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2025 President's Report

1. Well, That's local sport for ya!

What a mixed year we've had on The Hill.

It's been a stella year for Netball with our A Grade and D Grade teams taking out premierships and B & C grades being in the finals mix. The preparations for next year have started well. Selection trials are done and dusted, and it seems that about 40 women and girls will miss out in 2026 as our Netball program continues to promote Red Hill as a destination of choice.

Our Women's Football squad, plagued as it was with a shortage of numbers, has continued to improve its performance as our playing skills develop further.

Our Men's program has not enjoyed the same level of success with only 2 senior team wins. Our Development squad played finals and our U19 team was very competitive and as many of the boys were bottom age we are anticipating an U19 resurgence in 2026.

As promotion and relegation however is based solely on the performance of our senior men's team, the Club has been demoted back to Division 2 for 2026.

Off the field our Club's finances have rebounded to a positive ca $50K cash positive with a turnover of nearly $700K. The result was thanks to the continued support of our sponsors and patrons and to the hard work of our volunteers.

2. **Thanks**

Nothing changes I guess, and the Club expresses its appreciation and thanks to our volunteers, Committee, Coaches, team managers, doctors, trainers, Green Shed / Canteen Warriors timekeepers and ground markers and of course our sponsors and Coaches Club members.

Special mention to the cooperative support we receive from the Junior Football Club and the Cricket Club.

Our President's lunches at home games again proved popular and thanks to our marvellous providers of arguable the best quality football lunches in the state.

Port Phillip Estate

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Movida

The Epicurean

Brigitte Hafner of Tedesca

Lindenderry

Many Little

The Club could not function without the support of our key sponsors and we thank in particular Andrew Hines at Kay & Burton, Lindsay McCall at Paringa Estate, Steve Withers at Complete Function Hire, John McEncroe at Kiss Print Services, Sam Coverdale & Emma Phillips at Many Little, Paul Nitas at Hillview, Adriana Zuccala at Supra Capital John Plumridge at Maw Civil, Peter Roberts at Little Rebel, Danielle Pearce at Merry People and the Bendigo bank.

We also thank our event sponsors, arena fence advertisers and community partners

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Thanks too to our 45 coaches and support staff who put our 9 senior teams on the field and court each week and to the dozen or so who have tirelessly supported the junior netball program which has become part of the senior club for the first time this year.
The incorporation of junior netball has supplied a fresh source of supporters and volunteers and has been a no-brainer when considering the unnecessary waste of committee resources in duplicating functions and the continued progression of our club as a genuine whole of community enterprise.

3. **Under 17 Academy**

The Academy for aspiring footballers is again being conducted over the 2025 summer with the support of Estate of the late Stephen Bransden.

4. **MPFNL League Awards**

13 players & coaches were recognised by the League this year including Steve Murray as A Grade netball coach of the year. I also wish to advise our supporters that Steve Murray has been appointed as our head Netball Coach for the next 3 years and we are delighted that Steve can continue to build the program he has been instrumental in establishing

In women's footy

Kristine Bordador, Jemma Lewis & Charli Dobson were all selected in the Div 2 Team of the Year.

In Netball

Sacha McDonald and Elli Brasser were selected in the A Grade Team of the Year.

Sacha was awarded the A Grade MVP and other individual award recipients included Amber Grant, Molli Hooper, Tessa Moncrief and Piper Chase.

Special mention to Sacha being awarded a Mavericks contract. We wish her every success .

In Men's footy

Dan Frampton, Charlie Robinson Clay and Michael Greichen were all selected in the Div 1 Team of the Year and Jack Gosling and Michale Greichen were placed in the B&F voting.

5. **Jamie Mollo**

After 8 years at the Hill, we say a massive thank you to Jamie Mollo, who has stepped down as Senior Men's Football Coach

Since 2018, Jamie has poured his heart and soul into our club. He's not only led from the sidelines but has completely reshaped our men's football program – driving standards, building belief, and leaving a legacy that will inspire generations to come.

