



NOVEMBER 2025



Annual Report

July 2024 to June 2025 Financial Year

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Agenda

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- 02** Accept the minutes of the 2023/2024 Annual General Meeting
 - 03** Present and accept the Annual Reports
 - 04** Elect Board members
 - 05** Appoint an Auditor
 - 06** Incoming Chair to present thank you gifts
 - 07** General Business (must be submitted before meeting)
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Our Support

to families last financial year 24/25



With the help of our sponsors, Wombat's Wish was able to support parentally bereaved children with their grief...

31

Children have registered for our 1:1 Counselling program with our accredited social worker and psychologist

16

Adults have registered for our 1:1 Counselling program

181

1:1 Counselling individual sessions were conducted last financial year

310

Grief Community Information Packs have been delivered to schools around Victoria

2

Major Community events were held. Over 300 people attended the Wombat's Walk held in November. 105 supporters attended the Wombat's Wish Trivia night held in May.



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Youth Weekend Grief Program held at Cottage by the Sea had 21 young people, 94% of young people eligible attending without their parent.

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Weekend Grief Programs were held in the last 12 months 3 in Queenscliff, 1 in Corop and 1 in Grantville for 72 children, young people and 56 surviving parent/carers throughout Victoria

183

New referrals have been received from July 1 2024 to June 30 2025

5


Family Days were held at Clip and Climb, Aero World, Park in Lara Xmas, Tree planting in memorial with Geelong Cemeteries Trust and Inflatable World

23

Guest speaking appearance at Service Clubs, community organisations etc.



Annual General Meeting Report 2024–2025



As we close another remarkable year, Wombat's Wish reflects with pride on the significant milestones achieved throughout 2024–2025. Over the past 12 months, we have continued to strengthen our position as Victoria's leading grief support agency for parentally bereaved children and young people. Our growth, community engagement, and unwavering commitment to families have been made possible through the dedication of our board, staff, weekend grief program team leaders volunteers, and supporters.

Governance and Management

The 2024–2025 Board of Management was successfully appointed, bringing together a diverse group of professionals who have generously contributed their time, expertise, and passion. Their collective leadership has been instrumental in implementing our strategic vision and advocating for Wombat's Wish across Victoria. The Board's continued guidance has ensured strong governance, transparency, and alignment with our mission to support grieving children and their families.

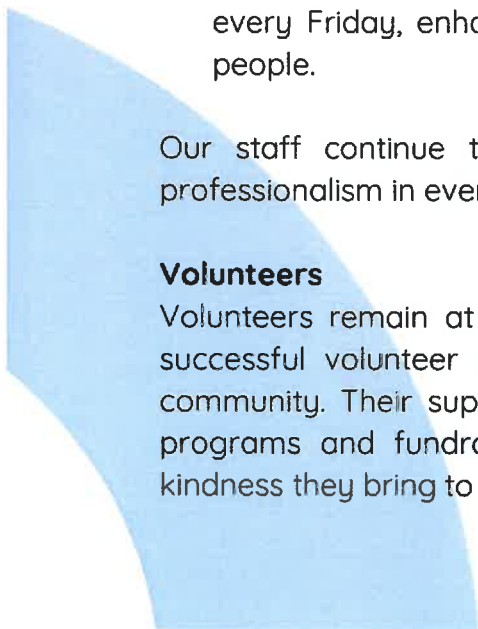
Staff Updates

This year welcomed new and evolving roles within our team.

- Mel joined Wombat's Wish in February 2025 as our Administration Officer, providing invaluable support to the organisation.
- Annika has reduced her hours to pursue further study in clinical psychology, and we are proud to support her continued professional development.
- Rachel, a Clinical Psychologist, joined the team to provide one-to-one counselling every Friday, enhancing the professional care available to children and young people.

Our staff continue to demonstrate exceptional commitment, compassion, and professionalism in every aspect of service delivery.

Volunteers



Volunteers remain at the heart of Wombat's Wish. This year, we conducted two successful volunteer induction programs, welcoming 13 new volunteers into our community. Their support has been integral to the success of our weekend grief programs and fundraising events. We deeply appreciate the time, energy, and kindness they bring to every interaction with our families.

Annual General Meeting Report 2024-2025



Weekend Grief Program

Between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025, Wombat's Wish proudly delivered five Family Weekend Grief Programs and one Youth Camp, providing vital therapeutic support to bereaved children, young people, and their surviving parents or carers.

