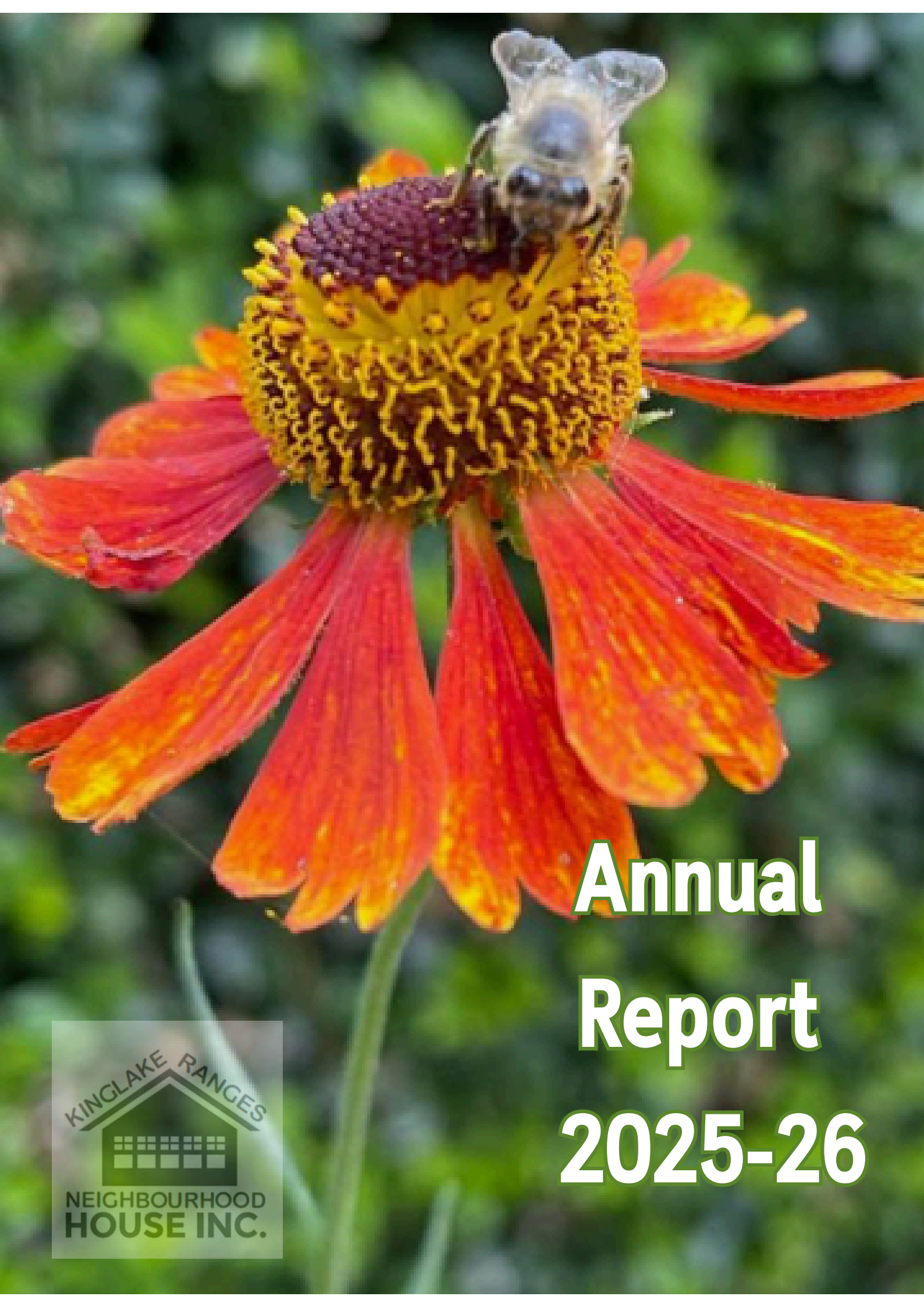




Annual Report 2025-26



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Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House is proud to acknowledge the Taungurung and Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the Kinglake Ranges on which we reside. We pay our respects to First Nations leaders and elders, past, present and emerging, who are the keepers of history, traditions, knowledge and culture of this land. We commit to working in collaboration with traditional custodians of this land in a spirit of reconciliation and partnership.



Governance and Leadership

Committee of Management Report

2025-2026 has been a multi faceted approach to improving your Neighbourhood House and working to ensure its ongoing sustainability.

This involved:

- Substantial strategic planning and strengthening governance
- Implementation of a change management structure
- Recruiting of new staff
- Assessment of operational procedures
- General support of upgraded systems for staff and volunteers

Last years AGM indicated the various disruptions to the smooth functioning of this entity and with the appointment of a new five-person committee, many of those issues have been addressed with substantive action taken, after due diligence and consultations with Neighbourhood Houses Victoria and other professional advisors.

The overarching aim has been to ensure the ongoing financial viability of this important community Hub; and to encourage increased services for and engagement with our community.

As we move forward the Management report in this document demonstrates the increased enrolments of classes, courses and events and a growing collaboration with other community groups and key stakeholders.

We are moving forward with new staff – Manager, Corienne Nichols and Ainsley Hanlan, as well as new volunteers to complement those who have given so generously of their time and continue to do so.

The Committee is one based on a skills matrix – in some areas, we have multi-talented individuals, elsewhere these members are specialist in their skills. In all areas there is mutual respect and consultation. This has strengthened our ability to complement the efforts of the staff, where required.

Recently the House has been exceeding the engagement hours requirement under our funding agreement with the State Government. We continue to advocate for increased State government funding to keep pace with growing costs related to service delivery.

We encourage members of the House to support the activities proposed where you can; share the program of what's on with friends and neighbours; and continue to work positively with us to grow this important community asset.

We welcome your input, ideas and suggestions, so please don't hesitate to connect with the staff (or if appropriate with the Committee) and we will collectively make the best decision for the House.

The Committee of Management
Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House

Treasurers Report

The 2025/26 financial year has been a period of significant change for the House, including changes to staffing, operations and the introduction of new programs and initiatives.

The financial year concluded with a deficit of \$35,495. This result reflects the significant operational costs incurred during the year, particularly in relation to staffing and overheads, combined with a notable reduction in income compared with the 2024/25 financial year.

During the second half of the financial year the House operated without permanent operational leadership.

While this presented challenges, it also provided an opportunity to review our operations, identify areas for improvement and realign our resources with the future needs of the organisation.

Since the appointment of new staff in May and June 2026 we have undertaken a considered restructuring of our operations. This process has focused on improving efficiency, strengthening our programs and developing a capable and sustainable team for the future.

Revenue

Revenue decreased by approximately 32% compared with the previous financial year. This was primarily attributable to a reduction in grant applications and funding received from State Government, the conclusion of ACFE funding and a decrease in fee-for-service income resulting from lower program attendance during July to December 2025.

