs were recorded against the Food & Health Registration line as this was the best available fit.

5. Repairs & Maintenance:

These items have been adjusted to reflect expected increases in expenditure for the coming year. In part, this is a result of measures that must be undertaken in response to the Essential Safety Measures Audit Report and is an ordinary variance in expenses of a campsite or similar asset.

Notes to Expenditure, Continued:

6. Working Bee Costs:

This category refers to catering, transportation, and other costs directly related to running the event and transporting the materials required for the working bees that the committee has to organise to undertake important maintenance, resupply, and upkeep tasks.

These expense items have been adjusted to reflect the expected level of maintenance and construction activity, particularly concerning the ongoing renovation works on the facilities at the Chalet, and this includes changes to the way the Chalet is managing these expenses.

7. Insurance:

This expense item has been adjusted to reflect the continued trend of increases in costs.

8. VRC Appropriation:

This expense item is set by the decisions of the Victorian Rover Council.

Budgeted Balance Sheet:

For Financial Year 2024/25.

Summary:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Bank					
BBL Bookings Accounts	34,032.64	52,972.69	31,398.29	50,000.00	20,000.00
SV – Bogong Chalet Investment	64,354.78	92,568.01	96,281.43	91,000.00	114,000.00
SV SDF #2 – Bogong Rover Chalet	30,210.34	31,419.19	32,679.59	31,000.00	33,000.00
	128,597.76	128,597.76	160,359.31	172,000.00	167,000.00
Current Assets					
Accounts Receivable	-	4,720.00	15,606.37	-	-
Prepayments	28,770.56	38,391.11	-	-	-
	28,770.56	43,111.11	15,606.37	-	-
Fixed Assets					
BUILDINGS & IMPROVEMENTS	116,119.25	111,595.31	103,967.46	126,000.00	126,000.00
EQUIPMENT	7,049.21	5,902.68	4,485.07	6,000.00	6,000.00
MOTOR VEHICLES & TRAILERS	-	-	-	-	-
Construction in Progress	25,035.96	23,773.48	51,679.60	10,000.00	10,000.00
	148,204.42	141,271.47	160,132.13	142,000.00	142,000.00
Non-Current Assets					
Advance – Mafeking Rover Park	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
NAB Term Deposits	-	-	-	-	-
	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total Assets	325,572.74	381,342.47	356,097.81	334,000.00	329,000.00
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	259.09	1,185.35	843.07	-	-
GST	(3,395.87)	(1,978.26)	(9,605.16)	(3,000.00)	(3,000.00)
Revenue Received in Advance	14,460.00	31,050.00	-	-	-
Rounding	0.03	0.03	0.03	-	-
	11,323.25	30,257.12	(8,762.06)	(3,000.00)	(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	15,000.00	15,000.00
Total Liabilities	26,323.25	45,257.12	6,237.94	12,000.00	12,000.00
Net Assets	299,249.49	336,084.86	349,859.87	322,000.00	317,000.00
Equity					
Current Year Earnings	(43,573.83)	11,835.86	13,774.52	4,382.00	3,844.00
Capital Works Reserve			102,629.96	98,000.00	106,880.00
General Reserve			25,657.49	54,000.00	26,720.00
Retained Earnings	342,823.32	324,249.00	207,797.90	165,618.00	179,556.00
Total Equity	299,249.49	336,084.86	349,859.87	322,000.00	317,000.00

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

Fixed Assets:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
<u>Buildings & Improvements</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
At Cost	316,034.95	321,414.80	321,414.80	340,000.00	340,000.00
LESS Accumulated Depreciation	(199,915.70)	(209,819.49)	(217,447.34)	(214,000.00)	(214,000.00)
Total Buildings & Improvements	116,119.25	111,595.31	103,967.46	126,000.00	126,000.00
<u>Equipment</u>					
At Cost	47,789.87	48,421.69	48,421.69	48,000.00	48,000.00
LESS Accumulated Depreciation	(40,740.66)	(42,519.01)	(43,936.62)	(42,000.00)	(42,000.00)
Total Equipment	7,049.21	5,902.68	4,485.07	6,000.00	6,000.00
<u>Motor Vehicles & Trailers</u>					
At Cost	3,033.00	3,033.00	3,033.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
LESS Accumulated Depreciation	(3,033.00)	(3,033.00)	(3,033.00)	(3,000.00)	(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. Advance – Mafeking Rover Park:

This line item records the loan that the Mafeking Rover Park Committee was given by the BCMG to assist in purchasing the Mafeking Rover Park. The BCMG has no record of this debt being discharged, that is, either being paid back by Mafeking or being paid off on Mafeking's behalf by another party.

