

# President's Report 2025

Hello everyone and welcome to the 2025 AGM.

The 2024 ski season was not the best, however, the club had both lodges well occupied throughout the season. It was also great to see both lodges being used during the 2024/2025 Christmas and New Year Holiday season.

The club's finances remain in a good position even after the poor ski season. The board and I would like to take this opportunity to say a thank you to both Chris and Lisa Boseley. Chris is stepping down as Treasurer this year and the board sincerely appreciated Chris's sharp focus to always ensure the club met its financial obligations. To support the new Treasurer, Chris has committed to providing transition advice and expertise until a new treasurer is in place and comfortable in the role.

Unfortunately, Bob Skuza, the Accommodation Director, resigned from the board earlier this year.

At the AGM, the board will be seeking to fill these vacancies (Treasurer and Accommodation).

This year we have developed and documented :-

- \*Roles and responsibilities for each board role, and
- \*Drafted role and responsibilities for the Booking Officer.

A Board member commitment letter has also been introduced which board members will be expected to sign. This is to ensure each board member acknowledges their responsibilities and recognises their commitment to act for members with honesty, integrity, collegiality, and care.

These are all aimed at strengthening Board governance.

Some critical upgrades were required at the Hotham lodge after the 2024 ski season with new boilers and heaters installed.

After extensive investigations, discussions and deliberations by the board that have occurred across an extended period, a kitchen replacement has been approved for the Hotham lodge. This replacement is scheduled to commence in October 2025.

There have been no critical changes required at the Jindabyne lodge since the last AGM.

In the last newsletter we asked for your feedback on the priority list of potential improvements. A big “thank you” to the members that provided feedback. This has been captured and will be discussed at our next board meeting. If there is something that needs attention or you have an idea for lodge improvements, then please don’t hesitate to let us know.

I was very excited to see that, this year, we had 7 applications for ski scholarships. That must be a record. We will announce at the AGM who the lucky recipient(s) are.

One thing I must ask of each of our members is to please keep your contact details up to date. This is vital to ensure the clubs communication reaches you in a timely manner.

In closing, thank you to our board members for your hard work and support, and thank you to all our members - a group of people who make St George Alpine Club a very special community.

Cheers,

Jane Courtney