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MONARO COMMUNITY RADIO

ANNUAL REPORT 2024-25



Vale Ned Freebody - 6 March 1947 - 23 November 2024

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President Phil Daley

Secretary and Vice President David Browne

Treasurer Pat Booker

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PRESIDENTS REPORT 2025 AGM

It is my pleasure to present our Annual Report for the 2024/25 financial year.

This year we celebrate 25 years of holding a continuous full time broadcast licence. That is quite an achievement, I think, considering the size of our organisation and the vast area we cover with our broadcasts.

Our long term goal of making additional storage space at our Cooma studio has stalled due to restrictions in the area of land we have available for development. I see the purchase of the council owned lot to our North as being the solution to that issue but it will take time to achieve councils acceptance and to have the reclassification of the land from community to operational before a sale can be achieved.

Our meetings continue to be well attended with enthusiastic debate on any issues discussed.

I sincerely thank all of members and presenters for their great contribution to our station this year. Thanks particularly to our team who have gone the extra mile: David Browne-Vice President, Fundraiser and Secretary, Pat Booker-Treasurer, Bill Steptoe, Harry Salmela and Dave Miller-Technicians, Margaret Faulkner-Programming, Kerry Rooney- Grants and Web maintenance, Claire Neumyer-Sponsorship, Stephanie Hahn-Membership and Colleen Macklan-Studio supervisor and librarian at Nimmitabel. Financially we are in great shape thanks to the tireless efforts of Pat Booker.

Our concept of 2 country music concerts each year has been well received by our local community. This year John and Christine Smith entertained us with accompaniment from Ernie Constance, Danny Bowden and Louise Bowerman. I also thank the Cooma Car Club which has been very supportive of us in renting their wonderful auditorium. We have welcomed some new members this year which is encouraging.

Presenting a regular program or programs on radio is a huge commitment our presenters make to keep our listeners engaged. I thank all of our presenters for their contribution to the stations success.

We need to address our membership demographic though because as we continue to age we need more young people to take up the reins and become presenters and/or committee members. With streaming services readily available to potential radio listeners we need to make the radio listening experience more attractive to the general public and the younger listners.

Sadly we lost one of our very active members and presenters this year with the passing of Ned Freebody. As well as presenting a great Sunday morning country program, Ned was a very active fundraiser and generous financial supporter of our station. We miss him greatly.

Phil Daley
President June 2025

Secretary's Report 2024/2025

Well another year has gone by and I guess the highlight of the year has been the number of outside broadcasts we have been able to achieve. A big thank you to Harry Salmella and David Miller for their work in pulling this endeavour together and to all those presenters who have made their way out to the various localities. I believe all the broadcasts have been well received.

I would like to thank the President for all he has done this year. The station appears to be running along smoothly. There are still things to do but it becomes a difficult balance between home lives and the radio station especially at our age. The meetings have been cut to one every two months and they are usually completed in about an hour. I have to say I find that great. I am most thankful that those labourious 3 hour meetings we used to have every month are a thing of the past. It definitely makes my job a great deal easier. Thanks Phil.

I would also like to thank the Treasurer, Pat Booker, very much for all that he does for the station. Given that he lives so far away, Pat has been admirable in continuing with the radio station. If not submitting grant proposals to get our power bills made more bearable; he is negotiating with power companies; he is looking at where our savings can get the most interest; he is negotiating best deals on the internet use; and , as public officer, he is also chasing up our insurance cover. Thanks Pat.

I would like to thank Kerry Rooney for her work on grants. Grants,

This year I would once again like to acknowledge the Hinton family up in Nanango, Queensland. They have supported the station financially over the last seven years since Matt Miller's passing. For that we are most grateful. Also this year I would like to thank Mrs B Kolano for her financial support as well. Mrs Kolano has been most generous on occasions supporting the station in the memory of her mother.

David Browne
Secretary

Monaro Community Radio
Treasurers report to AGM August 2025

The statement of financial position and statement of cash flows for the financial year to 30 June 2025 are attached.

Some features of the accounts are:

1. Total revenue \$54676, expenses were \$38573. Cash at bank has grown from \$91819 to \$107923.
2. Net assets after depreciation are valued at \$217181, an increase from \$205411 in the previous year.
3. Income from sponsors of \$24045 was achieved this year, compared to \$21400 last year. The number of sponsors each month has averaged 17.
4. Fundraising of \$4839 was achieved, again a very good result.
5. Grant income provided \$17362, being the CBF D&O (Transmission Expenses) grant 2023/24 of \$13362 and Boco Rock Community Fund grant of \$4000.
6. Major donations received were:
Hinton family \$650
Bronnie Kolano \$1000
7. GST payment of \$1635 was made to the ATO.
8. Cash at bank is held at Bendigo Bank \$11634, AMP \$11289, ME Bank Term Deposit 1 \$40000, Judo Bank term deposit \$45000.