3. Phoenix Venturers Reserve:

The Committee has commenced the process of unwinding this arrangement, however, provision has been made for this item in this Budget in recognition that this process is ongoing and may not be completed in the Current Financial Year.

4. 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 2024/25.

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Equity	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening Balance	342,823.32	342,823.32	336,085.35	332,762.00	313,156.00
Current Year Earnings	(43,573.83)	11,835.86	13,774.52	4,382.00	3,844.00
Capital Works Reserve			102,629.96	98,000.00	106,880.00
General Reserve			25,657.49	54,000.00	26,720.00
Retained Earnings	-	25,000.00	(128,287.45)	(152,000.00)	(133,600.00)
Total Equity	299,249.49	336,085.35	349,859.87	337,144.00	317,000.00

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 2024/25.

Summary:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Cash Flows	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Operating Activities					
Receipts from Customers	38,413.04	134,335.18	162,660.32	129,109.00	150,188.00
Payments to Suppliers	(71,258.37)	(114,600.53)	(151,143.50)	(125,227.00)	(146,844.00)
Receipts from Others	(829.76)	1,407.22	(7,552.39)	3,200.00	1,000.00
	(33,675.09)	21,141.87	3,964.43	9,182.00	4,344.00
Investing Activities					
Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment	(25,838.82)	(4,749.19)	(27,906.12)	(37,000.00)	(37,000.00)
Other items from Investing Activities	36,486.85	(9,260.55)	38,391.11		
	10,648.03	(14,369.74)	10,484.99	(37,000.00)	(37,000.00)
Financing Activities					
Other items from Financing Activities	(4,012.50)	41,590.00	(31,050.00)	-	-
	(4,012.50)	41,590.00	(31,050.00)	-	-
Net Cash Flows	(27,039.56)	48,362.13	(16,600.58)	(27,818.00)	(32,656.00)
Cash & Cash Equivalents					
Opening Balance	155,637.32	128,597.76	176,959.89	216,000.00	216,000.00
Net Change for the Period	(27,039.56)	48,362.13	(16,600.58)	(29,918.00)	(32,656.00)
Closing Balance	128,597.76	176,959.89	160,359.31	186,082.00	183,344.00

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

Notes:1. General Note:

This Statement of Cash Flows 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	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Receipts from Customers	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Winter Bookings					
Current Financial Year	112,365.00	116,195.00	121,100.00	92,380.00	117,480.00
Next Financial Year	14,585.00	26,350.00	4,700.00	12,480.00	9,740.00
Ski Hire & Transport	14,635.00	16,240.00	6,300.00	13,260.00	13,090.00
LESS Refunds	(122,280.00)	(20,594.00)	(17,170.50)	-	-
	29,305.00	138,190.10	114,929.50	118,120.00	140,310.00
Summer Bookings					
Mountain Bike Weekend	1,610.00	1,290.00	-	999.00	938.00
Summer Bookings	-	-	2,595.00	990.00	940.00
	1,610.00	1,290.00	2,595.00	1,989.00	1,878.00
Chalet Events					
Member Events	-	-	-	1,000.00	-
Special Events	-	-	1,450.00	-	-
	-	-	1,450.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Interest	824.09	4,422.08	4,973.82	5,000.00	5,000.00
Merchandise	1,821.45	5,658.00	6,732.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	550.00	555.00	80.00	-	-
Sponsorship/Donations	290.00	810.00	850.00	-	-
Prepaid Revenue Adjustment	4,012.50	(16,590.00)	31,050.00	-	-
Total Receipts from Customers	38,413.04	134,335.18	162,660.32	129,109.00	150,188.00

