



Tasmanian Association for Residents of
Retirement Villages inc.

Meeting Summary for TARRV Annual General Meeting

Held on 13th August 2025 at 11:00am

Venues: North Venue: Kings Meadows Lions Club , Merino St, Kings Meadows.

Southern Venue: Geilston Bay Boat Club 48 Debonfords Lane, Geilston Bay.

On line via Zoom meeting Platform.

At the annual general meeting of TARRV, Ian presented the President's Annual Report highlighting the committee's work on improving retirement village residents' lives in Tasmania, including implementation of the Retirement Villages Act and various ongoing initiatives. The meeting included the election of office bearers, with Ian Green continuing as President, and a unanimous approval to appoint Ian and Pam Green as Honorary Life Members for their contributions to the organization. Bridget Wilkinson from COTA Tasmania gave a presentation about their advocacy work for older Tasmanians, discussing programs like Care Finder and elder abuse prevention, while addressing concerns about Tasmania's aging population and the need for better support systems.

Next steps

- TARRV Committee: Set up a legal fund with the bank by arranging for all signatories to be present with a copy of the authorizing Minutes.
- TARRV Committee: Change the newsletter frequency from quarterly to every second month to improve information flow.
- TARRV Committee: Monitor the formation of the new government and potential appointment of a Minister for Ageing.
- TARRV Committee: Find a resident from a Launceston retirement village to chair the membership subcommittee. Nigel Burch is happy to do this in the interim.
- Membership Subcommittee: Continue managing the database and membership administration.
- Village Representatives: Notify TARRV when residents have passed away, moved to nursing homes, or left for other reasons to maintain accurate records.
- Jon Hosford: Update the attendance register with all apologies received.
- Jon Hosford: Distribute Bridget Wilkinson's resources or links to online participants.
- Jon Hosford: Add COTA Tasmania's links to the TARRV website.
- Jon Hosford: Work with COTA on seeking funding for professional or ongoing secretarial support for TARRV.
- Nigel Burch: Continue leading the membership subcommittee temporarily.
- Nigel Burch, Jon Hosford, Lorraine Mannion, and Mick Mannion: Manage membership administration and newsletter mailing.
- TARRV Members: Review the draft safety standards guidelines for operators on the TARRV website and provide comments/suggestions.
- Ian: Send Jon the presentation slides and links for the website.
- Ian: Explore expanding the intergenerational digital support program to retirement villages.
- Ian: Explore the possibility of Judy Guyton giving a talk on elder abuse to TARRV members.



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- Ian: Discuss with COTA about potential funding support for TARRV's secretarial needs and village visits.
- Ian: Provide information to Jon about DGR status for grant eligibility.
- COTA Tas: Continue developing a more robust communications plan to promote their free membership.
- COTA: Explore options for restarting the national magazine that members previously valued.
- COTA: Launch their new website with improved usability and information.
- COTA: Help TARRV with legal issues related to their submissions to CBOS.
- COTA: Follow up with Diabetes Tasmania regarding advocacy for Type 2 diabetes continuous glucose monitoring access.
- COTA: Provide information about the Senior Assist program at Legal Aid for elder abuse cases.
- COTA: Send PDF flyers about their services for TARRV to distribute to members.
- COTA: Help facilitate a meeting with CBOS regarding retirement village committee issues.
- TARRV: Coordinate with COTA on organizing a Seniors Week event in the northern suburbs.
- Judy Guyton: Potentially give a talk on elder abuse to the group if they're interested.

MINUTES:

TARRV Annual General Meeting

Ian opened the Annual General Meeting of TARRV with Jon Hosford, the secretary, attending remotely from Bundaberg. Jon read out a list of apologies from members who couldn't attend, followed by Ian who added a few more names. Ian requested that village representatives inform the secretary when members pass away to keep the database updated and avoid sending communications to deceased members' estates.

