

**THE TRIPE CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.  
Incorporated Association - No A0060014**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Annual General Meeting to be held at the RACV Club(Lvl. 2), 501 Bourke St., Melbourne at 2.15pm, Thursday, 23 November 2023**

**COMMITTEE**

President: Jerry de la Harpe  
Vice President: David Thomson  
Treasurer: Ian Parkes  
Secretary: Luisa Savio  
Member: Gaylene Duncan

**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 Jerry de la Harpe, 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 2022/23.

**2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Firstly, I would like to take the opportunity to confirm the Club's Financial Year Report(with the associated financial statements) 2022/23 and the other Reports and declarations, were prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act(Victoria) 2012 and will be made available to all members on the Club's website ([www.tripeclubvictoria.org.au](http://www.tripeclubvictoria.org.au)), following this meeting. I believe the Minutes of the November 2022 AGM and the financial Statements for 2022/23 accompanied the circulation of this Agenda and I now ask for a motion to be moved and seconded to accept the Minutes of the 2021/22 AGM.

Moved by: ..... and Seconded by:.....  
*Could you please indicate by a show of hands, that you are in favour of this Motion.*

### **3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

This is my first year as President, as it is for most of our Committee and I am very pleased to report that we were able to have a full, uninterrupted luncheon program and that as a Club, we are nearing full recovery, financially. Our attendances at luncheons have averaged nearly 100 per lunch. We remain confident that we will be able to build on these achievements in 2024.

#### **(i).Governance:**

As a Club we are unique in that we do not charge a subscription fee or any other levy. Our register of members currently stands at 320 but I should emphasize that we include all those who attend our lunches as members. To that extent, all those on our register could probably be termed "virtual members" as they have no obligation whatsoever to the Club. We maintain a register under the terms of our Privacy Policy, primarily to provide previous attendees with information on upcoming luncheons.

Essentially, the Club is a not-for-profit entity and our real focus is ensuring people have a great luncheon experience. As will be highlighted by our Treasurer, the monies we hold are mainly directed to meeting all the costs associated with maintaining our website, holding and catering for the lunches and paying the necessary regulatory costs.

#### **(ii). Guest Speaker Program**

We had an impressive array of Guest Speakers from diverse backgrounds this last financial year and in 2023, as well:

In the second half of 2022 we had:

- \* Angie Ellis, an equities Investor of the 8020 group and well known nationally, in her field, AND
- \* Victor Pertou, Head of the Centre of Optimism

In 2023 we have had:

- \* Debra Glass, Victorian Ombudsman
- \* Prof. David Bowtell, a Global Leader in Cancer Research, AND
- \* Laureate Prof. Cheryl Saunders, Constitutional Lawyer of international standing, AND of course, David and Liam of Wild Duck Creek vineyard, from whom you have just heard.

I am pleased to say that planning for our 2024 Speaker Program has already begun and at this stage we are confident that we already have two high profile speakers for the first two lunches next year.

#### **(iii). Communication & Website**

In terms of our website, I am most grateful to Gaylene and her husband, Ray Duncan, who are in the throes of working on a plan of action to revamp and update our rather aged website. We hope to have a new and more readable web-site in early 2024. In this respect, I would like to thank my sister, Angela, who kindly volunteered to co-ordinate and keep the information flow on the site continuously up-dated.

**(iv). Future Events:**

The final dates for the 2024 luncheon program will be posted on the Club’s website following this meeting and as arrangements for guest speakers are made this detail will also be posted on the website. We would welcome any input from our members as to nominating speakers.

You may like to note that the first lunch next year is scheduled for Thursday, 29 February.

**(v). Thanks and Tributes:**

As President I rely heavily on our Committee, and I take this opportunity to pass on my full appreciation and thanks for their efforts this year. To David Thomson, our new Vice-President and expert networker to Luisa Savio our stalwart Secretary, who meticulously handles all the logistics/hospitality aspects of our luncheons, to Ian Parkes, our Treasurer, who ensures that we remain solvent, and to Gaylene Duncan, whose corporate experience has been most appreciated.

I would also like to also take the opportunity to sincerely thank the RACV team:

- \*Mr Rob Everett, General Manager, who has joined us to-day;
- \*Melissa McCallum, Events Manager
- \*Rebecca Walsh, Luncheon Co-ordinator, AND  
Jason and Craig,, RACV’s Senior Chefs.

I now ask for a motion to accept and second this President’s Report:

Moved by:.....and seconded by:.....

*Could you please indicate by a show of hands, that you are in favour of accepting the President’s Report*

**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 one of these positions on the Committee? **PAUSE**.....

If not, then members are asked to re-elect the following office-bearers and Committee Member, who now offer themselves up for re-election to remain on the Committee until the 2024 AGM.

- These are:
- Myself, Jerry de la Harpe, President
  - David Thomson, Vice President
  - Ian Parkes, Hon. Treasurer
  - Luisa Savio, Secretary, AND
  - Gaylene Duncan, Member

I now ask for a motion for the re-appointment of the above-listed:

Moved by: ..... and seconded by:.....

*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, effective from the date of this meeting.*

Thank you!

I would now like to now ask Ian Parkes our Hon. Treasurer to present the Club's Financial Report to you.

## **5. Financial Report**

Total income for the year was \$1,423.75 of which, \$1,370 was sourced from our luncheon functions and \$53.75 from bank interest.

Outgoings for the year were \$1,762.25.

There were no abnormal expense items incurred during the year.

We are therefore reporting a loss of \$338.50 for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 with our bank account balance standing at \$7,848.19 at that date.

Whilst the Tripe Club has this amount of \$7,848 in the Club's bank we have budgeted to spend a substantial amount of these funds in updating our outdated website.

The following Income and Expenditure Statement provides the full details for the financial year ended 30 June 2023, as well as the comparative position in 2020/21.

### *Income & Expenditure Statement for 12 mths Ended 30 June 2023*

	<u><b>2021/22</b></u>	<u><b>2022/23</b></u>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
RACV Luncheons	\$0.00	\$1,370.00
Membership Subscription	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bank interest	\$22.15	\$53.75
Total deposits	<hr/> \$22.15 <hr/>	<hr/> \$1,423.75 <hr/>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
Media Network. Technology	\$337.79	\$399.09
RACV/TCV Exec meetings	\$748.20	\$600.00

Web development	\$786.73	\$51.95
Speakers'/Guests'-costs/gifts	\$0.00	\$335.39
Donations	\$0.00	\$200.00
Consumer Affairs	\$60.10	\$61.20
Bank fees	\$25.50	\$54.66
Postage/Stationery	\$0.00	\$59.96
<b>Total outgoings</b>	<b>(\$1,958.32)</b>	<b>(\$1,762.25)</b>
<b>Surplus/(Loss)</b>	<b>(\$1,936.17)</b>	<b>(\$338.50)</b>

<b><u>Funds in bank</u></b>	<b><u>30/06/2022</u></b>	<b><u>30/06/2023</u></b>	<b><u>Movement</u></b>
General Funds account	\$2,706.80	\$1,814.55	(\$892.25)
Investment account	\$5,479.89	<u>\$6,033.64</u>	\$553.75 Includes \$500 transfer
<b>Total Available Funds</b>	<b>\$8,186.69</b>	<b>\$7,848.19</b>	<b>(\$338.50)</b>

I now ask for a motion to accept the Financial Report

Moved by: ..... and seconded by:.....

*Could you please indicate by a show of hands, that you are in favour of accepting the financial Report and Accounts of the Tripe Club of Victoria.*

## **6. BUSINESS ARISING:**

Membership 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 on 29 February 2024.