Operating Activities – Payments to Suppliers:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Payments to Suppliers					
Winter Party Costs					
Badges & Scarves	-	2,718.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Falls Creek SES Donation	500.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fresh Food	2,278.74	11,866.48	11,450.20	11,080.00	10,850.00
Postage & Admin	-	261.81	19.64	500.00	500.00
Ski Hire & Transport	4,997.73	11,798.62	10,494.79	13,560.00	9,444.00
Tawonga Hall	-	2,810.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Transport – Falls Creek Coaches	4,598.18	20,568.27	24,925.46	23,268.00	23,250.00
TryBooking Fees	504.72	2,530.20	2,672.22	2,499.00	2,700.00
	12,879.37	53,553.38	52,562.31	55,907.00	51,744.00
Chalet Bulk Supplies					
Diesel Fuel	2,254.19	5,415.45	-	5,000.00	8,000.00
Firewood	-	5,681.82	11,938.18	6,000.00	12,000.00
Food & Consumables	24,879.95	24,879.95	1,857.80	20,000.00	26,000.00
Garbage Disposal	533.41	99.62	311.25	500.00	500.00
Gas	459.46	1,436.96	280.00	1,250.00	2,000.00
	28,127.01	37,038.16	14,387.23	32,750.00	48,500.00
Compliance Costs					
CFA Services	607.27	-	4,100.00	600.00	1,200.00
Essential Safety Measures Audit	-	-	-	-	5,000.00
Food & Health Registration	319.00	324.00	6,058.18	320.00	500.00
Rent	195.26	195.26	195.26	200.00	200.00
	1,121.53	519.26	10,353.44	1,120.00	6,900.00
Merchandise					
Badges & Scarves	-	158.18	1,500.00	-	500.00
Jackets	181.82	181.82	600.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Other Kit	-	3,739.56	9,385.58	500.00	1,500.00
	181.82	4,079.56	11,485.58	1,750.00	3,250.00
Phone Expenses					
Bookings Phone	600.00	627.30	447.25	650.00	650.00
Chalet Phone	545.40	545.40	363.60	600.00	600.00
	1,145.40	1,172.70	810.85	1,250.00	1,250.00
Repairs & Maintenance					
Equipment	988.28	3,617.78	962.18	1,000.00	2,000.00
General	720.43	1,990.21	603.90	2,000.00	4,000.00
	1,708.71	5,607.99	1,566.08	3,000.00	6,000.00
Promotions & Marketing					
General	-	-	-	-	500.00
Marketing	-	-	-	750.00	500.00
Outdoors Expo	-	49.95	-	50.00	100.00
	-	49.95	-	800.00	1,100.00
Working Bee Costs					
Food etc.	655.43	1,025.70	2,420.19	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fuel – Transport	291.92	582.49	1,146.20	750.00	1,000.00
	947.35	1,608.19	3,566.39	1,750.00	2,000.00
Bank Charges	30.00	46.80	48.00	50.00	50.00
Summer Hire – General Hire Costs	-	-	250.00	-	-
Summer Hire – Mountain Bike Weekend	1,547.74	1,815.02	-	1,600.00	1,600.00
Chalet Events – Member Events	-	198.37	-	500.00	500.00
Consulting & Accounting	437.73	472.53	386.61	400.00	450.00
Heritage	414.55	-	-	-	-
Insurance	15,788.86	15,788.86	15,944.81	17,000.00	17,000.00
Sundry Expenses	441.45	1,270.31	1,391.09	250.00	1,500.00
Prepaid Expense Adjustment	6,486.85	(9,620.55)	38,391.11	-	-
VRC Appropriation	-	1,000.00	-	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Payments to Suppliers	71,258.37	114,600.53	151,143.50	123,127.00	146,844.00

Operating Activities – Receipts from Others:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Receipts from Others	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
GST	(829.76)	1,407.22	(7,552.39)	3,200.00	1,000.00
Total Receipts from Others	(829.76)	1,407.22	(7,552.39)	3,200.00	1,000.00