In response to the decline in attendance, the House introduced subsidised courses and activities during January to June 2026. This initiative was successful resulting in an 80% increase in attendance and demonstrating the value of making programs more accessible to our community.

Expenditure

Overall, expenditure remained broadly consistent with the previous financial year. Like all other entities we have experienced cost increases in all operational areas.

Additional expenditure was incurred in connection with the Op Shop changeover including the rebranding and transformation of the shop into a more welcoming and community-focused space.

Financial Position

Despite the operating deficit the House continues to maintain a strong financial position. At the end of the financial year the House held \$430,569 in cash, with total net assets of \$475,664 and liabilities of \$104,453.

The majority of our liabilities relate to unspent grant funds, accounts payable and the recognition on the balance sheet of funds held on behalf of our Auspice Groups.

Acknowledgements

I would like to sincerely thank all of our funders, community members and local businesses who have supported the House through partnerships, donations and other contributions throughout the year. I would also like to acknowledge and thank our Auspice Groups, Op Shop and House volunteers, past and present staff and Committee of Management members for their ongoing commitment, contribution and support.

Jodie Jackson

Treasurer – Committee of Management

Managers Report

As community needs and funding environments continue to evolve, we have embraced new ways of working, strengthened our partnerships and looked for opportunities to make the most of available resources. Through this approach, the House has continued to expand its reach and reinforce its role as a welcoming and inclusive community hub where people can connect, learn, participate and access support.

One of my first priorities was to engage with local producers and expand the Foodshare program to our community. Meeting with volunteers, participants, tutors, partners and stakeholders has been fundamental in shaping the direction of the House and ensuring our programs and activities remain responsive to the needs of our community. Our engagement continues to grow, with the House exceeding its required 80 hours of community engagement each week, while our open hours have increased to 54 hours per week.

Our volunteers continue to be at the heart of everything we do. We have welcomed new volunteers and strengthened our volunteer base across Food Share, the Op Shop, courses and community activities. Their generosity, skills and commitment are invaluable, they are the people who transform the House from a physical space into a genuine and vibrant community hub.

Food Share has continued to expand as an important community program, providing practical assistance while also creating opportunities for connection and community participation. The generous support of partners, including Pace Farm, Plenty valley Produce and FlourFlower has also played an important role in enabling us to continue providing this valuable service to our community. The Op Shop has increased opening hours, generous community donations, improved merchandising and the dedication of our volunteers has contributed to increased community engagement, the volunteers work autonomously and feel empowered to make the shop their own. Importantly, the Op Shop is much more than a retail outlet. It provides affordable shopping options, encourages reuse and sustainability, creates volunteering opportunities and provides another welcoming point of connection for the community.

Our Winter Warmers program has been a particular highlight, providing not only a meal, but an important opportunity for people to come together, socialise and build connections.

I have actively developed relationships with local businesses, community organisations, health and wellbeing providers, Rotary, Kinglake Ranges Arts, Landcare, the Dindi Collective and other key local stakeholders. These relationships have created new opportunities, strengthened existing programs and helped position the Neighbourhood House as an active and connected member of the broader Kinglake Ranges community into the future.

While some programs have naturally experienced varying levels of participation, this has provided valuable insight into what our community is looking for. Rather than simply continuing with programs because they have traditionally been offered, we are taking a more responsive approach - listening, evaluating and adapting. This ensures our program calendar remains relevant, sustainable and reflective of the community we serve.

The work of a Neighbourhood House extends well beyond delivering courses or providing services. It is about creating opportunities for people to meet, reducing social isolation, supporting people when they need a helping hand, encouraging lifelong learning, fostering participation and creating a place where people feel welcomed and connected.

Looking ahead, I am excited about the opportunities available to the House.

Our focus will continue to be on building strong community connections, growing and supporting our volunteer base, developing programs that respond to community needs, strengthening our systems and governance, maintaining strong compliance and accountability, and continuing to listen to the people we are here to serve. The House has a committed team, passionate volunteers, supportive partners and a community that values the role we play.



Strategic Direction

OUR VISION

Connecting Community. Enriching Lives.

MISSION

To be accountable, inclusive, responsive and accessible.

OUR PURPOSE

1. Provide a welcoming and supported environment for individual and group participation.
2. Promote and support the development of a sense of community spirit and involvement within the Kinglake Ranges, to strengthen local partnerships and community connection.
3. Secure funding and support for the development of services, programs, and other activities (including material aid) that are accessible, low cost and designed to meet community needs.
4. Provide courses and workshops that encourage lifelong learning across the Kinglake Ranges.
5. Provide a non-political, non-sectarian environment for community participation and inclusion.
6. Promote and support volunteering across the Kinglake Ranges to build local capacity.
7. Support and advocate for community development initiatives across the Kinglake Ranges.

OUR VALUES

- **Community Led** - We learn from each other and share what we know.
- **Integrity and accountability** – Underpins the work we do.
- **Inclusive** - Every person is valued and accepted.
- **Responsive** - We listen to community and support local community initiatives.
- **Accessible** - Safe and welcoming environment that connects the Community.

Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc

2025 - Real Impact. Real Value.



INCOME

\$649,193



VALUE

\$1,169,675



**This figure includes
the value of:**

Improved quality of life through social connection:
\$195,750

Volunteer contributions: **\$403,677**

Emergency relief provided: **\$157,253**

Services provided: **\$63,471**

Adult Community Education: **\$337,191**

Social enterprise goods & services: **\$12,333**



Emergency relief value includes:

- Food and groceries: **\$153,197**
- Food vouchers: **\$756**
- Clothing: **\$1,800**
- Personal care & hygiene items: **\$1,500**



Services value includes:

- Computer/Internet usage: **\$120**
- Facilities use or hire: **\$1,440**
- Résumé assistance: **\$720**
- Auspicing other organisations: **\$1,897**
- Community lunch, frozen or other meals:
\$35,520
- Fee for service activities: **\$23,774**



**This community
value equates to:**

\$1.80 for every \$1 of
income

\$7.17 for every \$1 of Neighbourhood
House Coordination Program funding

Over \$425.34 for every hour the
neighbourhood house is in use



Employment value

2.0 FTE jobs

including 1.4 direct and 0.6 indirect
Full Time Equivalent positions

These values are produced by Neighbourhood Houses Victoria based on data provided by Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc in the 2025 Neighbourhood House Survey. Other intrinsic or positive value determinable valuation method entries are included.