Comments

Another successful financial result was achieved this year, supplementing a healthy cash balance while maintaining assets to enhance the ongoing operation of the association. Financial support was provided by fundraising efforts, achievement of grants/donations and ongoing support from sponsors. Thanks to all members involved in contributing to those outcomes.

There are no current liabilities.

A draft budget for 2025/2026 is provided, which anticipates an end of year cash position further improved by approximately \$10,000. This projection relies on no major capital expenses (unless grant funded).

My thanks to the committee executive and members for their support and cooperation throughout the year as we look forward to a successful 2025/26.

Pat Booker, Treasurer
10 July 2025

MONARO COMMUNITY RADIO INC

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 30 JUNE 2025

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash assets	107 923	91 818
Total current assets	107 923	91 818
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property , plant and equipment	109 258	113 593
Total non-current assets	109 258	113 593
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>217 181</u>	<u>205 411</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Borrowings	(0)	(0)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(0)	(0)
NET ASSETS	<u>217 181</u>	<u>205 411</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>217 181</u>	<u>205 411</u>

NONARDO COMMUNITY RADIO													
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2024/25													
	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Total YTD Budget
INCOME													
Donation	430	50	180	50	75	430	50	50	50	50	125	435	1,881
Fundraising			2,750							2,079			4,829
Grant		13,952	4,000										17,952
Gift													0
Interest	308	323	250	310	333	213	445	388	323	353	352	364	4,026
Membership	100	50						20	50	50	50	210	600
Other inc. reversals													0
Rent	3402	835	3030	1,943									1,943
Sponsor	2477	14759	11778	3222	822	1200	1598	540	2831	650	1015	3294	24,048
Total													49,782
EXPENDITURE													
Advertising													0
Bank fees							172						172
Capital	300			4370				364	1450				6,490
Consumables	198	92	111						21				390
Electricity	1127	2195		1082	2015	667	941	367	789	750	1753		11,876
Equipment Hire													0
Fees	725	224	300	67					1807	300	308	115	3,240
Fundraising expense	55.4												720
GST				1035									1,635
Incamps	2519												2,818
Insurance													0
License													0
Membership	656												650
Other	11			148									159
Postage	87								155				242
Printing				82				184					300
Rates	465	184			655			475			184		2,148
Refund													0
Registration	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	376	217	217	217	2,758
Rent	165		2137										2,302
Supplies	779												779
Tax													0
Telephone/Internet	215	254	252	254	254	254	448	254	254	254	445	254	2,818
Total	7459	2129	2929	7927	3177	884	1777	1556	8019	1977	2600	856	36,973
Cash bal (at 01/01/19)	86510	100234	104422	104432	104551	103810	109226	103126	103046	104591	104175	101923	104,915

MONARO COMMUNITY RADIO BUDGET 2025 2026													
	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26	Budget
INCOME													
Donation	50	50	50	50	75	100	50	50	50	50	125	300	1,000
Fundraising			2760							2500			6,280
Grant		13000											13,000
GST													0
Interest	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	3,600
Membership	200	100										200	600
Other inc, reversals													0
Rent				2,000									2,000
Sponsor	2000	2000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2000	24,000
Total	2550	15450	5110	4350	2375	2400	2350	2350	2350	4850	2425	2800	49,360
EXPENDITURE													
Advertising													0
Bank fees													0
Capital	2000			1000						2000			5,000
Consumables	150		50					100	100				400
Electricity	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	1300	15,600
Equipment hire													0
Fees	800	250		100					1850		300		3,300
Fundraising expense			300							330			630
GST				800									800
Insurance													0
Interest	2500												2,500
Licence													0
Membership	650												650
Other													0
Postage	100												300
Printing				82									82
Rates	500	200			650								2,250
Refund													0
Registration													0
Rent	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	376	217	217	217	2,769
Repairs	150		150		150						150		800
Satellite	800												800
Tax													0
Telephone/interme	225	225	225	225	225	225	225	225	225	225	225	225	2,700
Total	9392	2192	2242	3724	2542	1742	1892	2042	4701	4072	2392	1742	38671
Cash bal (br f)	101081	114339	117208	117834	117667	118326	118784	119092	116741	117520	117553	118611	

MONARO COMMUNITY RADIO INC		
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025		
	2025	2024
REVENUE		
Donations	1985	5140
Fundraising	4839	5138
Grant	17362	11969
GST		
Interest	4026	3368
Memberships	470	430
Other revenue	0	25
Rent	1949	1878
Sponsors	24045	21400
Total revenue	54676	49348
EXPENSES		
Advertising		
Bank fees	172	
Capital	6490	3137
Consumables	390	198
Electricity and gas	11675	11696
Equipment hire	0	0
Fundraising costs	665	510
GST	1635	16
Insurance	2519	0
Interest	0	0
Postage	242	138
Printing	82	0
Refunds	0	0
Registrations, business fees, licences	4654	3990
Rent	2759	2754
Repairs	2302	462
Site rental	0	0
Sundries	157	0
Land rates,charges	2148	1915
Telephone/Internet	2682	2616
Total expenses	38572	27433
Net cash flow	16104	21915
Loan debt		
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	91819	69903
Cash at the end of the financial year	107923	91818

GRANTS REPORT

We were successful in achieving a \$4000 grant from the Boco Rock grants programme this year which enabled us to purchase a generator for outside broadcasts and as a standby source for our main transmitter.

