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ANNUAL
REPORT

ST MARYS
**DIGGERS &
BAND CLUB**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2026



Ross Franklyn-Smith
President



Brett Greenow
Senior Vice President



Karen Cassel
Junior Vice President



George McGivern
Director



Andy Ward
Director



Bob Higgins
Director



Lee-Ann Taylor
Director



Uwe Schoenherr
Director



Sam Vecchio
Director



Marlene Shipley
Chief Executive Officer

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT:	Ross Franklyn-Smith
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT:	Brett Greenow
JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT:	Karen Cassel
BOARD MEMBERS:	George McGivern Andy Ward Bob Higgins Lee-Ann Taylor Uwe Schoenherr Sam Vecchio

MANAGEMENT

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:	Marlene Shipley
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION MANAGER:	Melinda Butler
OPERATIONS MANAGER:	Josh Clay
FACILITIES MANAGER:	Aaron Turton
FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER:	Matthew Kembrey
FUNCTIONS MANAGER/RELIEF DUTY MGR:	Tracy Chandler
DUTY MANAGERS:	Nathan Drummond Kevin Huynh Jeremiah McKenna-Byrnes Tim Paton Brendan Sandberg Emma Watts

BRASS BAND OFFICERS

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES: N/A

PIPES & DRUMS OFFICERS

PIPE MAJOR:	Hugh Strain
CHAIRMAN:	Vacant
PIPE SERGEANT:	Neil Hannah
DRUM MAJOR:	David Ackroyd
DRUM SERGEANT:	Joshua Niulia
PROPERTY OFFICER:	David Ackroyd
SECRETARY:	Fiona McLellan
TREASURER:	Fiona McLellan
PUBLICITY OFFICER:	Karen Wilson
BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:	Ross Franklyn-Smith

LIFE MEMBERS: Don Adams (d), James Backhouse (d), Ray Ball (d), Allan Blair (d), Michael Blair (d), Percy Blake (d), Karen Cassel, Norman Cobb (d), Sam Davies (d), Paul Devine, Elizabeth Fielding (d), Andrew Forsdike, Ross Franklyn-Smith Jnr, Ross Franklyn-Smith (d), Ray Gallagher (d), Les Garland, Gordon Green (d), Brett Greenow, Harold Griffiths, John Guest (d), Owen Hanson, Desmond Hartree, Edward Heapy (d), Ian Henrickson, Alan Howle (d), Beverly Jackson (d), Brian King (d), Joan King (d), Jack McLeod (d), Peter Moore, Stephen Perry, Ron Ready, Bob Riggs, Rita Riggs (d), Stewart Robbins (d), John Rolfe (d), Peter Russell, Frank Salt (d), Uwe Schoenherr, Frederick Seidenkamp (d), Ross Stevenson, Jeffrey Stewart (d), Edwin Thomas, Cheryl Watson (d), Jeffrey Watson (d), Kevin Watson (d), William Webster (d), Michael Wiesel.

AUDITORS:	KellyPartners+BergerPiepers
BANKERS:	St George Bank

PRESIDENTS REPORT

ROSS FRANKLYN-SMITH



It's been another outstanding year for the Diggers & Band Club, with the completion of Brell House at the Diggers Club in October 2025 and the appointment of Great Eats Co, the team responsible for catering at Brell House. The results of the upgrade of the venue have far exceeded expectations, and can only progress from there.

The Diggers Gaming area, Sports and TAB area, Reception, Mr Su's, the function area within Brell House, the outdoor children's play area, as well as the Bowls area and new Bowls Office, to name a few, have continued to promote the Diggers & Band Club as a viable and vibrant asset to the St Marys community and our members and guests.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to thank our Chief Executive Officer, Marlene Shipley, for her dedication and achievements to date, and dealing with the daily issues involved in the running of our Club. This has been a massive undertaking over the years, and Marlene's commitment and attention to detail whilst working with the Board, Administration, Consultants, Contractors, Builders, Lawyers, Management and Staff has at times been tested. Overall, the outcomes are now being realised for the benefit of all.

Financially, it's been another great year, with the Club realising a net profit at year's end of \$3,353,457. This is an exceptional outcome, due in no small part to past and present insight by the Board and Management in terms of strategic planning and forward thinking over the last few years.

Added to this, the Club has managed to pay down the majority of its loans, while receiving interest from investments.

Both venues have undergone extensive maintenance, repairs and replacements, such as air conditioning, plant, lighting, roofing and general refurbishment.

To Melinda Butler, our Finance Manager, thank you for your guidance, attention to detail and assistance, which is required by the Board of Directors, Administration and Staff. Your presence makes our job so much easier – from the Board and Management,

we thank you.

To Janet Hardy, Personal Assistant to the CEO and Secretary to the Board of Directors, your endless support, professionalism and service to the Club is greatly appreciated – thank you from the Board of Directors and Management.

To our members and guests, and all those who have lost loved ones in the past twelve months and prior, from the Board, Management and Staff, please accept our condolences.

Our food offerings continue to grow with our venues. To Gavin and Mitch from Brell House, to David from Mr Su's and Tom from Family Table, and all their staff, as well as all those who staff our Cafés, thank you for your excellent service and professionalism.

The Diggers & Band Club sponsors many local community groups, schools, clubs and associations through ClubGRANTS, as well as directly through the Club – RSL Sub Branch, Vietnam Veterans Association, Pipes & Drums, the SMDBC Bowlers, Darts, Euchre, Rangers Football Club, Comets JRL, Colts Cricket Club, and Little Athletics.

Thank you to our many members and visitors – this has been a very eventful year, which has allowed our Club to grow for our members and the local community.

Thank you to all our staff for your commitment and enthusiasm during the year.

Last, but not least, I respectfully thank our Board of Directors for working together with Management to produce the outcomes necessary for the development of our venues. The results to date are exceptional and testimony to the efforts of our Directors who spend hours working voluntarily on behalf of our members.

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Ross Franklyn-Smith
President

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

MARLENE SHIPLEY



I am pleased to present the 2025–2026 Annual Report to the members of St Marys Diggers and Band Club.

The past year has been both significant in achievement and transformation. One of the most important milestones the organisation has seen for some time has been the successful addition of Brell House, our newly built food precinct. This has long formed part of the Board's strategic objectives and to see it come to life has been one of the group's proudest achievements since the amalgamation thus far.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

The Club has continued to maintain a strong focus on financial sustainability and responsible financial management throughout the year.

For the 2025-26 financial year, the Club achieved a Net Profit After Tax of \$3.35 million. This result reflects the continued strength of the Club's operations and the commitment of our Board, Management and Staff to delivering a sustainable and financially responsible organisation.

A particularly significant achievement during the year was the reduction of the Club's debt by \$3.85million. This represents an important strategic milestone for the Club and further strengthens our financial position. The reduction in debt, together with the strong net profit result, provides the Club with greater financial flexibility and a stronger foundation for future investment in our facilities, services and member experience.

Looking ahead, the Club will continue to work on the future development of both Club sites, with a focus on ensuring greater diversity of facilities and future development.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Directors is currently considering a range of potential development opportunities across both Clubs– the Band Club Site 411 Great Western H/Way, St Marys, and the St Marys Diggers Site in Hall Street, St Marys.

As part of this process, the Board is undertaking careful consideration of the planning and regulatory requirements that may affect future development, including zoning restrictions, flood mitigation requirements and other site-specific constraints.

