

RSL QUEENSLAND

State Congress Documentation 2026



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Queensland

RSL Queensland's mission is to provide **care, commemoration** and **camaraderie** to enable veterans and their families to live with dignity and respect.

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RSL QUEENSLAND OBJECTS

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THEIR NAME LIVETH
FOREVER MORE

RSL Queensland is consistently guided by the pursuit of the below Objects:

- 2.1 The main objects for which the RSL (Queensland Branch) is established is to relieve the distress and poverty suffered by the sick, helpless, wounded, aged, vulnerable, destitute and needy among those who are serving or who have served in the Australian Defence Forces and their dependants.
- 2.2 RSL (Queensland Branch) achieves this object by implementing and connecting those in need with programs and services to assist in the relief of their distress and suffering and, these programs, services and activities may include the following, provided that they are conducted in aid and furtherance of its main object in clause 2.1:
 - 2.2.1 Relieve mental health issues and isolation experienced by past and present members of the Defence Forces and encourage their transition to civilian life by:
 - (a) facilitating the close and kindly ties of friendship created by a mutual service in the Australian Defence Force or in the forces of nations traditionally allied with Australia and the recollections associated with that experience;
 - (b) maintaining a proper standard of dignity and honour among all past and present members of the Defence Forces of the nation and to set an example of public spirit and noble hearted endeavour;
 - (c) protecting the good name and preserve the interests and standing of members of the Australian Defence Force;
 - (d) encouraging Members, as citizens, to serve Australia with that spirit of self-sacrifice and loyalty with which they served as members of the Australian Defence Forces; and
 - (e) encouraging continued loyalty to Australia and secure patriotic service in the interests of Australia;
 - 2.2.2 Assist in the preservation of the memory and the records of those who suffered and died for Australia, erect monuments to their valour, provide them with suitable burial places, and establish and preserve, in their honour, the annual commemoration days known as ANZAC Day, Remembrance Day and other commemorative days;
 - 2.2.3 Provide welfare to the sick, helpless, wounded, vulnerable, aged, destitute and needy;
 - 2.2.4 Support serving Australian Defence Force members at home and abroad and actively assist them in their transition to civilian life, especially if they are detrimentally affected by their Defence service.

This is an extract of the RSL Queensland Objects.

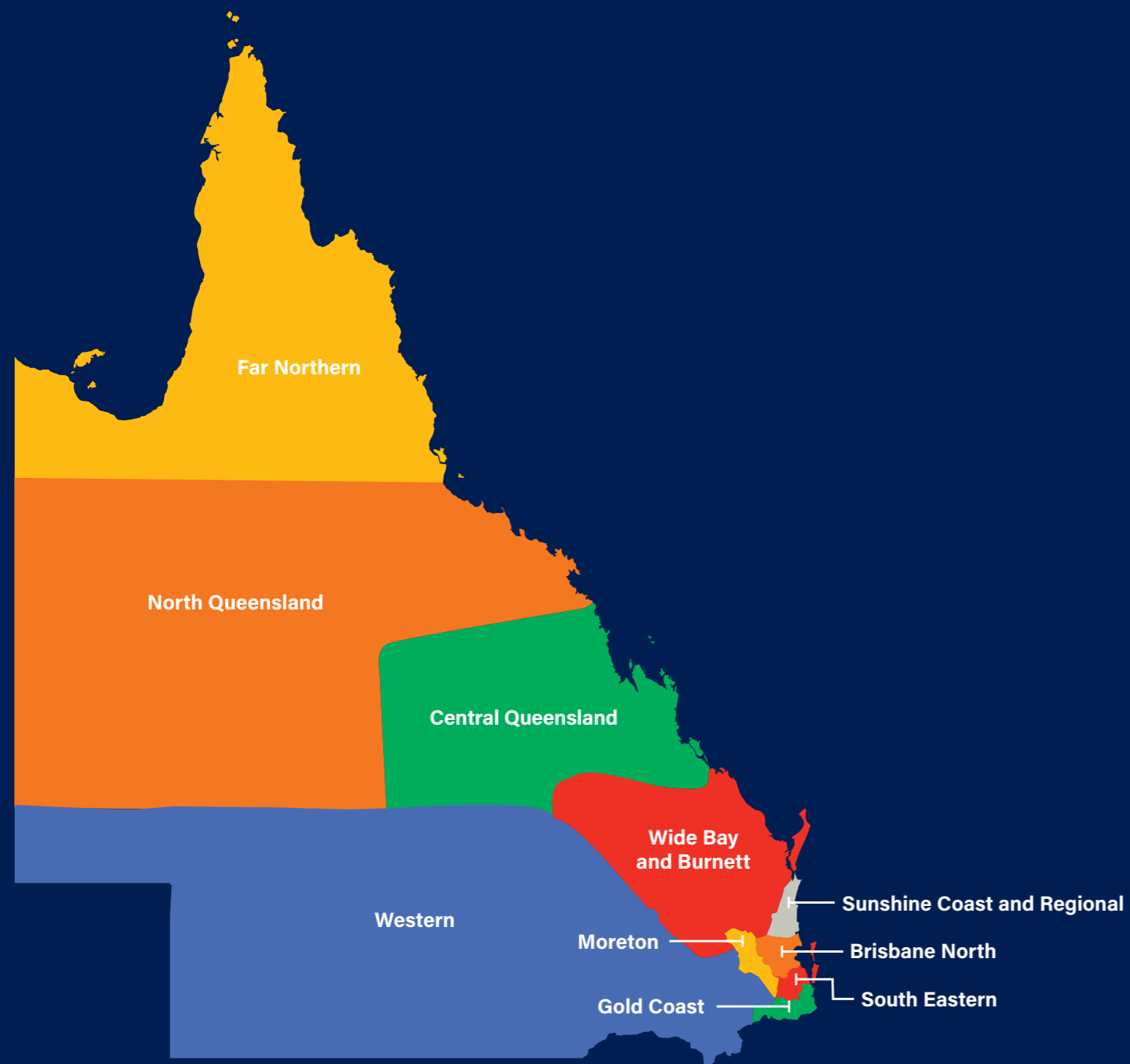
For the full details of RSL Queensland's Objects please see RSL Queensland's Constitution available at rslqld.org/about-us/governance

Districts and Sub Branches

Our 10 Districts and around 230 Sub Branches and Chapters are at the core of what RSL Queensland does every day. Our dedicated network of members work within their regions to provide care, commemoration and camaraderie to veterans and their families in their local communities.

RSL Sub Branches make a big impact by connecting and supporting the veteran and wider communities. Within their local area, they are often the first point of contact for veterans and their families who need support or want to give back to the community.

