



Annual Report 2023-24



**Picture: Fay Freebody, David Browne and Dave Miller
Bombala Markets 2024
Live Broadcast**

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PRESIDENTS REPORT 2024 AGM

It is my great pleasure to report on the achievements of the operations of our community radio 2MNO for the past year.

Thanks to the efforts of our hardworking fundraising group and the astute efforts of our Treasurer Pat Booker, we have ended the year in a very sound financial position which sets us up nicely for the projects we will need to attend to in the coming 12 months. We have outgrown our Cooma studio and will need to further our endeavors for a storage area at the rear of our building to house broadcast equipment and our fundraising equipment.

Following Richard Mackays passing, his family has donated his radio antennae to 2MNO. The mast will be a replacement for our existing antennae on Mt Emerald which is unsafe for technicians to work on.

We have been very successful once again with our grant funding applications thanks to the hard work of Pat Booker and Kerry Rooney.

We welcomed 2 new presenters this year, Bernard Rooney and Melinda Kalac. It's great to have new presenters join us to add to the diversity of our programming and swells our presenter ranks just a little bit. Our presenters age profile is at a point where we really need many more people to allow for when some of us have passed their use by date and for our station to flourish we need to attract more members and particularly younger presenters. It is always healthier to have presenters looking for spots rather than spots looking for presenters. I encourage all of our members to get friends and relatives involved in our station.

Our outside broadcasts have been well received this term with us broadcasting from the National Busking Championships in Cooma and also the Bombala Markets.

I thank all our technicians and presenters who worked with great skill to pull off these broadcasts. We have been invited to broadcast the Bombala heat of the National Busking Championships in September 2024.

We have promoted an additional country music concert as a fundraiser at the Cooma Car Club in April 2024. This concert featured Dianne Lindsay and Peter Simpson and our wonderful local music artists Ernie Constance and Jay Podger. All the artists donated their time to perform wonderful shows in support of our station. The concert was performed in a packed house which indicates the support we have by the artists and our locals as well.

We have an additional concert planned for September this year which will feature all the local artists that our country music audience love to hear.

I sincerely thank all of our members who have been actively engaged in presenting their programs, technicians for keeping us on air and help us to provide entertainment for our listeners and our fundraising group. Sincere thanks also to the members who clean up after us and provide a clean and tidy workplace and maintain our building and equipment. Thanks also to Vice President, David Browne for his assistance being the “in town” contact person.
Thank you one and all.

Phil Daley
President

Moanaro Community Radio

Treasurers report to AGM August 2024

The statement of financial position and statement of cash flows for the financial year to 30 June 2024 are attached.

Some features of the accounts are:

1. Total revenue \$49348, expenses were \$27433. Cash at bank has grown from \$69903 to \$91818.
2. Net assets after depreciation are valued at \$205411, an increase from \$189854 in the previous year.
3. Income from sponsors of \$21400 was achieved this year, compared to \$19721 last year. The number of sponsors each month has averaged 17.
4. Fundraising of \$5138 was achieved, again a very good result.
5. Grant income provided \$11969, being the CBF D&O (Transmission Expenses) grant 2023/24
6. Major donations received were:
Snowy Mountains Regional Council rates contribution \$1000 and \$1500
Essential Energy Community Choices Program \$1250
Hinton family \$655
Bronnie Kolano \$500
7. GST payment of \$16 was made to the ATO.
8. Cash at bank is held at Bendigo Bank \$9557, AMP \$17261, ME Bank Term Deposit 1 \$30000, ME Bank Term Deposit 2 \$35000.

Comments

An overall successful financial result was achieved this year, supplementing a healthy cash balance while maintaining assets to enhance the ongoing operation of the association. Financial support was provided by fundraising efforts, achievement of grants/donations and ongoing support from sponsors. Thanks to all members involved in contributing to those outcomes.

There are no current liabilities.

A draft budget for 2024/2025 is provided, which anticipates an end of year cash position further improved by approximately \$13000. This projection relies on no major capital expenses (unless grant funded).

My thanks to the committee executive and members for their support and cooperation throughout the year as we look forward to a successful 2024/25.