Three of our weekend programs were held at Camp Wyuna in Queenscliff, offering a nurturing coastal environment that encourages connection, reflection, and healing. We also extended our reach across Victoria, hosting one program at Camp Kookaburra in Corop (Goulburn Valley region) and another at CYC Grantville (Gippsland region). These regional programs allowed families from rural and regional communities to access grief support closer to home, reducing barriers to participation.

In addition, our annual Youth Camp was held at Cottage by the Sea, Queenscliff, providing a dedicated space for young people aged 12-17 to further explore their grief in a supportive, peer-based setting. Through creative workshops, outdoor activities, and therapeutic group sessions led by qualified professionals, participants were empowered to build coping strategies, strengthen resilience, and foster new friendships with others who share similar experiences.

Each camp continues to reflect the heart of Wombat's Wish—creating safe, inclusive, and healing environments where children and families can honour their loved ones, develop emotional tools for their grief journey and rediscover hope for the future.



Annual General Meeting Report 2024-2025



Family Days

Throughout the 2024-2025 financial year, Wombat's Wish Family Days continued to play a vital role in fostering connection, healing, and community among bereaved families. These events provided an opportunity for children, young people, and their surviving parents or carers to reconnect with the Wombat's Wish team and with other families who share similar experiences.

Family Days were held at various venues across Geelong and Melbourne, allowing greater accessibility for families from different regions. Each event was designed to balance therapeutic engagement with fun, family-centred activities—creating safe spaces for laughter, reflection, and shared understanding.

These days not only reinforce the sense of belonging that families experience at our weekend grief programs but also serve as important follow-up touchpoints to maintain ongoing support throughout their grief journey. Feedback from families continues to highlight the profound value of these gatherings in helping them feel seen, supported, and part of a compassionate community that truly understands their loss.



Annual General Meeting Report 2024-2025



Counselling Services

The introduction of one-to-one counselling has become a cornerstone of Wombat's Wish's holistic approach to grief support. Launched in February 2024, the service continues to grow. It has proven to be a vital component in supporting bereaved children and young people as they navigate the complex emotions that follow the death of a parent or primary carer.

Under the professional guidance of Clinical Psychologist Rachel Guthrie, and Mental Health Social Worker Fran McAloon counselling sessions are delivered Monday, Tuesday and Friday, providing tailored therapeutic support in a safe and nurturing environment. This service offers children and their parent/carer the opportunity to express their grief openly, develop healthy coping mechanisms, and rebuild confidence and emotional stability at their own pace.

The demand for this service has been significant, highlighting the urgent need for accessible, specialised grief counselling for young people across Victoria. For many families, these sessions provide the first opportunity for their child to talk about the death in a supportive, professional setting—helping to prevent long-term emotional and mental health challenges that can arise from unresolved grief.

The counselling program also serves as an essential before or follow-up to our Weekend Grief Programs, ensuring continuity of care and allowing participants to explore issues. Through this individualised support, children and young people gain the tools to understand their grief better, strengthen their resilience, and continue their journey toward healing and hope.

As we look to the future, Wombat's Wish aims to expand counselling availability to meet growing demand and ensure that every grieving child in Victoria has access to compassionate, professional support when they need it most.



Annual General Meeting Report 2024-2025



Community Engagement

Community partnerships and outreach have flourished this year. Wombat's Wish was invited to present at several local community organisations and service clubs, helping to raise awareness of childhood bereavement and the importance of early intervention.

We also updated and distributed school information packs throughout Victoria ensuring educators are equipped to identify and support grieving students.

These initiatives have significantly increased community recognition, engagement, and financial contributions towards our programs.

Financial Overview

The 2024-2025 financial year brought its share of challenges, reflecting the broader economic conditions faced across the not-for-profit sector. Despite these pressures, Wombat's Wish remains in a sound financial position, supported by the unwavering generosity of our corporate partners, philanthropic trusts, individual donors, and local community supporters.

Our fundraising efforts were particularly strong this year. The inaugural Wombat's Walk, held in November 2024, attracted over 300 participants and, despite challenging weather conditions, successfully raised \$60,000 to support bereaved children and their families. In May 2025, our Trivia Night brought the community together once again, raising an additional \$10,000.

These events not only generated essential funds but also strengthened community awareness and engagement with the mission of Wombat's Wish—ensuring that every dollar raised directly benefits grieving children and their surviving parents or carers.



Annual General Meeting Report 2024-2025



Conclusion

Wombat's Wish extends heartfelt thanks to all who make our work possible.