Keeping history alive and creating connections between communities, the spirit of camaraderie can be seen in action throughout our Sub Branch network.



Brisbane North District

Banyo
Beachmere
Bray Park-Strathpine
Bribie Island
Caboolture-Morayfield and District
Centenary Suburbs
Clayfield-Toombul
Dayboro
Deception Bay
Gaythorne
Geebung Zillmere
Bald Hills Aspley
Kedron-Wavell
Kenmore/Moggill
Nundah-Northgate
Pine Rivers District
Redcliffe
Samford
Sandgate
Sherwood
Indooroopilly
The Gap

Central Queensland District

Blackwater/Bluff
Carmila
Clermont
Emerald
Emu Park
Farleigh and Northern Beaches
Finch Hatton
Gemfields
Gracemere and District
Kuttabul
Mackay
Marian
Mirani
Moranbah
Rockhampton
Seaforth
Springsure
St Helens
Walkerston-Pleystowe
Yeppoon

Far Northern District

Atherton
Babinda
Cairns
Cairns and District
Ex-Servicewomen
Cardwell
Cooktown
Edge Hill/Cairns West
Edmonton
Gordonvale
Herberton
Innisfail
Kuranda
Malanda
Mareeba
Mossman
Mount Molloy
Ravenshoe
Torres Strait Chapter
Tully
Weipa
Yarrabah

Gold Coast District

Beenleigh and District
Burleigh Heads
Canungra
Currumbin/Palm Beach
Mudgeeraba-Robina
Nerang
North Gold Coast
Runaway Bay
Southport
Surfers Paradise
Tamborine Mountain
Tweed Heads and Coolangatta

Moreton District

Blackbutt
Boonah
Esk
Gatton
Goodna
Grantham-Ma Ma Creek
Helidon
Ipswich
Ipswich Railway
Kalbar
Laidley
Lowood
Redbank
Rosewood
Toogoolawah
Yarraman

North Queensland District

Airlie Beach-Whitsunday
Ayr
Barcardine
Blackall
Bowen
Charters Towers
Cloncurry
Herbert River
Home Hill
Hughenden
Julia Creek
Longreach
Magnetic Island
Mount Isa
Proserpine
Rollingstone
Thuringowa
Townsville
Winton

South Eastern District

Ashgrove Bardon
Bayside South
Beaudesert
Bulimba District
City-New Farm
Coorparoo and Districts
Darra and District
Defence Service Nurses
Defence Servicewomen's Chapter
Forest Lake and Districts
Greater Springfield
Greenbank
Hellenic
Holland Park-Mt Gravatt
Jimboomba
Kenilworth
Kilcoy
Kooralbyn Valley
Logan Village
Macleay Island
Manly-Lota
Redlands
Russell Island
Salisbury
Springwood Tri Services
Stephens
Sunnybank
Toowong
Wynnum
Yeronga-Dutton Park

Sunshine Coast and Regional District

Beerwah and District
Caloundra
Coolum-Peregian
Cooroy-Pomona
Glasshouse Country
Kawana Waters
Maleny
Mapleton
Maroochydore
Mudjimba
Nambour
Palmwoods Chapter
Tewantin/Noosa
Woodford
Yandina-Eumundi

Western District

Allora
Bell
Charleville
Chinchilla
Clifton
Crows Nest
Cunnamulla
Dalby
Djuan and District
Goombungee
Goondiwindi
Harlaxton
Highfields
Injune
Jandowae
Killarney
Leyburn
Meandarra/Glenmorgan
Miles
Millmerran
Mitchell
Morven
Oakey
Pittsworth
Quilpie
Roma
St George
Stanthorpe
Surat
Tara
Taroom
Texas Chapter
Toowoomba
Wallangarra
Wandoan
Warwick
Yangan-Emu Vale Chapter

Wide Bay and Burnett District

Agnes Water/1770
Biggenden Chapter
Biloela
Boyne-Tannum
Bundaberg
Calliope
Eidsvold Chapter
Gayndah
Gin Gin
Gladstone
Goomeri Chapter
Gympie
Hervey Bay
Howard District
Isis
Kilkivan Chapter
Kingaroy/Memerambi
Mary Valley
Maryborough
Monto
Mount Larcom
Mount Morgan
Mount Perry
Moura
Mundubbera
Murgon
Nanango
Orchid Beach/Fraser Island
Proston
Rainbow Beach
Rosedale Chapter
Tiaro
Tin Can Bay
Toogoom and District
Wondai
Woodgate
Wowan

Map not to scale. Information correct as of May 2026.



2026 STATE CONGRESS PROGRAM

Friday 19 June 2026

12pm - 4pm	Delegate arrival and registration – regional delegates	Main entrance foyer <i>Royal International Convention Centre</i>
2pm	Accommodation check-in opens	Rydges Fortitude Valley

Saturday 20 June 2026

From 7am	Airport shuttles continue	Brisbane Domestic Airport
8am	Accommodation check-in opens	Rydges Fortitude Valley

All events on Saturday will take place at the Royal International Convention Centre

7:30am - 8:30am	Delegate arrival and registration	Main entrance foyer <i>Royal International Convention Centre</i>
8:45am - 9:30am	Opening Ceremony <i>Dress code: Business attire with full medals</i>	Hall C <i>Royal International Convention Centre</i>
9:30am - 4pm	AGM and Business Sessions <i>Includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea</i> <i>Dress code: Business attire</i>	Halls A & B <i>Royal International Convention Centre</i>
6pm - 10pm	Gala Dinner <i>Dress code: Full suit or formal dress with miniatures</i>	Hall C <i>Royal International Convention Centre</i>

Sunday 21 June 2026

7am onwards	Delegate departure and shuttles depart for Brisbane Domestic Airport	Rydges Fortitude Valley to Brisbane Airport
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2026 STATE CONGRESS AGENDA

Saturday 20 June 2026

Convening Notice – 2026 State Congress declared open

Opening Ceremony

Her Excellency, the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM, Governor of Queensland and Professor Graeme Nimmo RFD

Introduction and welcome

Fallen Comrades

Hours of sitting

2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

State President address

CEO address

Presentation 1: Guest speaker

Penny McKay, Commissioner of the Defence and Veterans' Service Commission

Presentation 2: RSL South Eastern District

Presentation 3: Kedron-Wavell RSL Sub Branch

Presentation 4: Seaforth RSL Sub Branch

Presentation 5: Kawana Waters RSL Sub Branch

Presentation 6: Edmonton RSL Sub Branch

Presentation 7: State Secretary update

2027 State Congress dates confirmed

Open floor and general discussion

Gala Dinner

2026 State Congress concludes

2026 State Congress terms and conditions

RSL Queensland's State Congress brings members together to network, learn and discuss important matters. To ensure a respectful and productive environment, attendees are expected to adhere to the event's terms and conditions and conduct themselves appropriately throughout the AGM and business sessions.