Pat Booker, Treasurer
10 July 2024

MONARO COMMUNITY RADIO INC

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 30 JUNE 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash assets	91 818	69903
Total current assets	91 818	69903
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property , plant and equipment	113 593	119 951
Total non-current assets	113 593	119 951
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>205 411</u>	<u>189 854</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Borrowings	(0)	(0)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(0)	(0)
NET ASSETS	<u>205 411</u>	<u>189 854</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>205 411</u>	<u>189 854</u>

MONARO COMMUNITY RADIO INC		
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023	2024	2023
	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Donations	5140	4873
Fundraising	5138	7674
Grant	11969	21459
Interest	3368	1531
Memberships	430	680
Other revenue	25	75
Rent	1878	1772
Sponsors	21400	19721
Total revenue	49348	57785
EXPENSES		
Advertising	0	0
Bank fees	0	0
Capital	3137	2728
Consumables	198	486
Electricity and gas	11696	11652
Equipment hire	0	0
Fundraising costs	510	574
GST	16	84
Insurance	0	2477
Interest	0	0
Postage	138	110
Printing	0	0
Refunds	0	439
Registrations, business fees, licences	3990	5231
Rent	2754	2748
Repairs	462	1541
Site rental	0	0
Sundries	0	550
Land rates, charges	1915	1631
Telephone/Internet	2616	2616
Total expenses	27433	57418
Net cash flow	21915	367
Loan debt		
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	69903	69536
Cash at the end of the financial year	91818	69903

INBOARD COMMUNITY RADIO													
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2023/24													
	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Total YTD Budget
INCOME													
Donation	165	130	5	9	107	51	51	59	165	105	105	1,800	5,100
Contribution			126	325					1,500	3,000			5,000
Grant		1152											11,568
Club													0
SST		170	251	250	290	377	320	314	315	280	317	308	3,068
Membership		130	40		10				20				400
Other inc. revenue													500
First		178	333	1876	2000	2521	3560	534	1177	1306	850	2950	21,400
Second													2,500
Other		2659	17508	3952	1645	2699	2955	1973	1973	3926	4282	6889	44,448
TOTAL													
EXPENDITURE													
Advertising													0
Bank fees													0
Charity													0
Club expenses	25		500		86	287	40						1,137
Electricity	304	1994	304	30	53	30	40						190
Equipment hire													0
Fees	594	54	1026	238	161	272	340	2045					11,030
Financially expense	214			116									0
GST													0
Insurance													0
Interest													0
License													0
Membership	694												709
Other													0
Printing	16												15
Repairs	815	189			641								1,645
Stationery													0
Telephone													0
Travel													0
Transportation													0
Bank	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	430	217	217	217	2,754
Repairs													0
Stationery	746												862
Telephone	161												160
Travel	218	218	218	218	218	218	430	218	218	218	218	218	2,818
Transportation	3307	3312	335	1587	3775	2884	2487	2124	2715	1609	2728	1847	27,433
Total													
Grant total (bt 6004)	6982	5976	8855	9510	8721	8779	8336	5342	8560	8915	8830	81818	78,791

	MONARQ COMMUNITY RADIO												Total Yr
	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	
INCOME													
Donation	50	50	250	50	50	50	50	50	250	50	50	50	1,000
Fundraising			2,000						1,000		2,100		5,100
Grant		13382											13,382
GST													0
Interest	320	320	320	320	320	320	330	330	330	330	330	330	3,900
Membership	300	100	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	900
Other inc, reversals			1900										1900
Rent	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	24,000
Sponsor	2670	15832	4,490	4,390	2,390	2,400	2,400	2,400	3,500	2,400	4,400	2,400	24,000
Total													49,762
EXPENDITURE													
Advertising		250											250
Bank fees													0
Capital		500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	4,060
Consumables	100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	1,000
Electricity	800	2000	1000	1000	2500	1500	2000	2000	1500	2200	500	500	14,080
Equipment hire													0
Fees	700	100				1850	30			100			2,750
Fundraising expense	30		330						330				660
GST			1635										1,635
Insurance	2500												2,500
Interest													0
Licence		200											200
Membership	650												650
Other													0
Postage	75								75				150
Printing	300												300
Rates	350	180			800				190	500		180	2,200
Refund													0
Registration													0
Rent	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	217	2,759
Repairs			200										200
Satellite	770												770
Tax													0
Telephone/Internet	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	218	2,616
Total	6410	3985	1135	4000	4310	435	3985	3488	1435	2765	3535	1215	36875
Cash bal (bf 9/18/16)	88078	99845	103301	103691	101771	103727	102142	101054	103219	102854	103719	104505	