Investing Activities:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings & Improvements – At Cost	-	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
Construction in Progress	20,222.22	4,117.37	27,906.12	25,000.00	25,000.00
Equipment – At Cost	5,616.60	631.82	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Payment for PP&E	25,838.82	4,749.19	27,906.12	37,000.00	37,000.00
Other items from Investing Activities					
NAB Term Deposits	(30,000.00)	-	-	-	-
Prepayments	(6,486.85)	9,620.55	(38,391.11)	-	-
Total Other items from Investing Activities	(36,486.85)	9,620.55	(38,391.11)	-	-

Financing Activities:

Line Items	FY2021/22 Actuals	FY2022/23 Actuals	FY2023/24 Year To Date	FY2023/24 Budget	FY2024/25 Budget
Other items from Financing Activities	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue Received in Advance	(4,012.50)	16,590.00	(31,050.00)	-	-
Retained Earnings	-	25,000.00	-	-	-
Total Other items from Financing Activities	(4,012.50)	(4,012.50)	(31,050.00)	-	-

Notes:1. General Note:

This Statement of Cash Flows 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.

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.



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BUDGET FEEDBACK AND THE CHALET'S RESPONSES

This document will outline the BCMG Committee's responses to concerns or questions raised by the feedback to the 2024/25 Budget received from the Region Rover Communities. It is broken into two sections: first, the responses which have resulted in amendments to the Budget Document; and second, the responses which are answers to questions or concerns raised.

A General Note about Budgets:

Before outlining responses to specific concerns, the following points must be remembered regarding budgets. Firstly, a Budget is a document that looks forward to the next reporting period and tries to make appropriate provision for the estimated amount of Income and Expenditure, however, as there is not a crystal ball available to consult about the future, this forecasting can only be based on trends in the historical data.

Secondly, a budget is a very different document from a monthly, quarterly, or annual report. These can only be compiled after the close of the reporting period and only show what has occurred, not any estimates of what may occur in future.

Thirdly, as far as the Committee is aware, Scouts Victoria policy requires that all scouting entity's budgets must be drafted and approved before the start of the reporting period or event.

Amendments to the Budget Document:

The following amendments to the Budget Document have been made with specific reference to concerns or questions raised, excluding references to typographical errors. These are listed in the order that they appear in the Budget Document.

Clarification of the Year-to-Date Period:

Concern Raised:

The Year-to-Date column not including the costs for the Venturer Mountain Bike Weekend.

Amendment to Scope & Purpose:

"The Statements are also compared against the Current Financial Year to Date as at the 31st of March 2024."

Reasoning:

The Year to Date that the Budget is compared against in the report is "As at" meaning up to the 31st of March 2024, this means that it will track all events in the year up to that date, but any events occurring after that point will not be recorded for comparison in this report.

Clarification on the Falls Creek SES Donation:

Concern Raised:

The amount paid in Donation to the Falls Creek SES Unit was \$ 1,000.00, which was a doubling of the previous year's figure of \$ 500.00.

Amendment to Notes to Expenses (Note 2b):

"In recognition of the amount of work that the Falls Creek SES Unit does to assist in keeping Chalet attendees safe, we give them an annual donation in recognition of their service to us and the wider community up there. The BCMG Committee chose the amount of \$1,000.00, previously this amount was set at \$500.00, which was itself an increase from \$250.00 many years ago. This reflects the effects of time and inflation on the overall buying power of that amount."

Reasoning:

The amount of money and resources Falls Creek SES have spent on rescues of BRC users over the years is many times the amount we donate every year, \$1,000 is a more than fair amount of money to help Falls Creek SES continue their priceless life-saving efforts. Their contribution to our safety on winter weeks is paramount and us giving back to them should not be sacrificed for cost-cutting.

Clarification on the Tawonga Hall Statement Line:

Concern Raised:

The Chalet does not currently use the Tawonga Community Hall for overnight off-mountain accommodation on the Friday night before a Winter Party.

Amendments:

Statement Line:

Renamed to: "Off-Mountain Accommodation"

Note to Expenses (Note 2c):

"This line refers to the overnight accommodation for the Friday night before the first day of a Winter Party, which will be provided at either the Tawonga Community Hall or the Mount Beauty Scout Hall."