Attendance:

North Venue:

First Name	Surname	Village
Nigel	Burch	Riverside Retirement Village
Wayne	Holt	Reed Estate
Roger	Soffe	Tamar Valley
Jose	Verhoeven	Arundel Street
Rod	Boon	Glenara Lakes
Tony	Mc Cormack	“
Beverley	Costello	Manor Gardens
Lana	Wall	Garden Village
Christine	Bowen	Glenara Lakes
Frank	Nott	“
Lorraine	Mannion	“



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Janine	Hosking	“
Gary	Hosking	“
Glennis	Soffe	Tamar Valley Court
Roy & Betty	Davies	“
Judy	Guyton	Ainslie
Stewart	Leaman	Reed Estate
Lynne	Henty	Glenara lakes
Terry	Conrades	Garden Village
Adrienne	Dabner	Garden Village
Anne	Harding	Ainslie
Julianne	Dakin	Glenara Lakes
Eric	Miller	“
Janet	Day	Garden Village
Janet	Hoare	Reed Estate
Kitty	Ranson	Ainslie

26 members

South Venue:

First Name	Surname	Village
Ian	Green	Glenara Lakes
Pam	Green	“
John	Behrens	QV Care
Peter	Williams	Sandown
Rowena	Mackean	QV Care
Roslyn	Behrens	QV Care
Ken	Hodges	Lady Clark Centre
Margaret	Youl	Lady Clark Centre
Noelene	Lincoln	“
Joselyn	Patman	Mary Ogilvy
Peter	Patman	“
Frances	Russon	“
Vicki	Harrison	Barossa Park
Amy	Jackman	Springhaven
Carol	McGhee	“
Ian	Excell	Claremont
Margaret	Cormack	Queen Victoria
Hilary	Neale	Queen Victoria
Jan	Davis	Beltana Court
Brigid	Wilkinson	COTA – invited Guest

20 members



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Zoom Private Online:

First Name	Surname	Village
Jon	Hosford	Glenara Lakes
Alan	Thompson	Docking Court
Greg & Beth	Chapman	Glenara Lakes
Brian & Caroline	Morton	Grange Villas
Noel & Gayle	Vock	Karingal

8 members

Apologies:

First Name	Surname	Village
John & Helen	Birkett	Glenara Lakes
Kate	Domeney	St Canice
Josephine & Barrie	Dare	Springhaven
Mary & Michael	Sharp	“
Patricia	Corby	Fairway Rise
Lynne	Kemp	“
Thea	Helderman	Lady Clark Centre
Anthony & Maureen	Coombe	One Hill Estate
Sally & John	Archer	Glenara Lakes
Richard	Duckett	Manor Gardens
Judith	Jones	Sandown
Marjorie	Cuthbert	Queen Victoria Care
Rowena	Mackean OAM	“
Gai	Cross	”
Heather	Dickenson	“
Maria	Dinon	“
Rosemary	Dobber	“
Paul	Dobber	“
Peter	Hill	“
Kaye	Johnson	“
Garth	Johnson	“
Pat	Kaye	“
Dorelle	Lancaster	“
John	McKenzie	“
June	McQueeney	“
Len	Noy	“
Anne	Pyke	“
Ken	Stewart	“
Rae	Stewart	“
Carmel	Swan	“
Susan	Thompson	“
Beverley	Tindall	“



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Jeanette	Luddington	“
Beverley	Marshall	Riverside RV
Laurie	Cornish	Lady Clark Centre
Penny	Greeny	Mary Ogilvy
David & Gill	Fleming	QV Homes
John & Elwyn	Adams	Barossa Park
Patricia	Mitchell	“
Zaffira	Grillis	“
Keith	Bolton	“
Jan & Don	Peterson	Glenara Lakes
Michael	Mannion	“
Barbara	Campbell	Ainslie
Irene	Amos	“
Shirley	Britton	“
Don	Blizzard	Tamar Valley Court
Margaret	Hosford	Glenara Lakes
Lesley	Thompson	Reed Estate
Dennis & Judith	Smith	Glenara lakes

Attendance at the meeting: 54 members **Apologies:** 60 members

Attendance AGM Minutes

Jon Hosford acknowledged several attendees online and read out a list of apologies from absent members. The minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting were confirmed by vote, and Jon mentioned he had corrected an incomplete attendance register in the Minutes circulated to members that was pointed out by a member.

Tasmanian Retirement Village Legislation Update

Ian Green presented the President's Annual Report, highlighting TARRV Committee's work to improve retirement village residents' lives in Tasmania. He discussed the implementation of the Retirement Villages Act, with major changes to CPI definition and meeting minutes requirements and noted that TARRV made submissions to CBOS regarding regulations review. Ian mentioned ongoing discussions about expressions of interest for potential residents, plans for a joint TARRV- CBOS seminar after village audits, development of a legislation compliance checklist, and participation in national retirement village association meetings. He also noted that TARRV has created draft safety guidelines for building and refurbishment standards, available on the TARRV website for comment (<https://tarrv.org.au/members/news/>).