Understanding these requirements is an important part of identifying what development opportunities may be achievable at each site and ensuring that any future development plans are both practical and sustainable.

The Board remains committed to exploring opportunities that will strengthen the Club's facilities, diversify its operations and support the Club's long-term financial sustainability and viability.

BRELL HOUSE

Our Club is dedicated to delivering facilities that our community can enjoy and Brell House was born from that need. Our goal was to fulfill the need for a versatile, family-friendly venue designed for every guest and every celebration. We want Brell House to be the heart of our community—the go-to place where local families gather to connect, unwind, and celebrate life's special milestones.

The project itself was giant in nature and required not only significant investment, but also a huge effort from the team, and I am pleased to report it has been every bit the success that we hoped it would be. Brell House has proven to be to be a successful addition for our Club members and the wider community.

I would like to congratulate Brell House Manager Emma Watts and Supervisor Selina Young, along with staff, for being front and centre of its success.

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to the support of our community, this year the Group also saw substantial growth in Club membership of 34.5%. This significant growth in membership is a positive indicator of the Clubs' ongoing appeal and demonstrates the success of our focus on providing quality facilities, food and beverage offerings, and entertainment for our members and guests.

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MARLENE SHIPLEY



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Strong communities are built together. At St Marys Diggers and Band Club, our heart has always been in our local community. We are incredibly proud and humbled to share that together, through your continued support, we have been able to give back \$362,000 to our local community this year. Every dollar donated reflects our deep commitment to standing alongside our neighbours, uplifting local families, and building a stronger, more connected community for everyone. This year, the Group proudly contributed to support local sporting clubs, food relief programs, domestic violence support, and youth and elderly services. We are honoured to champion the local heroes and organisations that do incredible work for our community every day!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our Board of Directors remains profoundly invested in the Club's long-term success, financial strength, and continuous growth of our venues. Whether we are planning for venue enhancements, expanding our hospitality offerings, or ensuring we remain a vibrant community hub for generations to come, the Board's strategy is always guided by one simple goal: building a bright, thriving future for your Club. Their passion for the Club's long-term success, and care for our community underpin every decision we make.

I would also like to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude to Karen Cassel. After 18 years of outstanding service, Karen has officially resigned from her position on the Board of Directors to embark on a well-deserved sea change.

Karen's long tenure on the Board has been defined by unwavering dedication, and tireless commitment to the values of our Club. Over the years, her guidance, leadership, and genuine care for our staff and members have helped shape the Club into the strong, welcoming community space it is today. Her impact will be felt across our venues for many years to come.

On behalf of the entire Board, Management team, Staff, and membership, we want to thank Karen for her extraordinary service and contribution. We wish her nothing but happiness, health, as she begins this exciting new chapter of her life.

MANAGEMENT AND STAFF

I would like to take this opportunity to also express my sincere gratitude to our entire team for their outstanding advocacy, dedication, and hard work over the past 12 months. The commitment and support provided by our staff remain invaluable to the ongoing success of the Club.

My heartfelt thanks go to Janet Hardy, Personal Assistant and Secretary to the Board of Directors, as well as our broader Administration team. I also wish to acknowledge our Executive Management team—Melinda Butler (Finance & Administration Manager) and Josh Clay (Operations Manager)—alongside our Departmental Management team: Sarah MacKinnon (Marketing Manager), Tracy Chandler (Functions, Events & Duty Manager), Matthew Kembrey (Food & Beverage & Duty Manager), and Aaron Turton (Facilities Manager).

Equal thanks go to our dedicated frontline Duty Managers: Emma Watts, Brendan Sandberg, Nathan Drummond, Kevin Huynh, Jeremiah McKenna-Byrnes, Bryce Fenn (Supervisor) and Jack Armstrong (Supervisor).

Finally, to our exceptional front-of-house and behind-the-scenes team across the entire organisation: thank you for the fantastic job you do day in and day out. Your passion for delivering outstanding customer service is why our valued members and guests feel so welcome, included, and eager to return. Simply put, without your collective effort, we would not have the vibrant, welcoming Club we enjoy today—a wonderful venue powered by wonderful people.

We also want to shine a light on our incredible restaurant teams who keep our venues buzzing! A huge thank you to the staff at Mr Su's Kitchen, Family Table, and Brell House for your tireless efforts behind the scenes and on the floor. You nourish our community, bring people together over wonderful meals, and play a massive role in making our Club the premier hospitality destination in our region.

A sincere thank you to the St Marys RSL Sub-Branch and the Vietnam Veterans' Association for their enduring partnership and dedicated service, we hold

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MARLENE SHIPLEY



immense admiration for our Sub-Branch and Veterans.

Thank you also to our Men's and Women's Bowlers, who turn up weekly, and I acknowledge and sincerely thank the Bowlers of the Club for their ongoing support and commitment. I also thank the Pipes & Drums, as well as the Euchre and Darts Clubs for their loyal patronage, spirit, and ongoing support of the Club.

On behalf of the Board, Management, and Staff, we offer our deepest condolences to the families and friends of members who have passed over the last 12 months. They will always be remembered as part of our Club family.

Finally, thank you to all our members for your loyalty and support throughout the past year. We are incredibly excited about the future of our Club and look forward to sharing the journey ahead with you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M Shipley". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Marlene Shipley
Chief Executive Officer

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT 2026

St Marys Diggers & Band Club remains strong in its diligence, supporting local charities and organisations that serve our community and need our help, including sporting clubs, food relief programs, domestic violence support and youth and elderly services, as well as other community groups, schools, clubs and associations.

This year, we are pleased to advise that the Club provided donations and in kind support totalling \$362,000 to a wide range of organisations. Some of these are listed below.

Community Restorative Centre (CRC) - \$5,297

The Stronger Foundations Support Stable Futures: This project enables CRC's Nepean Transition service to purchase emergency and essential items for homeless people released from prison who are returning to the Penrith LGA – provisions for homemaking, household items for those who secure permanent housing as well as health, selfcare and social/cultural activities.

Dignity - \$4,869

Homelessness Toiletry Packs: Dignity provides supported temporary accommodation in the Penrith LGA for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. In their guest homes, people experiencing homelessness are provided with a comfortable place to stay, new clothing and toiletries. The funding will assist in the purchase of toiletries.

Foodbank NSW & ACT - \$26,400

600 School Holiday Food Hampers for Children Experiencing Significant Financial Hardship in St Marys and Surrounds: Funding will provide 600 Holiday Hamper packs through schools in St Marys, North St Marys, Colyton, Kemps Creek and Werrington to reduce food insecurity for St Marys and surrounds children and families during the Winter and Spring school holidays, when school-based food support is unavailable.

Inclusive and Diverse Communities Inc - \$10,168

Sacred Stories in Penrith: The trauma-informed and culturally safe Sacred Stories project will promote education and cultural understanding of First Nations culture through indigenous art, addressing the Club's priority of services for First Nations communities. Anticipated outcomes are increased awareness of First Nations art and culture, improved wellbeing and social connection and increased knowledge on services information.

KareyandKareful Foundation Limited - \$5,000

KareyandKareful Reading Program: The KareyandKareful Special Needs Students Reading Program provides free 5-book storybook sets to local Special Needs students in the Penrith LGA. This funding will support the first stage of the roll-out by supporting 200 students.

Sunnyfield - \$6,000

Hands, Hearts & Senses: Funding will enhance services at Sunnyfield's St Marys Community Services Hub by upgrading the sensory room and arts and crafts resources.