Reasoning:

This is the name of the particular account in the Chart of Accounts which relates to this expense. Owing to ongoing renovation works at the Tawonga Community Hall, the Chalet has been using the facilities of the Mount Beauty Scout Hall. The Chalet hopes to use the Tawonga Community Hall again in future, however, for clarity of reporting, the name of this line has been changed to "Off-Mountain Accommodation".

Clarification on Compliance Costs:

Concern Raised:

The variances and the new line in the Budget were not sufficiently explained in the Document.

Amendment to Notes to Expenses (Note 4):

"These expense items have been adjusted to reflect the expected increases in costs for the year ahead. The line referring to the Essential Safety Measures Audit is a new line that will more accurately break down future expenditures related to this cost, the provision made is the best estimate of the potential cost of future occurrences. Previously, these costs were recorded against the Food & Health Registration line as this was the best available fit."

Reasoning:

First, decisions were made by the committee regarding how much provision to make in this Budget for these items, the committee exercised its discretion in increasing these provisions.

Second, the Essential Safety Measures Audit costs were recorded against the Food & Health Registration line as they are compliance costs that are also tied to retaining the appropriate registrations with the East Gippsland Shire Council, provision has been made for this cost separately in future to ensure that it is covered, even if it may be infrequent.

And third, it cost more to have the fire extinguishers and other fire safety equipment inspected than last year, which may be due to having a different service provider undertake the work. The number of inspections is also expected to double for next and future years.

Clarification on Repairs & Maintenance:

Concern Raised:

The provisions made for this category have doubled and this was not sufficiently explained in the document.

Amendment to Notes to Expenses (Note 5):

"These items have been adjusted to reflect expected increases in expenditure for the coming year. In part, this is a result of measures that must be undertaken in response to the Essential Safety Measures Audit Report and is an ordinary variance in expenses of a campsite or similar asset."

Reasoning:

The Essential Safety Measures Audit Report outlined some issues regarding Repairs & Maintenance that must be dealt with and have a cost attached. Provision has been made for these costs in this Budget.

Clarification on Working Bee Costs:

Concern Raised:

The provision for Working Bee Costs was previously too low and appears to be too low in this Budget.

Amendment to Notes to Expenses (Note 6):

"This category refers to catering, transportation, and other costs directly related to running the event and transporting the materials required for the working bees that the committee must organise to undertake important maintenance, resupply, and upkeep tasks.

These expense items have been adjusted to reflect the expected level of maintenance and construction activity, particularly concerning the ongoing renovation works on the facilities at the Chalet, and this includes changes to the way the Chalet is managing these expenses."

Reasoning:

Working Bee Expenses refer to the following bucket of items: Food (if the event is catered), Fuel (if the driver qualifies under our rules for reimbursement), any other items used only for the event that are NOT related to Repairs and Maintenance or Capital Works. Repairs and Maintenance items are expensed to the category of the same name, and Capital Works are recorded in the appropriate category of Asset on the Balance Sheet. Ongoing projects, such as a major refit or renovation, will be recorded as Construction in Progress for the duration of the project.

Previously, these costs were taken on outside of the BCMG by individuals, and it was the individual's responsibility to chase up any monies owed. As this was causing significant financial stress and consuming large amounts of time for some of these individuals, the Committee decided to change the management of these costs. The new model for catering is as follows, a \$ 20.00 contribution from all participants as they book in is collected, this also discourages very late cancellations after food has been purchased, the person nominated as caterer then lodges a Reimbursement, and the Chalet covers the difference.

Clarification on Advance – Mafeking Rover Park:

Concern Raised:

The loan or Advance to the Mafeking Rover Park is over 30 years old, yet still appears on the Chalet's Balance Sheet.

Amendment to Notes to the Balance Sheet (Note 2):

"This line item records the loan that the Mafeking Rover Park Committee was given by the BCMG to assist in purchasing the Mafeking Rover Park. The BCMG has no record of this debt being discharged, that is, either being paid back by Mafeking or being paid off on Mafeking's behalf by another party."

Reasoning:

This amount is understood to have been given as a Loan to assist in purchasing the Mafeking Rover Park. The BCMG has no records in our accounts of this debt being discharged by Mafeking, that is, paid back or paid off on Mafeking's behalf by another party.

