

THE TRIPE CLUB OF VICTORIA
Incorporated Association - No A0060014

**Annual General Meeting to be held at the RACV Club(Lvl. 2), 501 Bourke St.,
Melbourne at 12.15pm, Thursday, 24 November 2022**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

COMMITTEE

President: Dr John Osborne
Vice President: Jerry de la Harpe
Treasurer: Graeme Oliver
Secretary: Luisa Savio
Immediate Past President: Ged White

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Minutes of Last Meeting (Previously circulated to Members)
3. President's Report
4. Re-Election of Office Bearers
5. Annual Financial Report
6. Business Arising

1. WELCOME by Dr John Osborne, President

We now have a quorum of 25% of members present and this allows me to proceed in calling the AGM due this year, covering the financial year 2021/22.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Members may recall that our 2020/21 AGM was deferred from November 2021 to 24 February this year due to Covid restrictions. The Club's Financial Year Report 2020/21 and other Reports, were prepared in accordance with the requirements for Associations incorporated in Victoria and were made available to all members on the Club's website

(www.tripeclubvictoria.org.au). I believe the Minutes of that 2020/21 AGM meeting(held in February this year) accompanied the recent circulation of this Agenda and I now ask for a motion to be moved and seconded to accept the Minutes of the 2020/21 AGM.

Moved: & Seconded

Could you please indicate by a show of hands, that you are in favour of this Motion.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Having experienced two years of inordinately long lockdowns nearly all our luncheons for that period were canceled, bar one in April 2021 and one in February 2020. I am pleased to say however, that as a Club, whilst we are still attempting to consolidate our position we have been able to hold three successful lunches with guest speakers this year and the luncheon to-day will round off our first year of normality since 2019.

We had an impressive array of Guest Speakers this year from diverse backgrounds:

*Elton Pinkster, a distiller -Four Pillars Gin

*Denis Frank, President, Fallen Diggers Association AND

*Angie Ellis, Private Investor & Director at 8020Invest

A little later I look forward to introducing to you Victor Perton, Head of the Centre of Optimism..

I am confident that your Committee will continue to source high quality speakers, who will give our members marvelous insights into areas of great interest and in doing so, provide you all, with an enjoyable luncheon experience. Planning for 2023 has already begun.

In striving to get back to our pre-pandemic levels of operation, I would like to take the opportunity to sincerely thank the RACV team. In particular, we are most grateful to RACV Management for their magnificent support that has taken various forms since the commencement of lockdowns back in early 2020. They helped the Tripe Club to remain a viable entity. In that respect I would like to personally thank Mr Rob Everett, General Manager, who has kindly joined us to-day, as well as Melissa McCallum, Events Manager. Special thanks must also go to Craig Dowling, RACV's Senior Chef and Michael McGuire, Club Events Coordinator. They have all given the Club the necessary backing to keep us going to this point. Thank you Rob!

As President I rely heavily on the Executive of the Committee, and I take this opportunity to pass on my full appreciation and thanks for their efforts this year.

In particular, I would like to mention that their work has now established and formalized a Register of Members that is held and utilized by the Club through the email notification system. The Members' Register is private and subject to the relevant privacy legislation.

4. RE-ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Under the terms of our Constitution all positions on the Committee must be declared vacant at each of our AGMs and I must ask whether any member present would like to nominate for a position on the Committee? **PAUSE**.....

If not, then members are asked re-elect those office-bearers who wish to remain on the Committee until the 2023 AGM.

These are:

Myself, John Osborne, President
Jerry de la Harpe, Vice President
Graeme Oliver, Hon. Treasurer and
Luisa Savio, Secretary

Moved: & seconded

Could you please indicate by a show of hands, that you are in favour of these Committee Members remaining in office for a further 12mths.

I should add that Mr Ged White, who is also a member of the Committee, by virtue of being the *"Immediate Past President"* of the Tripe Club retains his Committee position on a continuing basis, without the need for an annual renewal.

Thank you!

Turning now to our Financial Report, prepared by our Hon. Treasurer, Mr Graeme Oliver:

5. FINANCIAL REPORT:

The detailed **ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT** for the **YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

will be posted on the Club's web-site following this Meeting and in the meantime, I would like the Treasurer to highlight the following:

*As indicated, we could hold only two lunches during the lockdown periods of 2020 and 2021 and for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 we were only able to hold lunches in February and May this year.

*Our luncheon attendances have suffered a significant downturn of over 46% since 2019 and allowing for the escalation in catering/hosting costs over the last financial period, absolutely no surplus luncheon income was generated. In addition, our web-site and associated maintenance costs have continued to increase

*As a result of these increasing costs and low attendance rates, we made a loss of **\$1,937.00 in the 2021/2022** financial year and this compares unfavorably with the loss for the **2020/2021 year of \$214.00** but then, we only had one lunch in that latter period with an attendant lower level of costs. These consecutive annual losses are the first we have experienced in the last 10 years. However, I am pleased to say that RACV management is working with us and will be providing subsidization to the Club over the next 12 months to help us to overcome these financial challenges.

*Moreover, I can report that the Club's **Net Asset position** stands at **\$8,185.00** and the Club is **not carrying any liabilities, charges or creditors on its Balance Sheet**. Of course, the interest returns on the Club's invested funds have been meagre and we are hopeful, with the transfer of our accounts to the Bendigo Bank earlier this year, that the returns will substantially improve.

*I should finally add that the 2021/22 Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements for Incorporated Associations in Victoria.

6. BUSINESS ARISING:

Finally, There is only one matter of Business I would like to bring to your attention:-The GUEST SPEAKER FORUM AND LUNCHEON PROGRAM for 2023:

Provisional Luncheon Dates for 2023 are as follows:

Thursday 23 February

Tuesday 23 May

Tuesday 22 August

Thursday 23 November (This will also be our AGM)

We are yet to confirm these dates with RACV and following that confirmation we will post the final dates on the Club's web-site. We would welcome any input from our members as to nominated speakers.

We encourage members' attendance and for you to invite friends. Joining forms will be available on your tables.

Let me finish by saying that the Committee is very grateful for your attendance to-day and we look forward to greeting you all again in 2023.