Talk Your Walk Foundation - \$50,000

Talk Your Walk Program: The objective of the program is to improve youth mental health, wellbeing and engagement through three key pillars: culture, resilience and identity. Funding will support delivery of this program across two school terms at St Marys Public School and Colyton High School, with the potential to extend into additional youth settings or workshops within Western Sydney where there is identified need.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT 2026

The Top Blokes Foundation - \$14,604

"10-13 Mentoring": This is an early intervention program for boys aged 10-13 to build strong foundations for positive wellbeing. It will support 48 young males aged 10-13 by delivering 4 x 3 month Top Blokes Mentoring Programs in Penrith South Public School, led by experienced youth workers. The sessions will build emotional resilience, strengthen peer and family relationships and equip boys with foundational skills to manage peer pressure, bullying and early signs of risk taking behaviours.

Vietnam Veterans St Marys Outpost - \$10,000

Veterans & Families Wellbeing Support: The Veterans Support Centre has 21 Wellbeing Support Officers who visit veterans and war widows/widowers who are in hospital, aged care facilities and also in their homes, throughout the Penrith LGA. Also assist current and former veterans to apply to DVA for their entitlements. Also provide a drop-in centre for veterans and their families, as well as computer and digital skills training for the local community and veterans.

Westcare Community Services Incorporated - \$10,000

Westcare Family Violence Crisis Accommodation: Provides immediate, cost-free crisis accommodation for Penrith women and children fleeing domestic violence.

Westcare Community Services Incorporated - \$9,550

Nepean HomeStart and Penrith City CareKits: Delivers critical material relief and dignity to Penrith families navigating acute crisis – contributing to purchasing household packs for families fleeing domestic violence or experiencing homelessness, and emergency personal care and hygiene items via CareKits for vulnerable residents.

Westcare Community Services Incorporated - \$7,400

Westcare Hot High School Breakfasts: Provides hot breakfasts across six Penrith High Schools to combat food insecurity and support mental health.

In addition, the Club continued to support local community and sporting organisations:

Colyton St Clair Colts Cricket Club
Colyton St Clair Little Athletics Club
St Clair Comets Junior Rugby League Club
St Marys Diggers & Band Club Bowlers
St Marys Diggers & Band Club Pipes & Drums Band
St Marys Band Club Rangers Football Club
St Clair United Football Club

Erskine Park Physical Culture Club
Dance Industry St Clair
Erskine Park Eagles Netball Club
South Creek Probus
St Clair Probus
St Marys Euchre Club

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER 2026 - 10.00 A.M.
DIGGERS CLUB AUDITORIUM, CNR MAMRE ROAD
& HALL STREET, ST MARYS

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 2 November 2025
3. Officers' Reports
4. Presentation and Consideration of the Financial Report, Directors' Report and Auditor's Report for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2026
5. To consider and if thought fit pass the Ordinary Resolution (as below in this Notice)
6. Discussion and Recommendations to the Board
7. Correspondence
8. General Business
9. Election of Board of Directors 2026-2028
10. Destruction of Ballot Papers Election of 2026-2028 Board of Directors

The following notices of motion have been received twenty-one (21) days prior to the Annual General Meeting and are currently displayed on the Club's Notice Boards.

ORDINARY RESOLUTION

That pursuant to the *Registered Clubs Act* the members:

1. approve and agree to expenditure of the Club until the next Annual General for the following:

- (a) the reasonable cost of a meal and refreshments associated with each Board meeting of the Club where the meeting corresponds with a normal meal time;
- (b) the provision of blazers and associated apparel for the use of Club Directors when representing the Club.
- (c) reimbursement of reasonable expenses incurred by Directors in travelling to and from Directors' meetings or to other meetings, including seminars, lectures, trade displays or similar, as approved by the Board from time to time on the production of invoices, receipts or other proper documentary evidence of such expenditure, as well as the reasonable cost of Directors attending the ClubsNSW Annual General Meeting, Trade Show and Conference.
- (d) an end of year function to be attended by Directors and their spouses/partners without charge, the cost of such function to not exceed \$10,000.00 (inclusive of GST).
- (e) the reasonable cost of Directors attending other registered Clubs for viewing and assessing their facilities and the methods of operation provided such attendance is approved by the Board as being necessary for the betterment of the Club.
- (f) the reasonable cost of Directors undertaking training as required by the *Registered Clubs Act and Regulations*.

- (g) the reasonable cost to the Club of providing Directors with iPads or similar devices for Directors' use at Board meetings and other purposes related to their duties as Directors.

Notes to Members in relation to the Ordinary Resolution

- 1. The Ordinary Resolution proposes for members to approve:
 - (a) the Club undertaking the expenditure set out in paragraph 1 of the Ordinary Resolution; and
 - (b) the Directors receiving certain benefits which are not available to all members.
- 2. The benefits are much the same as those approved last year and previous years.

Procedural matters

- 1. To be passed the Ordinary Resolution requires votes from not less than a majority (50% + 1) of those members, who being eligible to do so, vote in person on the Ordinary Resolution at the meeting.
- 2. Only financial Sub Branch members, financial Associate members, financial Band Club members and Life members are entitled to vote on the Ordinary Resolution.
- 3. The Registered Clubs Act prohibits proxy voting and it also prohibits members who are employees of the Club from voting.
- 4. The Board of the Club requests that members vote in favour of the Ordinary Resolution.

Dated: 23 September 2026

By direction of the Board



Marlene Shipley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

41J (2) OF THE REGISTERED CLUBS ACT

CORE & NON-CORE PROPERTIES

Pursuant to Section 41J (2) of the Registered Clubs Act for the financial year ended 30 June 2026:

1. the following properties are core properties of the Club:
 - (i) Licensed Building Premises and Bowling Greens and Car Park, Cnr Mamre Road & Hall Street, St Marys
 - (ii) Licensed Building Premises and Car Park, 411 Great Western Highway, St Marys
2. the following properties are non-core properties of the Club:
 - (i) Property incorporating the "Train", Hall Street, St Marys
 - (ii) Youth & Community Hall, Hall Street, St Marys
 - (iii) Vacant Property, north of licensed premises, Mamre Road, St Marys

NOTES TO MEMBERS IN RELATION TO CORE PROPERTY AND NON-CORE PROPERTY

1. Section 41J (2) of the Registered Clubs Act requires the Annual Report to specify the core property and non-core property of the Club as at the end of the financial year to which the report relates.
2. Core property is defined as any real property owned or occupied by the Club that comprises:
 - (i) the defined (licensed) premises of the Club;
 - (ii) any facility provided by the Club for the use of the members and their guests; or
 - (iii) any other property declared, by a resolution passed by a majority of members present at a general meeting of Ordinary Members of the Club to be core property of the Club.
3. Non-core property is defined as any other property other than that referred to above as core property and any property which is declared by the members at a general meeting of Ordinary Members of the Club not to be core property.
4. The significance of the difference between core property and non-core property is that the Club cannot dispose of any core property unless:
 - (i) the property has been valued by a registered valuer within the meaning of the Valuers' Act 2003; and
 - (ii) the disposal has been approved at a general meeting of the Ordinary Members of the Club at which the majority of the votes cast support the approval; and
 - (iii) any sale is by way of public auction or open tender conducted by an independent real estate agent or auctioneer.
5. These disposal provisions and what constitutes a disposal for the purposes of Section 41J are to some extent modified by regulations made under the Registered Clubs Act and by Section 41J itself. For example, the requirements of paragraph 4 above do not apply to:
 - (i) Core property that is being leased or licensed for a period not exceeding 10 years on terms that have been the subject of a valuation by a registered valuer;
 - (ii) Core property that is being leased or licensed to a telecommunications provider for the purposes of a telecommunications tower.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Questions in relation to the Financial Report must be in writing and be in the hands of the Chief Executive Officer no later than 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday 7 October 2026.

