



Dear HRSA member,

You are invited to attend the AGM that will be hosted on Zoom. Please find attached the agenda for the meeting and the minutes of the previous AGM. Questions at the end of reports can be asked using your microphone. Otherwise please mute your microphone. The meeting will **start at 7.30pm (Melbourne time)**. Activating the link some minutes before 7.30 is recommended.

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The agenda for Saturday 16th November 2024.

1. **Apologies:**
2. **Minutes from Saturday November 18, 2023 follow this agenda.** Business arising.
Motion : That the 2022-23 AGM minutes be accepted.
3. **President's report** is at the end of this agenda.
Motion : That the president's report be accepted.
4. **Treasurer's report for the financial year 2023 – 2024 (July to June)**
The treasurer is Manfred Nagel and Jim Greig is currently acting treasurer.
The treasurer's report follows last year's minutes.
Start of year balance for federal account \$133,977.66. End balance \$134,467.36.
The Radiofest held September 2023 cost \$12,869.32 .
Publishing Radio Waves is the single most costly item.
Financial transactions have been monitored by Kevin Poulter and found to be in good order.
After confirming that the statements give an accurate view of the association's financial affairs, two committee members are required to sign a certificate to this effect. The members will be Jim Greig and Kevin Poulter. This will be included in the minutes of the AGM as required by Victorian Consumer Affairs.

Motion: That the treasurer’s report be accepted.

Manfred Nagel has performed the role of treasurer with dedication and thoroughness. A special thank you to Jim Greig for resuming the role of treasurer while Manfred has been travelling.

Motion : We thank Manfred Nagel and Jim Greig for their dedication to HRSA financial affairs.

5. **Membership Report** November 2024 from Jim Greig.

Last year’s report was to OCT 2023. The report for this AGM is for the financial year to June 30 2024. 2023-2024 has seen about the same number of new and rejoining members as last year but the number of members leaving has increased. This is reflected in the reduction of the total number of members.

So far in 2024 we have attracted 25 new and rejoining members, fewer than last year but then we had a lot of publicity for the Radiofest. However, we are still attracting new members, a positive result for the Society.

Start of the year (July 1, 2023)	1189
New members	77
Resigned	45
Not Paid for this year	50
End June 2024	1171 including 20 Second members

Motion: That the membership secretary’s report be accepted.

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. Most debits are transfers to federal HRSA funds. Stan only retains an operating balance in his account.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 2023 – 2024

Started financial year 2023	\$132.54
Credits for financial year	\$14,434.00
CREDIT TOTAL	\$14,566.54
DEBIT TOTAL	\$13,824.19
HRSA VALVE BANK FUNDS AT 30/06/2024	\$742.35

Motion: That the valve bank report be accepted.

7. **Election of officers and committee for the year 2024 - 2025.** The following nominations, duly proposed and seconded, have been received by the secretary seven days before the

AGM. The number of candidates matches the number of vacancies, so the following are declared elected for an annual term.

- President – Michael Justin
- Vice President – Graham Parslow
- Treasurer – Manfred Nagel
- Secretary – Laurie Harris
- Kevin Poulter • 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

Motion: That the outgoing committee be thanked for all their contributions to HRSA activities through 2024.

Motion: That the outgoing president Graham Parslow be thanked for his four-year term in office.

7. 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.

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.

Motion. That Ian Batty be awarded honorary life membership of the HRSA.

Motion. That Kevin Chant be awarded honorary life membership of the HRSA.

Any other business.

President's Report from Graham Parslow

I am pleased to see that the HRSA has remained a healthy Society during my four years as President. 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. General members of the public have also been generous in donating heritage items to the HRSA rather than see them languish in land fill.

Some bulky treasures we are gifted (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 particularly sad victim of this is complete sets of vintage magazines like Radio, Television and Hobbies that cannot be found new homes because of saturation of the market. At least within the HRSA, bargains have never been more plentiful.

We continue to see continued maturation of our website *hrsa.org.au*. Our webmaster Andrew Renault has been a valuable contributor to a range of HRSA activities since he joined the HRSA in 2021. We may soon need to share the load of Andrew's tasks with other web managers. More generally it is fair to say that all of our appointed officers have large loads that they diligently make time to carry out.

Kevin Poulter as Vice President has been invaluable. An outstanding effort was running the 2023 Radiofest in Melbourne. Kevin's knowledge of people and places remains a key resource. He continues to create the excellent cover art for Radio Waves. Additional thanks to Kevin for the back-room task of reviewing and approving regular items of expenditure.

Stan Snyders deserves our highest appreciation for his contributions over more than a decade. The valve bank is run with the professionalism that Stan brings to everything. Stan now also hosts a regular Melbourne festive season Hill Billy sausage sizzle and swap-meet for HRSA members.

Ian Batty merits accolades both as Radio Waves editor and for his contributions to the activities of Melbourne meetings. Ian relinquished the secretarial role and created an opportunity for Laurie Harris to return to committee and take up his former role as secretary. It is good to see Laurie recovered from a medically challenging period of some years.

Best wishes to Michael Justin who will call upon his strong personality, and long experience with HRSA affairs, to become HRSA President and serve you for the coming year.

The remaining list of deserving people is rather long. Thank you one and all.

Minutes of the HRSA Annual General Meeting 2022 -2023

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

Apologies: Laurie Harris and Manfred Nagel.

1. **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.

2. **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

3. **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.

