

Minutes of the HRSA Annual General Meeting 2022 -2023

Saturday November 18, 2023 7:30pm Melbourne. Video conference by Zoom.

- 1. Apologies: Laurie Harris and Manfred Nagel.
- 2. **Minutes** from November 19th 2022 were distributed by national email prior to the meeting. There was no business arising.
 - **AGM minutes accepted.** Moved Kevin Poulter seconded Ian Batty.
- **3. President's report** as previously distributed.

Graham talked to a selection of points in the written report, largely thanking major contributors to the functions of the HRSA. Graham related that he has now served three years of his four year term as president, as limited by the constitution. The full report can be found at hrsa.org.au.

President's report accepted. Moved Robert Hart seconded Stephen Kandilotis

4. Treasurer's report for the financial year 2022 – 2023 (July to June).

Start of year federal balance \$120,819.95. Final balance \$133,977.66.

Financial year transactions have been monitored by Kevin Poulter and found to be in good order.

Questions What is the nature of the expense in the Victorian accounts for car insurance and registration? Answer- that vehicle is a Commodore station wagon that is financed and maintained by the Victorian branch and is used for collection of donations and movement and delivery of support items for Victorian meetings. It is frequently used for HRSA business. A comment from Michael Justin, it is indispensable.

What are the two costs for insurance? Answer - one is for public liability to the extent of \$20 million coverage. This is essential to allow hall hire and other public events. The multimedia insurance is to defend against any breach of copyright in HRSA publications. Many photos and circuits might potentially be a subject of expensive litigation. Kevin Poulter elaborated on the care we take to avoid such a situation.

The HRSA is incorporated in Victoria. Having confirmed the statements give an accurate view of the association's financial affairs a committee member is required to certify the financial report, as required by Victorian Consumer Affairs. This will be included in

the minutes of the AGM.

The treasurer's report was accepted. Moved Jim Greig seconded Kevin Poulter

As the treasurer to the end of 2022 Jim Greig gave prompt and thorough attention to national and branch finances. Through 2023 Manfred Nagel has likewise performed the role of treasurer with dedication and thoroughness. A special thank you to Jim Greig for resuming the role of treasurer while Manfred toured Europe in August-September 2023.

Motion to thank Jim Greig and Manfred Nagel for their dedication to HRSA affairs as treasurers. Moved Kevin Poulter seconded Ian Batty, passed with acclaim.

5. Membership Report October 2023 from Jim Greig.

This 2022/23 was a busy year with 97 new members and 27 re-joining compared with 63 from the previous year. Overall membership has increased by 33, an excellent result. Radiofest in September boosted numbers in 2023

Start of the year (June 30, 2022)	1104
New members	124
Resigned	17
Non Financial	74
End October 2023	1137 including 17 Second members

Most people going to renew have done so by now so these numbers are a good indication of the state of membership. The numbers are slightly up for this year due to the large number of new members. Around 20 of these may be attributed to publicity for the Radiofest in Silicon chip.

The membership secretary's report was accepted. Moved Andrew Renaut seconded Kevin Poulter

At present Rule 17(2) for the HRSA states among other things: A member is taken to have resigned if the member's annual subscription is more than 3 months in arrears.

This rule causes unnecessary administration for members who miss the 3 months as they have to re-apply for membership. This could happen when, after missing the October Radio Waves, they realise they have not paid. Accordingly, the Membership Secretary proposed to amend the period to 12 months.

Motion: That HRSA rule 17(2) be modified to state A member is taken to have resigned if the member's annual subscription is more than 12 months in arrears. Passed. Moved Jim Greig seconded Graham Parslow.

6. **Valve Bank report from Stan Snyders**. This is a summary only of the full report that is available on request to Stan Snyders or the President.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 2022 – 2023

Started financial year 2022

\$1,495.54

Credits for financial year

\$11,693.15

CREDIT TOTAL \$13,188.69

DEBIT TOTAL \$13,056.14

HRSA VALVE BANK FUNDS AT 30/06/2023 \$132.55

Note: \$1,495.54 starting balance is counted in the total credits of \$11,693. The lower EOFY amount is offset by increased quantity and value of stock due to purchases.

Question from Robert Hart. **How many valves are there in the valve bank?** Answer 70,000. Further discussion related to valve testing. It was suggested that Stan should again organise a time to have volunteers assist him in testing and consolidating contributions to the valve bank.