- To our Board, for their unwavering leadership and advocacy.
- To our administration team—Nicki, Suzie, Fran, Annika, and Mel—for their tireless dedication to ensuring that every family receives the care and support they deserve.
- To our camp team leaders and volunteers, for creating safe, nurturing, and engaging spaces for children and young people to process their grief and rediscover hope.

Together, we continue to empower bereaved children and families across Victoria to rebuild their lives with strength, understanding, and community.



Client Feature



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Thank you to the incredible Wombat's Wish team for welcoming us with such warmth on our very first Grief Camp this weekend. You not only created a safe space for us to simply be in our grief, but you held us with such compassion, understanding and kindness through every moment.

Walking into a room full of grieving families was daunting. The thought of sitting among people who had also experienced such deep loss felt heavy and overwhelming. What then became something so powerful and unexpectedly beautiful.

To sit with others who just understand without needing to explain, without judgement, without comparison was such a gift. Grief is different for every single person, and yet there's a shared thread that binds us in ways words can't describe. It was both heartbreaking and deeply comforting to connect with others who get it.

One of the most powerful parts was seeing the kids spend time with other children who have gone through similar losses. To watch them laugh, connect, and realise they're not alone in this was truly special. It gave them a sense of belonging that's so hard to find outside of spaces like this.

Leaving camp and returning to the outside world was harder than I imagined. When you're surrounded by people who truly understand no matter how long it has been, no matter how your loss happened there's a sense of belonging in the unspoken. And stepping back into reality reminds you just how rare and precious that kind of understanding really is.

I would never have crossed paths with the incredible Wombat's Wish team, or the beautiful people we met this weekend, if it weren't for the heartbreaking cards we've been dealt. It's one of those bittersweet truths something so painful led us to something so meaningful.

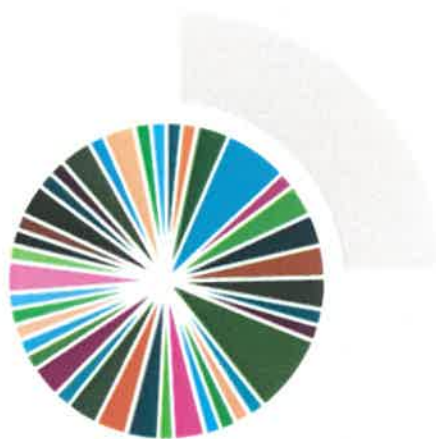
If you know anyone who has experienced the death of a parent, carer, or guardian, I cannot recommend the Wombat's Wish team enough. They create a space of compassion and understanding that words can't fully capture.”

- Chloe



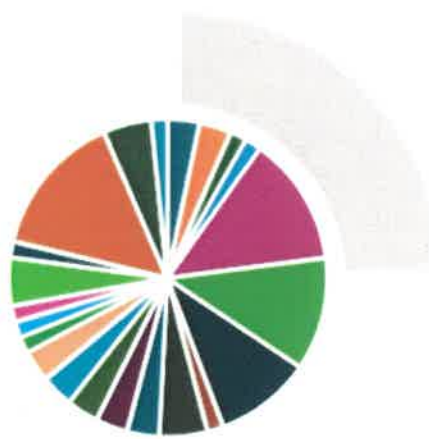
Statistics

On Residential Weekend Grief Program



Family Locations

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| ■ Altona | ■ Ascot Vale |
| ■ Bona Vista | ■ Boronia |
| ■ Caroline Springs | ■ Coburg |
| ■ Deer Park | ■ Diamond Creek |
| ■ Elliminyt | ■ Forrest |
| ■ Hoppers Crossing | ■ Koo Wee Rup |
| ■ Mill Park | ■ Mount Duneed |
| ■ Norlane | ■ Parkdale |
| ■ Reservoir | ■ Ringwood |
| ■ Seaford | ■ South Morang |
| ■ Bacchus Marsh | ■ Ballarat |
| ■ Brunswick West | ■ Caniambo |
| ■ Colac West | ■ Corio |
| ■ Drummond North | ■ Echuca |
| ■ Harcourt | ■ Hastings |
| ■ Kyabram | ■ Lara |
| ■ Nagambie | ■ Newcomb |
| ■ Parklands | ■ Patterson Lakes |
| ■ Romsey | ■ Sandhurst |
| ■ Tullamarine | ■ Wodonga |



