

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Goulburn Club 2026

I acknowledge the support and hard work of the outgoing Board over the past year.

Here is a summary of the Club's achievements in 2025/2026

- Our Treasurer has instituted a new accounting system which will make reporting simpler and easier to understand and will be integrated with membership management.
- The new footpath construction, part of the lift project, was completed in October 2025 improving access to the Club
- The four carpark driveway lots were transferred to Club ownership in April 2026. This followed several years of work from our solicitors tracking down the heirs of the original 1924 Club Trustees and getting their clearance.
- Auto sliding doors were installed in March 2026 following assessment and recommendation by the WHS committee substantially improving evacuation safety. The old doors have been stored on site. Hooks for the red doors were installed and a small ramp at the minor lobby step increasing the Club's fire escape safety.
- Rooftop solar panels and batteries have been installed aimed at reducing our power costs. We took advantage of a Government subsidy for this work.
- The main access/escape stairs were refinished with contrast safety strips installed. Thanks Elly and Howard.
- We changed nine sets of door hardware for doors in the direction of escape following a recommendation from the WHS committee removing non complying existing door hardware such as dangerous deadlocks, mounting too high, old knobs and not levers and the like.
- We have increased our volunteer pool over the past few months taking pressure off the previously small number of regular volunteers.
- We have been unsuccessful getting a Construction certificate from Council for the new Backyard Stage so that the Grant \$28,000 is unfortunately likely to lapse. We will pursue a temporary demountable stage to support backyard events before summer.
- We replaced the bar ice machine
- Electrical tagging was carried out in all areas of the Club.
- The glasses fridge motor was replaced

- I'm sure there's lots of other achievements

I wish to acknowledge the support and participation of our members and volunteers for the Club's activities.

In particular I wish to thank Ian Aldridge for taking on the role of Board Secretary Manager as well as being a volunteering champ, Bec Noonan for managing the very successful art exhibitions at the Club, Mike Baker for his support and work on the music committee, Julianne for the newsletter and music comm work, Mary for her music committee work and managing various folk sessions, Ron for managing various sessions and volunteering, Victoria for volunteering, managing the accounts, setting up a Promotions group and rounding up new volunteers, Elly for her continuing support of the Club, managing the AED committee and carrying out repairs and enhancements, Anna for managing memberships and functions, Marcus for his work around the Club, Gabby for always volunteering, Rodena chief of sign-ins and putting up posters, Jock for his help and support, Ian Mac and Howard Spark repairs, Bronwyn and Sarah for cleaning, Jenny, Shelly, Lyndell and Lynette and all our newly minted volunteers. Apologies if I've forgotten anyone else.

Harold