Strategic Plan - highlights

1: Strengthen Neighbourhood Connections

Building on our strong foundation of community engagement, Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House continued to strengthen its role as a welcoming and inclusive community hub. By listening to community interests and emerging needs, we provided opportunities for people of all ages to learn, participate, connect and build confidence. Our diverse programs, courses, workshops and community initiatives supported personal enrichment, practical skills, wellbeing and social connection. Through Foodshare, volunteering, community activities and partnerships, we continued to provide meaningful opportunities for people to access support, contribute, learn new skills and feel a strong sense of belonging.



2: Partnerships and Stakeholder Engagement

Building new partnerships, this year we broadened our collaborative reach and deepened our engagement with local networks, local food producers to support Foodshare, Yea & District Community Health Services to bring the services to the house, improving best health outcomes for community members and re engaged the Dindi Collective to ensure collaboration and resource maximisation. We strengthened ties with grassroots organisations, including the Whittlesea Neighbourhood House, to support coordinated community responses.



Strategic Plan - highlights

3: Pathways to Education

Following a review of our Learn Local program, the House has made the decision not to pursue the program moving forward. Over the past 12 months, we have experienced insufficient enrolments and limited community interest to make continued delivery sustainable. While this is a change from previous years, the decision reflects our commitment to ensuring that the programs we deliver are responsive to the needs and interests of our local community.

Education and learning remain an important part of the purpose of Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House. We will continue to provide opportunities for people to learn new skills, build confidence, connect with others and explore pathways into further education, training and employment. Our current approach includes offering a diverse range of classes, workshops, skills-based activities and community learning opportunities that respond to local interests and needs.

KRNH remains committed to creating accessible pathways to learning and personal development. We will continue to work with community members, local organisations and training providers where opportunities arise.



4: Organisational Capability

This year has seen continued growth in the strength and capacity of Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House. We welcomed two new staff members who bring valuable knowledge, experience and a strong understanding of the community sector. Their skills and commitment have strengthened our team and enhanced our ability to respond to the changing needs of our community.

We welcomed new members to our Committee of Management, bringing a broad and diverse range of knowledge, skills and experience. The use of a skills matrix has helped identify key areas of expertise and ensure the Committee is well positioned to provide effective governance, strategic oversight and informed decision-making. Together our staff, Committee and volunteers are strengthening the foundations of the organisation and positioning KRNH for a sustainable future.





Program Delivery



Kinglake Landcare Group continued with its focus on advocacy and promotion for local environmental issues, and delivering interesting and engaging events for the Kinglake Ranges community that strengthen these themes of appreciation for our local environment.

There was an estimated 1,360 KLG volunteer hours plus 250 community members hours recorded across the 2025/26 financial year. These activities are grouped and outlined below:

Improvement of bushland reserves, roadsides and waterways, and pest control by KLG members

- Nestbox installation and track clearing at Stony Ck, Kinglake West August 2025
- Major Flaxleaf Broom removal at Kinglake Community Centre, Extons Rd November 2025
- Nestbox survey & clearing/pruning path at Stony Ck Reserve, KW January 2026
- Roadside working bee Kinglake West March 2026
- Westbridge Rd Women Weed Walkers to Kinglake year-round cleanup 2025/6.
- King Parrot Pest Animal Cooperative in the catchment incl fox baiting and camera enhanced monitoring of pest and indigenous animals
- Kinglake West Reserve/Rec Road regular maintenance by KLG, MSC, & the Reserve committee incl of Critically Endangered Round-leaf Pomaderris plantings.
- Regular audit/minor maintenance year-round at Recreation Rd, Peregrine Drive Creek Reserve in Kinglake West, Lions Park Bushland Reserve, Lawrey Reserve in Kinglake Central, & Murrays Rd, & No 2 Creek in Kinglake.
- MSC funded weed eradication Stony Ck Res, Kings Rd, Pratts Rd, Marks Rd, Powers Rd, Pratts Rd, Nichols Rd, Peregrine Drive, National Park Rd, Watsons Rd, Kinglake West, Bollygum Park, and Murrays Rd in Kinglake, Campbells Ck Rd in Castella, and Toolangi Bush Reserve October 2025-to April 2026

Events Organised/Attended by KLG members

- Faunascaping Your Garden by Ron Litjens at Beveridge July 2025
- National Tree Day planting at Tooheys Rd, Pheasant Creek July 2025
- National Tree Day webinar/presentation by Ron Litjens Kinglake Library & other July
- Annual Kinglake Lyrebird Survey in KNP July 2025
- Native Fish presentation, Whittlesea LG July 2025
- Powerful Owls presentation by Ron Litjens Whittlesea LG August 2025
- Grassy Woodland guided walk at Growllng Frog Golf Course Wsea LG Sept 2025
- Great Southern Bioblitz survey October 2025
- Rail Trail Bird Survey UGLN October 2025
- Greater Glider presentation by Bertram Lobert Yea River Landcare October 2025.
- Spotlighting at Wombelano Falls UGLN October 2025
- Reptile Survey at Merton October 2025
- Frog id seminar at Kinglake Library then pond survey at KW ponds in November 2025.
- Bat survey at Tourourrong Reservoir November 2025
- Koala Conservation at Yarck November 2025
- Koala Conservation presentation at UGLN AGM November 2025
- Great Victorian Rail Trail walk & survey Limestone December 2025
- Clean Up Australia Day at Wallaby Creek Reserve/Springs in March 2026

Events Organised/Attended by KLG members - Continued

- Art of Deception (Camouflage) by Ron Litjens, Yea Butter Factory March 2026
- Plant ID and nighttime animal presentation in Yakatoon June 2026
- Deer Strategies GBCMA June 2026
- Biodiversity Across the Borders Seminar, Ballarat June 2026
- Other Whittlesea Landcare events during 2025/6
- Annual wildlife survey with fixed motion sensing cameras during April 2026
- Bird Life Australia Yarra to Yea Project incl webinars all year round
- Boxes for Birds project – nestbox installation, monitoring, and recording all year round.
- Regular rail trail planting and weed control works at Whittlesea for Victrack

Round-leaf Pomaderris Project.

- With seed collection, sowing and repotting we have planted and distributed over 1500 Critically Endangered Round-leaf Pomaderris (*P. vacciniifolia*) over the past 10 years. The many current flowering plants locally ensure survival from recent near extinction. Regular audits and maintenance of previous plantings in public reserves & roadsides have been carried out.