On and off the field, Jamie has arguably been the most successful coach in our Club's history, achieving:

- **2 Grand Finals (2018 & 2019)**
- **1 Premiership (2019)**
- **6 Finals appearances (4 wins & 2 losses, with an average winning margin of 31 points and an average losing margin of just 10 points)**
- **126 games coached at Red Hill**
- **57% win/loss record**
- **Competing in Division 1 since 2020 – highlighted by that unforgettable first match as newly promoted Division 2 Premiers, defeating reigning Div 1 Premiers Dromana**
- **2 x Coach of the Year (2019 Div 2 & 2024 Div 1)**

Beyond the numbers, Jamie has been a driving force in developing the community-focused culture that defines our

club. He has been a staunch supporter of Indigenous Round and Pride Round, while his partner Marija has made an outstanding contribution to our Reconciliation Action Plan and the promotion of Indigenous Round. Jamie has also championed women's football and netball.

The Club extends its heartfelt thanks to Jamie and his family who will always hold a special place in the Red Hill story.

At this year's Presentation Night Jamie was awarded the Van Roy Award for his outstanding contribution.

6. **Life Membership**

Daryl Holmes has been awarded Life Membership which was presented at the Presentation Night event

Daryl, a former Red Hill player, has been an active Committee member since 2018 and in that time has rendered invaluable service to the Club in the following areas:

Apparel

- **Taken responsibility for assisting with apparel and merchandise design, for ordering stocking , storing and sales**
- **Extended the range of apparel and merchandise in accordance with the Club's redesigned logo**
- **Taken full responsibility for U17 & Transition Academy apparel as well as men's and women's football and Netball**
- **Closely liaised with the Junior Football Club in aligning their apparel requirements with those of the senior club**

Ground Security & Maintenance

- **Taken on responsibility of match day ground security including looking after gate access**
- **Lead responsibility for all maintenance issues in general and refrigeration in particular**
- **leading lock down requirements for training, functions and match days**
- **supervising Square payment system access and maintenance**

Match Day

- **Set up & oversee coffee & merchandise match day sales and staff supervision**
- **Assist with player apparel requirements including jersey ordering storage and allocation for all teams**

General

- **Assisting netball teams where required**
- **helping with Membership ticket sales**
- **establishing player voucher rewards system**
- **organising past players functions**
- **supervising off season storage requirements.**

7. **Club Award**

The Best Club person ward this year went to the McEncoe family of their continued tireless support of our Club.

7.Committee

Our expanded Committee this year consisted of

Graham Sherry, President
Mark Hopkinson, Vice President, Red Hill Market
Alex Omerod, Vice President & Junior Netball
Raelene Morgan, Secretary
Jonah Siversen, Vice President, MPFNL representative
Shawen Roberstein, Treasurer, Red Hill Market
Daryl Holmers, Apparel
Owen Shaw, Budget supervision
Roger Siversen, Men's Football
Greg Armstrong, Women's Football
Courtney Douglas, Netball
Dan McNamara, Arena Fence advertising'
Harry Wynn-Pope, Welfare, Balnarring races
Libby McEncroe, Selection Dinners

We are losing 2 valuable Committee members, and our thanks go out to them for their generous support.

Courtney Douglas filled the netball liaison role this year and our thanks go to Courtney for her contribution.

Mark Hopkinso is also stepping down after 4 years. Mark has been Vice President over that period, and his assistance has been extremely helpful to me personally. In addition, he has provided his considerable experience in the hospitality sector and sponsorship and has been instrumental in making the new Red Hill market presence a

success. His contribution to the Committee will be sorely missed and we thank Mark for his help.

8. 2026 & beyond

Our emphasis next year will be on

- **Reinvigorating our Wellbeing Program & promoting the reconciliation round**
- **Lifting the performance of our whole club through recruiting additional volunteers and encouraging past players to stay involved with the Club and the innovative use of new technologies including AI where possible.**
- **Building on our Netball successes**
- **Reinvigorating our Strategic Plan**
- **Promoting our women's team**
- **Bedding down our new men's coaching panel headed up by Ben Murphy**

Graham Sherry

(November 2025)