This requirement is necessary to enable accurate and factual answers to be researched and prepared for members' information prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Dated: 23 September 2026

By direction of the Board
Marlene Shipley – CEO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Shipley', is positioned below the printed name of the CEO.



FINANCIAL REPORT 2026

ST MARYS DIGGERS & BAND CLUB LIMITED
(FORMERLY ST MARYS R.S.L & EX-SERVICEMEN'S
CLUB LIMITED) A.B.N 14 000 589 060

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

The directors present their report on St Marys Diggers & Band Club Ltd for the financial year ended 30 June 2026.

The names of the directors in office at any time during, or since the end of, the year are:

Lee-Ann Taylor	George McGivern
Salvatore Vecchio	Brett Greenow
Ross Franklyn-Smith	Uwe Schoenherr
Karen Cassel	Robert Higgins
Andrew Ward	

Review of operations

The surplus of the Company for the financial year after providing for income tax amounted to \$3.35m (2025: \$3.63m).

Significant changes in state of affairs

No significant changes in the Company's state of affairs occurred during the financial year.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the company during the year was to operate a licenced club, and to promote the advancement of all manner of musical, cultural, social and recreational interests.

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.

Short term and long objectives

The Club has identified the following objectives:

- The principal activity of the club during the year was the conducting of a licensed club. Our aim is to continue providing the local community with a hospitality venue with the focus being on excellent customer service, supported by entertainment, food, beverage and gaming in a safe, warm and friendly environment.
- St Marys Diggers & Band Club is an integral part of the community. The objective short and long term is to continue supporting both Ex Servicemen and the St Mary's District Band Club Brass and Pipes Band, with both bands remaining an integral group within the local community, as defined by the organisation's constitution. The club strives to continue providing free instrument tuition within the local community to both adults and children.

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The Club undertakes a number of strategies enabling the Board, along with Management, to achieve the above objectives as follows;

- The Board along with Management are continually reviewing and updating the Club's short and long term Strategic Plans.
- These Strategic Plans will then enable the Board to continue to monitor and review the plans in order to achieve the Club's objectives.
- Capital investment will be continually reviewed in order to continue to meet member expectations.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

Performance measures

Financial and operational performance is measured using the following key indicators:

- Trading performance to budget
- EBITDA and EBITDARD performance to industry standards
- Cash flow
- Banking Covenants
- Departmental measures such as gross profit and wage percentages
- Member satisfaction
- Membership growth
- Community support
- Mystery shopper reviews

Events subsequent after the reporting date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Club, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Club in future financial years.

Likely developments and expected results of operations

Continuation of improving and maintaining the Club to provide members and guests a community asset for many uses.

Environmental regulation

The Club's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory of Australia.

Indemnification of officers

No indemnities have been given or insurance premium paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Club.

Proceedings on behalf of Company

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Club or intervene in any proceedings to which the Club is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Club for all or any part of those proceedings.

The Company was not party to any such proceedings during the year.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

Meetings of directors

During the financial year, 11 meetings of directors were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:

		Full Board Meetings Held While on Board	Full Board Meetings Attended
Rosss Franklyn-Smith President (Retired)	Director since 2019	11	11
Brett Greenow Senior Vice President (Retired)	Director since 2020	11	9
Karen Cassel Junior Vice President (Retired)	Director since 2019	11	10
George McGivern (Risk & Compliance Manager)	Director since 2019	11	11
Andrew Ward (Managing Director)	Director since 2019	11	8
Robert Higgins (Retired)	Director since 2022	11	6
Lee-Ann Taylor (Supervisor)	Director since 2016	11	6
Uwe Schoenherr (Retired)	Director since 2020	11	7
Salvatore Vecchio (Retired)	Director since 2016	11	9

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES FOR CLUB ACTIVITIES AT YEAR END

Executive:	R Franklyn-Smith, B Greenow, K Cassel
Disciplinary:	R Franklyn-Smith, B Greenow, K Cassel, L Taylor
Building Committee:	R Franklyn-Smith, B Greenow, K Cassel, B Higgins
Executive Remuneration Committee:	R Franklyn-Smith, B Greenow, K Cassel, S Vecchio
WH&S Committee:	A Ward
Pipes & Drums Band:	R Franklyn-Smith

Members Guarantee

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a Company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$4 each towards meeting any outstandings and obligations of the Company.

Auditor's independence declaration

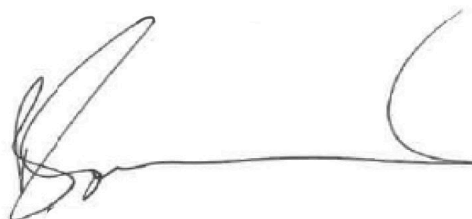
The lead auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, for the year ended 30 June 2026 has been received.

This directors' report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

Director



Director



Dated: 26 August 2026

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF ST MARYS DIGGERS & BAND CLUB LTD

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2026, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Kelly Partners (South West Sydney) Partnership



Daniel Kuchta
Registered Auditor Number 335565

Campbelltown
Dated: 26th August 2026

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
Revenue	2	28,031,611	24,553,653
Other income	2	148,074	198,006
Cost of sales		(2,712,426)	(2,338,035)
Depreciation		(2,998,255)	(2,826,907)
Finance costs		(462,141)	(333,701)
Employee benefits expense		(6,007,598)	(5,301,850)
Gaming machine revenue tax		(4,166,472)	(3,691,336)
Promotion expenses		(1,037,016)	(911,175)
Repairs & maintenance		(596,708)	(472,849)
Clean & laundry		(714,081)	(564,232)
Light & power		(784,128)	(722,094)
Donations		(358,458)	(323,795)
Security		(86,214)	(101,046)
Insurance		(618,541)	(417,527)
Other expenses		(4,050,117)	(3,120,364)
Profit /(Loss) before income tax		3,587,530	3,626,748
Income tax expense	4	(234,073)	(102,897)
Profit /(Loss) for the year		3,353,457	3,523,851
Comprehensive income/(loss)			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Other comprehensive items			
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		3,353,457	3,523,851

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	6,795,818	10,163,900
Trade and other receivables		134,850	234,502
Inventories	6	155,082	167,602
Other assets	7	1,403,370	6,558,912
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		8,489,120	17,124,916
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	71,157,222	63,257,467
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		71,157,222	63,257,467
TOTAL ASSETS		79,646,342	80,382,383
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	2,494,847	2,681,089
Contract liabilities	10	61,832	60,799
Borrowings	11	900,000	150,000
Employee benefits	12	784,677	813,240
Provisions	13	5,694	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,247,050	3,705,128
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings	11	1,960,502	6,569,098
Employee benefits	12	74,033	97,133
Provisions	13	286,005	285,729
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,320,540	6,951,960
TOTAL LIABILITIES		6,567,590	10,657,088
NET ASSETS		73,078,752	69,725,295
EQUITY			
Reserves	13	27,182,316	27,182,316
Retained earnings		45,896,436	42,542,979
TOTAL EQUITY		73,078,752	69,725,295