Schools

- Kids Teaching Kids Conference at Yea Wetlands September 2025
- Planting at Kinglake Primary School extending habitat corridor October 2025.
- Works at Kinglake Middle Primary School June 2026
- Kinglake Primary School visits June 2026
- Regularly assisting Kinglake Historical Society with school visits to Kinglake Heritage Centre

General

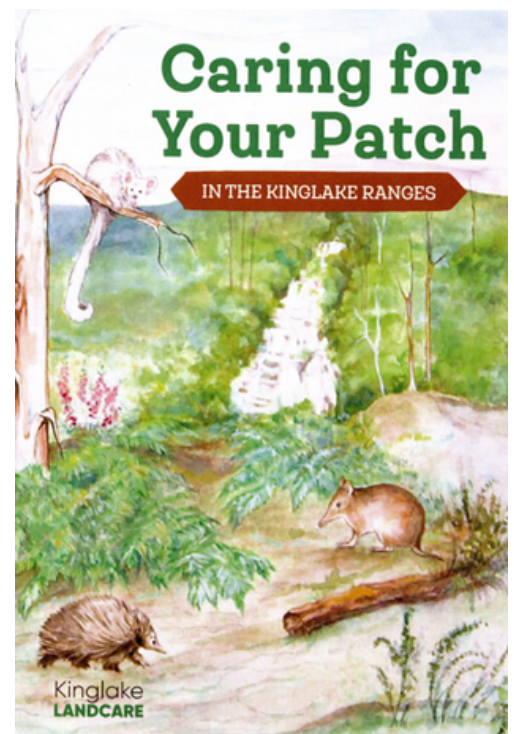
- Planting: 1,370 plants, Weed eradication: 140 hours, Surveys: 12, Pest animal control: 75 hectares.
- Fire Recovery (Longwood Fire)/Fencers Without Boundaries handover throughout 2025/6.
- Tree planting from Tree Project by members on their own properties during 2025/6
- Hundreds of free plants distributed to residents.
- Pheasant Creek Blackberry Action Group throughout 2025/6
- Infra-red cameras continuously used at members' properties/schools/selected locations.
- Continue to provide Kinglake Library with copies of local Landcare flora and fauna surveys and our free publication "Caring for Your Patch in the Kinglake Ranges."
- Continued UGLN pest control support with twice yearly fox baiting also soft jaw and cage traps, and Indian Myna traps.
- Submissions to State Government and instrumentalities re: planned burns.
- Website development meetings for kinglakelandcare.org.au
- Monthly KLG meetings, UGLN Executive and Projects meetings

Promotion

- Monthly articles and photos continue to be submitted for the Kinglake district 'Mountain Monthly' magazine on a variety of environmental topics and Landcare news.
- Our "Caring for Your Patch in the Kinglake Ranges" free booklet was launched in November 2023 and continues to be well received. It is provided free to Kinglake district residents at Landcare events, through the Kinglake Library, KRNH, Whittlesea Library and other outlets.
- Members/friends also attended many other seminars, displays, field trips, intergroup visits related to plants, animals, soils, climate change, threatened species, etc throughout the year.

We look forward to another fun and productive year in 2026/27 caring for the environment and caring for our patch in the Kinglake Ranges.

Roger Cook, President, Kinglake Landcare Group – September 2026



DINDI OPEN STUDIOS (DOS), KINGLAKE RANGES ARTS (KRA), KINGLAKE REGIONAL / KINGLAKE CRAFT CONNECTIONS (KCC) & DINDI ARTISTS COLLECTIVE (DAC).

Dindi Open Studios

The Kinglake Winter Exhibition, held over two days in August 2025, sparked renewed energy and enthusiasm for the arts within our community. With more than 150 entries, 45 participating artists, approximately 30 volunteers (including nine non exhibitors), and over 160 visitors from 39 different suburbs, the exhibition was a resounding success.

We removed the competitive component of the exhibition, thus eliminating the administrative burden and the focus shifted to celebrating creativity and community. Artists were able to showcase their work in a welcoming environment, while visitors enjoyed a relaxed social atmosphere where conversations flourished over refreshments and shared appreciation of local art.

Kinglake Regional Arts

Kinglake Regional Arts (KRA) commenced 2026 with an afternoon tea event and a public community meeting to explore how we could better support and engage our audience.

Feedback from attendees highlighted a desire for informal, open art days where people could bring along their own creative projects and enjoy the support, inspiration and companionship of others. We have established regular sessions, each featuring an optional theme which has attracted steady interest and provided valuable opportunities for creative connection within the community.

Throughout the year, we have facilitated or hosted:

- Two Botanical Art workshops with David Reynolds
- Five Open Art Sessions
- Two Lino Cutting workshops
- Two Gel Printing workshops
- Two Introduction to Watercolour workshops
- Two Still Life workshops
- One Introduction to Acrylics workshop
- Community art support through clay animal and mosaic projects at The House

In addition, we have commenced regular attendance at the Kinglake Market to maintain our community presence, promote local artistic activity, and showcase the work of our members.

Committee

The committee for the 2025/2026 period comprised:

Julie van der Eynden, Sue Bay, Michelle Bolmat, Yuliya Kozenkova and Julie Collett

We also gratefully acknowledge the valuable assistance provided by Sharon Hansen, particularly in managing social media and supporting market activities.

Julie Collett resigned in March following her moving out of Kinglake.

Sadly, we also lost our dear friend Yuliya in the middle of this year following her fight with cancer. Yuliya was a positive, vibrant and intelligent member of our team and brought great energy to our art sessions.

Looking Ahead

The past year has demonstrated the value of creating inclusive, accessible opportunities for artistic expression and community connection. We thank our members, volunteers, workshop facilitators, visitors and supporters for their ongoing contribution and look forward to building on this momentum in the coming year.

PUGGLES PLACE



Playgroup and PEEP

During the third and fourth terms of 2025, our numbers of families attending Peep for the first time ever, declined significantly. The new co-facilitator from Familycare Nilamon Nguyen, who had recently taken on the role as her predecessor went on maternity leave, showed her concern along with me - where are the families? As a result of low and some weeks non- attendance we did reach out to individuals, promote, and eventually cancelled a small number of sessions.

The year unfortunately started with the fires and the impact felt was deep. It was important to provide some normal programs for families and encourage the return to routine wherever possible. Once the first term commenced, we were very excited to welcome a strong group of 12 families in regular attendance. At the end of the second term, we had maintained 13 families enrolled with a regular attendance of 7 families.

During these terms we have welcomed guests into the group including Sue Bilton Speech Pathologist from Yea & District Memorial Hospital and Leanna Francis from Familycare to discuss Sleep and Settling.

For the last few years Supported Playgroup has taken place twice a week in Kinglake. The sessions were well attended most weeks. The opportunity to meet the needs of another community presented itself. Discussions between the Yea Community House and Murrindindi Shire Council resulted in the decision to move the Thursday session to Yea. This ensured Yea could continue to have a Playgroup which was otherwise likely to fold.

The thrill of having families return to Playgroup with their second and in some instances third child is entirely gratifying and reaffirming in what I do. The Playgroup sessions even when interrupted with outside commitments, disasters, and the outright unexpected happenings, always offer a gentle return to normality for Parents and children alike. The confidence gained by everyone in attendance through the connections made and modelling presented is clear as the weeks go by.