The valve bank report was accepted. Moved Jim Greig seconded Kevin Poulter

Election of officers and committee for the year 2022-2023. The following nominations, duly proposed and seconded, have been received by the acting secretary Graham Parslow seven days before the AGM. There were no late nominations as allowed for in 2023. The number of candidates matches the number of vacancies, so the following are declared elected for an annual term.

- President Graham Parslow
- Vice President Kevin Poulter
- Treasurer Manfred Nagel
- Secretary Laurie Harris
- Stan Snyders
- Alby Thomas
- Peter Schwegler
- Red MacKay
- Jim Easson
- Andrew Renaut
- Ian Batty

The following appointed officers will continue to serve, subject to review by the elected committee. Appointed officers are not subject to election at a general meeting.

- Jim Greig membership secretary,
- Bruce Wilkie Circuit Service
- Andrew Renaut Webmaster
- Ian Batty Editor, Radio Waves
- Stan Snyders Valve Bank Manager
- James Easson Petty Cash officer
- Kevin Poulter Publicity

It was added that Michael Justin will be appointed to the role of auction manager in 2024.

- 7. Motion: That the outgoing committee be thanked for all their contributions to HRSA activities through 2023. Moved Robert Hart seconded Tony Zuiderwyk. Kevin Poulter added a special thank you to Graham Parslow as president.
- 8. Motion: That the annual subscription for Australian Members continue at \$50 and Overseas Members at \$70.

The major reason for setting these fees is to cover current and rising printing and postage costs for Radio Waves. Publication costs for 4 issues are close to \$50 per Australian member.

Motion passed. Moved Jim Greig seconded Andrew Renaut.

Jim Greig added that he was looking into adding BPay as an option for payments. The Post Office will soon discontinue money orders. Cheques are OK for the immediate future.

Nomination of a state branch to act as the executive management group for the federal body. This has so far only been Melbourne. If another group wishes to take over, please give notice.

Motion: That the Victorian Branch of the HRSA continue to manage federal affairs. Proposed Kevin Poulter seconded Jim Greig. Approved.

Motion. That Jim Greig be awarded honorary life membership of the HRSA.

Motion. That John Crawford be awarded honorary life membership of the HRSA.

Both nominations accepted with acclaim (moved Graham Parslow seconded Ian Batty)

Graham added that the web site will soon have a list of all honorary life members of the HRSA as roll of honour.

Any other business.

lan Batty appealed for more contributions to Radio Waves, particularly for new authors to get varied input.

Meeting closed 8:10pm					
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President's Report from Graham Parslow

I am glad to observe that attendances in Melbourne and other local hubs has picked up as we move into the post-covid-restrictions period. Radio Waves continues to be the back-bone of HRSA activities and has flourished under Ian Batty as editor with high quality covers created by Kevin Poulter. Our initiative of establishing a transistor bank is now being managed efficiently with dedication by Peter Schwegler. The transistor bank has built an excellent stock from paid and gifted sources. We are lucky that many members are consolidating their stores of transistors and passing them on for others to benefit.

2023 has seen the continued maturation of our website *hrsa.org.au*. Our webmaster Andrew Renaut is now a valuable contributor to a range of HRSA activities since he joined the HRSA in 2021. The new website went live to members in November 2021 and continues to improve and expand

with the benefit of experience. Still on the wish list is a facility to take payments online from credit cards, however current bank transfer payments work well.

I am indebted to Kevin Poulter as Vice President for his ongoing attention to HRSA projects and his dedication to running the 2023 Radiofest in Melboune. Kevin's knowledge of people and places remains a valuable resource. Kevin continues to create the cover art for Radio Waves and provides continuity of excellence. More thanks to Kevin for the additional back-room task of reviewing and approving regular items of expenditure.

Jim Greig has now been awarded an honorary life membership for most recently being treasurer, membership secretary and also taking on the role of auction manager in Victoria. Jim has been a pillar of efficiency and dedication. He continues as an appointed officer, although he has now chosen to relinquish a position on committee. Thank you Jim for all the timely suggestions you keep making.

An ongoing pleasure for me is receiving offers from the public all around Australia of treasures that are often offered free to a good home or for sale by the HRSA to save them from the tip. Some bulky treasures (radiograms and TVs in poor condition) cannot be accommodated, but there are far more happy stories than sad ones. A down side to this is that as ever more items are made available to redistribute, our members are reaching the limits of taking on more items. A sad victim of this is complete sets of vintage magazines like Radio, Televison and Hobbies that cannot be found new homes because of saturation of the market. At least within the HRSA, bargains have never been more available.