Cause of death

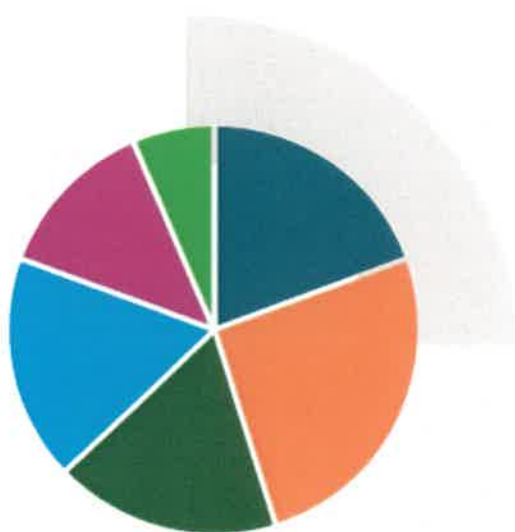
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| ■ Alcoholism | ■ Auto Immune |
| ■ Bile Duct Cancer | ■ Brain aneurysm |
| ■ Cancer | ■ Car accident/Road Trauma |
| ■ Cardiac Arrest | ■ Choke |
| ■ Drug overdose | ■ Epilepsy |
| ■ Fire WP Explode | ■ Horse Racing Fall |
| ■ Illness | ■ Ischemic Heart Disease |
| ■ Lung Cancer | ■ Melanoma |
| ■ Motor Neurone | ■ Pneumonia |



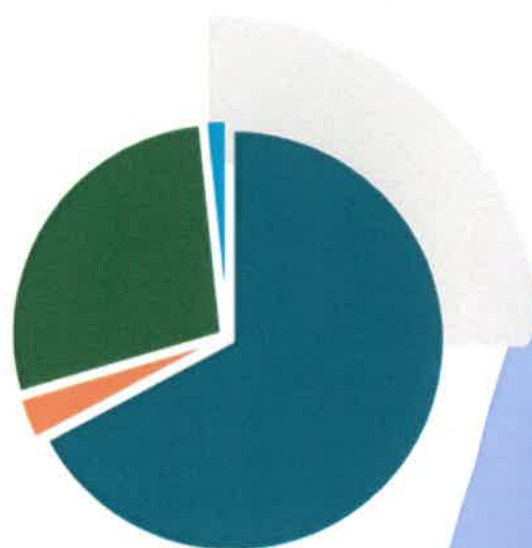


Statistics

On Residential Weekend Grief Program



- Geelong
- Eastern Melbourne
- Western Victoria
- Western Melbourne
- Goulburn Valley and Northern Victoria
- Colac Otway



- Father
- Grandmother
- Mother



Statistics

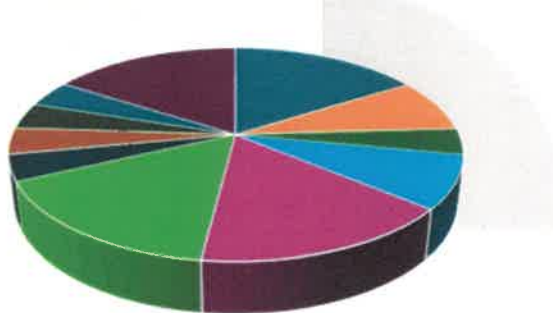
On 1:1 Counselling

1:1 Counselling Suburbs



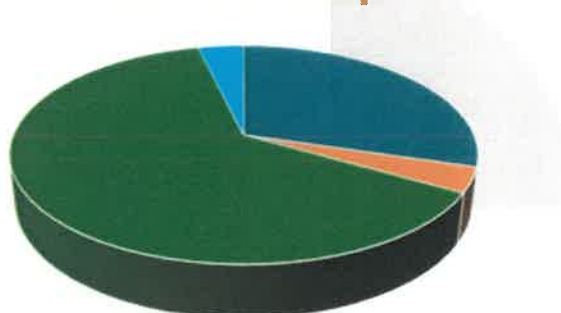
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| ■ Airport West | ■ Bendigo | ■ Ballarat |
| ■ Bacchus Marsh | ■ Bell Park | ■ Castlemaine |
| ■ Clifton Springs | ■ Colac | ■ Corio |
| ■ Grovedale | ■ Gippsland Toorloo | ■ Leopold |
| ■ Mill Park | ■ Ocean Grove | ■ Warrnambool |
| ■ Werribee | | |

1:1 Cause of death



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|----------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|
| ■ Heart Attack | ■ Bowel Cancer | ■ Drug Overdose | ■ Accident |
| ■ Unknown | ■ Lung Cancer | ■ Terminal Illness | ■ Cancer |
| ■ Skin Cancer | ■ Sepsis | ■ Suicide | |

1:1 Relationship



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|----------|-----------|----------|---------------|
| ■ Mother | ■ Husband | ■ Father | ■ Grandmother |
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Weekend Grief Program Evaluations



In February 2025, Wombat's Wish introduced a pilot evaluation survey designed to collect both quantitative and qualitative data from children to assess the effectiveness of our bereavement support programs. The survey is administered at three stages: during the initial family consultation before camp, on the final day of camp, and again six weeks after camp.