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Retained Earnings	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2024	39,019,128	27,182,316	66,201,444
Surplus for the year	3,523,851	-	3,523,851
Balance at 30 June 2025	42,542,979	27,182,316	69,725,295
Surplus for the year	3,353,457	-	3,353,457
Balance at 30 June 2026	45,896,436	27,182,316	73,078,752

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from members & customers		30,835,805	27,003,147
Payments to suppliers and employees		(19,133,214)	(26,549,088)
Interest received		148,074	198,006
Finance charges paid		(462,141)	(333,701)
Net cash provided by operating activities		11,388,524	318,364
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(10,898,010)	(2,146,725)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(10,898,010)	(2,146,725)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	2,060,558
Repayment of borrowings		(3,858,596)	(214,830)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(3,858,596)	1,845,728
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		(3,368,082)	17,367
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		10,163,900	10,146,533
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	5	6,795,818	10,163,900

CONSOLIDATED ENTITY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

St Marys Diggers & Band Club Limited is not required to prepare consolidated financial statements by Australian Accounting Standards. Accordingly, in accordance with subsection 295(3A) of the Corporations Act 2001, no further information is required to be disclosed in this consolidated entity disclosure statement.

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1. Summary of Material Accounting Policies

St Marys Diggers & Band Club Limited is a not for profit company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The functional and presentation currency of the company is Australian dollars.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 26 August 2026 by the directors of the Company.

Basis of Preparation

The general purpose financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The company is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the Australian Accounting Standards Board has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurements at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Accounting Policies

a Income Tax

The principle of mutuality has been applied in calculating the taxable income of the company. Subscriptions and other amounts received from members are excluded from the assessable income of the company. The company is assessed for income tax purposes on income from non members (including other investment income such as interest and rent.) Operating expenses are apportioned between member and non member income. Accordingly, taxable income is not directly related to the operating result and can vary substantially from year to year.

b Inventory

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of inventory is determined using the first in first out basis and is net of any rebates and discounts received. Net realisable value is estimated using the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date and inventory is written down through an obsolescence provision if necessary.

c Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Land and Buildings

Freehold land and buildings are shown at their fair value based on periodic, but at least triennial, valuations by external independent valuers, less subsequent depreciation for buildings.

In periods when the freehold land and buildings are not subject to an independent valuation, the directors conduct directors' valuations to ensure the carrying amount for the land and buildings is not materially different to the fair value.

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c Property, Plant and Equipment (cont.)

Land and Buildings (cont.)

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the revaluation surplus in equity. Revaluation decreases that offset previous increases of the same class of assets shall be recognised in other comprehensive income under the heading of revaluation surplus. All other decreases are recognised in profit or loss.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of the revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

Freehold land and buildings, plant and equipment that have been contributed at no cost, or for nominal cost, are initially recognised and measured at the fair value of the asset at the date it is acquired.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. In the event the carrying amount of plant and equipment is greater than the estimated recoverable amount, the carrying amount is written down immediately to the estimated recoverable amount and impairment losses are recognised either in profit or loss or as a revaluation decrease if the impairment losses relate to a revalued asset. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the time can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenances are recognised as expenses in profit and loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the Company commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

<u>Class of Fixed Asset</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Buildings	40 to 50 Years
Plant & equipment and Motor vehicles	3 to 15 years

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are recognised immediately in profit or loss when the item is derecognised. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation reserve relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

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d Leases

Lessor accounting

When the entity is a lessor, the lease is classified as either an operating or finance lease at inception date based on whether substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset have been transferred to the lessee. If the risks and rewards have been transferred then the lease is classified as a finance lease, otherwise it is an operating lease.

If the lease contains lease and non-lease components then the non-lease components are accounted for in accordance with *AASB 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers*.

The lease income from operating leases is recognised on a straight line basis over the lease term. Finance income under a finance lease is recorded on a basis to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the entity's net investment in the lease.

e Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the Company commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments (except for trade receivables) are initially measured at fair value plus transactions costs except where the instrument is classified "at fair value through profit or loss" in which case transaction costs are expensed to the profit or loss immediately. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Trade receivables are initially measured at the transaction price if the trade receivables do not contain significant financing component or if the practical expedient was applied as specified in *AASB 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers*.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at:

- amortised cost; or
- fair value through profit or loss.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest expense in profit or loss over the relevant period.

The effective interest rate is the internal rate of return of the financial asset or liability. That is, it is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash flows through the expected life of the instrument to the net carrying amount at initial recognition.

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Financial assets

Financial assets are subsequently measured at:

- amortised cost;
- fair value through other comprehensive income; or
- fair value through profit or loss.

Derecognition

Measurement is on the basis of two primary criteria:

- the contractual cash flow characteristic of the financial asset; and
- the business model for managing financial assets.

A financial asset that meets the following conditions is subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is managed solely to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms within the financial asset give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principle and interest on the principal amount outstanding on specified dates.

Derecognition refers to the removal of a previously recognised financial asset or financial liability from the statement of financial position.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

A liability is derecognised when it is extinguished (i.e. when the obligation in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires). An exchange of an existing financial liability for a new one with substantially modified terms, or a substantial modification to the terms of a financial liability, is treated as an extinguishment of the existing liability and recognition of a new financial liability.

The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset is derecognised when the holder's contractual right to its cash flows expires, or the asset is transferred in such a way that all the risks and rewards of ownership are substantially transferred.

All the following criteria need to be satisfied for the derecognition of a financial asset:

- the right to receive cash flow from the asset has expired or been transferred;
- all risk and rewards of ownership of the asset have been substantially transferred; and
- the entity no longer controls the asset (i.e. has no practical ability to make unilateral decision to sell the asset to a third party).

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit and loss.

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Impairment

The entity recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses on:

- financial assets that are measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income;
- lease receivables;
- contract assets (eg amount due from customers under construction contracts);
- loan commitments that are not measured at fair value through profit and loss; and
- financial guarantee contracts that are not measured at fair value through profit and loss.

Loss allowance is not recognised for:

- financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss; or
- equity instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income.

Expected credit losses are the probability-weighted estimate of credit losses over the expected life of a financial instrument. A credit loss is the difference between all contracted cash flows that are due and all cash flows expected to be received, all discounted at the original effective interest rate of the financial instrument.

The entity uses the following approaches to impairment, as applicable under AASB 9:

- the general approach;
- the simplified approach;
- low credit risk operational simplification approach.

General approach

Under the general approach, at each reporting period, the entity assesses whether the financial instruments are credit-impaired, and:

- if the credit risk of the financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the entity measures the loss allowance of the financial instruments at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses; and
- if there is no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the entity measures the loss allowance for that financial instrument at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit loss.

Simplified Approach

The simplified approach does not require tracking of change in credit risk at every reporting period, but instead requires the recognition of lifetime expected credit loss at all times.

This approach is applicable to:

- trade receivables or contract assets that result from transaction that are within the scope of AASB 15: *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, and which do not contain a significant financing component; and
- lease receivables.

In measuring the expected credit loss, a provision matrix for trade receivables is used, taking into consideration various data to get to an expected credit loss (i.e. diversity of its customer base, appropriate groupings of its historical loss experience, etc).

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Low credit risk operational simplification approach

If a financial asset is determined to have low credit risk at the initial reporting date, the entity assumes that the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition and, accordingly, can continue to recognise a loss allowance of 12-month expected credit loss.

