



Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2022
AGM 4.00pm Saturday 13 May 2023

Covid gone? Peace restored? Well not quite. According to official research, we now have very high emotional and stress issues amongst our population. Christians are not immune. If you are even thinking about possibly going to the snow this year, that must be enough reason. Time out is essential.

Bookings: How do you think you would go trying to fit say 40 people into a particular week at our lodge when we have an absolute maximum bed number of 25? Well, that is for which our booking coordinator must find a solution and often. Thanks, Brian, for all your hard work. We opened bookings for a limited time in November with regular further bookings being made in February onwards. Many weeks are now full, so get in early is the advice. A special thanks to Fei Lim (Youthworks) for your advice and assistance throughout the year.

Maintenance: Our thanks go to Steve Thompson and Jarrod Denny for heading up our maintenance team. Refurbishing bedrooms and major improvements to the tea/coffee area are just some of the works done. There are so many things that happen behind the scenes to keep our lodge in top condition.

Hosts and Chefs: For the 2022 snow season we were blessed by the hard work of an amazing team: Cleaner: John Riordan; Hosts: Paul & Barbara, Rod & Lisa, Charlotte & Iain, Peter & Alison, Graham & Margie, Jan, Jeremy & Melissa, Simone & Stuart, Brian & Julie, Jarrod & Tash, Sarah & Chis, Ann & Kevin; Chefs: Julie, Tanya, Stephanie, Scott. What a team, thanks to everyone. For the record, we update members on the staff structure of SCAL. Amongst other things, all hosts and chefs must have a valid Working with Children and Vulnerable Persons Check and comply with our Child and Vulnerable Persons Policy. We employ and pay chefs and a contract cleaner over the snow season. You would all have experienced the hospitality of the hosts during your stay at Southern Cross which contributes to the smooth running and ministry component of our lodge. Your directors are currently reviewing the fees paid by hosts. There is a motion to that effect on the AGM agenda.

Memberships and Contact: A few members sold their membership, and a few joined us. We require all aspiring members to sign a statement of faith and to have a letter of good standing from their church. If you know of anyone who could be interested in membership, please contact us.

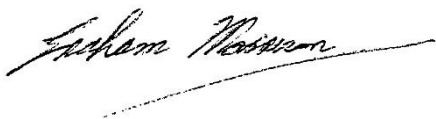
Our ongoing connection with **the Alpine Church at Perisher** continues to flourish. Each Sunday our chef bbqs the sausages and we enjoy the short service and fellowship. The first service for the year has already been held on Easter Day and we commence the snow season with a Blessings for the Snow Season Service on Saturday 10 June at 11am. You are warmly invited.

New Constitution: We are working towards a new constitution to replace our existing "Memo and Articles of Association". You will hear more about this during the current year. Jeremy and Graham are working on a first draft.

Director Changes: During 2022 we welcomed Jarrod Denny and sadly farewellled Steve Hutchinson. Thank you, Steve, for your years of loyal service both at the lodge and on our board. We have enjoyed working with you immensely. We also sadly farewell Steve Thompson a member of our board for the past 15 years. Thanks, Steve, for all your amazing work, we greatly appreciate what you have done for us all making SCAL a fantastic facility in the snow. Your "get in and do things" attitude has been greatly appreciated. Steve's position is an appointment by AYW Council. So, we await his replacement. Ann Collins & Debbie Jarman retire by rotation at the 13 May 2023 AGM, and offer themselves for re-election.

Finally thank you to our members. You have put your trust in us to provide good governance and to run the lodge in a way that is in the best interests of us all.

Your directors have met either in person or on Zoom on seven occasions.



Directors: Graham Morrison (Chairman), Deborah Jarman, Steve Thompson, Ann Collins, Brian Gaetjens, Jarrod Denny, Jeremy Freeman.

21 April 2023



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