Many thanks to the KRNH staff for all of the ongoing support especially through the challenging times which have occurred this year particularly on a personal basis. I am looking forward to the next chapter as a Facilitator across both programmes.

Liz Klein
Program Coordinator

MAKERSPACE MATES

LEADLIGHTING WITH JOHN POTTAGE: A COMMUNITY FAVOURITE

Our ever-popular leadlighting classes, facilitated by the talented John Pottage, continue to grow with three classes running across Monday and Tuesday.

Monday Morning Classes:

This class has been well attended, including three beginners and two continuing students. All students successfully progressed with their projects, with a high standard of workmanship achieved. The class maintained a positive and supportive atmosphere, reflected in an 88% attendance rate. Several students have returned for multiple terms.

Monday Evening Classes:

This class has run at either full or near capacity, including three beginners and four continuing students. Students worked on a diverse range of challenging projects, including restoration work and intricate custom designs. Despite some absences due to illness and personal circumstances, students made strong progress, with an attendance rate of 79%. This remains a highly popular class, with several students already booked for Term 4.

Tuesday Evening Class (New):

This class welcomed seven beginners, including two mother-and-daughter groups. Students demonstrated exceptional enthusiasm and progressed quickly, with all participants completing their projects within six weeks. One student completed their project in just five weeks. The class achieved an outstanding 98% attendance rate, and several students have expressed interest in continuing next term.

New Leadlight Window

Work has also progressed on the new leadlight window for the old classroom.

CLAY CLUB WITH JULIE VAN DER EYNDEN: Tuesday Nights in the Makerspace Studio

The past year in clay club has been peaceful and rewarding. There is always a subtle change of participants but many people stay on for the whole year or even longer.

As friendships develop, we chatter away whilst working on the many various projects undertaken. It's like Christmas each time the kiln is opened and we all enjoy seeing the end results of each other's work. This remains an adult's session as conversations take many directions whilst we support each other with life's challenges.

I am truly grateful for the support and friendship of my participants over the past year and look forward to creating together every Tuesday night.

Julie van der Eynden





FIBRE FRIENDS WITH MAREE GIBSON: **Stitching Strength, Sharing Joy**

Fibre Friends started Term 1, 2026 in the midst of another devastating bush fire event. As we did for Black Saturday, I immediately ran a workshop on “How to knit squares consistently the same size with any yarn and tension”. It was important to have all squares the same size so they could be joined together quickly. Most knitters ask for the number of stitches and size required. However, given varying tension, yarn and needles, this system does not produce uniform squares. Requiring a disproportionate amount of time to put them together.

Time we did not have. Five of our members spent term one feverishly knitting squares which were made up into blankets for families most affected by the fires in neighbouring areas.

We began Term two with a session on knitting abbreviations and graphs, focused on lace knitting. Some impressive individual projects were started.

On returning from a visit to her home in Norway, Annette introduced us to Nalbinding. With expert demonstration and explanation we all managed a degree of proficiency and there was lively discussion on the application of this early Scandinavian technique.

Our focus then shifted to sewing and fabrics and we investigated unstructured blocks using mostly a stitch and flip technique with no measuring or precise cutting with minimal planning. This was followed by the opposite approach, investigating and producing a number of precise star blocks.

Wet felting was also undertaken resulting in a number of very attractive three dimensional bowl forms. In conjunction with all of this, baby blankets, warm jumpers and socks continued to be produced.

Excursions to, of course, Bendigo Woollen Mills, and also to a friend's alpaca farm in Cottles Bridge are in the pipe-line.

Our Christmas break up lunch has been booked for Turners Bakehouse Eatery in Mernda.



BE WELL IN THE RANGES MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM: Stage 10 Highlights

This year marked the successful delivery of Stage 10 of the Be Well in the Ranges program, proudly funded by the Department of Health. Between August 2025 and July 2026 we have retained the senior psychology clinicians, Elizabeth McCracken and Karalyn McDonald, and have welcomed two more provisional psychologists for placements including Benjamin Warren, and more recently Angelica Martignago. It has been great to offer continuity of practitioners for the community. Registered Music Therapist and Be Well Program Coordinator

Beth Williams is also continuing to deliver group music therapy programs at Flowerdale kindergarten, Kinglake Primary School, and more recently at PEEP based at Kinglake Ranges

Neighbourhood House.

Our waitlist and triage processes are now well established, and working well. The triage system allows us to prioritise complex cases and ensure that clients are efficiently contacted, assessed, and allocated to the appropriate clinician.

Demand for psychological support continues to grow, with more than 27 new clients accessing

psychological services and music therapy. We continue to see a consistent number of male

clients accessing services, a powerful indicator of the program's reach and relevance in supporting the well-being of the Kinglake Ranges community. The program has also offered

services to more than 95 clients under the age of 12, which is significant. Depression and anxiety

continue to be the most consistent presentation for psychological assistance.

The strength of this program lies in its ability to deliver accessible, community-based well-being support, including in kindergartens and primary schools across the ranges.

The

outcomes of our music therapy sessions continue to speak for themselves, with consistent,

positive feedback from children, families, and educators alike.

Beth Williams
Program Coordinator

FoodShare

In a year characterised by increasing cost-of-living pressures and rising fuel costs, our FoodShare program has experienced a significant increase in demand. More individuals and families are seeking support as household budgets become increasingly stretched, highlighting the important role FoodShare plays within our community.

FoodShare continues to provide a vital source of practical support for people across the Kinglake Ranges and surrounding communities. Open to anyone experiencing food insecurity or financial hardship, the program provides access to essential food items and nourishing meals in a welcoming and respectful environment. Beyond meeting an immediate need, FoodShare provides an opportunity for connection, reducing isolation and ensuring community members can access support with dignity.

With the generosity of Foodbank, the CWA, Plenty Vally Produce, Pace Farm, FlourFlower, ARC and countless local donors, we've distributed staples like soup, pasta, rice, cereal, milk, and fresh produce, alongside treats and extras that bring joy—biscuits, yoghurt, condiments, and snacks

With the generous support of our local Bendigo Bank branch, we were once again able to deliver our much-loved Winter Warmers program for the whole community to come together, share a meal and connect.

We also delivered 38 Christmas hampers to families in need. This year, we were delighted to welcome back our wonderful volunteer, Lesley Bebbington, along with her dedicated team of volunteer cooks, Deb and Pat.

Together, they generously gave their time and skills to prepare and serve delicious homemade meals for our community each week.

The meals provided warmth and connection throughout the colder months and were greatly appreciated by those who attended. More than just a meal, Winter Warmers created a welcoming space for people to come together and enjoy the sense of community that makes the program so special.