Stan Snyders deserves our gratitude for his contributions over more than a decade. The valve bank is his specialty and he has given members great service. Stan is also a good friend and his camaraderie and advice remain a great support to me. He gripes a few times, but realises that getting on with his chores is far more productive. Stan hosted the second Melbourne Christmas Hill Billy sausage sizzle and swap-meet for HRSA members last year so this looks like becoming a fixture. At least Stan and Margaret made time to take a tour of Vietnam and Cambodia this year. Thank you for everything Stan.

Ian Batty merits our thanks as both secretary and Radio Waves editor through the last year. Ian has now relinquished the secretarial role to better balance his work load. Ian and I have a good relationship of mutual support, although this can also be said of all the others who form the management groups in Melbourne and beyond. Thank you one and all.

I have been the President for three years now and most of the general and personal feedback I receive is positive. Happily, the HRSA remains strong and I will strive to keep it in good health for the remaining year of my four-year term.

Treasurer's report from Manfred Nagel.

Expenses		
Bank fees	-\$3.85	
auction sale payout	\$0.00	
auction aux. expenses	\$0.00	
meeting catering (tea/coffee/bisquits)	\$0.00	
valve bank cost	\$0.00	
meeting aux. cost/hire	\$0.00	
special catering	\$0.00	
venue / hall hire	\$0.00	
printing & mailout RW	-\$47,685.00	
other postage, packing,	-\$957.78	
Insurances (PL and PI)	-\$815.00	
multimedia insurance	-\$2,134.00	
1/2 Oakleigh storage	-\$750.00	
2 x PO Boxes	-\$45 8.00	
website hosting	-\$267.17	
PC and software	-\$477.71	
consumer affairs	-\$61.20	
1/2 committee dinner	-\$991.71	
semiconductor tester	-\$269.00	
PCB for mini transmitter kits	-\$550.00	
other minor expenses	-\$50.00	
deposit for Radiofest	-\$635.00	
adjustment	\$0.53	-\$56,104.89
FED general account BB 162540991	\$464.97	
FED membership account BB 162540967	\$26.05	
FED member cheque account BB 167039585	\$0.02	
FED Term Deposit (TD) BB 196330831	\$1,263.00	
FED Term Deposit (TD) CBA 50189837	\$0.00	
FED Term Deposit (TD) #1 CBA 10084918	\$1,375.00	
FED RadioFest account BB 204812101	\$0.00	
FED Valve Bank account, CBA 10317396	\$0.00	\$3,129.04
other revenue		
member subscriptions, cash/ cheque	\$7,447.00	
member subscriptions, EFT	\$48,600.96	
Auction sale income	\$0.00	
Auction commissions / surplus	\$0.00	
valve bank sales transfer	\$9,985.00	
advertising in RW	\$1,200.00	
donation / sales	\$208.00	
other minor sales/backissues	\$55.60	\$67,496.56

HRSA FED total Revenue	\$70,625.60
HRSA FED total expenses	-\$56,104.89
Revenue minus Expenses	\$14,520.71
Valve bank surplus/deficit	-\$1,363.00
Total revenue - expenses	\$13,157.71

Total HRSA FED Cash assets @ 30.06.2022 + surplus

\$133,977.66

Total HRSA	FED Cash	assets @ 3	30.06.2023

Petty Cash	\$115.00
FED general account BB 162540991	\$25,714.02
FED membership account BB 162540967	\$23,387.55
FED member cheque account BB 167039585	\$1,350.32
FED Term Deposit (TD) BB 196330831	\$71,263.93
FED RadioFest account BB 204812101	\$12,014.30
FED Valve Bank account, CBA 10317396	\$132.54
EFTPOS Vic and Fed trans. BB 20738407	\$0.00
	\$133,977,66

Submission of financial statements to annual general meeting – incorporated associations

Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012

Sections 94(3), 97(3) and 100(3)

Graham Parslow being a member of the committee of the				
Historical Radio Association of Australia Inc. (HRSA) certify that –				
"I attended the annual general meeting of the Historical Radio Association of				
Australia Inc. (HRSA) held on the 18 th November 2023 and the financial statements				
of the association for the financial year ending on 30.060.2023 were submitted to				
the members of the association at that general meeting."				
Signed: Signed:				
Date: 25/11/2023				

Victorian branch treasurer's report from Manfred Nagel.

This AGM is also the AGM for the Victorian branch.