GRANTS REPORT 2023-24

The **Essential Energy** grant involved a lot of online clicking to get a result. Thanks to our supportive members and listeners who voted for us at the time. As a result, 2MNO came fourth and received a grant of \$1,250 in August 2023. This funding is earmarked to contribute to a shed to store fundraising equipment.

In FY2023-24 2MNO received two grant payments from the Snowy Monaro Regional Council: \$1,000 in July 2023 and another \$1,500 in June 2024. These grants have helped offset 2MNO's water charges and rates over a two-year period. This was the final year of the Council's **Donations and Sponsorships** program and we thank them for their support.

We missed out on the **Volunteers Grant** for 2023-24. There were 60 expressions of interest from Eden-Monaro and 24 were funded. We were seeking funding of just under \$5,000 for a transmitter and a computer.

In June 2024 we submitted a grant application for \$4,000 for a new generator to support outside broadcasts. The **Boco Rock Community Enhancement Fund** is a very competitive grant. Decisions are expected to be announced in August 2024.

Saving the best news for last, our application for the Community Broadcasting Fund Round 1 2024/25 Development & Operations Grants was successful. We expect to receive \$12,147.00 plus GST in August 2024. This will support 2MNO in meeting the costs of transmission. Thank you to Pat Booker who once again prepared the CBF application.

Kerry Rooney Grants Coordinator

Fund Raising Supervisor's Annual Report 2024

We were able to raise just over \$5000 this year. A major part of this was from the Concert in April. I should thank Phil very much for organising the concert. He did a great job and without his organisation we would have got nowhere near the Treasurers budget of \$5000 for the fundraising. We did do fund raising at Berridale at the Lions Clubs Spring and Easter Fairs. We also did the Dalgety Show. After doing these fairs and shows for fifteen years, I am finding it more difficult to be as affective as I used to be. It is the same for those who support our fund raising attempts. We are all getting closer to 80, so loading and unpacking the truck is becoming more difficult. So we have decided to pull out of doing shows and fairs. I am happy to make fairy floss which we can sell at outside broadcasts but that is much as I am prepared to do.

I want to thank the stalwarts of fund raising for all their hard work over the years. Ned Freebody did a great job until he got sick. So when we could not use Ned's truck anymore, Phil kindly stepped into the breach and has continued to do so. Fay ran the ship. We all did as we were told. I hate to think how much fairy floss we have made over the years. My guess is it would fill a semitrailer.

I am also happy to organise an occasional raffle but from now on, however both Phil and I think the concerts are a better option. While we have the support of local entertainers we can run successful concerts. Thanks also to Fay and Margaret for helping me to man the door on concert nights. Also, thanks to the people who helped with raffles.

David Browne
Fundraising Supervisor

Studio Supervisors Report (Cooma)

The studio is looking in good shape and is being well looked after by members and presenters. Thanks to those people who have assisted with vacuuming, mopping and cleaning at various times and particularly Fay Freebody who is a stalwart for keeping everything in the studios as they should be.

I remind people that the incident book should be filled in if we are off air for any reason and that time should be also registered on the sponsors playlist. You should be able to find the off air report on the desktop with a separate book at the sign in table for reporting issues to our technicians.

Water and electricity are very expensive these days so please make sure air conditioners, heaters and taps are turned off when your shift is complete. Generally I am pleased with the way the studio is being used.

David Browne
Studio Supervisors

Technical Report for 2024 AGM.

This has been a busy year with a lot of work being done to keep our radio station going. A big thanks to Dave Miller and Harry Salmela for all that they have contributed by way of maintenance and installation. I have not been able to be of much use due to my health issues. However, Dave and Harry have kept me informed of all that has happened, they have been very active in keeping things going.

