# AGM Report and other news...

# a little CRC

Our thanks to NCRC members who returned proxy forms, as well as those who turned up in person for our 2020/21 AGM held on 30th November. On the day of the AGM we had 119 current members. This include Family and Business Memberships which means 200 or more residents directly support their CRC. For this we are truly thankful!

The AGM featured Christmas pudding, a glossy annual report, a video demonstration of some of the capabilities of the new NCRC mini broadcasting studio, and the usual Chairman's, Treasurer's and Manager's reports.

In other news the NCRC just secured grant funding for another trainee position. This is thanks to the Government of Western Australia. We will advertise this position publicly in 2022 and the new trainee will commence during the first half of 2022. Come and talk to the NCRC Manager to ask questions or express your interest in this position.

Here are some excerpts from the AGM reports...

## Chairman's Report

The Chairman outlined the way NCRC met the challenges of the Covid era, and the \$42,000 provided in financial assistance to Northcliffe residents through the Shire of Manjimup's Covid Emergency Relief project. The NCRC provided more assistance referrals than any other agent in the Shire, and we are proud of our part in helping out the most financially vulnerable Northcliffe residents.

The NCRC itself received Covid financial support from a number of sources, the majority of which was reinvested into large capital projects: The Meeting Space/ Beanbag cinema, The Common Room, and the Mini-Broadcasting studio. In 2021/22 we have also invested almost \$20,000 in new office equipment (a new guillotine and printer).

We think Northcliffe is proud of their CRC. I am proud to have played a part in that, alongside the other committee volunteers and our staff.

#### Manager's Report

The Manager reported on emerging from our pandemic focus and turning our eyes to the future.

Use of 'The Meeting Space', 'The Common Room', 'The Bean Bag Cinema', is already excellent and should grow naturally.

We can relax about these well made community investments.

The Manager documented three challenges the CRC faces:

1. Staff skills keeping ahead of community skills so we can continue to teach and lead. 2. Declining activities such as kids computing. 3. The Karri Pigeon facing an uncertain future once current volunteers retire.

Our new investment in a Mini-Broadcasting studio could inform solutions to all of these problems:

We will leverage the ability to create quality audio and video content to develop new activities for the NCRC and new community and business opportunities for Northcliffe.

One way we plan to do this is by developing a Northcliffe magazine program, tentatively titled 'The Northcliffe naturally Show'.

The Manager went into some detail about this in the AGM video presentation which you can view here: youtu.be/5Zd4fk5Pruo

If we succeed in delivering on our many ambitious plans you can rely on your local CRC being relevant into the 2020s and continuing to fulfil our mission.

# Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported on the effects of Covid support and asset investments on our Profit and Loss and Balance Sheets, and summarised our income:

In 2020/21 we received \$23,004 in Trainee Support grants and additional financial support for employment of our trainees from the State and Federal governments.

The majority of our income continues to be in the form of our Service Agreement with the WA State Government, \$96,210 in 2020/21. Our Human Services (Centrelink) Access Point has historically been poorly funded with \$5,219 received from the Federal Government in 2020/21 but we are happy to report than in 2021/22 we have had the first major increase in over a decade for this item, to \$8,640.

# Online AGM Materials

The Annual Report is available at the NCRC or online at: northcliffe.org.au/resources/ncrc/2020-21%20annual%20report.pdf

View the AGM video presentation: voutu.be/5Zd4fk5Pruo



## **Our Vision**

We want Northcliffe to be a home for new business. community and social enterprises.

**Our Mission** 

We will support this vision by providing access to technology, information, educational and creative opportunities.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10am to 5pm ● Thursday, Friday 10 am to 6pm



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