Since May 2026 Food Share has operated twice weekly with our volunteers and daily with pantry staples available from the house pantry table, this is due to increased demand and need within our community. Support includes toiletries, hygiene products, cleaning supplies, and pet food—recognising the full spectrum of household needs.



Kinglake CWA

The Kinglake Country Women's Association (CWA) enjoys a strong and valued relationship with the House, built on shared values of community service, inclusion, and support.

The CWA has a long-standing commitment to improving outcomes for women, children, families, and vulnerable members of our community. Throughout the year, we have supported the House's Food Share program through the provision of non-perishable food and essential household items, as well as practical assistance for clients accessing the service. Three of our members volunteer regularly each month in the Food Share distribution program, helping ensure local families receive much needed support.

These contributions have been made possible through the continued success of our award-winning jam sales, donations from community members, and strong relationships with manufacturers and wholesale suppliers.

Our wildlife rescue pouch sewing days have continued to grow in impact. This year, in addition to providing finished pouches for local wildlife carers, we contributed more than 250 pouches to Longwood to support wildlife rescue efforts following the January bushfires. We look forward to continuing this rewarding collaboration with the dedicated volunteers involved in animal rescue and rehabilitation. We have also enjoyed working alongside Corrinne and Ainsley to offer engaging school holiday activities for local children.

The Kinglake CWA was also proud to cater for and organise the raffle at the Mad Hatters Tea Party in support of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, helping raise funds and awareness for an incredibly important cause. It was wonderful to see the community come together in support of cancer research and those affected by cancer. Catering for the Volunteers Week recognition lunch at the House was another way we could show our appreciation for those, who like us, make the time to give back to the community in so many ways.

Once again, the Neighbourhood House provided us with valuable support for our annual Light Up Kinglake Christmas Tree and Community BBQ held in the Kinglake Library grounds. This much-loved community event culminates with the arrival of CFA Santa, who brings joy to local children through the distribution of Christmas gifts.

At last year's KRNH AGM, two CWA members stepped forward to join the Committee of Management, further strengthening the professional and personal connection between our organisations. This collaboration has deepened our partnership and enhanced our shared ability to support the Kinglake community.

We sincerely thank the Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House team, staff, volunteers, and Committee members for their ongoing support and friendship. We look forward to continuing this valuable partnership for many years to come.

The Kinglake CWA Team



Events and Activities

1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026

Dindi Collective Murrindindi
Murrindindi Food Relief Collaborative
MADWN (Workforce Development Plan)
Kinglake Landcare
Dindi Artists Collective
Fibre Friends
Makerspace Mates: Clay Club
Makerspace Mates: Leadlighting
Be Well in the Ranges
Community Gardening Group
FoodShare Program
Mad Hatters Tea Party
The Op Shop
Pottery Firing
Winter Warmers
National Volunteer Week
New Parents Group
Playgroup
PEEP
Aged Care Assistance

Neighbourhood/Community Houses
Foundation Murrindindi & Community Houses
Murrindindi Health Network
Roger Cook and John Stewart
Julie van der Eynden & Committee
Maree Gibson (Volunteer)
Julie van der Eynden (Volunteer)
John Pottage (Volunteer)
House Service (Funded)
House Activity
House Service
House Event with Library (Funded)
House Social Enterprise
House Service
House Event (Funded)
House Event
Susan Leeson & Beth (MSC)
Liz Klein (MSC)
Liz Klein & Stephanie Georgeopoulos (MSC)
Michelle Box (HealthAbility)



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026

Wildlife Talk
Eco Printing
Felt making
Boat Licence
First Aid & CPR
First Aid & CPR
CPR
Heavenly Scented Oils
Sketch your holiday
Pouch Making in response to Longwood
fires
Aussie Clay Animals
Funeral Preparation
Garden Art
Meditation & Sound Healing
Mosaics
Spring Veggies
Winter Veggies

Kim Hunter (Volunteer)
Gay Chatfield
Maree Gibson
Rod Smith
IAB Industries
AB Group
Leanne Klammer
Volunteer
Peta McDonald
CWA - Kinglake

Julie Van Der Eynden
Michael Hall Funerals
Gay Chatfield
Jill Pfanner
Julie Van der Eynden
Alex Pottage
Alex Pottage





Partnership and Support

Grants and Donations



BE WELL IN THE RANGES

Amount: \$159,000

Be Well in the Ranges Mental Health services delivery included individual counselling, psychology and music therapy services for communities who were recovering, and experienced long term mental health impacts, after the Black Saturday bushfires.

Target Area: Kinglake Ranges

Funded by: Department of Health



COMMUNITY FOOD RELIEF PROGRAM

Amount: \$6,800

To support food relief activities and food security initiatives.

Target Area: Kinglake Ranges

Funded by: Department of Families, Fairness & Housing



WINTER WARMERS

Amount: \$4,400

Events and opportunities for the community to connect and engage, such as Winter Warmers, Christmas Hampers, Mad Hatters Tea Party and the Pop-up Coffee Shop.

Target Area: Kinglake Ranges

Funded by: Kinglake Bendigo Bank

Our Partners

FUNDING PARTNERS AND PEAK BODIES

The Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House would like to take this opportunity to thank the peak bodies and organisations that provide funding, sponsorship, partnerships and development support for the House.

- Department of Families Fairness and Housing (Primary Funder)
- Department of Health (Be Well in the Ranges)
- Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR)
- Murrindindi Shire Council
- Foundation Murrindindi
- Murrindindi Health Network
- Goulburn North East Network of Neighbourhood Houses (GNEACC)
- Neighbourhood Houses Victoria (NHVic)
- Mountain Monthly



Our Partners

BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS & DONATIONS

With heartfelt gratitude, we extend our sincere thanks to all our business sponsors, community groups, and every individual who supported the House's efforts this financial year. Your generosity made it possible to provide 40 Christmas Gift Hampers, Winter Warmer meals for people, FoodShare meals, fresh produce, pet food and supplies every week, volunteer appreciation initiatives, and the continued care of our community garden. Together, you've helped nurture connection, dignity, and well-being across our community – thank you for being part of it.



