

Yarra Valley FM Inc. Minutes of Annual General Meeting

7:30pm Friday October 29, 2021 - held online only

Present: Darren Adams, Robert Bonte, David Oaten, Greg Carrick, Mark Riddell, Geoff Sherman, Nita Dale, Phillip Smith, Alan Collier, Ben Jowitt, Karen Fox, Bruce Argyle, Danielle Adams, Peter Axford, Neil Bull, Michele Glen, Lara Fox, Lisa Adams, Joanne Cooper, Jock Blair, Shaany Bonner

Scott Mitchell attended but left before polls. Non-member Rorie Ryan also attended but did not vote.

Apologies: Cora Zon, Cheryl Collier, Avalon Waterfall

President Darren Adams welcomed members and declared a quorum was in attendance.

Minutes of the previous (deferred) AGM of 26 February 2021 were confirmed.

Election of two General Committee Members Bruce Argyle and Matt Shore were declared elected.

Financial Statements: The meeting approved the financial statements, directors' report and directors' declaration that the financial statements comply with relevant accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the company's financial position and performance for year ended 30 June 2021, and noted the receipt of an unqualified auditor's report.

President's Report (Darren Adams)

This is my last report as President and I am happy to report that I leave at a time when there is strong committee involvement and doing well financially in these difficult times, much better than when we started many years ago. Since the last AGM, we have had our broadcasting licence renewed for another five years, developed a strong three-year strategic plan and built our reserves through consistent sponsorship income and government pandemic support. Compared with some other stations, we have been handling the second year of lockdown quite well, keeping the station going, retaining most of our volunteers, upgrading essential equipment and adapting well to changing circumstances. We are very happy with the consistent, creative and ongoing presentation of so many shows by long-serving and newer presenters. We welcomed George, Ben, Jack, Alex, Samantha, Gemma and Kim to the on-air team. Greg and the other presenters have expanded their on-air engagement with community groups, introduced a fresh new sports show and half a dozen weekly community radio network shows, all backed up by excellent Technical Support. Lockdowns have halted our regular Member Gatherings, Schools In broadcasts and more recently the local footy, but good things are on the horizon. The committee is actively exploring options for larger, more flexible premises at a lower rental in locations that may provide access to a larger pool of volunteers, sponsors and community groups. I thank you all for your really great work for the community. I wish Greg and the new committee much success and look forward to offering my ongoing help as a member of this great community radio station.

Recognition of Life Members: Darren Adams, Jock Blair and Neil Bull were welcomed as Life Members.

The meeting was closed at 8:10pm.