In exchange for the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) (RSL Queensland, we, us) organising the 2026 State Congress on 20 June 2026 (the Event), you agree to comply with the following terms in attending and participating in the Event.

1. Privacy

RSL Queensland is collecting your personal information (such as your name, contact information and other information relevant to the Event) for the purpose of conducting the Event. RSL Queensland may disclose your personal information to other organisations involved in the Event to facilitate your attendance at the Event.

Your personal information will be handled in accordance with RSL Queensland's obligations under the Privacy Act and RSL Queensland's privacy policy, which is available at rslqld.org/about-us/policy/privacy-policy

RSL Queensland's privacy policy explains how you can seek access to – and correct – the personal information we hold about you, and how you can contact RSL Queensland with queries or complaints regarding our handling of your personal information.

If you have any queries about any privacy issues, please contact the Privacy Officer at privacy@rslqld.org

2. Photography and recording

You agree to be filmed, recorded and/or photographed by RSL Queensland or any contractors engaged by RSL Queensland to take photographs and recordings during the Event (the Recordings).

You consent to RSL Queensland using the Recordings:

- for audio and visual production or broadcast
- in streaming the Event (whether live or delayed)
- in a photo gallery / short film / webinar (which may include other recordings and material)
- and your name, likeness, voice or other information concerning you
- online and on social media
- for editorial, promotion, publicity for advertising purposes
- and sharing with organisations with similar objects to RSL Queensland, including, but not limited to:
 - Mates4Mates Limited ACN 160 646 999
 - The Returned & Services League of Australia Ltd ACN 008 488 097
 - any state or territory branch of the Returned & Services League of Australia Ltd; and
 - any Sub Branch or District Branch within the jurisdiction of RSL Queensland.

You:

- release RSL Queensland from any infringement or violation of personal and / or property rights of any sort whatsoever based upon the use of the Recording
- acknowledge that RSL Queensland owns all rights, title and interest (including copyright) in the Recordings and you will receive no payment or other compensation for the Recordings
- must not record or broadcast (audio and/or video) of any part of the Event

- may take photographs during the Event (Attendee photographs) for the purposes of preparing company or annual reports, Sub Branch media pieces and marketing pieces (Materials); and
- must uphold a professional and respectful environment when taking Attendee photographs.

RSL Queensland reserves the right to:

- review the Attendee photographs and how the Attendee photographs will be used in the Materials prior to the publication of the Materials; and
- use the Attendee photographs for promotional purposes on the RSL Queensland website or other promotional channels.

3. Program changes

RSL Queensland may change the format, participants, content, venue and session times or any other aspect of the Event and will not be liable to you for any damages or expenses of any kind incurred or suffered by you in connection with any changes.

4. Intellectual property

All intellectual property rights in any way connected to the Event (including the content and the Recordings) are owned by RSL Queensland, Event sponsors or speakers. You may not use or reproduce any intellectual property connected to the Event without the prior written permission of RSL Queensland.

5. Attendee requirements

You will not share or publish anything on social media or in a public forum, or make any statement to the media, that would bring into disrepute the good name and reputation of RSL Queensland or the Event.

You must comply with applicable State Government health directives and health and safety laws and report all accidents, emergencies or other incidents to RSL Queensland or venue staff.

You must comply with all requirements of the venue or RSL Queensland in connection with the Event and follow all reasonable directions of venue staff or RSL Queensland.

Smoking (including the use of e-cigarettes) is not permitted at the venue (except at officially designated smoking areas, if any).

You agree not to disrupt any session of the Event. RSL Queensland reserves the right, without any liability, to refuse admission to, or to eject you from all or any part of the Event for failure to comply with these terms and conditions or, if in the opinion of RSL Queensland, you represent a security risk, nuisance or annoyance to the running of all or any part of the Event.

6. Indemnity

You are attending the Event at your own risk.

You release RSL Queensland from, and indemnify RSL Queensland against, any claim arising from any loss, damage, death or injury to any property or person as a result of you attending the Event.





2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Saturday 20 June 2026

1. Annual General Meeting commences

2. Roll call

(Correct as at 18 May 2026. Subject to change prior to State Congress)

Airlie Beach-Whitsunday	Dayboro	Kalbar
Atherton	Deception Bay	Kawana Waters
Babinda	Edge Hill/Cairns West	Kedron-Wavell
Banyo	Edmonton	Killarney
Barcaldine	Emerald	Kingaroy/Memerambi
Beachmere	Emu Park	Kuranda
Beerwah and District	Far Northern District	Kuttabul
Blackall	Gatton	Laidley
Blackbutt	Gayndah	Longreach
Boonah	Gaythorne	Mackay
Boyne-Tannum	Geebung Zillmere Bald Hills	Magnetic Island
Bray Park-Strathpine	Aspley	Maleny
Brisbane North District	Gemfields	Mareeba
Bundaberg	Gin Gin	Marian
Caboolture-Morayfield and District	Gladstone	Maroochydore
Cairns	Gold Coast District	Mary Valley
Cairns and District Ex-Servicewomen	Goodna	Maryborough
Calliope	Goondiwindi	Meandarra/Glenmorgan
Caloundra	Gordonvale	Miles
Cardwell	Grantham-Ma Ma Creek	Mirani
Central Queensland District	Gympie	Mitchell
Chinchilla	Harlaxton	Monto
Clermont	Herbert River	Moreton District
Clifton	Herberton	Mossman
Cooktown	Hervey Bay	Mount Molloy
Coolum-Peregian	Highfields	Mount Morgan
Cooroy-Pomona	Howard District	Mount Perry
Crows Nest	Ipswich	Mudgeeraba-Robina
Currumbin/Palm Beach	Ipswich Railway	Mudjimba
	Isis	Murgon

Nambour	Sandgate	Toowoomba
Nanango	Sherwood-Indooroopilly	Townsville
Nerang	Southport	Tully
North Gold Coast	St George	Tweed Heads and Coolangatta
North Queensland District	St Helens	Walkerston-Pleystowe
Orchid Beach/Fraser Island	Stanthorpe	Wallangarra
Pine Rivers District	Sunshine Coast and Regional District	Warwick
Pittsworth	Surat	Weipa
Proston	Tewantin/Noosa	Western District
Ravenshoe	The Gap	Wide Bay and Burnett District
Redbank	Thuringowa	Wondai
Redcliffe	Tiaro	Woodgate Beach
Rockhampton	Tin Can Bay	Yandina/Eumundi
Rollingstone	Toogoolawah	Yarrabah
Roma	Toogoom and District	Yarraman
Runaway Bay		