In order to make such a determination that the financial asset has low credit risk, the entity applies its internal credit risk ratings or other methodologies using a globally comparable definition of low credit risk.

A financial asset is considered to have low risk if:

- there is a low risk of default by the borrower;
- the borrower has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term; and
- adverse changes in economic and business conditions in the longer term, may, but not necessarily, reduce the ability of the borrower to fulfil its contractual cash flow obligations.

A financial asset is not considered to carry low credit risk merely due to existence of collateral, or because a borrower has a lower risk of default than the risk inherent in the financial assets, or relative to the credit risk of the jurisdictions in which it operates.

Recognition of expected credit losses in financial statements

At each reporting date, the entity recognises the movement in the loss allowance as an impairment gain or loss in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

The carrying amount of financial assets measured at amortised cost includes the loss allowance relating to that asset.

Assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognised at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income. The amount in relation to change in credit risk is transferred from other comprehensive income to profit or loss at every reporting period.

For financial assets that are unrecognised (e.g. loan commitments yet to be drawn, financial guarantees), a provision for loss allowance is created in the statement of financial position to recognise the loss allowance.

f Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Company assesses whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. The assessment will include considering external sources of information and internal sources of information including dividends received from subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures deemed to be out of pre-acquisition profits. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount in accordance with another Standard (e.g. in accordance with the revaluation model in *AASB 116: Property, Plant and Equipment*). Any impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with that other Standard.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Impairment testing is performed annually for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives.

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g Intangibles

Gaming Machine Entitlements

Gaming machine entitlements are considered as intangible assets as per AASB 138 and have been brought to account at cost. They are considered to have an indefinite life and as such are not amortised.

Social impact assessment study costs incurred in order to obtain additional entitlements have been accounted for as prepayments until the entitlements are acquired. The prepayment is then capitalised together with the cost of the entitlements.

Impairment of gaming machine entitlements is recognised based on fair value less costs to sell or on value in use calculations and is measured at the present value of the estimated future cash inflows available to the company from the use of these licenses. In determining the present value of the cash inflows growth rate and appropriate discount factor have been considered.

h Employee Benefits

Short-term employee benefits

Provision is made for the Company's obligation for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The Company's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as part of current trade and other payables in the statement of financial position.

Other long-term employee benefits

Provision is made for employees' long service leave and annual leave entitlements not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements for changes in assumptions of obligations for other long-term employee benefits are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur.

The Company's obligation for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provision in its statement of financial position, except where the Company does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

i Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

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j Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

k Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed.

Revenue is recognised when the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Company and specific criteria relating to the type of revenue as noted below has been specified.

Bar revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised on transfer of goods to the customer as this is deemed to be the point in time when risks and rewards are transferred, however ownership or effective control over the goods is transferred to the customer once the goods have been paid.

Interest Income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest rate.

Rendering of services

Revenue in relation to rendering of services is recognised depending on whether the outcome of the services can be estimated reliably. If the outcome can be estimated reliably then the stage of completion of the services is used to determine the appropriate level of revenue to be recognised in the period. If the outcome cannot be reliably estimated then revenue is recognised to the extent of expenses recognised that are recoverable.

Rental income

Investment property revenue is recognised on a straight-line basis over a period of the lease term so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the net investment.

Subscriptions

Revenue from the provision of membership subscriptions is recognised on a straight-line basis over the financial year as to when services are delivered.

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Company is entitled to it. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

l Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. Refer to Note1 for further discussion on the determination of impairment losses.

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m Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the entity that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

n Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivable or payable in the statement of financial position.

Cash Flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

o Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

p Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The directors evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Company.

Key estimates

i) Valuation of land and buildings

The company's land and buildings were valued, with these valuations based upon the estimated realisable values in an open market at that date.

As a result of this valuation, land and buildings were revalued upwards by \$20,721,200 to their fair value at that date.

The directors are of the opinion that land and buildings are not being carried at amounts in excess of their fair value at the end of the financial year.

ii) Impairment

The Company assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluating the conditions and events specific to the Company that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporates various key assumptions.

iii) Useful lives of property, plant and equipment

As described in Note 1(c), the Entity reviews the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment at the end of each annual reporting period.

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iv) Core Property

The Club reviews its core land & buildings on an annual basis to test that the carrying value does not exceed its fair value. If any impairment to the core land & building is determined an impairment loss is recognised and the asset is written down to this fair value in the financial statements. As a result of the Club's annual assessment it is noted the fair value has not declined. Therefore, the building portion is no longer depreciated over forty years which provides a more accurate value of The Club's land & building.

Key judgements

(i) Performance obligations under AASB 15

To identify a performance obligation under AASB 15, the promise must be sufficiently specific to be able to determine when the obligation is satisfied. Management exercises judgement to determine whether the promise is sufficiently specific by taking into account any conditions specified in the arrangement, explicit or implicit, regarding the promised goods or services. In making this assessment, management includes the nature/type, cost value, quantity and the period of transfer related to the goods or services promised.

q Fair Value of Assets

The entity measures some of its assets at fair value on either a recurring or non-recurring basis, depending on the requirements of the applicable Accounting Standard.

"Fair value" is the price the entity would receive to sell an asset or would have to pay to transfer a liability in an orderly (i.e. unforced) transaction between independent, knowledgeable and willing market participants at the measurement date.

As fair value is a market-based measure, the closest equivalent observable market pricing information is used to determine fair value. Adjustments to market values may be made having regard to the characteristics of the specific asset or liability. The fair values of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data.

To the extent possible, market information is extracted from the principal market for the asset or liability (i.e. the market with the greatest volume and level of activity for the asset or liability). In the absence of such a market, market information is extracted from the most advantageous market available to the entity at the end of the reporting period (i.e. the market that maximises the receipts from the sale of the asset or minimises the payments made to transfer the liability, after taking into account transaction costs and transport costs).

For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement also takes into account a market participant's ability to use the asset in its highest and best use or to sell it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
2. Revenue and Other income			
Revenue from contracts with customers			
- Bar		5,166,515	3,856,805
- Gaming		19,260,260	17,506,047
- Members' subscriptions		61,671	58,096
- Keno & TAB commissions		292,431	272,881
- Coffee shop, functions & catering		1,315,254	1,586,477
- Other commissions		502,079	225,127
- Bowling green fees		37,641	42,273
- Other		1,395,760	1,005,947
Total Revenue from contracts with customers		28,031,611	24,553,653
Timing of Revenue Recognition			
Transferred at a point in time		27,969,940	24,495,557
Transferred overtime		61,671	58,096
		28,031,611	24,553,653
Other income			
- Interest		148,074	198,006
Total other income		148,074	198,006

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
3. Significant Expenses			
- Cost of sales		2,712,426	2,338,035
- Depreciation			
Buildings		1,566,525	1,461,807
Plant & equipment		1,431,730	1,365,100
		2,998,255	2,826,907
- Employee benefits			
Wages & salaries		5,142,695	4,636,348
Payroll tax		274,186	181,513
Superannuation		587,217	480,489
Other		3,500	3,500
		6,007,598	5,301,850
- Finance costs			
Overdraft interest		462,141	333,701
- Expenses included in other expenses			
Director expenses		8,465	12,406
Remuneration of auditor - audit services		38,155	33,880
Remuneration of auditor - tax & accounting services		2,591	1,213

