

Philip Island Medical and Health Action Group  
Minutes of Annual General Meeting  
Held 4th Oct 2023 at 5.00pm  
ANZAC room, Cowes RSL



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| 1. Welcome and Apologies.                      |                         |
| Meeting Opened                                 | 5.01pm                  |
| Attendance:                                    |                         |
| Apologies                                      | Bob Pascoe, Greg Murphy |
| 2. Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meeting |                         |
| Moved/Seconded                                 | M: Sec:                 |
| 3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes      |                         |
| <u>None</u>                                    |                         |
| 4. Reports                                     |                         |

**PHILLIP ISLAND MEDICAL & HEALTH ACTION GROUP  
("PIMHAG") INCORPORATED**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr President, Secretary, fellow committee members and members. The following is my report for the trading period commencing 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023

**Principal activities**

The principal activities of PIMHAG is to work with other community and Government organisations towards improving the medical and health facilities for Phillip Island.

**Treasurers report.**

**Operating results**

The trading period as determined by the Executive committee is to be from 1 July to 30 June each year.

**INCOME**

This net income for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 \$1,486.01

The current balance of the bank account as at 30 June 2020 was Credit \$2,055.41

There are no outstanding accounts requiring payment.

Main sources of revenue were from:  
Membership dues totalling \$590.00  
Fund raising \$834.01 and  
Donations received \$62.00

**EXPENDITURE**

Main expenditure costs comprised of the following:

1. Public liability insurance premium \$825.00
2. Web hosting \$101.91

**Summary of activities**

Prior to and since the formal Incorporation of PIMHAG, the Group has been very proactive in the promotion and campaigning for the improvement of health and medical facilities and services on Phillip Island.

The recent commencement of our new hospital after many years of diligent work by a collective number of individuals is now providing tangible results.

It is my opinion as Treasurer; the financial results reflect a true and accurate record of the financial activities of the Group during the trading period.

The Group is solvent in that by definition, it can meet its liabilities as and when they fall due.

It has been my honour and privilege to serve as your treasurer.

*Gary Simmons*

GARY SIMMONS B.Bus (Fin & Bkg),  
Treasurer  
Cowes 30 June 2023

*Gary Simmons*

Move to accept report

Moved: Gary S Sec: Bruce P Motion carried.

## 5. **Presidents Report**

Welcome to Phillip Island Medical and Health Action Group (PIMHAG) 2023 AGM, a year culminating in witnessing the earthworks commenced at the site of the Phillip Island Community Hospital. The hospital is on time to be completed at the end of 2024. A new Hospital in our community warrants an appropriate sign.

Our ten Committee members have again worked tirelessly advocating the progress of the Hospital. To Linda Marston, our Secretary, and to Gill Scrase, who stepped in whilst Linda was on holidays, and to Gary Simmons, our Treasurer, thank you for your efforts. And thank you to John Matthews, our Vice President, for joining me in discussing PIMHAG issues with our State Member Jordan Crugnale, and his timely advice on issues. To Jenny Lonergan, our Membership Officer and social media Communicator, and to our other members of Committee, Greg Murphy, Bob Pascoe, Bruce Procter and Deb Wilson, thank you for your support during the year.

PIMHAG has appreciated the efforts of Bass Coast Health CEO, Jan Child, in delivering the Phillip Island Community Hospital. Whilst we were waiting for the site works to commence, both Aged Care and Mental Health emerged as two priorities for our community. These are two of the future issues that will need to be addressed in detail.

To all our members, I thank you for your continued belief and support of PIMHAG. It would be very difficult to be an effective community group without your presence. In February this year several historical plaques of Warley Hospital were brought to PIMHAGs attention. We have arranged to have them restored by the Phillip Island RSL Men's Shed. The first plaque we restored was the gift of the original hospital building by Mr & Mrs W.E. Thompson, to the Victorian Bush Nursing Association, dated November 1923, nearly 100 years ago. It is important that we celebrate and recognise the history of Warley to the Phillip Island community. The plaques will be presented to our new Community Hospital next year.

The Community Bank of Cowes, San Remo & Grantville have promised \$200k for Oncology when the PICH opens. PIMHAG welcomes the generosity of the promise. Community members can add to this amount by donating at any of the 3 Bank branches.

Several PIMHAG members are also members of the Hub Auxiliary. Funds raised by the Auxiliary are directed to equipment to assist local community members. Please consider joining the Hub Auxiliary and participating in their community events.

PIMHAG is pleased to have commissioned a painting by Island artist, John Adam, which will be presented to the new Hospital.

We thank The Advertiser for the prominence it has given to PIMHAG during the year, and highlighting the need for the Community Hospital. Thanks also to the PI RSL for their hospitality and hosting our monthly committee meetings.

Peter Paul (President)

Move to Accept Presidents Report. Moved: PP Sec: Graeme Cock

## 6. **Elections**

Committee members were nominated and with no other nominations they were elected uncontested. The 2023-2024 committee is as follows:

Peter Paul (President)  
John Matthews (VP)  
Linda Marston (Secretary)  
Gary Simmons (Treasurer)  
Committee members:  
Greg Murphy  
Gill Scrase  
Jennifer Lonergan  
Deb Wilson  
Bruce Procter

We welcome 2 new committee members who were nominated from the floor, Julie Martin and Carolyn Hoffman, and thank Bob Pascoe, who is not re-nominating this year for his many years of service and wisdom.

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**7. Life Membership N/A**

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Meeting Closed at: 5.30pm

Guest speaker Carol Kahn from the Royal Flying Doctor Service addressed the meeting regarding the services offered by RFDS and how the program was at capacity just with referrals from the GPs. To increase capacity, they would need more clinicians, particularly paediatric ones. Since they began offering sessions in Bass Coast they have provided 534 sessions for 107 clients. On PI this year they have provided 290 sessions for 71 clients.

Next Ordinary Meeting: 26<sup>th</sup> Oct

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