- Bendigo Bank
- Foodbank Victoria
- Kinglake Country Women's Association
- Inner Wheel Club of Kinglake Ranges
- Animal Rescue Cooperative (ARC)
- FlourFlower Bakery
- Pace Farm
- Open Solutions Australia & NZ
- Whittlesea Bowls Club
- Yarra Glen Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery
- Yea & District Medical Hospital
- Pincha Poo Toiletry Packs
- Plenty Valley Produce
- Individual donors from our community
- Foundation Murrindindi
- The Rotary Club of Kinglake Ranges
- Murrindindi Shire Council
- Boomerang Bags Kinglake
- Neesh Marketing Solutions
- Up to Date Bookkeeping



THANK YOU

The Op Shop Volunteers

Adam Z
Alison J
Beryl L
Carol H
Debbie B
Christine Ex
Eileen D
Kelly P
Kirk M
Leanne
Lynda B
Maddy H
Maryanne M
Morag B
Rose P

The House Volunteers

Alex P
Chrissy E
Clara R
Daniel M
Deb D
Jane O
Jodi T
John P
Lesley B
Odette B
Pat E
Rick P

Community Garden Group Volunteers

Jill W
Kathleen T
Liz W
Lois M
Robyn R
Peta McC

Auspice Groups

Roger Cook - Landcare
John Stewart - Landcare
Julie van der Eynden -
DAC

Committee of Management

Jodie Jackson
Jane O'Connor
Viki Schumi
Chrissy Eustace
Rebekkah Grant

Staff

Corrienne Nichols
Ainsley Hanlan

Until May 2025
Hendrika Jooste
Laura Caine
Naomi Read





Compliance and Accountability



Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House

MINUTES AGM

Date: Thursday October 9th 2025

Time: 7pm

Venue: School Room, KRNH

1. ATTENDANCE:

Present: Jodie Jackson (JJ), Jane O'Connor (JO), Rebekah Grant (RG), Hendrika Jooste (HJ) [Operations Coordinator (OC), Paul Sladdin (PS) (GNEAC).

Absent: Viki Schumi (VS), Chrissy Eustace (proxy supplied)

A quorum is present to make decisions according to the Model Rules under Part 5, Division 4, Section 63.

KRNH House Members Present:

Susan Bay

Bev Johns

Julie van den Eynden

Peter Sharman

Maree Gibson

Julie Collett

Jen Condylis

Tim Connell

Apologies:

Sue Zuber (proxy supplied)

Yuliya Konzekova

Viki Schumi

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The previous 2024 AGM minutes were approved.

Moved: Jane O'Connor

Seconded: Hendrika Jooste

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

Paul Sladdin suspended the KRNH CoM and ran the meeting.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was presented (attached)

Motion to accept the report:

Moved: Julie Collett

Seconded: Sue Bay

5. CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

Report presented (attached)

Motion to accept:

Moved: Peter Sharman

Seconded: Tim Connell

6. GENERAL BUSINESS:

Questions were invited from the floor:

1. Bev Johns:

Asked why when a person had a bona fide medical absence from KRNH courses they had to pay for the whole semester.

The question was taken on notice.

Bev Johns also asked that when The Nook (Opp Shop) changed locations, why the Foodshare was not placed there so that it could be accessible when the Opp Shop was open.

JJ replied that there are privacy issues associated with Foodshare and there was no refrigeration at The Nook to store the fresh food.

The question was taken on notice for further follow-up by the Committee.

2. Julie Collett:

Asked whether community feedback had been taken on board in regard to the new Opp Shop and how it was performing.

JJ replied that there had been a drop-off in activity at The Nook and a lack of volunteers had restricted opening hours.

The performance of The Nook was under review.

3. Julie van den Eynden

3.1 Stated that volunteers were not feeling that they were treated well and what was being done to rectify this?

The question was taken on notice with the Committee to provide a response.

3.2 Questioned the Co-Ordinator's interaction with a community Church organisation that had allegedly said it would not deal with KRNH due to it running the annual Spiritual

Festival. Now that the Spiritual Festival had been discontinued, what other inclusive events was the KRNH planning to run?

HJ replied that events such as a food festival were being examined.

- 3.3** Stated that the movement of a donga situated at the KRNH to the Historical Society was causing disquiet in the community arts membership given that Kinglake Regional Arts had put forward a proposal for use of these facilities and has not been responded to.

The matter was to be put on the agenda for the next Committee meeting to determine what arrangements have been made with the Historical Society.

- 3.4** Questioned whether there was an up to date list of KRNH members.

Question taken on notice for follow up by the Committee.

4. PAUL SLADDIN RESUMED THE CHAIR:

Paul Sladdin outlined the current situation facing the funding of neighbourhood houses in Victoria. He said that previously the funding for hours provided by houses had been an 80/20 split. With funding cuts, now 100% of funding was required to employ staff with no remaining funding left to cover overheads.

Neighbourhood Houses Victoria has mounted a campaign to encourage the Victorian Government to increase funding if they are to stay open and he asked members to engage in that campaign. In regard to volunteers, Mr Sladdin said they have the same rights as an employee and such policies should be in place.

He also outlined the difference between the Co-Ordinator's role and that of the Committee.

It was for the Committee to set the plan for the House and for the Co-Ordinator to implement that plan.

5. NOMINATIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE

Five nominations were received:

Jane O'Connor

Jodie Jackson

Rebekah Grant

Chrissy Eustace

Peter Sharman

They were declared duly elected.

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

JJ moved to appoint Quality Financial Solutions as the KRNH Auditor

Seconded: Julie Collett

SETTING OF MEMBERSHIP FEE:

A proposal to raise the KRNH from \$5 a year to \$10 a year was proposed.

Moved: Peter Sharman

Seconded: Maree Gibson

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.



Signed by: Jodie Jackson

Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/2025

ACTING TREASURER JODIE JACKSON

Kinglake Ranges

Neighbourhood House

Incorporated.

ABN 51 701 160 084

***ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2026***

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your committee members submit the financial report of the Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2026.

Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Executive Committee

President	Viki Schumi (from Oct 2025 – Feb 2026)
	Vacant
Vice President	Vacant
Secretary	Jane O'Connor
Treasurer	Jodie Jackson

General Committee

Christine Eustace, Viki Schumi & Rebekah Grant

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year are:

- To provide a diverse range of activities to support and enhance educational, health, recreational, self esteem and community interest, whilst fulfilling needs not readily available elsewhere.

Significant Changes

Significant changes have occurred this financial year.

Operating Result

The profit(loss) amounted to (\$35,495). 2025: \$8,164

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.