3. Apologies

(Correct as at 18 May 2026. Subject to change prior to State Congress)

Bell	Helidon	Tara
Cunnamulla	Leyburn	Taroon
Dalby	Millmerran	Wandoan
Djuan and District	Mundubbera	
Esk	Oakey	

4. RSL Queensland officials in attendance

(Correct as at 18 May 2026. Subject to change prior to State Congress)

RSL Queensland Board of Directors

Major General Stephen Day DSC AM	State President (Board Chair)
Wendy Taylor	State Deputy President (Deputy Chair)
Arran Hassell CSC	State Vice President (Vice Chair)
Garry Player	Chair, State Council of District Presidents
Nicholas Gould	Director
Christopher Hamilton	Director
Ashley Naughton	Director
Tony Orchard	Director
Fiona Southwood	Director

RSL Queensland Executive Leadership Committee

Robert Skoda	Chief Executive Officer
Troy Watson	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Veteran Services
Nikki Amie-Fong	Chief Information Officer
Tracey Bishop	Executive General Manager Growth and Transformation
Leigh Goldsmith	Executive General Manager People and Organisational Performance
Deborah Pescott	Executive General Manager Lotteries Strategy and Performance
Natalie von Snarski	Executive General Manager Corporate Services

5. Annual General Meeting protocols and electronic voting

6. Appointment of Returning Officers and Scrutineers

Motion: "That a representative of the independent auditor for the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch), Darren Jenns be appointed as the Returning Officer and staff of PricewaterhouseCoopers be appointed as Scrutineers for the 2026 Annual General Meeting."

7. Acceptance of the Minutes of the 2025 AGM

Refer to: rslqld.org/get-involved/rsl-state-congress to view the Minutes.

Motion: "That the draft Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting."

8. Presentation and adoption of the State President (Chair) of RSL Queensland Board 2025 Annual Report

Refer to Appendix A for a copy of the 2025 Annual Report.

Motion: "That the Annual Report of the State President (Chair) of the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) for 2025 be adopted."

9. Receipt of Auditor's Report

Refer to Appendix B for a copy of the 2025 Annual Financial Report.

Motion: "That the Auditor's Report on the Financial Affairs of the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) for the year ending 31 December 2025 be received."

10. Presentation and adoption of the Audited Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2025

Refer to Appendix B for a copy of the 2025 Annual Financial Report.

Motion: "That the Audited Financial Statements of the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) for the year ending 31 December 2025 be adopted."

11. Appointment of Auditor

Motion: "That PricewaterhouseCoopers be appointed as External Auditor for the 2026 financial affairs for the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) Group, comprising RSL Queensland and its Related Bodies Corporate."

Note - For good governance, a new lead audit partner from PricewaterhouseCoopers has been appointed to perform the 2026 Annual Financial Audit.

12. Motions from State Branch, Districts and Sub Branches

City-New Farm RSL Sub Branch

Motion: "That RSL Queensland formally request for RSL Australia to strengthen consultation and engagement with League members on matters affecting the League and the veteran community, including through meaningful opportunities for member input via a reinstated National Congress or another appropriate representative forum."

Rationale:

Prior to 2017, the RSL held an Annual National Congress, which provided a formal forum for member representation across all State Branches. Delegates attended, debated and voted on matters affecting the League, supporting national alignment, member engagement and collaboration between branches.

Since the discontinuation of the National Congress, there has been reduced opportunity for direct member input into decisions at the national level. This has contributed to uncertainty among members regarding how their views are considered in matters affecting the League.

Recent examples, including changes to the RSL badge, have highlighted concerns that broader membership consultation mechanisms are not clearly understood or consistently applied. When RSL Australia was queried about member input into the badge redesign, the response was that the League/Service Members are not members of RSL Australia, and the members of RSL Australia were consulted.

This motion seeks to encourage improved consultation and engagement processes to ensure members have meaningful opportunities to contribute to matters of national significance.

Motion continues over page.



Relation to Objects and Strategy:

Strengthening consultation and engagement at a national level supports RSL Queensland’s Objects by enabling more informed and aligned decision-making across the League, which may indirectly impact its ability to deliver services to veterans and their families.

The motion aligns with the RSL Queensland 2030 Strategy, particularly:

- **Communication:** supporting clear, transparent communication with members and the veteran community
- **Commemoration:** strengthening collaboration and shared understanding across State Branches
- **Camaraderie:** promoting national alignment and connection between members and branches

Improved consultation mechanisms would support greater visibility of member perspectives and contribute to a more cohesive national approach.

Additionally, RSL Australia’s acknowledgment of the importance of open communication with members of the RSL for the purposes of considering matters of nationwide significance sends a clear message of transparency and access to decision-makers. Conversely, excluding the broader membership of the RSL nationwide signals RSL Australia’s unwillingness to seek and listen to its membership base.

Additional considerations:

Traditionally, the annual National Congress was held in person, resulting in costs for travel and accommodation. However, many similar national meetings are now conducted by videoconference, significantly alleviating the cost of meetings.

RSL Queensland commentary:

The motion proposes that RSL Queensland formally engage with RSL Australia to seek improved consultation and engagement with members of the League on matters of national significance.

RSL Queensland does not have authority to direct RSL Australia’s governance arrangements. If the motion is carried, the effect would be to authorise RSL Queensland to make a formal request or submission to RSL Australia outlining members’ concerns regarding consultation and engagement mechanisms.

Historically, the National Congress served as a forum for engagement across the League.

Under the current governance framework, the National Congress / National Conference is not a decision-making body and voting at the national level occurs at the RSL Australia Annual General Meeting in accordance with the legal and corporate structure.

Any decision regarding the form, function or reinstatement of a National Congress, or alternative representative forum, is a matter for RSL Australia.

RSL Queensland recognises the importance of member engagement across the League and, where appropriate, represents member views to RSL Australia through established governance processes. This motion provides an opportunity for members to indicate whether they support RSL Queensland formally raising this issue with RSL Australia.

13. Ballot for the election of a Skills-based Director

- Daniel (Dan) Byatt
- David Counsell
- Steven (Steve) Drinkwater OAM
- Nigel Hennessy
- Christopher (Chris) Leeds
- Ashley (Ash) Naughton
- Meegan Olding
- Dr Cathryn (Kate) Robinson
- Warren Tapp RFD

14. Ballot for the election of the State Deputy President (Deputy Chair)

- Douglas (Doug) Egan
- Ashley (Ash) Naughton
- Cherisa (CJ) Pearce

15. Destruction of voting information

Motion: “That the form authorising the destruction of voting data be signed.”

