

SOUTHERN OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB
REVIEW OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Obedience training remained our core business and agility sessions continued to operate when weather allowed. Rally courses were set up and assistance was provided to those who needed it. These courses were promoted to compliment the obedience classes and focus the dogs on the handlers. Instructors provided the regular training and again, an Instructors course was conducted through the mentor system.

Two double obedience and rally trials were scheduled for the Financial year. These two events were still able to run, albeit under COVID restrictions. Although run under different conditions to our traditional trials, these were still very successful with high entries and great weather. We greatly appreciate all the support of our members in coming to these events to support the Club and help out. Our members always achieve well during these competitions with many high scores and successful rounds.

Rental Income

Back in the late 1990's the Club secured a telecommunications tower in connection with Optus, Vodaphone and Telstra. Since then the Board has continued to negotiate contracts and terms of lease. These lease agreements are vital to ensuring the continued surplus and financial stability of our Club. The Board continues to re-invest a majority of these funds and make use of the remaining funds to cover the costs of capital works and long-term projects. The rental income for the 2021 financial year amounted to \$36,908.

Membership

The Club membership continues to fluctuate over the years. This is mostly driven by the demands of the public in being responsible pet owners and the conditions of ownership as placed upon them by councils. This year the membership has increased to a higher number of members. At the end of the financial year there were 728 memberships and 1355 members. This is the first year our membership has been this large for a number of years. It is with hope the trend continues to allow our club to grow.

Grounds & Clubroom

The grounds continue to be cared for by our grounds man. Ken regularly mows, tidies, trims broken trees and keeps the venue looking its' best. The club has employed an agency to continue with the cleaning process for the clubrooms and around the grounds.

During the year the club participated in the **Ritchies Community Benefits** scheme as an additional source of income. These contributions are direct deposited to our accounts each month and assist in offsetting the Bank fees and Merchant costs.

Volunteer Helpers

Southern operates on a small team of hard working and dedicated volunteers. These people actively take on roles as Board members and Instructors while others simply put up their hand to help out during training days and trial days. We are always grateful for their support and dedication they put towards helping provide you, the member, with the facilities available.

Each year the Board recognises the people who volunteer to assist with the running of the Club. This year the members were provided a night out at the Club's expense. The Club also provides for Board members and Instructors amenities during the year.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2020

Financial Position

After bringing into account interest generated from the Club's investment accounts and the telephone rental income, the Club achieved an overall surplus of **\$7,580** compared with last years' surplus of \$1,086. No provision for tax was considered necessary.

Trading – Bar, Kitchen, Store

The Club operates a members service through the store, bar and kitchen during training hours and on trial days. During the year, the club closed down for a significant period due to COVID restriction. At the end of the financial year, these services made an overall trading profit of \$758.

Capital Expenditure

At the time of writing this report, no contracts have been entered.

*** At the time of writing this report the State of Victoria has been declared a State of Emergency due to the significant health crisis with COVID-19. This crisis in Victoria and around the world has resulted in the shut down of all non-essentials including the Club. This will, again, greatly impact the club moving towards the 2022 year.

The Board made a decision to extend all memberships by one calendar year – this will result in lower renewal figures however it is hoped members will stay on and renew a further year to support the club.

On behalf of the Club's Board of Management, I submit this report to the members,

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by –

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Ross Carlson – Treasurer

Operating Result

The profit from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to

Year ended 31 March 2021	Year ended 31 March 2020
\$ 7,580	\$ 1,086

**SOUTHERN OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT ELECTIONS
2021-22**

Term of office: August 2021 – August 2022

PRESIDENT: Ann Holt

VICE PRESIDENT: Keith Baskin

SECRETARY: Lisa Wadham

TREASURER: Ross Carlson

ASSISTANT TREASURER: Birdie Carlson

BOARD MEMBERS: Les Kovach
Sue Kovach
Ross Hunt
Pam Wilkinson
Ray Allen
Hans Bengtsson