4. **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.

5. **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.

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- Secretary – Laurie Harris
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- Kevin Poulter –Publicity

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

6. **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.

7. **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.

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

Meeting closed 8:10pm

Treasurer's report from Manfred Nagel.

HRSA Detailed Conventional Report 2023-24

HISTORICAL RADIO SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA INC.
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PO Box 2283, Mount Waverley, Victoria 3149

TREASURERS REPORT TO MEMBERS FOR THE 2023/24 YEAR

Cash assets 30/06/2023

FED Petty Cash	115.00	
FED general account BB 162540991	25,714.02	
FED membership account BB 162540967	24,737.87	
FED member cheque account BB 167039585	0.00	
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	
<u>Total cash assets</u>		\$133,977.66

Revenue

Interest

FED general account BB 162540991	\$653.88	
FED membership account BB 162540967	\$120.79	
FED member cheque account BB 167039585	\$0.07	
FED Term Deposit (TD) BB 196330831	\$3,390.26	
FED RadioFest account BB 204812101	\$51.82	
FED Valve Bank account, CBA 10317396	\$0.00	\$4,216.82

other revenue

member subscriptions, cash/ cheque	\$5,890.00	
member subscriptions, EFT	\$51,796.98	
Auction sale income	\$0.00	
Auction commissions / surplus	\$0.00	
valve bank sales transfer	\$12,000.00	
transistor bank sales	\$58.80	
EFTPOS transfer	\$2,450.00	
advertising in RW	\$400.00	
donation / sales	\$111.39	
other minor sales/backissues	\$96.70	
table/dinner deposits for RadioFest	\$3,395.00	
deposit return	\$340.00	\$76,538.87

Expenses

Bank fees	-\$52.11	
auction sale payout	\$0.00	
auction aux. expenses	\$0.00	
membership / dinner refunds	-\$20.00	
meeting catering (tea/coffee/bisquits)	-\$37.00	
valve bank cost	\$0.00	
meeting aux. cost/hire	\$0.00	
special catering	-\$1,329.34	
venue / hall hire	\$0.00	
printing & mailout RW / handbooks	-\$54,648.00	
other postage, packing,	-\$789.92	
Insurances (PL and PI)	-\$3,067.00	
multimedia insurance	\$0.00	
Oakleigh storage minus VIC	-\$1,000.00	
2 x PO Boxes	-\$494.00	
website hosting	-\$206.98	

PC, IT, software, scanning	-2,459.33	
consumer affairs	-47.70	
1/2 committee dinner	\$0.00	
semiconductor tester	\$0.00	
PCB/parts for mini transmitter kits	-1,064.05	
pay valvebank/transistor bank	-90.00	
other minor expenses	-23.51	
deposit for RadioFest	\$0.00	
direct cost for RadioFest	-3,117.48	
RadioFest dinner at MCC	-4,212.50	
Monash Hall hire	-4,500.00	
Security, taxi, prizes	-3,445.00	
other minor expenses/transfers/stationary	-270.73	
adjustment	-1.15	-80,875.80

HRSA FED total Revenue		\$80,755.69
HRSA FED total expenses		-80,875.80
Revenue minus Expenses		<u>-120.11</u>
Valve bank surplus/deficit		\$609.81
Total revenue - expenses		<u>\$489.70</u>

Total HRSA FED Cash assets @ 30.06.2023 + surplus

\$134,467.36

Total HRSA FED Cash assets @ 30.06.2024

Petty Cash	\$78.00	
FED general account BB 162540991	\$26,188.57	
FED membership account BB 162540967	\$28,862.75	
FED member cheque account BB 167039585	\$3,940.41	
FED Term Deposit (TD) BB 196330831	\$74,654.19	
FED RadioFest account BB 204812101	\$1.63	
FED Valve Bank account, CBA 10317396	\$742.36	
EFTPOS Vic and Fed trans. BB 20738407	\$0.00	
	<u>\$134,467.91</u>	

-\$0.55

The seven affiliated groups recorded the following :

Canberra

cash assets 01.July 2023	\$7,341.64
cash assets 30.June 2024	<u>\$7,578.92</u>
Surplus/deficit	\$237.28

Victoria

cash assets 01.July 2023	\$109,840.79
cash assets 30.June 2024	<u>\$110,101.28</u>
Surplus/deficit	\$260.49

HRSA Sydney Group

cash assets 01.July 2023	\$7,222.00
cash assets 30.June 2024	<u>\$7,785.00</u>
Surplus/deficit	\$563.00

South Australia

cash assets 01.July 2023	\$14,344.79
cash assets 30.June 2024	<u>\$13,125.09</u>
Surplus/deficit	-\$1,219.70

NSW North Group

cash assets 01.July 2023	\$3,503.42
cash assets 30.June 2024	<u>\$3,848.00</u>
Surplus/deficit	\$344.58

La Trobe Group \$0.00

NSW Central West Group \$0.00

Overall HRSA Summary, including Affiliated groups

Cash assets and the end of the financial year 30.06.2024	
FEDderal accounts (VIC management)	\$134,467.91
Sydney Group	\$7,785.00
Canberra Group	\$7,578.92
LaTrobe Group	\$0.00
Victorian Group	\$110,101.28
NSW Central West Group	\$0.00
NSW North Coast Group	\$3,848.00
South Australia Group	\$13,125.09

Total HRSA CASH assets 30.06.2024 **\$276,906.20**