16. Confirmation of Directors of RSL Queensland

Major General Stephen Day DSC AM	State President (Board Chair)
<i>Position up for election</i>	State Deputy President (Deputy Chair)
Arran Hassell CSC	State Vice President (Vice Chair)
Garry Player	Chair, State Council of District Presidents
Nicholas Gould	Director
Christopher Hamilton	Director
Tony Orchard	Director
Fiona Southwood	Director
<i>Position up for election</i>	Director

17. Annual General Meeting concludes

2026 AGM rules of procedure, debate and conduct of meetings

The proceedings of the 2026 AGM will be in accordance with the RSL Queensland Constitution, the By-Laws, and the procedures set out below, as directed by the Chair.

1. **Order of Business** – As per the Agenda.
2. **Addressing Chair** – A member desiring to speak shall move to the microphone and address the Chair. If two or more members rise at the same time, the Chair shall call upon the member who, in their opinion, shall be first to speak.
3. **Respect to Chair** – Any member speaking shall at once resume their seat if the Chair rises to speak or if a point of order is raised, and shall not resume speaking until the Chair shall resume their seat or the point of order has been decided.
4. **Discussion Confined to Motions, Amendments** – Subject to the Chair's right to permit discussion upon any matter they deem of importance to the meeting, no discussion shall take place except on a motion or amendment moved and seconded, and put in writing if so requested.
5. **Motions** – All motions shall be submitted in writing and (a) shall be of an affirmative character and (b) once having been submitted shall be the property of the meeting, and shall be withdrawn only by leave of the meeting or by amendment. No motion vitally affecting the policy interests of the League shall be submitted to a meeting without adequate notice.
6. **Motions Not Seconded** – A motion not seconded shall not be debated, and no entry thereof shall be made in the Minutes of the Meeting.
7. **Restriction Upon Speeches** – The mover of an original motion shall be allowed four minutes to introduce the motion and two minutes for the right of reply, and the speakers for or against such proposal shall be limited to three minutes, except that at any time the meeting may resolve, on the motion of a delegate, that the speaker's time be extended by a specified number of minutes and any such proposal for an extension of time shall be put to the meeting concerned without debate.

No member shall propose more than one amendment upon a motion, and no member shall speak more than once upon a motion or once upon each amendment thereto, except with the permission of the Chair or except if they are the mover of the motion, who shall be entitled to the right of reply, provided that, for the purpose of this Rule, an amendment that has become the substantive motion shall be deemed to be a separate motion. Notwithstanding, however, the right to reply given to the mover in the foregoing, the Chair may, should they consider that there is no practical difference of opinion among the members, stop the discussion and submit the proposition to the meeting.

8. **Seconding Without Remarks** – A member who uses the words "I second the motion" or "amendment", as the case may be, shall not be deemed to have spoken to the question before the Chair and may exercise their right to speak at a later stage, always providing they are not the third consecutive speaker on the one side. For the general purpose of debate, however, they shall be deemed the second speaker in the affirmative.
9. **Debate** – When a motion has been duly proposed and seconded, the Chair shall proceed to take the votes, unless some member rises to oppose it or to propose an amendment. No more than two members shall speak in succession either for or against any question before the meeting, and if, at the conclusion of the second speaker's remarks, no member rises to speak on the other side; the motion or amendment shall be at once put to the meeting.
10. **Time of Amendment** –
 - a. A motion may be amended at any time during the debate on it by:
 - i. Striking out certain words
 - ii. Adding certain words, or

- iii. Striking out certain words and inserting others in their place.

- b. Any member who wishes to propose a further amendment to the motion shall have power to give notice of amendment and state its nature before the amendment before the Chair has been put to the vote.

11. **Amendments** – Only one amendment shall be debated at the one time. If the amendment be carried, it shall become the substantive motion, the original motion lapsing, and there shall be no necessity to put the original motion to the meeting.
12. **Other Amendments** – Whether an amendment is carried or not, other amendments may be submitted, and at a time, to be decided in like manner until the subject is finally disposed of.
13. **Amendments Lost** – In the case of all amendments being lost, the Chair shall put the original motion to the vote.
14. **Motion Discharged From Agenda** – A motion may be superseded at any time:
 - i. By another that it be discharged from the notice paper
 - ii. By a motion for the adjournment of the question under consideration
 - iii. By the adjournment of the meeting, or
 - iv. By a motion "That the next business be proceeded with", being resolved in the affirmative.
15. **Frequency of Speech** – A member shall not speak more than once upon any motion before the meeting, except:
 - i. In reply upon an original motion
 - ii. In committee of the whole
 - iii. In explanation, or
 - iv. Upon a point of order raised during a debate.

16. Explanation – Any member who has spoken to a motion may again be heard to explain themselves in regard to some part of their speech which the Chair agrees may have been misquoted or misunderstood but such member shall not introduce any new matter or interrupt any delegate who may be speaking, and no debatable matter shall be brought forward or debate arise upon such explanation.

17. Motion for Question to be Put – A motion “that the question be now put” may be moved at any stage of a debate, and shall be put immediately to the meeting without discussion. If lost, the debate shall continue as if such motion had not been moved. If carried, the mover shall have the right to reply, then the amendment, if there be an amendment, or motion, if no amendment has been moved thereon, or all amendments have been disposed of shall be put to the meeting without further discussion. No delegate who has spoken to the motion or amendment immediately before the Chair shall be permitted to move “That the question be now put”.

18. Restriction on Moving that Question be Put – At any meeting, no motion that the question be now put shall be proposed or seconded by a delegate from the same District or Sub Branch as that represented by the proposer or seconder of the original motion.

19. Notice of Motion – A member may, at any meeting, give a notice of motion for a future meeting by reading such notice to the meeting and handing a copy of it to the Chair. Such notice of motion shall take precedence in the order in which it stands in the minute book in relation to other similar notices, unless otherwise ordered by the meeting, and will lapse if the member, or some member on their behalf, be not present when the order for notice is read.

20. Delegate’s Absence – If the Chair of the meeting declares that an item on the agenda paper may lapse because of the absence of the delegate proposing the item, the Chair may accord to another delegate the right to propose such item to the meeting.

21. Precedence of Business Adjourned Meeting – When a motion for the adjournment of the meeting has been carried, the business then undisposed of shall have precedence in its order at the next meeting.

22. Rescinding Resolutions – Any member wishing to rescind a resolution which has been previously passed by the meeting, must give notice of motion that, at the next meeting, they will move that such a resolution be rescinded. Such notice of motion shall require a majority of two thirds of the votes of members present at the meeting to rescind the resolution in question.

23. Cannot Represent Two Sub Branches – No delegate shall, at the one time, or in connection with the one motion and/or any amendments thereto, represent or vote on behalf of more than one Sub Branch or District.