Clarification on Phoenix Venturers Reserve:

Concern Raised:

The Phoenix Venturers Reserve is an old liability, yet it still appears on the Chalet's Balance Sheet.

Amendment to Notes to the Balance Sheet (Note 3):

"The Committee has commenced the process of unwinding this arrangement, however, provision has been made for this item in this Budget in recognition that this process is ongoing and may not be completed in the Current Financial Year."

Reasoning:

The Committee intends to wind this arrangement up after the coming Snow Season and will return these funds to the Phoenix Venturer Unit. The process for this has been ongoing for the last eight months and is unlikely to be completed before the end of the current Financial Year, because of this, this Budget makes provision for it in the coming Financial Year.

Responses to Other Concerns Raised:

The following responses are made to specific concerns raised, but which did not result in amendments to the Budget Document.

Variances for Promotions & Marketing:

Concern Raised:

The variances in the Promotions & Marketing category were not sufficiently explained.

Response:

The Committee decided to make provision for these items in the Budget and set the level of provision at an amount believed to be a responsible maximum for spending in this area.

Provisions for Firewood and Diesel Fuel:

Concern Raised:

The Chalet is Budgeting for the cost of Firewood and Diesel Fuel to be bought next Summer, not what was just bought.

Response:

Budgeting for costs that will occur in twelve months, whose prices fluctuate significantly is challenging. This is why we take the cost most recently paid, and apply the latest available inflation adjustment to it, to calculate the provision for these costs.

Provisions for Winter Party Expenses:

Concern Raised:

The provisions for both Transport – Falls Creek Coaches and TryBooking Fees are lower than the actuals for the Year to Date.

Response:

These are variable costs, that is, the total will change depending on how many participants we have booking in, and going to, our Winter Parties, this is because they are charged to us on a "per-head" basis. The Budget will have a lower total cost of the variable items than the actuals because the Budget is calculated assuming a 15% LOWER attendance rate than the previous year.

Divergence from the “Standard Budget Format”:

Concern Raised:

This Budget is not consistent with the “Standard Budget Format” as provided for by Section 2.11 of the Financial Management Document of the Victorian Rover Council.

Response:

This concern raises a number of questions in response:

- 1 – What format?
- 2 – Where is this resource?
- 3 – What Information does this format include, does it cover more ground than the format BCMG are presenting?
- 4 – Specifically, does this format include Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement items, if not, why not?
- 5 – What is meant by “cover letter”?
- 6 – Is the “Standard Format” a fully fleshed-out financial report, if not, why not?

But also, as far as the Committee is aware, the “Standard Budget Format” referred to applies specifically to the Event Subcommittees, while the Asset Subcommittees may use a different format.

Booking Rate Information:

Concern Raised:

The breakdown of Booking Rates for the coming Winter Season has not been widely promoted or published.

Response:

The Chalet will make additional efforts to inform the general Scouting Community of Winter and Summer Booking rates.

The breakdown for the coming Winter Season is as follows:

Ski Moot & Winter Parties	Early Bird	Standard
Rover	\$375.00	\$440.00
Movement	\$465.00	\$525.00
Non-Movement	\$550.00	\$605.00

Early Bird rates are valid from 1st February to 31st March.

Training Week	Standard
Rover	\$320.00
Movement	\$410.00

Snow Venture	Base	+Transport	+Skis	+Trans+Skis
Venturer	\$375.00	\$475.00	\$545.00	\$645.00

Budget Overruns for Merchandise Expenses:

Concern Raised:

The Merchandise Expenses category went significantly over Budget in the Year to Date.

Response:

These expenses did run significantly over Budget. This was due to decisions to acquire new types of merchandise along with significant restocking due to the recent change in branding and logos. These expenses are not expected to continue at this level, however, there will likely be an adjustment to the provision in the 2025/26 Budget.

Budget Provisions for Income not collected, or Expenses not incurred:

Concern Raised:

In the Year-to-Date column, some Income and Expenditure items do not have a figure recorded against the statement line.

