



Waverley Retirement Activities Group Incorporation No A0011017N

21 April 2023

## From The President

Hello fellow WRAG members!

Members who were at the AGM on Monday are already aware of the meeting outcome, but for those who could not attend, this serves to provide you with a brief update of the meeting. For members who have no access to email, please look to your convenors to provide you with a hardcopy update.

I would like to formally thank and acknowledge the extended years of hard work by the retiring management committee under Terry's leadership and guidance for an extended period since 2016; Erica Johnson, even prior to that date. Together, they steered WRAG through good times - and difficult times, particularly through the recent lockdown and pandemic years, where we unfortunately saw the decline of membership numbers, forcing the committee to a decision to consider the wind down of WRAG. Terry worked endlessly, seeking amalgamation with the Waverley Life Activities Group (WLAC), potentially to provide continuance of WRAG activities, even if not under the same branding. However, with a turn of events just days before the AGM, WLAC rejected the amalgamation with WRAG. That being the case, the AGM proceeded. None of the existing committee stood for election. A new committee was formed before the end of the AGM.

Special thanks to the retiring Management Committee and acknowledgement of their many years of dedication to WRAG:

Terry Spicer (President since 2016)
Roel von't Steen (Secretary since 2016)
Erica Johnson (Treasurer since 2012)
Nicole Spicer (Catering Officer and Newsletter Editor since 2016)
Mary Parker (Welfare Officer since 2017)

Introducing our new WRAG Management Committee 2023:

Ann Findlay (President)
Adelina Vanderzee (Treasurer)
Liane Schuhen (Secretary)
Michael Pound (Committee Member)
Liz Taylor (Committee Member)

For the members who have yet to renew your memberships, please do so through the normal process, as soon as you are able, so the committee can get a full view of our members and activities moving forward. Being "the new kid on the block", I have no useful news to share at this juncture. Over the next few months, you will more than likely see some changes as the new committee normalises and assess how WRAG can stay viable moving forward. We will bring you further news as soon as we have any worthwhile to share. In the meantime, stay connected using our info email, <a href="mailto:info@wrag.org.au">info@wrag.org.au</a>

I look forward to you working with the new management committee and to your ongoing support. Warm Regards

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