Kerry Rooney
Grants Co-ordinator

PRODUCTION REPORT

We continue to provide quality audio in our sponsors announcements. I thank Bernard Rooney for his willing participation in making new messages and also Pip Daley for providing her assistance voicing messages, often at very short notice.

I am hopeful that some of our new, or even existing members with audio production experience might step up and take on board this very satisfying part of our operation.

Phil Daley
Production Co-ordinator

SPONSORSHIP REPORT

Our sponsorship numbers have remained fairly static this year. We have retained all of our existing long term sponsors but despite approaching new businesses, we have not been able to attract new sponsors from the local sector. Many of our existing sponsors have taken up our paid in advance offers which is great and we have been able to attract a couple of out of area sponsors with the paid up front option.

Claire neumyer and Phil Daley
Sponsorship co-ordinators

Fund Raising Report 2024/25

It has been a sad year with all the old hands deciding it was time to give the slushies and the fairyfloss a fond farewell. It was just too difficult finding the time; loading the truck and then unloading it; cleaning the equipment; and generally fighting the tiredness through the day. The slushies and floss have been good to us over the last twenty years and I believe we have raised over a \$100000 for the radio station in that time if you include the raffles and \$100 clubs as well. It has been a job well done.

In the last 12 months we lost our Fund Raising Supervisor prior to me taking over. Ned Freebody was a great supporter of the station and presenter as well. He became a good friend and he has been sadly missed. Chiefly, I want to thank Fay Freebody for her long time support and also Phil Daley, who stepped up to the mark, when Ned became ill a few years ago. Unfortunately, we are no longer physically capable to keep going. People have told me they miss getting their fairy floss at the fairs and I am truly sorry. Maybe when we get some younger members to take up the call and willing to fund raise it ay occur again.

The President, in discussions with the committee, has decided that if we can run 2 concerts a year, we can clear at least 2/3s of what we had been making. It gives local artists a chance to perform and support the station. We have some very talented people on the Monaro and it is most kind that they have donated their time. Over the two concerts held in the last twelve months we raised approx. \$4000. The concerts were originally the idea of Leanne Oliver and Garry Thompson, when Garry was Fund Raising Supervisor. Over the last few years at the Car Club, it has been Phil Daley, David Miller, Fay Freebody and Margaret Faulkner who have helped out at the concerts. So I thank them all very much.

Finally, I should mention and thank both Fay and Ned for their kindness in donating meat as prizes for two of our raffles in the past. Ned loved his Red Sovine and I miss him.

David Browne

TECHNICAL REPORT

This year we have completed a number of small projects including upgrade to Bombala Water Tower, installed a new computer in Nimmitabel studio and 2 new computers in Cooma. We are currently waiting on the new computer for back room as the PC failed and is on its way out. This computer is the one that controls all of the stations communications including our backup music program and is a very important component of our equipment

Harry has been working in a number of small projects to streamline the technical components including plans to install ducting between the studios and the technical room.

We purchased a new generator this year thanks to the Boco Rock community fund. It had its first test at Mt. Emerald a few weeks ago where it was used to keep the station on air during a scheduled power outage. The replacement of the Mt Emerald mast will be a major project this year as the existing tower has structural faults and needs replacing.

David is currently looking at NAS servers as we digitise all our music CD's. This will make it easier to access all of our music in both studios.

David is also investigating bringing Fibre to Premises as providers are installing the fibre connections at no charge. Fibre to the premises will be more reliable then the old copper lines.

Dave Miller, Harry Salmela & Bill Steptoe

Technical Committee

OUR SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS 2024/25
BERRIDALE LIONS CLUB
BOCO ROCK COMMUNITY FUND
BURKES PLANT HIRE
COMMUNITY BROADCASTING FOUNDATION
COOMA BATTERY WHOLESALERS
COOMA FAMILY MEDICAL PRACTICE
COOMA FURNISHINGS
COOMA H HARDWARE
COOMA SERVO AND ALPINE COUNTRY MOTEL
COOMA STEEL
THE FABRIC SALON
HINTON FAMILY
HIP POCKET WORKWEAR
INSPIRATIONS PAINTS
KENMIR ACCOUNTING
KOLARNO – B
McMAHONS EARTHMOVING AND FIREWOOD
MONARO MEATS
MONARO POST
SANDYS GROOMING TAILS AND K9 CAFE
SOUTHEAST TILES



Bombala TLC works



Works being carried out at Bombala