Between March and June 2025, 57 children participated in a Weekend Grief Program. Of these, only seven children (approximately 12%) completed and returned the six-week post-program evaluation, providing valuable insight into the longer-term impact of our support. Children were asked to respond to a series of reflective statements using a scale of Never, Sometimes, or Always, including:

- I feel alone in my grief
- I have someone I can talk to when having a bad day
- I can ask my parent/carer questions about my important person
- I worry that my feelings are wrong or weird
- I have ways to help myself when I have big feelings
- I am comfortable talking about my important person
- I am comfortable talking about my feelings and emotions
- I feel I am doing OK with my grief today

Key Findings:

- Connection: Before camp, 73% of children reported feeling alone in their grief; by the end of camp this had reduced to 38%, with 62% indicating they only sometimes felt alone.
- Support: 92% of children consistently reported having someone to talk to when having a bad day, both before and after camp.
- Communication: 98% of participants stated they could talk to their parent/carer about their important person, a strength maintained throughout the program.
- Understanding Feelings: Prior to camp, 74% of children worried their feelings were "wrong or weird." After camp, this dropped significantly, with 51% no longer worried and 49% only sometimes worried.
- Coping Strategies: Only 26% of children initially reported having coping techniques to manage big feelings. After completing the "First Aid Kit" workshop, 100% of participants identified multiple personal coping strategies.
- Talking About Grief: Comfort in discussing their important person increased slightly from 77% to 79%, while comfort discussing personal emotions rose from 29% to 38%.
- Self-Perception of Grief: All children (100%) reported feeling "OK" with their grief both before and after the program, suggesting a stable baseline of emotional resilience among participants.

A full review of the survey will be undertaken in January 2026 to simplify the wording for younger children, ensuring questions are developmentally appropriate and easier to interpret for more accurate data collection.

Minutes of 2023 to 2024



Annual General Meeting. Zoom on
Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 6pm

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting and Committee Meeting held in person and via Zoom on Tuesday 29 October 2024, 6pm.

Present: Steve McLachlan, Rose McLachlan, Fran McAloon, Jill Crookes, Simone Shannon, David Trott, Casey Kaminskyj, Nicki Dunne, Rachal Bland, Norman Graham, Karla Logie, Annika Blattmann, Lucas, Jo Betz, Peter Burke, Greg Collier, Lisa Corduff,, Suzy Coad, Lyndon Coad.

Apologies: Allison Marchant, Donnie Grighau, Hannah Dawes, Liam Dunne

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country.

Chair, Casey Kaminskyj welcomed all to the Annual General Meeting of Wombat's Wish year ending 2024 and shared an Acknowledgement of Country.

2.Minutes approval.

Minutes for the 2023 Annual General Meeting moved by David Trott and Seconded by Peter Burke.

3.Chairperson Report.

Tabled as read.

Casey reflected on 2024 as a challenging year for Not-for-Profit organisations. Despite these challenges, Wombat's Wish accomplished a great deal. One notable highlight was the refresh of the grief information packs to better engage schools. The success of this initiative was evident through the increased number of referrals and the valuable relationships established as a result.

Approximately 146 families were supported by Wombat's Wish during the year, and ongoing efforts are being made to enhance the reporting of this impact. With no significant operational challenges, 2024 provided an opportunity to focus on strategic priorities. A major milestone was the opening of the clinical practice and the completion of research, both significant achievements for the organisation.

Minutes of 2023 to 2024



At this stage, the priority for Wombat's Wish is not to expand program offerings but to sustain and strengthen the current services—an achievement that reflects the organisation's commitment to its mission.

Casey also welcomed the new ambassador, Lisa Corduff, and expressed excitement on behalf of the team to work closely with her in the future.

Moved: David Trott Seconded: Nicki Dunne

4. Treasurer Report.

Tabled as read.