HRSA Victorian Branch Report (Detailed)

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Cash assets 30/06/2022			
Petty Cash VIC & FED Inter. saver account CBA 10260306 VIC Term Deposit account #2 CBA 50189474 VIC Interest cheque account CBA 00902926 VIC Term Deposit account #3 CBA 163014517 VIC general account, BB 162541023 VIC Term Deposit (TD), BB 198394348 EFTPOS VIc and Fed trans. BB 20738407	\$2,301.00 \$0.00 \$25,000.00 \$2,875.99 \$37,592.97 \$35,046.66 \$0.00 \$0.00		\$102,816.62
Revenue			
Interest VIC & FED Inter. saver account CBA 10260306 VIC Term Deposit account #2 CBA 50189474 VIC Interest cheque account CBA 00902926 VIC Term Deposit account #3 CBA 163014517 VIC general account, BB 162541023 VIC Term Deposit (TD), BB 198394348 EFTPOS Vic and Fed trans. BB 20738407	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$662.50 \$0.00 \$381.91 \$0.00 \$0.00		
Auction sale income, cash	\$8,073.00		
Auction sale income, EFT	\$14,950.02		
Auction commissions / surplus	\$0.00		
mini auction & commissions	\$320.00		
Garage & SWAP sales	\$0.00		
donation sales other minor sales	\$2,829.00 \$95.00		
other income from FED bookings	\$160.00		
Petty Cash auction takings		30,445.43	
Expenses			
bank fees	-\$3.15		
Auction sale payout, cash	\$0.00		
Auction sale payout, EFT	-\$11,929.00		
auction aux. expenses	-\$149.49		
meeting catering (tea/coffee/biscuits) meeting aux. cost/hire	-\$522.83 -\$192.39		
special catering	-\$991.71		
postage/enevelops	-\$168.28		
MONASH hall hire	-\$2,859.80		
cost to collect items (petrol, food)	-\$686.91		
car expenses, general, petrol	-\$402.00		
car rego, insurance committee expenses	-\$2,001.99 \$0.00		
1/2 Oakleigh storage	-\$750.00		
VIC Petty cash	-\$24.00		
refreshments	-\$565.00		
petrol	-\$316.00		
auction payout 1/2 committee dinner	-\$1,487.00 \$0.00		
other minor expenses/transfers	\$0.00 -\$3 7 0.00		
adjustment		23,421.24	
Total Revenue	¢20 445 42		
Total expenses	\$30,445.43 -\$23,421.24		
Revenue minus Expenses	\$7,024.19 surplu	ıs/deficit	\$7,024.19
Total VIC Cash assets @ 30.06.2022 + surplus			\$109,840.79
Total VIC Cash assets @ 30.06.2023	64.404.00		
Petty Cash VIC general account, BB 162541023	\$1,164.00 \$38,676,70		
VIC general account, BB 102341023 VIC Term Deposit (TD), BB 198394348	\$38,676.79 \$ 7 0,000.00		
EFTPOS Vic and Fed trans. BB 20738407	\$0.00		
	\$109,840,79		

The seven affiliated groups recorded the following :

Canberra cash assets 01.July 2022 cash assets 30.June 2023 Surplus/deficit	\$7,376.20 \$7,341.64 \$34.56	
Victoria cash assets 01.July 2022 cash assets 30.June 2023 Surplus/deficit	\$102,816.62 \$109,840.79 \$7,024.17	
HRSA Sydney Group cash assets 01.July 2022 cash assets 30.June 2023 Surplus/deficit	\$7,669.00 \$7,222.00 \$447.00	
South Australia cash assets 01.July 2022 cash assets 30.June 2023 Surplus/deficit	\$13,293.41 \$14,344.79 \$1,051.38	
NSW North Group cash assets 01.July 2022 cash assets 30.June 2023 Surplus/deficit	\$2,717.79 \$3,503.42 \$785.63	
La Trobe Group	\$0.00	
NSW Central West Group	\$0.00	
Overall HRSA Summary, including A Cash assets and the end of the finacial yea		
FEDderal accounts (VIC management) Sydney Grou Canberra Grou LaTrobe Grou	ip ip	\$133,977.66 \$7,222.00 \$7,341.64 \$0.00
Victorian Grou NSW Central West Grou NSW North Coast Grou South Australia Grou	ip Ip Ip	\$109,840.79 \$0.00 \$3,503.42 \$14,344.79
Total HRSA CASH assets 30.06.2023		\$276,230.30