Response:

The Budget makes provision for several Income and Expenditure items based on the best estimates of the Committee. There are going to be changes in circumstances that affect the Budget position, some of which will be within the Committee's control, but many of which will be outside the Committee's control. New projects and initiatives are proposed and discussed by the Committee all the time, some of which are approved by the Committee well after the Budget has been set which carry a cost, but, are well within the financial capacity of the Chalet. The Committee is always advised to control costs and ensure that these projects and initiatives are an infrequent occurrence or planned for in the next appropriate Budget.

Typographical Errors:

Have all been crushed.



SCOUTS VICTORIA
 Victorian Rover Council
 20.04.2024

Item Title		MPAC Proposal
	Information	
	Discussion	
x	Decision	
Document Author		Peter Wotherspoon (RA — MPAC)
Strategic Alignment		Continued development of Rover assets
Consultation		Caitlin Durant (Mafeking Chair)
Implementation Period		

KEY POINTS

- The future development of Mafeking needs to address the provision of additional toilets/showers, meeting places, storage for activity equipment and training materials, and additional accommodation. In a separate environment, such as that envisaged for MPAC, cooking facilities also need to be included so that the area is largely self-contained, and can be used/hired separately from other facilities at Mafeking.
- The most achievable outcome in the near term is to do a staged development, with urgent needs provided first and others to follow later.

BACKGROUND

- Planning of the Mafeking Park Activity Centre has been underway for quite some time, with the intention of creating more facilities for the Park and also allowing for external income (eg. from school groups).
- An updated plan will allow for MPAC to continue to align with the current aims and requirements of Mafeking and Rovers in Victoria.

ACTION REQUESTED

- At this stage, the endorsement of the VRC to the proposals outlined above is sought so that Caitlin and I can progress designs, costing etc. and come back to the Council with a more detailed business plan.

AMENDMENTS

- N/A

At the March meeting, a general discussion paper was tabled along with another paper from the Mafeking Management Group regarding the way in which MPAC could be developed over time.

In essence, the future development of Mafeking needs to address the provision of additional toilets/showers, meeting places, storage for activity equipment and training materials, and additional accommodation. In a separate environment, such as that envisaged for MPAC, cooking facilities also need to be included so that the area is largely self-contained, and can be used/hired separately from other facilities at Mafeking (The Park).

Ideally, this expansion would hopefully lead to greater use of The Park and add to its financial viability. It is recognised that mid-week use would require ranger resources not currently available, and other operational issues which may take time to address.

Taking these matters into account, and in further discussion with the Chair of the Mafeking Management Group, the most achievable outcome in the near term is to do a staged development. In this scenario, the most urgent needs would be provided first, with the other to follow at a later date.

Most of these priority needs could be achieved by building a large structure along the lines of a 'farm shed' which could be sourced in kit form and erected by a local builder. Such a building could be designed in such a way as to provide a large area as a meeting/training room, with internal storage capacity and toilets/showers along one side (or end). The toilets/shower facilities would be individual, unisex and be accessible from the outside of the building.

In order to make the internal space more 'homely' the building could be lined using any one of a number of suitable materials.

Provision could be made for a kitchen area which could be installed at any time.

It would also be necessary to instal a new septic system as the ones currently in operation are at capacity and too far away from the development to be practical.

With this complex in operation, accommodation options could be examined for future development.

At this stage, the endorsement of the VRC to the proposals outlined above is sought so that Caitlin (Mafeking Chair) and I can progress designs, costing etc. and come back to the Council with a more detailed business plan.

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SCOUTS VICTORIA
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[22.05.24]

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Item Title	Training Eligibility for VRC elections 24-25
Information	
Discussion	
Decision	
Document Author	Zac Geddes, VRC Chair
Strategic Alignment	To create an environment that welcomes and inspires Rovers to be involved in committees.
Consultation	VRC Executive, Region Chairs
Implementation Period	Use for the VRC elections in the 24-25 year.

KEY POINTS

- !! Upon investigating, there are surprisingly few eligible candidates for VRC office bearer roles.
- !! This paper aims to provide a framework for handling training exemptions and expectations for the upcoming VRC elections.
- !! Nominees must still be able to demonstrate other requirements of the roles, and declare if they meet training requirements.