The Treasurer's report was delivered by Simone, who acknowledged Nicki Dunne's efforts and hard work during what has been a challenging year for the financial stability of Wombat's Wish. The operational costs for the organisation are currently at 16.8%, with the majority attributed to insurance expenses. However, this figure remains comparatively low when benchmarked against other organisations.

Moved: Jo Betz Seconded: David Trott

5. Manager Report

Tabled as read.

Nicki Dunne spoke to the Manager Report. All camps were successfully delivered this year, including an additional one; however, holding two camps on consecutive weekends proved to be a challenge.

The year concluded with a fantastic family day at the zoo for Christmas, which was an excellent event.

The third youth camp was also completed, with many participants choosing to return. Credit goes to everyone involved in this program, as it provides valuable support for young people navigating grief—a crucial extension of Wombat's Wish services, particularly given that 56% of youth aged 12-17 facing grief are at risk of turning to drugs or disengaging from their communities.

Minutes of 2023 to 2024



Community engagement has been exceptional, with school packs reaching beyond Geelong and significant connections being made. A huge acknowledgment goes to the dedicated office team for their resilience and passion during what has been a tough year. Their unwavering commitment and countless hours of donated time make everything possible.

Special thanks also go to the team leaders, whose consistent leadership enables the weekend programs to run smoothly. Time and again, it has been evident that families are building lasting connections outside of the programs. Congratulations to everyone involved, and a heartfelt thank you to all Board members for their support—Nicki Dunne has felt well-supported throughout the year.

Lastly, online lounges are currently under review through surveys to assess whether adjusting session times or age ranges would enhance participation and engagement.

Moved: Casey Kaminskyj

Seconded: Greg Collier



Minutes of 2023 to 2024



6.Election of Office Bearers.

Nicki Dunne declared four positions vacant, Wombat's Wish are actively recruiting for new members including Chairperson.

Office Bearers.

Role:	Name:	Nominated by:	Seconded by:
Vice Chairperson	David Trott	Peter Burke	Jo Betz
Treasurer	Simone Shannan	Peter Burke	Jo Betz
Secretary	Jo Betz	Peter Burke	David Trott
General Board	Peter Burke	Simone Shannan	Jo Betz

7.General Business.

Casey is stepping down from the Board as she prepares for baby number two and will be taking 12 months of leave. Reflecting on a massive year and the past five years, Casey highlighted the significant time and effort dedicated to research and development.

The focus has shifted to recruiting new Board members, with a refresh underway and strong candidates of excellent calibre coming through. Gratitude was expressed to Jo and David for their contributions as part of the executive team and for taking the lead on recruitment efforts.

A heartfelt farewell was extended to Greg Collier, along with thanks to Peter and Simone for their hands-on approach in navigating complex challenges.

Casey shared that she will deeply miss the office team and expressed her appreciation for their work and camaraderie.

AGM Closed 7:10pm

Minutes submitted by Jo Betz (Secretary)

Minutes approved by Casey Kaminskyj (Chair)



Not-For-Profit - Association Report

Wombat's Wish

ABN 97 044 710 392

For the year ended 30 June 2025

Prepared by Ascend Accounting and Advisory



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Tresurers Report

Wombat's Wish

For the year ended 30 June 2025

Report

It is with appreciation that I present the Treasurer's Report for Wombat's Wish for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

The 2024–2025 financial year has been a period of continued rebuilding and consolidation for the organisation following several years of change and recovery. Total income increased significantly from \$207,807 in 2024 to \$400,352 in 2025, driven by strong growth in donations, grants, and fundraising activities. This reflects the generosity of our supporters and the dedication of our fundraising team in securing vital funds to continue our programs.

Program delivery also expanded during the year, with greater investment in camp facilities and activities to meet the needs of more families. This, along with a rise in staffing and operational costs, resulted in a deficit of \$44,070 for the year. It is important to note that the timing of some grant receipts and related expenditure crosses over financial years, which can make the year-end results appear less reflective of ongoing activity. The increase in salary and wages costs is primarily due to all camp team leaders now being paid through payroll rather than as contractors via invoice payments. The Board continues to monitor expenditure closely while ensuring that programs remain impactful and accessible to those who need them most.

At 30 June 2025, Wombat's Wish held total assets of \$120,885 and maintained a sound cash position of \$113,576. While reserves have reduced to \$69,198, the organisation remains financially stable and well placed to deliver on its mission.