24. Conducting Vote – The Chair shall put all questions in a distinct and audible voice to the meeting and may, where appropriate, direct that a vote be conducted by ballot, including by use of an approved electronic voting system. A ballot conducted electronically constitutes a valid ballot for the purposes of the Constitution and By-Laws.

25. Voting Irregularities and Technology Failure – Where the Chair is satisfied that access to, or the operation of, an approved electronic voting system is materially impaired, the Chair may pause, restart or abandon the electronic poll and direct that voting proceed by an alternative method, including paper ballot. Where the Chair so directs, any votes already cast electronically are to be disregarded, and all votes for that poll are to be conducted and counted solely by paper ballot.

26. No Debate During Voting – No members shall speak to any question after it has been put by the Chair, nor during a vote, except to a point of order.

27. Voting Procedure – No member shall be allowed to vote who was not present when the question was first put. Every member present must vote, and where an option to abstain is available, any member wishing to abstain must actively record that intention. No member shall be allowed to enter or leave the room while a vote is being taken.

28. Voting in Elections – In an election conducted by ballot, each eligible delegate is entitled to cast one (1) vote only for one (1) candidate in that ballot. Each poll constitutes a separate and valid election.

29. Withdrawal of Candidates – Where a candidate lawfully withdraws from an election, the Chair shall inform the meeting. Any votes cast for a withdrawn candidate shall be treated as invalid and shall not be counted. All other votes cast in the ballot remain valid.

30. Introduction of Authorised Subjects Only – No member shall be allowed to obtain a discussion upon any subject through the medium or correspondence, but they may introduce the matter, in their place at the meeting, by moving the suspension of Standing Orders.

31. Meeting to Resolve as Committee – The meeting may, at any time, resolve itself into a committee of the whole, and such resolution may include the exclusion of the press. So far as possible, however, business to be dealt with in committee shall be held over until all other business has been transacted.





32. Adjournment of Meeting or Debate -

A motion for the adjournment of the meeting may be proposed at any time during a meeting, or for the adjournment of a debate at any time during such debate, and shall be, at once, put to the meeting by the Chair.

33. Disorderly Conduct - If any member at any such meeting:

- a. persistently and wilfully obstructs the business of any meeting;
- b. is guilty of disorderly conduct;
- c. uses objectionable words and refuses to withdraw such words;
- d. persistently and wilfully refuses to conform to these Standing Orders or any one or more of them;
- e. persistently and wilfully disregards the authority of the Chair; the Chair may report to the meeting that such member has committed an offence.

34. Apology or Explanation for Offence -

When any member has committed an offence, they shall be called upon to stand up in their place and make any explanation or apology they may think fit and, afterwards, a motion may be moved "That the member be suspended for the sitting of the meeting". No amendment, adjournments or debate shall be allowed on such motion, which shall be immediately put by the Chair.

35. Suspension - If any member be suspended, their suspension on the first occasion shall be for the remainder of that sitting; on the second occasion for the sitting of two consecutive meetings; and on the third occasion may, in the case of a member of the State AGM, Board, District Branch or Sub Branch Committees, have their seat declared vacant.

36. Points of Order - In all cases where a point of order is raised, the member raising the same shall state their point of order clearly and distinctly and with the omission of any irrelevant details.

If a member be speaking, such member shall take their seat until the point of order is decided. The Chair shall decide the matter promptly, and their decision shall be final, unless the ruling is disagreed with. Points of order shall deal with the conduct or procedure of the debate.

The member rising to put the point of order shall be required to prove one or more of the following:

- a. the speaker is using unparliamentary language;
- b. they are speaking beside the question;
- c. they are transgressing some Rule of the Branch or Sub Branch; or
- d. they are infringing the Standing Orders or, in the absence of a Standing Order bearing on the point, is acting contrary to the general custom of debate. (Points of correction, such as a protest that a speaker is not stating the truth, are not points of order.)

37. Disagreement with Chair's Ruling -

When a motion is moved and seconded "That the Chair's ruling be disagreed with", the Chair shall forthwith leave the Chair and the debate on the original question then before the Chair shall be suspended. Another Chair shall then be appointed by the meeting and the question "That the Chair's ruling be disagreed with" shall be discussed and decided, after which the former Chair shall resume the Chair and the debate on the original question shall be proceeded with as if the same had not been suspended.

38. Suspension of Standing Orders -

It shall be competent, by a two-third majority vote of the members present and voting, to suspend the Standing Orders, provided the effects of such suspension shall not be the rescission of Rule 34, and provided, further, that the suspension of the Standing Orders shall be limited in its operation to the particular purpose for which the suspension has been sought.

39. Re-Committing Resolution -

No resolution passed by a meeting shall be again debated or re-committed at the same meeting unless two thirds of the members present and entitled to vote so agree.

40. Objection to Validity of Vote -

Subject to these Rules, the Chair shall be sole and absolute judge as to the validity of any vote cast on any question, and unless objection to the validity of any vote is raised immediately after the Chair has declared the result of the vote thereon, its validity cannot be again raised at any subsequent stage of the meeting.

41. Voting Majorities - A rule which calls for either three-quarter or two- third majority, simply means that three quarters or two thirds respectively of the members present and entitled to vote at a meeting shall be in favour.

42. Tied Votes in Elections - Where an election results in a tied vote, no candidate is elected and a further ballot shall be conducted between the tied candidates only, in accordance with the Constitution, until the tie is resolved.



Appendix A

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



The 2025 RSL Queensland Annual Report can be found at rslqld.org/news/annual-reports

A printed copy will be provided to delegates attending the 2026 State Congress.



Appendix B

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Of the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) for the year ended 31 December 2025

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)

ABN 79 902 601 713

Annual report for the year ended 31 December 2025

The directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) ("RSL Queensland") and its subsidiary Mates4Mates Limited (the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Review of operations

In 2025, RSL Queensland continued to deliver veteran services and programs while enhancing service delivery, support to the League, and accessibility for veterans. Looking ahead, deliberate investment in the stability and growth of the Dream Home Art Union, along with future revenue diversification, will be critical to the organisation's continued success.

RSL Queensland's membership grew for the fourth consecutive year, surpassing 35,000 members and reflecting the strong community veterans find within their local Sub Branch. Throughout 2025, the organisation highlighted the many ways members contribute while also providing, funding, tools, training and support to the League.

Work continued on the development of new By-Laws, in preparation for their release in late 2026. The By-Laws are designed to promote respectful behaviour, encourage issues to be resolved at the lowest level through communication and compromise, and reduce the need for formal mediation or disciplinary action.