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
4. Income Tax			
(a) The components of tax expense comprise:			
Current tax		235,385	102,897
Prior year over provision		1,312	-
		<u>234,073</u>	<u>1 02,897</u>
(b) The prima facie tax on surplus/(loss) before income tax is reconciled to the income tax as follows:			
Prima facie tax payable on surplus/(loss) from ordinary activities before income tax at 25% (2025: 25%)			
Taxable income		941,541	505,317
Tax losses utilised		-	(98,347)
Net taxable income		<u>941,541</u>	<u>406,970</u>
Tax on taxable income at 25%		<u>2 35,385</u>	<u>1 02,897</u>
(c) Tax loss carried forward - not recognised		-	-
5. Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash on hand		860,100	704,080
Cash at bank		3,435,718	4,959,820
Term deposits		2,500,000	4,500,000
		<u>6,795,818</u>	<u>10,163,900</u>
Reconciliation of cash			
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position			
Cash at bank		6,795,818	10,163,900
Cash per statement of cash flows		<u>6,795,818</u>	<u>10,163,900</u>

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
6. Trade and other receivables			
Accounts receivable		42,507	67,962
Income tax receivable		-	73,931
Other receivables		92,343	92,609
		134,850	234,502
7. Inventories			
Inventories - at cost		155,082	167,602
8. Other Assets			
Prepayments		1,403,370	6,558,912
		1,403,370	6,558,912
9. Property, Plant and Equipment			
Land and Buildings			
Freehold land & buildings - at valuation		85,209,428	76,418,800
Accumulated depreciation		(18,305,101)	(16,738,576)
Total land and buildings		66,904,327	59,680,224
Plant and Equipment			
Plant, equipment & furniture - at cost		27,144,061	25,154,982
Accumulated depreciation		(22,944,566)	(21,577,739)
		4,199,495	3,577,243
Motor vehicles - at cost		207,045	173,754
Accumulated depreciation		(153,645)	(173,754)
		53,400 -	-
Total Property, Plant and Equipment		71,157,222	63,257,467

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(a) Movements in Carrying Amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	Land & Buildings	Plant & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
Opening Balance	59,680,224	3,577,243	-	63,257,467
Additions	8,790,628	1,989,079	80,100	10,859,807
Disposal	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	(1,566,525)	(1,366,827)	(26,700)	(2,960,052)
Closing balance	66,904,327	4,199,495	53,400	71,157,222

Assets pledged as security

A mortgage over freehold land and buildings has been granted as security for the commercial bill bank facility. The terms of the mortgage preclude the assets being sold or being used as security for further mortgages without the permission of the mortgage holder. The mortgage also requires buildings that form part of the security to be fully insured at all times.

Valuations

The company's land and buildings were valued based upon the estimated realisable values in an open market at that date. The value is based on the independent valuation undertaken on 27th April 2022

As a result of this valuation, land and buildings were revalued upwards by \$20.72m to their fair value at that date

The directors are of the opinion that land and building are not being carried at amounts in excess of their fair value at the end of the financial year.

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
10. Trade and Other Payables			
Trade payables		1,693,786	1,644,142
Gaming machine tax		331,000	277,400
Other payables and accrued expenses		470,061	759,547
		2,494,847	2,681,089
Contract Liabilities			
Subscriptions in advance		29,084	22,885
Unearned income		32,748	37,914
		61,832	60,799

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
11. Borrowings			
Current			
Bank loans		900,000	150,000
Total current borrowings		900,000	150,000
Non-current			
Bank loans		1,960,502	6,569,098
Total non-current borrowings		1,960,502	6,569,098
Total Borrowings		2,860,502	6,719,098

a Securities pledged

A mortgage over freehold land and buildings has been granted as security for the commercial bill bank facility. The terms of the mortgage preclude the assets being sold or being used as security for further mortgages without the permission of the mortgage holder. The mortgage also requires buildings that form part of the security to be fully insured at all times.

b Financing arrangements

Unrestricted access was available at the reporting date to the following borrowings:

Bank Business Bill Loan - variable rate with monthly principal repayments of \$75,000 commencing in May 2026. The facility expires on 4 May 2028.

	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Undrawn</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
2026	\$4.50m	\$1.64m	6.15%
	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Undrawn</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
2025	\$6.72m	\$2.28m	5.40%

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
12. Employee benefits			
Current			
Annual leave & long service leave		784,677	813,240
		784,677	813,240
Non-current			
Long service leave		74,033	97,133
		74,033	97,133
Total Employee Benefits		858,710	910,373
13. Provisions			
Current			
Income tax liability		5,694	-
		5,694	-
Non-Current			
Deferred tax liability		286,005	285,729
		286,005	285,729
14. Reserves			
The asset revaluation reserve records fair value movements on property, plant and equipment held under the revaluation model		27,182,316	27,182,316
15. Capital expenditure commitments			
Capital expenditure commitments contracted for:		-	-
		-	-
16. Key Management Personnel Compensation			
The totals of remuneration paid to the key management personnel of the company during the year are as follows:			
Key Management Personnel Compensation		668,824	558,843

For details of other transactions with key management personnel, refer to Note 20.

17. Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Members mortality benefits

On the death of a member who joined the club prior to February 1980 a benefit of \$200 is payable to the deceased spouse. Qualifying members at 30 June 2026 were 71 (2025: 74).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
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18. Events after the Reporting Period

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

19. Financial Risk Management

The Company's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, short-term investments, accounts receivable and payable, loans and leases.

The total amounts for each category of financial instruments, measure in accordance with *AASB 9: Financial Instruments; Recognition and Measurement* as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as

Financial assets - amortised cost

- cash and cash equivalents	5	6,795,818	10,163,900
Total financial assets		6,795,818	10,163,900

Financial liabilities - amortised cost

- trade and other payables	10	2,494,847	2,681,089
- borrowings	11	2,860,502	6,719,098
Total financial liabilities		5,355,349	9,400,187

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	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
20. Related Party Transactions			
The Company's main related parties are as follows:			
Key management personnel			
Any person(s) having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of that entity are considered key			
For details of disclosures relating to key management personnel, refer to Note 16			
Other related parties			
Other related parties include close family members of key management personnel and entities that are controlled or significantly influenced by those key management personnel or their close family members.			
Transactions with related parties			
Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.			
The following transactions occurred with related parties:			
Remuneration of directors		-	-

21. Core and Non Core Properties

Core Properties

The following properties are Core Property of the Club:

- 1 St Marys Band Club 411 Great Western Highway, St Marys NSW 2760
- 2 St Marys Diggers Club, Cnr Hall Street and Mamre Road, St Marys NSW 2760

22. Members Guarantee

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a Company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$4 each towards meeting any outstandings and obligations of the Company.

23. Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of business of the company is:

Cnr Hall Street and Mamre Rd St Marys NSW 2760

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of St Marys Diggers & Band Club, the directors of the Company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and:
 - (a) Comply with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures*; and
 - (b) Give a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2026 and of its performance for the year ended on that date of the Company.
2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
3. The information disclosed in the attached consolidated entity disclosure statement is true and correct.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



Director



Director

Dated: 26 August 2026

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF ST MARYS DIGGERS AND BAND CLUB LTD.**

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of St Marys Diggers & Band Club Ltd, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2026, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended then, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, the consolidated entity disclosure statement and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of St Marys Diggers & Band Club Ltd is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2026 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with *Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of *Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the directors' report, and annual report for the year ended 30 June 2026, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

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If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report (other than the consolidated disclosure statement) that gives a true and fair view in accordance with *Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations Act 2001*, is appropriate to meet the needs of the members, and the consolidated entity disclosure statement that is true and correct in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report (other than the consolidated entity disclosure statement) that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and the consolidated entity disclosure statement that is true and correct and is free from misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.

