



Southern Cross ALPINE LODGE

Southern Cross Alpine Lodge Directors' Report For the year ended 31 December 2024 (AGM 3.00pm 24 May 2025)

Unless the Lord builds the house, those that do so labour in vain: Psalm 127 verse 1.

As directors we commence and conclude each board meeting with prayer for wisdom.

Our prayer is that our building will be used as a focal point for the building up of God's people and that each of us as members will show by our relationships with others something of the saving grace of Jesus. That's where the word, *unless* comes in. *Unless* the Lord is our helper we labour in vain.

However, it is not only the directors who labour, there are so many other members and friends who give of their time for this unique ministry. Southern Cross Alpine Lodge is people. Some are listed below:

Staff: We were blessed to have as our *Chefs:* Julie, Debbie, Tanya, Stephanie and Scott. *Hosts:* Jarrod and Tash, Chris and Sarah, Phil and Marcia, Peter and Alison, Brian and Julie, Ann and Kevin, Jeremy and Melissa.
Cleaners: Sarah, Otto, and John Riordan.

What a team? Thanks for your God given gifts and for sharing these with others.

Bookings: Once again, a very big thanks to Brian. Brian continues to respond to the constant flow of enquiries with speed and efficiency, together with his forensic accounting ability. Thanks so much Brian

Maintenance: A very big thanks to Jarrod for heading up the maintenance team and for the huge amount of work he gave us. Chris took over when Jarrod left as director. Thanks, Chris, for being available and for the way you have taken on this role with enthusiasm and wisdom. Some jobs included: Cleaning of the flue for fire safety, Installation of a pot washing tap in the kitchen, repairs to plumbing equipment including dual-flush toilets and the ladies' bathroom sink, painting of the front exterior and several internal walls, oiling of external decks and internal windows.

Memberships: We welcomed some new members during the year and farewelled others. Our current maximum PBS membership numbers are Class 1: 130 and Class 2: 100. There are a few PBS participations available for purchase. Please contact us if you would like to purchase additional (or sell). A reminder that we are a Christian lodge and a letter of good standing from your local minister is needed for all applications.

Constitution: We remain committed to writing a new constitution, but progress has been delayed. Thanks, Jeremy, for the wisdom and work you have done on this prior to stepping down as director.

The Alpine Church: Our lodge continues to support this God given ministry. Where else can you ski/board to the door, enjoy a bbq then take part in a service proclaiming Jesus? Bbq at noon and the service at 12.30. Thanks to our chefs for cooking the sausages. Thanks to Margie for providing the hot drinks and cookies

each week. We commenced the winter/spring season as always with an Opening of the Snow Season Service on Saturday 8 June 2024. Perisher staff, ski patrol, fire + rescue, and SMRC Mayor joined us. Then each Sunday our regular service continued until early October when the Resort closed.

Director Changes: We sadly farewelled Jarrod Denny during the year. Thanks again Jarrod for the time you were able to give us. We really appreciated your wisdom and hands on work and for keeping our building in excellent shape. You are missed. Prior to this AGM Jeremy Freeman stood down as a director. Thanks, Jeremy, for your governance wisdom and for progressing work on our constitution. You also will be greatly missed.

We welcomed Stewart Vella as director. Stewart is now Treasurer. Thanks for joining the team, Stewart, we really appreciate your insights and wisdom.

Ann Collins was appointed as Secretary. Thanks, Ann, for taking on this important position.

Finally, after some 42 years being on the board and chairing the board for decades it is time for Graham Morrison to step down. I leave this position having seen our work change and mature over many years. My reflections on Southern Cross Ski Chalet over the years, (now Southern Cross Alpine Lodge) are available at:
www.southerncrossalpinelodge.au/images/uploads/SCAL-AGM-GrahamMorrisonReflections-20250524.pdf.

Thanks for your support and fellowship as together we have been privileged to “built the house” that the Lord has made.

Your directors have met either in person or on Zoom on 8 occasions during the year.



Directors: Graham Morrison (Chair), Ann Collins (Secretary), Brian Gaetjens (Bookings), Stewart Vella (Treasurer), Chris Hinchcliffe (Building & Safety).