President



Treasurer

Dated this.....28..... day of.....September.....2026

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Note	2026	2025
		\$	\$
INCOME			
Fees		20,186	23,774
ACFE Grants		7,025	28,622
DHS Coordination Grants		165,922	193,034
FRRR Funded Grants		0	134,758
Council Funded Programmes		0	0
Other Programme Grants		182,389	198,406
Donations		3,403	8,846
Room Rent		1,945	3,179
Op Shop		18,276	12,333
Other KRNH Income		27,362	25,979
Income from Auspice Groups		4,742	6,168
Interest Received		11,044	13,094
		442,304	649,193
EXPENDITURE			
Administration and General		1,029	1,155
Accounting & Audit Fees		2,875	3,833
Rates, Registration, Building and Grounds Maintenance		4,149	5,983
Cleaning Supplies, Contractor and Rubbish Removal		6,635	9,033
Depreciation Expense		13,914	13,092
Auspice Groups		22,628	17,589
Consultants		21,617	1,120
Utilities and Insurance		4,088	6,989
Rent		379	18,548
Printing, Postage, Supplies and Advertising		2,384	3,081
Grant Expenditure		177,285	352,011
Programme Expenses and Tutors		22,337	17,404
Op Shop Expenses		31,008	706
Sundry, equipment and gifts		2,268	627
Subscriptions		4,343	3,584
Superannuation		17,273	16,910
Telephone and Internet		4,070	3,628
Wages		138,527	157,459
Other Oncoets		0	316
		477,789	641,029
Net Profit / (loss)		(35,485)	8,164

This Income Statement
should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2026

	Note	2026	2025
		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	143,725	170,262
Receivables		830	3,679
Financial Assets	2	286,014	301,164
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		430,569	475,095
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and equipment	3	45,095	59,009
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		45,095	59,009
TOTAL ASSETS		475,664	534,104
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable and Other Payables	4	18,072	31,182
Grants in Advance	4	68,952	63,746
Employee Provisions		1,038	22,182
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		88,062	117,090
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Employee Provisions		0	11,620
Auspice		16,391	(114)
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		16,391	11,506
TOTAL LIABILITIES		104,453	128,596
NET ASSETS		371,211	405,508
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Retained profits		405,508	398,558
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)		(35,495)	8,164
Prior Year Adjustment		1,198	(1,214)
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		371,211	405,508

This Balance Sheet
should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Retained Earnings \$	Reserve \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2024	398,558	0	398,558
Profit attributable to members	8,164	0	8,164
Prior Year Adjustment	(1,214)		(1,214)
Profit attributable to members	<u>405,508</u>		<u>405,508</u>
Balance at 30 June 2025	405,508	0	405,508
Profit attributable to members	(35,495)	0	(35,495)
Prior Year Adjustment	1,198		1,198
Balance at 30 June 2026	<u>371,211</u>		<u>371,211</u>

This Statement of Changes in Equity
should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts From Funding and Customers		56,916	141,247
Receipts from Grants		371,988	404,946
Payments to suppliers and employees		(481,623)	(681,881)
Interest received		11,044	13,094
Net cash provided / (required) by operating activities		<u>(41,677)</u>	<u>(122,594)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for Purchases of Plant & Equipment		0	(5,467)
Proceeds for Sale of Plant & Equipment		0	0
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		<u>0</u>	<u>(5,467)</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH HELD		(41,677)	(128,062)
Cash held at the beginning of the period		471,416	599,478
Cash held at the end of the period	2	<u>429,739</u>	<u>471,416</u>

This Statement of Cash Flows
should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Victoria. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101	Presentation of Financial Statements
AASB 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
AASB 107	Cash Flow Statements
AASB 1054	Australian additional disclosures

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

a. Income Tax

The association is exempt from income tax.

b. Fixed Assets

Plant and equipment and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation. Equipment with a purchase price of less than \$1,000 is expensed at time of purchase.

c. Leases

An agreement exists with the Association and JBZK Superannuation Fund for the use of Shop1A 3 Kinglake – Glenburn Road Kinglake (The OP Shop) for 3 years commencing July 2024. Agreements also exists with the Association and Murrindindi Shire Council for the use of the Kinglake Neighbourhood House for 10 years commencing December 2014, and the Kinglake Neighbourhood House car park in over hold each year.

d. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

e. Revenue

Revenue from registration, interest, sales and sponsorships are recognised upon receipt.

f. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The association has registered for GST.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

NOTE 2: CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2026	2025
	\$	\$
Cash on Hand	2,799	290
Card Account	1,102	519
Operating Accounts	123,432	147,759
Dindi	2,634	2,790
Auspice Group Landcare	6,607	6,698
Auspice Group Ranges Art	6,851	10,206
Investment Accounts	286,014	301,154
	428,739	471,416

The closing interest rate on Term Deposit bank deposits was 4.85% & 3.4% these deposits have an average maturity of 12 Months and at call.

A restriction applies to the cash held for auspice groups to the extent that it must be applied to a specific purpose and it is held on there behalf.

16,392 18,904

NOTE 3: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	2026	2025
	\$	\$
Plant and Equipment at Cost	146,734	159,086
Accumulated Depreciation	(101,639)	(100,077)
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	45,095	59,009

Movements in carrying amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year

	2026	2025
	\$	\$
Balance at Start	59,009	66,635
Additions	0	5,466
Disposals	0	0
Depreciation expense	(13,914)	(13,092)
Balance at End	45,095	59,009

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

NOTE 4: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	2026	2025
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	14,495	19,832
Revenue received in advance	68,952	63,746
Superannuation payable	0	1,572
PAYG	1,744	2,584
Net GST	8,541	7,194
	<u>93,732</u>	<u>94,928</u>

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 7:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. as at 30 June 2026 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with note 1 of the financial report.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

President 

Treasurer 

Dated this 28th day of September 2026



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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF KINGLAKE RANGES NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INCORPORATED

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. (the association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2026, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by members of the committee.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report gives a true and fair view, in all material respects of the financial position of Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. as at 30 June 2026 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

Emphasis of Matter

The committee has determined that Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. is a non-reporting incorporation association. The financial report has been prepared in accordance with special purpose reporting framework in order to meet the requirements of the members. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
KINGLAKE RANGES NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INCORPORATED**

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. To meet the requirements of the Association Incorporations Reform Act 2012. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Name of firm: Quality Financial Solutions Pty Ltd

Name of partner



Anthony Aspidis

Address: PO BOX 144 Briar Hill Vic, 3088

Dated: 21 September 2026



Quality Financial Solutions Pty Ltd is a CPA Member
Entity limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation.

COMPILATION REPORT
KINGLAKE RANGES NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INCORPORATED

I have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of the Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House Inc. which comprise the balance sheet as at 30 June 2026, Income statement, Cash Flow Statement for the year ended, summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

The special purpose financial statements have been prepared to provide information relating to the performance and financial position of the association that satisfies the information needs of the Committee.

The responsibility of the committee

The committee is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements and has determined that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose for which the financial statements were prepared.

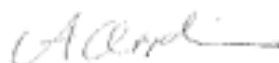
My responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the association, I have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting framework described in note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

My procedures use accounting expertise to collect, satisfy and summarise the financial information, which the association provided, into a financial report. My procedures do not include verification or validation procedures.

The special purpose financial statements were prepared exclusively for the committee. I do not accept the responsibility to any other person for the content of the special purpose financial statements.

Name of the Firm : Quality Financial Solutions Pty Ltd



Name of Principal: Anthony Aspidis

Address : PO BOX 144 Briar Hill 3088

Date : 21 September 2026