RSL Queensland increased community participation in commemorations, marking several significant milestones throughout the year. Sub Branches hosted more than 500 ANZAC Day services across Queensland, commemorating 110 years since the Gallipoli landings. This was followed by recognition of the 80th anniversary of Victory in the Pacific, including a dedicated VP80 display at the Royal Queensland Show (Ekka).

RSL Queensland conducted a review across its service delivery structures to improve access under a 'no wrong door' approach. This included the integration of Mates4Mates into RSL Queensland and the start of our Single Intake Service System, which commenced our Social Impact journey.

The Mates4Mates business was transferred to RSL Queensland during the year, enhancing governance, service development and accessibility for those it serves. The DVA Advocacy and RSL Employment Program were accredited against the QIC Health and Community Services Standards, demonstrating that RSL Queensland's systems and processes meet external benchmarks and reinforcing its role as a trusted partner in the veteran support ecosystem.

In August 2025, RSL Queensland announced the location for the latest Veteran & Family Wellbeing Centre in Ipswich, providing a centralised space for health, wellbeing and social support for veterans, their families and Defence personnel. The Centre is set to open in mid-2026.

In collaboration with Legacy Brisbane, RSL Queensland hosted two ESO Forums in 2025, providing an opportunity for ex-service organisations (ESOs) from across Queensland to collaborate and share insights around the support provided to veterans and their families.

The rebrand of Dream Home Art Union, proudly RSL Queensland, was fully embedded, with a refreshed prize line-up and enhanced value proposition for VIP members, including daily draws and higher-value prize homes. Investment in systems and capability positioned the lottery for future growth, while it expanded into Victoria, reaching a wider audience. Recognising that no venture of this size can stand still, Dream Home Art Union continues to evolve its prizes, systems and operations to secure long-term success.

RSL Queensland officially launched a new website in August 2025, following two years of consultation with members, families of veterans and the general public. The new website provides a better user experience for those seeking support and directs more people to activities within their local Sub Branches and communities.

RSL Queensland supported RSL Australia by amplifying the voices of veterans and their families to ensure they were heard by decisionmakers, while also working to drive reforms that strengthen the wellbeing of the veteran community.

This work delivered progress across state and national priorities, from responding to the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide to helping drive the development of Queensland's first Veterans and Veterans' Families Strategy.

Collaboration with other RSL State Branches focused on strengthening connections and progressing a more cohesive national support model. The goal is to continue to deliver a seamless experience and wraparound support for veterans regardless of their state of origin.

Review of operations (continued)

Through these initiatives, RSL Queensland continues to uphold its commitment to care, commemoration and camaraderie, ensuring veterans and their families receive the support they deserve.

RSL Queensland's 2025 Annual Report offers deeper insight into our programs and services, and I encourage reference to this document on our website rslqld.org.

Governance Statement

RSL Queensland is committed to meeting its requirements under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)* (ACNC Act), as well as implementing robust corporate governance processes. Good corporate governance helps RSL Queensland deliver its strategic objectives, providing confidence to our members, regulators and the broader community in our work supporting veterans and their families. In implementing good governance, RSL Queensland strives to be adaptive and nimble in its decision-making processes, responding quickly to opportunities, while balancing investments, risk and value.

All members of the Board are elected or appointed in accordance with the constitution, are RSL members and do not receive remuneration for their role. The Board has established several board committees who advise on key issues and operate under Board approved Terms of Reference.

Communication of RSL Queensland's affairs to members, the League, supporters, and the public is widely undertaken. There is direct communication through regular newsletters and the provision of the annual report to members, as well as the ability to access the annual report online at rslqld.org.

Board attendance

	Date of appointment	Date of resignation	No. of meetings eligible to attend	No. of meetings attended
Major General Stephen Day DSC, AM			10	9
Ms Gwynneth Taylor			10	10
Mr William Whitburn OAM		21/6/2025	5	5
Mr Ashley Naughton			10	8
Mr Christopher Hamilton			10	9
Mr Tony Orchard			10	9
Mr Nicholas Gould			10	9
Mr Gary Player			10	10
Ms Fiona Southwood			10	9
Mr Arran Hassell CSC	21/6/2025		5	5

Principal activities

Setting the conditions for an aligned model in providing services, programs and recognition to veterans and families through the tenants of care, commemoration and camaraderie was the cornerstone of 2025. This included moving the capability of Mates4Mates Limited into RSL Queensland. This will assist in evolving services and opportunities directly in line with the needs of veterans and families, wherever they may need assistance.

The commercial activities of the Organisation continued to evolve throughout 2025 with the enhancements of our prizes in the Dream Home Art Union, allowing RSL Queensland to continue to lead size of the prizes in the charitable prize home lottery market.

There was no other significant change in the nature of the activity of the Group during the year.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

There have been no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group during the year.

Operating results

The surplus from ordinary activities amounted to \$1,050,442 (2024: \$6,960,158) and the expenditure on charitable objects as a percentage of the Art Union surplus in 2025 increased to 98.8% (2024: 92.3%).

Mission statement

RSL Queensland's 2030 strategic framework highlights its mission, strategic imperatives and enabling capabilities to meet the needs of veterans and their families.

RSL Queensland's mission is to provide care, commemoration and camaraderie to enable veterans and their families to live with dignity and respect.

To effectively achieve its mission, RSL Queensland will enhance the following capabilities:

- Communication - ability to clearly communicate our mission and endeavours to the veteran community and society at large.
- Commercial Resources - financial capacity and fit-for-purpose commercial structure to ensure that RSL Queensland meets its mission
- Capability - relevant skills, processes and technologies, effectively aligned in a way that sets up RSL Queensland for success

RSL Queensland's 2030 strategic goals to achieve its mission include:

- Strengthen our connection to veterans and the community (Connect)
- Service the holistic interest of veterans (Serve)
- Secure our commercial capacity and assets (Secure)
- Enable RSL Queensland and its ecosystem to achieve its mission (Enable)

Event since the end of the financial year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2025 that has significantly affected the Group's operations, results or state of affairs, or may do so in future years.

Likely developments and expected results of operations

The directors expect that the Group will continue to carry out its principal activities as detailed above. There are no other known or likely developments which the directors foresee which they wish to disclose at this time.

Environmental regulation

The Group is not affected by any significant environmental regulation in respect of its operations.

Insurance of officers and indemnities

During the financial year, Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) paid a premium to insure the directors and secretaries of the Group.

The liabilities insured are legal costs that may be incurred in defending civil or criminal proceedings that may be brought against the officers in their capacity as officers of entities in the Group, and any other payments arising from liabilities incurred by the officers in connection with such proceedings. This does not include such liabilities that arise from conduct involving a willful breach of duty by the officers or the improper use by the officers of their position or of information to gain advantage for themselves or someone else or to cause detriment to the Group. It is not possible to apportion the premium between amounts relating to the insurance against legal costs and those relating to other liabilities.