Looking ahead, we are transitioning to Xero for the new financial year, which will streamline financial management, enhance reporting, and support more efficient oversight. Our focus remains on strengthening our funding base through sustained donor engagement and securing new income streams. To remain sustainable, it is essential that we continue to raise additional funds and maintain the valuable support of our donors and partners.

I would like to thank the Board, staff, and volunteers for their ongoing commitment, as well as our donors and community partners for their continued support of Wombat's Wish. Together, we are making a lasting difference for children and families navigating grief and loss.

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cashflows from operations to meet its liabilities. See Note 2 in the Financial Statements for further details.

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Simone Shannon, CA

Treasurer

Wombat's Wish Incorporated
ABN 97 044 710 392

Date: 10th November 2025



Income and Expenditure Statement

Wombat's Wish

For the year ended 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
Income		
Donations	168,039	64,627
Fundraising Income	66,430	32,458
Grants	135,457	75,571
Investment Income	3,417	5,619
Workplace Giving	27,009	29,532
Total Income	400,352	207,807
Gross Surplus	400,352	207,807
Other Income		
Other Income	3,813	455
Total Other Income	3,813	455
Expenditure		
Program Costs		
Camp activities and supplies	13,309	32,063
Camp facilities and food	41,687	5,431
Camp leaders fees	4,501	31,143
Other program expenses	-	7,888
Total Program Costs	59,497	76,525
Program support costs		
Counselling	743	5,410
Family Fun Days	2,167	4,001
Public liability insurance	5,909	4,247
Workcover Insurance	15,755	2,604
Total Program support costs	24,574	16,261
Fundraising costs		
Advertising and marketing	443	1,770
Corporate sponsor expenses	-	4,071
Venue and Catering	-	15,641
Fundraising expenses	8,837	1,420
Total Fundraising costs	9,281	22,902
Accountability and admin costs		
Administration expenses	608	99
Association insurance	-	945
Audit Costs	-	2,310
Bad Debts	100	-
Bank Fees	248	471
Board expense	2,258	4,137
Printing & Stationery	2,727	2,656
Subscriptions	4,401	5,132

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



	2025	2024
Telephone & Internet	6,726	2,451
Total Accountability and admin costs	17,068	18,201
Office Expenses	465	-
Office Lease		
Office Lease	16,726	13,222
Total Office Lease	16,726	13,222
Other Expenses		
Equipment under \$500	786	2,758
IT Support	4,261	2,828
Legal expenses	3,380	-
Postage	1,383	1,433
Rates	-	3,541
Depreciation	1,373	2,710
Total Other Expenses	11,184	13,269
Wages and Salaries		
Professional Development	649	2,057
Provision for Annual Leave	3,741	16,036
Provision for Long Service Leave	4,555	7,483
Superannuation	24,267	14,899
Wages and Salaries	276,229	270,218
Total Wages and Salaries	309,441	310,693
Total Expenditure	448,234	471,072
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	(44,070)	(262,810)
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit) Before Income Tax	(44,070)	(262,810)
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	(44,070)	(262,810)

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Assets and Liabilities Statement

Wombat's Wish As at 30 June 2025

	NOTES	30 JUNE 2025	30 JUNE 2024
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash and cash equivalents		46,613	54,755
Debit Card		403	622
Term Deposits		66,559	108,143
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents		113,576	163,519
Prepayments		3,500	3,500
Trade and Other Receivables			
Trade Debtors		-	50
Total Trade and Other Receivables		-	50
GST Receivable			
GST		3,411	-
Total GST Receivable		3,411	-
Total Current Assets		120,487	167,069
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment and Vehicles			
Equipment		9,599	9,599
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Equipment		(9,201)	(7,828)
Total Plant and Equipment and Vehicles		398	1,771
Total Non-Current Assets		398	1,771
Total Assets		120,885	168,841
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
PAYG Withholdings Payable		6,254	25,876
Superannuation Payable		7,299	-
Trade and Other Payables			
Trade Creditors		142	-
Total Trade and Other Payables		142	-
Employee Entitlements			
Long Service Provision		12,038	7,483
Annual Leave Provision		25,954	22,214
Total Employee Entitlements		37,992	29,697
Total Current Liabilities		51,687	55,573
Total Liabilities		51,687	55,573
Net Assets		69,198	113,268

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	NOTES	30 JUNE 2025	30 JUNE 2024
Equity			
Retained Earnings		105,268	368,078
Current Year Earnings		(44,070)	(262,810)
Reserves		8,000	8,000
Total Equity		69,198	113,268

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Wombat's Wish

For the year ended 30 June 2025

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis for preparation

Wombat's Wish is a non-for-profit entity, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The financial statements for Wombat's Wish are special purpose financial statements which have been prepared in a prudent manner to reflect a true and fair view of the charity's financial position and performance.