BACKGROUND

- !! The last few VRC elections there has had to be significant discussion around training eligibility.
- !! Last year there was also an arrangement to provide framework for training requirement exemptions
- !! The last few years Rover specific training had undergone significant change and the section is still trying to find a balance of required training.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Victorian Rover Council:

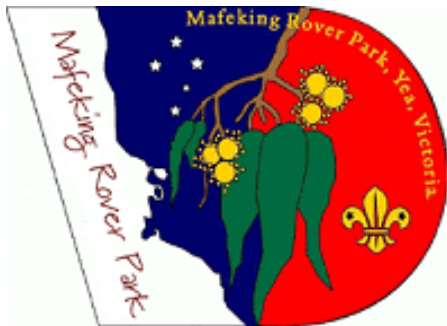
- !! Provide a blanket training exemption for all VRC roles with the requirement that they must meet training requirements within six (6) months of taking office. Nominees must provide proof they are enrolled in the relevant course within one (1) month of taking office.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN –

AGENDA ITEM – 9.3

Lead	Stephen Carter, SC Rover Support (returning officer)
Assists	Zac Geddes, VRC Chair
Cost	Nil
Risks	Rovers who enter roles are not prepared with adequate training
Milestones	All resolved at May VRC.
Outcomes	More positions on the VRC filled, meaning a more productive team.

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+\$%. ' -' ->!3, -/2!. +\$!29('! . 99+09+'. #\$(N!. *+022!#7\$!2#. #\$(+'*!. +\$. 2!'-!. !W. (. - *\$ /!V. N;!#7. #!(00Z2!. #!
9+O+#!\$2!. -/!-\$\$/2!O3!\$B\$-#2Y!

=. _O+!@B\$-#2!. -/!+\$>'O-2!V'((!W\$!+\$j , '+\$/!#O!2, W%#!. -!. 99('*. #'O-;!2'%'(. +!#O!. !>+. -#!9+0902. (Y!!

&7'2!V'(!-\$\$/!#O!O, #('-\$W!!

b! 6*#'B'#NK!"\$%h2'I3, -/'->!2!+\$j , '+\$/!30+Y!

b! : , ++\$-#!W, />\$#!30+!#7\$!\$B\$-#K. *#'B'#N!

b!) \$. 20-!30+!. 99(N'->'!'-*(, /'->!#7\$!W\$-\$M#h2'!#O!?'*#O+'. -!) OB\$+'->;!29\$*'M*. ((N!V'#7'-!NO, +!
+\$>'O-!'3!. 99(N'->!O-!W\$7. (3!O3!. !+\$>'O-Y!!

b! 699('*. #'O-2!V'((!W\$!+\$B'\$V\$!/!. -/!. 99+OB\$/!WN!#7\$!?): !\$A\$*, #'B\$!%O-#7(N;!. -/!/\$*'2'O-2!
O%%, -'. #\$/!#O!?): !%\$\$#'->!. 2!-\$\$/\$/Y!!

b! 699('*. -#2!*. -!+\$. 99(N!%, (#'9(\$!#'%\$2!. -/!30+!%, (#'9(\$!\$B\$-#2Y!!

HI HLKHI HP!

b! F, -/'->!*O-#'-, \$2!. 2!. WOB\$Y!

b!) \$B'\$V!+, -!O-!9+O*\$22!9+'O+!#O!M-. (IN\$. +!*O%%\$-*'->Y!

o! 89\$*'M*. ((N!(OOZ'->!. #!%O-'#O+'->!*\$-2, 2!/ . #. ;!. -/!\$B\$-#!. ##\$-/. -*\$!/. #. Y!!

HI HPKHI HQ!

b! F'- . (IN\$. +!. /_, 2#\$/!. 2!-\$\$/\$/!. **O+/'->!#O!+\$B'\$V!9+O*\$22Y!

b! 6#!*O-*(, 2'O-!O3!>+. -#!3, -/'->!9+O*\$22;!. !M-. (!+\$90+#!V'((!W\$!#. W(\$/!. #!#7\$!?): !%\$\$#'->Y!!