A major change in our Cooma operation is the installation of the electronic switching between Studio 1 & 2. This has streamlined our operation very nicely. Electronics were designed and built by Harry Salmela.

Thanks Harry!

Our facilities have been upgraded by the installation of new mixing desks in Cooma and a more modern mixer at Nimmitabel. Computer systems in all studios have been upgraded to more modern systems. This aspect of the technical side of 2MNO operation is ongoing and under constant review. The new control systems for our equipment are in operation now.

We have used our new Outside Broadcast equipment to good effect to enhance our public relations and show the 2MNO flag, the unit works well, thanks Dave.

Some general observations.

These notes are from a previous year and are worth repeating as some operating practices have been observed that would benefit from improved procedures and knowledge of how things work !

Your technical team recommend the following:-

Headphones are a must for efficient operating in studios.

If you use a computer as a source of your program material, Always have a back up CD ready in case of glitches with the computer. Put it in with a selected track ready to play before you do anything else prior to starting your show. Make sure you are familiar with the functions of the mixing desk. Remember that speaker monitoring is affected by the microphone faders. This is why we recommend the use of headphones so you can hear everything that you are doing.

Read the labelling on the desk. If you don't know what it all means, ask someone who does.

Make sure that the studio that you are about to close down as you finish is in working condition ready for the next presenter.

Have a plan " B " ready.

Rehearse everything you are going to do.

David Miller, Harry Salmela, Bill Steptoe

SPONSORSHIP REPORT 2023/24

We finally bit the bullet this year and increased all of our sponsorship rates to apply to all of our sponsors.

The increases were necessary due to the increases we have incurred but the increases have been well received and all but one of our existing sponsors have stayed with us. The one sponsor who ceased sponsorship had encountered some financial difficulty but has indicated a resumption of sponsorship once their finances improve.

We currently have 15 sponsors and there have been a few casual sponsors at different times during the year. The number of sponsors partaking in our discounted pay in advance offers has increased and we now only have a few sponsors who are invoiced on a monthly basis. I am pleased to report that sponsors payments are pretty well up to date. Of course new sponsors are always invited so if members have the opportunity to engage a new sponsor please refer them to our sponsorship coordinator.

Phil Daley
Sponsorship Coordinator
(in the absence of an elected coordinator)

PRODUCTION REPORT 2023/24

We need to change some of our sponsors messages in order to have voices other than mine being broadcast. It is very easy to me to record announcements from home without having to travel to Cooma but the downside of that is that we have many of our sponsors messages aired with one persons voice which can get monotonous.

A few of our sponsors voice their own messages but I encourage members to get involved in producing sponsors messages which will add to the variety of the messages we broadcast.

My thanks to Dave Miller for updating the messages on the backup music program as required.

I encourage other members to nominate for the role of Production coordinator. There are many skills that you will learn and you will have the satisfaction of contributing to our broadcasts in a very positive way.

I am always willing to pass on some of the skills I have picked up over the many years I have been involved in Production.

Phil Daley
Production Coordinator

OUR SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS 2023/24

**AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT – KRISTY MCBAIN
BERRIDALE LIONS CLUB
BOCO ROCK COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUND
BURKES PLANT HIRE
BUSH BASICS
COMMUNITY BROADCASTING FOUNDATION
COOMA BATTERY WHOLESALERS
COOMA FURNISHINGS
COOMA H HARDWARE
COOMA ROTARY CLUB
COOMA SERVO
COOMA STEEL
DALGETY SHOW SOCIETY
ESSENTIAL ENERGY
THE FABRIC SALON
HINTON FAMILY
HIP POCKET WORKWARE
INSPIRATIONS PAINTS
KENMIR ACCOUNTING
KOLARNO - B
McMAHONS EARTHMOVING AND FIREWOOD
MONARO MEATS
MONARO POST
SAND'S GROOMING TAILS AND K9 CAFE
SNOWY MONARO REGIONAL COUNCIL
SOUTHEAST TILES**