The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency.

Comparative information has been reclassified where appropriate to enhance comparability.

The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on the 10th November 2025.

Historical cost conversions

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting.

Professional judgement

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of professional judgement and accounting estimates, which by definition will seldom equal actual result. There are no areas which involve a high degree of judgement or where estimates are significant to the financial statements.

Audit

As per the charity's rules, an audit of the financial statements is to be conducted every second year (i.e. odd years e.g. 2019, 2021, 2023 etc.) and any audit recommendations are reported and tracked by the board until resolution. Wombat's Wish Inc has undergone an Audit for 2025 and will do so again in 2027.

Overpayments

Payments made for program or program support costs over and above the required payments per the invoice/s provided.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Property, plant and equipment purchased at a cost of less than \$500 is directly expensed.

Equipment at cost will be depreciated at a rate of 50% annually.

Prepayments

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Prepayments and deposits for goods or services.

Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Long Service Leave provision is to be brought to account when an Employee reaches 5 years of services from commencement date.

these amounts are inclusive of Superannuation at 12%.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association 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 at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. 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.

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. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of 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 receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Financial Assets

Investments in financial assets are initially recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value, which is equivalent to their market bid price at the end of the reporting period. Movements in fair value are recognised through an equity reserve.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

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

2. Going Concern

The Incorporated Charity incurred a net loss of \$44,070 in 2025 and \$262,810 in 2024.

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Board Members believe that the charity can meet its financial obligations as they fall due.

Having considered the above, the board is satisfied the Charity will have adequate finance to meet its obligations and thus continues in operational existence as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Should the Charity be unable to continue as a going concern, it may be required to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities other than in the ordinary course of business, and at amounts that differ from those stated in the financial statements. These financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts or the amounts or classification of liabilities and appropriate disclosures that may be necessary should the Charity be unable to continue as a going concern.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.



Movements in Equity

Wombat's Wish

For the year ended 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
Equity		
Increases		
Retained Earnings	105,268	368,078
Share Capital	8,000	8,000
Total Increases	113,268	376,078
Decreases		
Loss for the Period		
Current Year Earnings	44,070	262,810
Total Loss for the Period	44,070	262,810
Total Decreases	44,070	262,810
Total Equity	69,198	113,268

True and Fair Position

Wombat's Wish

For the year ended 30 June 2025

Annual Statements Give True and Fair View of Financial Position and Performance of Wombat's Wish

We, Simone Shannon, and Peter Burke, being members of the Board of Wombat's Wish, certify that –

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of Wombat's Wish during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2025.



Signed:

Dated : 10th November 2025



Signed:

Dated : 10th November 2025



Compilation Report

Wombat's Wish

For the year ended 30 June 2025

Compilation report to Wombat's Wish.

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Wombat's Wish, which comprise the asset and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2025, income and expenditure statement, the statement of cash flows, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1.

The Responsibility of the Board Member's

The Board of Wombat's Wish are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the partners we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315 *Compilation of Financial Information*.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.

Assurance Disclaimer

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the information provided to us by management to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on these financial statements.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the committee who are responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them. We do not accept responsibility for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a horizontal line and a small dot.

Simone Shannon

Ascend Accounting and Advisory

Dated: 10th November 2025

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
WOMBAT'S WISH INCORPORATED**

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the treasurer's report of Wombat's Wish Incorporated (the association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the operating statement for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the president's declaration on the annual statements.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the financial report of Wombat's Wish Incorporated (the association) has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act (Vic)* and relevant Australian Accounting Standards, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its financial performance and cash flow for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

The financial statements for the current period include comparative information from the prior period, which was not audited. As a result, we were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures for the prior period. Accordingly, our opinion on the current period's financial statements is qualified in respect of the comparative information presented.

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 association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (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 believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Material Uncertainty – Going Concern

We draw attention to note 1 – going concern in the financial statements, which disclosed that the Incorporated Charity incurred a net loss of \$44,070 in 2025 and \$ 262,810 in 2024. These factors indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast doubt on the Association's ability as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the association for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act (Vic)*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

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Other Information

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the association's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2025, 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.

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 Committee for the Financial Report

The committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act (Vic)* and for such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the committee is responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Stephen Kirtley

Director

Dated this 10th day of November, 2025

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