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- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Daniel Kuchta
Registered Auditor Number 335565

Campbelltown
Dated: 26th August 2026

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ST MARYS RSL SUB-BRANCH

During the past 12 months our numbers of ex-servicemen have increased slightly, and we have been lucky enough to not have many pass away. New members are filtering through from the Diggers & Band Club referrals and also from RSL NSW.

The Colin Shepherd OAM Memorial Scholarship program conducted across 6 High Schools continues to be well supported by Year 10 Students and their teachers. The topics for students to research and submit their assignments on are set by the Sub-Branch. Completed assignments are submitted to the Sub-Branch and are judged by the Executive.

The Prize money allocated to the students placed first, second and third is designed to assist them with their further education. One of our Patrons, the Hon Prue Car MP, Deputy Premier and Minister for Education, is made aware of the ever improving standards of the submissions by participating students.

The annual Anzac Day Dawn Service was again well supported by the local community with what appeared to be the largest crowd I have seen in attendance. Once again, it was good to have students

from different schools in the local area participate. Thank you to all those involved.

The "Veterans Wellbeing Program" is being well supported, whether it is a Coffee & Chat, monthly BBQ Breakfast, Morning Walk or Archery, which is a new addition this year. Thanks also to the Outpost Veteran Support Centre for their joint delivery of this program.

We must thank the CEO, Marlene Shipley, and the Board of Directors for their support with the activities we run using the Club premises and its facilities.

For those of you who haven't yet visited our "Corridor of Honour" within the Diggers Club, I would ask you to take a few minutes to have a look at our military memorabilia items which most, if not all of us, used whilst serving in the various arms of the Military.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Cyril J Law
President

ST MARYS DIGGERS & BAND CLUB BOWLERS

Our new Bowls Office, known as “Rink View Cottage” was officially opened in October 2025. A great day was had by all who attended, with a special thank you to CEO Marlene Shipley and staff. After a few minor issues, we have settled in, and members are now also enjoying a new locker room.

We had a successful Men’s Triples Tournament and ANZAC Trophy Tournament, with a big thank you to S & L Timbers’ Steve and Linda Harden for their sponsorship. Without this we would not have been able to offer such generous prize money.

Thank you also to NLP Electrics for sponsorship towards part of our Shootout prize money – the Shootout is becoming popular for all levels of bowlers.

The Christmas Breakup Day was successful and the tasty Christmas lunch from Brell House was much appreciated.

The Australia Day tournament was successful, and a trophy has been purchased for the winners’ names.

The Bowls have recently received sponsorship funds from Performance Access Resources to be utilised for Saturday Social Games – many thanks to Kevin Wilton, President, for organising this sponsorship.

Since the last Bowls AGM in August 2025, 16 new

affiliated bowls players have been welcomed. Some of these were social players who recognized the benefits, as they are able to play in shootouts and tournaments, including Club Championships.

Since the opening of Brell House in October last year, more interest has been shown in Barefoot Bowls, and so far, we have hosted 264 bowlers, which generated funds to assist in the purchase of trophies and badges.

Thank you to all the volunteers for Barefoot Bowls, especially Julie and Eddie Rijk and Rick Laverack who consistently offer to help.

Thank you to our Management Committee, Match Committee, Umpires and Coaches for all their help over the last 12 months – the Club would not function without you.

Many thanks also to Wayne Bratby and his staff for the ongoing maintenance of the bowling greens.

The support of the CEO Marlene Shipley, the Board of Directors and assistance from Management of the Diggers & Band Club is also much appreciated.

Karina McTernan
Secretary

ST MARYS DIGGERS & BAND CLUB PIPES & DRUMS

For the last 12 months the Pipes & Drums have maintained a regular practice schedule, alternating between Friday nights and Saturday mornings to accommodate members' availability.

In addition to full Band rehearsals, our dedicated members volunteer their time, offering free tuition and instruction for our Wednesday night learner program. The ongoing focus on recruitment of both learners and experienced players within the local community has had positive results and we are thrilled to welcome two new members into the ranks of the Pipes & Drums.

Over the last year, one of our dedicated and hardworking learner tenor drummers has progressed and transitioned into the Band ranks. We have also attracted an experienced and talented local piper, further strengthening our current standard. These two new band members proudly participated and represented the Pipes & Drums in several local community events throughout the year.

Once again, the St Marys Diggers & Band Club Pipes & Drums represented the community and led the parade at the St Marys Spring Festival.

The Band was also honoured to have a solo piper

play the lament for the wreath laying ceremony at the Anzac Day Dawn Service held outside St Marys Diggers Club. The Pipes & Drums later marched through both the Diggers and Band Clubs, providing a stirring and memorable atmosphere for veterans, patrons and members on this special day.

After a 4-year hiatus from competition, the Band successfully returned to the Pipe Band contest field, debuting a new repertoire of tunes. The performance was well received by the judges and audience, who offered an enthusiastic welcome back. Our return to competition represents a boost, not only to our Band, but for the local and wider pipe band community.

The Pipes & Drums take pride in representing our Club and community and look forward to performing at local and community events. The Band continues to offer free tuition and plans to compete in a number of pipe band contests during the year.

The St Marys Diggers & Band Club Pipes & Drums would like to extend its appreciation and thanks to the Clubs's Board of Directors and CEO Marlene Shipley, for their continued support.

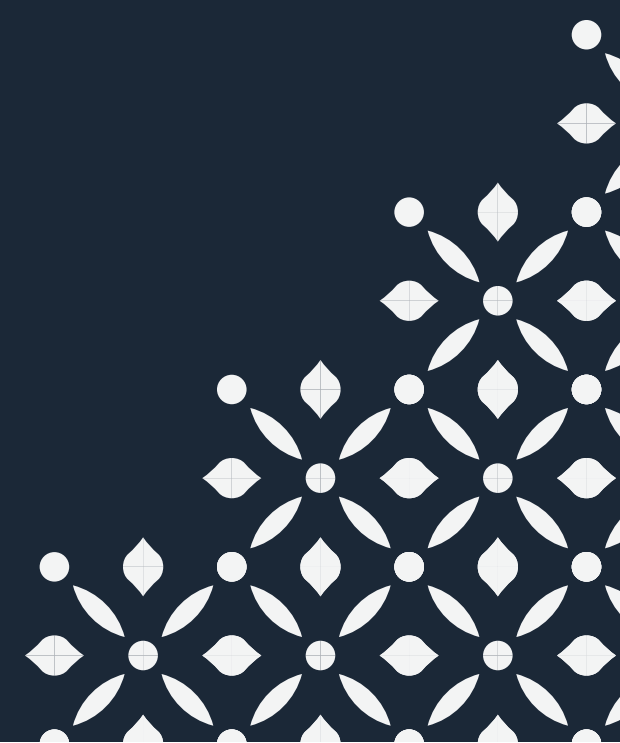
Fiona McLellan
Secretary

WELFARE REPORT 2026

To all our new members and those that do not know, our Welfare Book is kept at Reception and is used to record information regarding members who are in hospital or who have passed away. If you are unable to drop in and let us know, you can always telephone the Reception Desk and your message will be passed on.

It is with great sorrow we note the passing of many of our members during the year.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Management and Staff, we convey to family and friends our deepest sympathy



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