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Annual Meeting and Officer Elections

Ian reported on the need for a chairperson for the membership subcommittee that already has two volunteers, with the essential requirement being computer skills to use the TARRV database. Nigel Burch is prepared to act in this role until an alternative is found.

Financial Report

The treasurer, Nigel Burch, presented the annual financial report showing an increase from \$8,000 to \$14,700, noting TARRV has no anticipated large expenditures and can apply for grants when needed.

Jon Hosford conducted the election of office bearers, announcing that Ian Green will continue as President, Nigel Burch as Senior Vice President and Treasurer, Peter Williams as Vice President, Jon Hosford as Secretary and Public Officer (to be a TARRV account signatory, replacing Dennis Smith), with committee members Roger Soffe, Wayne Holt, Hugh Murdoch, and new members John Behrens and Noelene Lincoln.

Motion:

That Nigel F Burch (Treasurer), Ian R Green (President) and Jonathan N Hosford

(Secretary) shall be signatories to the TARRV CBA accounts:

Account Name: Tasmanian Association for Residents of Retirement Villages Inc.

BSB: 067603, Account Number: 1051 8413;

Term Deposit Account :

BSB 067 603 Account Number : 5012 4881.

Dennis Smith is to be removed as a signatory to these accounts.

Motion proposed by Peter Williams, seconded by Wayne Holt.

Carried

Membership Updates and Honorary Appointments

Ian thanked the membership subcommittee, which was led by Dennis Smith with assistance from Jon Hosford, Lorraine Mannion, and Mick Mannion. This sub-committee will continue to assist with newsletter mailings. Ian thanked the village representatives for their work and asked them to notify the committee when members pass away, or leave, to avoid sending unnecessary communications. Ian announced plans to change the newsletter from quarterly to bi-monthly to improve information flow, noting that while this will impact finances slightly, sending newsletters in bundles to village representatives has already reduced mailing costs.



Honorary Life membership Recognition

Vice President, Peter Williams, presented a notice of motion moved by Neville Grady and seconded by Wayne Holt to appoint Ian and Pam Green as Honorary Life members in recognition of Ian's role in establishing the organization and Pam's supporting efforts, which was unanimously approved. Peter Williams expressed gratitude for the work done by members, particularly highlighting one individual's exceptional contributions. He clarified the difference between Lifetime membership (which costs ten times the annual subscription) and Honorary Life membership (given in recognition of service). Ian expressed his gratitude for this recognition.

Ian welcomed Bridget Wilkinson, CEO of COTA Tasmania, who was to give a presentation on the work of COTA.

Tasmania's Aging Population Advocacy

Bridget, who leads the team at COTA Tasmania, introduced the organization as an advocacy group promoting the rights and interests of older people in Tasmania. She explained that COTA has been around for 60 years, with offices in Hobart, Launceston, and the Northwest, working closely with government, education providers, and community organizations. Bridget discussed Tasmania's rapidly aging population and the need for better planning and systems to support older people, noting that one in four Tasmanians will soon be over 65. She advocates for a dedicated Minister for Aging, expressing concern that aging issues are often incorrectly viewed solely as health problems rather than broader social and structural challenges.

Tasmania's Aging Population: Challenges and Opportunities

Bridget discussed Tasmania's aging population, noting that 40% are over 50 with an average age of 42, which she sees as an opportunity rather than a problem. She explained COTA's programs, including Care Finder (helping navigate the complex aged care system), elder abuse prevention (addressing that one in six older Australians experience some form of abuse), and ageism awareness workshops. Bridget also described a new intergenerational project connecting students with older people in residential care to provide digital support, which is already showing positive results in building skills, confidence, and potential career interests in aged care.

COTA Advocacy and Seniors Week:

Bridget discussed the organization's policy submissions, advocacy work, and Seniors Week activities. She explained that COTA has recently made submissions on issues affecting long-term caravan park residents, accessible voting, energy, and aged care reforms. Bridget mentioned that COTA has been running Seniors Week for 13 years, with over 400 mostly low or no-cost events planned for this year. She invited feedback from attendees about gaps in support services, with members raising concerns about diabetes treatment access, elder abuse response, and funding for retirement village organizations. Bridget committed to follow up and to assist TARRV to access channels for potential on-going support.



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Links to COTA and its activities are to be placed on the TARRV website.

President Ian, thanked Brigid for her presentation.

The meeting concluded at 12:15pm.

Jon.Hosford

Hon. Secretary TARRV

28/08/2025

Signed

Ian Green, President