Proceedings on behalf of the Group

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Group or intervene in any proceedings to which the Group is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Group for all or any part of those proceedings. The Group was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

Auditor

PricewaterhouseCoopers continues in office in accordance with section 60-25 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012*.



Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012* is set out on page 5.

Rounding of amounts

The Group is of a kind referred to in ASIC Legislative Instrument 2016/191, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the directors' report. Amounts in the directors' report have been rounded off in accordance with the instrument to the nearest dollar.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors.

Major General Stephen Day DSC, AM
State President/Director

Brisbane
14 May 2026

Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)'s financial report for the year ended 31 December 2025, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Darren Jenks
Partner

Brisbane
14 May 2026

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)

ABN 79 902 601 713

Financial report - 31 December 2025

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This financial report is the consolidated financial report of the consolidated entity consisting of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) and its subsidiary. The financial report is presented in the Australian dollar (\$).

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) operates under Letters Patent issued pursuant to the *Religious, Educational and Charitable Institutions Act 1861 (Qld)* and is domiciled in Queensland, Australia.

Its registered office is:
283 St Pauls Terrace
Fortitude Valley, Queensland, 4006.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the directors on 14 May 2026. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial report.

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Revenue from contracts with customers	3	200,224,748	199,249,881
Other income	4(a)	16,365,992	14,327,825
Other gains/(losses) – net	4(b)	8,027,895	1,112,950
Lottery prizes, marketing and commission expenses		(105,835,307)	(93,056,067)
Employee benefits expense		(71,330,457)	(67,876,734)
Donations and welfare expenses	5(b)	(13,833,935)	(15,872,181)
IT and communications expenses		(7,857,622)	(6,823,999)
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(9,212,139)	(7,388,685)
Contractors and consultants		(3,230,240)	(3,201,786)
Property expenses		(5,368,510)	(5,070,831)
Meeting and travel expenses		(1,423,092)	(1,414,680)
Bank and merchant fees		(1,580,940)	(1,701,041)
Support services expenses		(371,498)	(474,769)
Other expenses		(2,807,168)	(4,321,785)
Finance costs	4(c)	(717,285)	(527,940)
Surplus for the year		1,050,442	6,960,158
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Item that may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Changes in the fair value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	20(a)	300,626	3,997,095
Other comprehensive income for the year		300,626	3,997,095
Total comprehensive income for the year		1,351,068	10,957,253

The above consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)
Consolidated balance sheet
As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	53,381,708	48,671,333
Trade and other receivables	7	3,940,017	3,491,752
Inventories	8	79,056,022	50,584,491
Financial assets at amortised cost	9	15,169,755	45,289,870
Other assets	16	11,668,966	8,807,841
Total current assets		163,216,468	156,845,287
Non-current assets			
Inventories	8	26,374,293	43,286,670
Property, plant and equipment	10	42,504,723	32,156,206
Right-of-use assets	12	6,002,936	7,226,378
Investment properties	11	9,167,434	9,189,680
Intangible assets	13	5,611,492	8,555,690
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	14	68,040,096	63,477,787
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	15	46,871,507	44,298,633
Other assets	16	2,741,418	2,701,332
Total non-current assets		207,313,899	210,892,376
Total assets		370,530,367	367,737,663
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	17	9,615,479	8,166,488
Contract liabilities	3(a)	15,254,390	12,698,064
Lease liabilities	12	2,084,120	1,982,743
Deferred revenue	18	1,038,982	2,981,283
Employee benefit obligations	19	5,070,526	4,775,704
Total current liabilities		33,063,497	30,604,282
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	12	4,543,935	5,712,028
Employee benefit obligations	19	1,520,362	1,369,848
Total non-current liabilities		6,064,297	7,081,876
Total liabilities		39,127,794	37,686,158
Net assets		331,402,573	330,051,505
EQUITY			
Other reserves	20(a)	6,682,732	6,382,106
Retained earnings	20(b)	324,719,841	323,669,399
Total equity		331,402,573	330,051,505

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)
Consolidated statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Other reserves \$	Accumulated funds \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 January 2024	2,385,011	316,709,241	319,094,252
Surplus for the year	-	6,960,158	6,960,158
Other comprehensive income	3,997,095	-	3,997,095
Total comprehensive income for the year	3,997,095	6,960,158	10,957,253
Balance at 31 December 2024	6,382,106	323,669,399	330,051,505
Balance at 1 January 2025	6,382,106	323,669,399	330,051,505
Surplus for the year	-	1,050,442	1,050,442
Other comprehensive income	300,626	-	300,626
Total comprehensive income for the year	300,626	1,050,442	1,351,068
Balance at 31 December 2025	6,682,732	324,719,841	331,402,573

The above consolidated balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

The above consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)
Consolidated statement of cash flows
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Surplus for the year		1,050,442	6,960,158
Depreciation and amortisation		9,212,139	7,388,685
Impairment reversal on non-operating balance sheet items		(3,069,239)	(2,000)
Net (gain)/loss on disposal of intangibles and plant and equipment		(61,458)	1,185,060
Fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		(4,641,425)	(1,713,298)
Change in operating assets and liabilities:			
Increase in trade and other receivables		(395,263)	(615,711)
Increase in inventories		(11,559,154)	(6,566,000)
Increase in contract assets, prepayments and other operating assets		(2,954,212)	(829,704)
Increase in trade and other payables and contract liabilities		2,063,015	986,279
Increase in other operating liabilities		445,336	632,741
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		(9,909,819)	7,426,210
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(10,305,520)	(2,412,187)
Transfers from/(to) investments		27,926,983	(31,919,922)
Payments for intangibles		(911,179)	(1,346,135)
Repayment of loans to related parties		2,000	2,000
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets		115,400	660,571
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		16,827,684	(35,015,673)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Principal elements of lease payments		(2,207,490)	(1,921,336)
Net cash (outflow) from financing activities		(2,207,490)	(1,921,336)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		4,710,375	(29,510,799)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		48,671,333	78,182,132
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	6	53,381,708	48,671,333

The above consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)
Notes to the consolidated financial statements
31 December 2025

1 Summary of material accounting policies

This note provides a list of all material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this consolidated financial report. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated. The financial report is for the Group consisting of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) and its subsidiary.

(a) Basis of preparation

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the *Collections Act 1966 (Qld)*, the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act 2012)* and the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW)*. Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) is a not-for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial report.

(i) Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosure Requirements

The consolidated financial report of the Group complies with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosure Requirements as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

(ii) Historical cost convention

The financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for certain financial assets measured at fair value.

(iii) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

There are no standards that are not yet effective and that would be expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting years and on foreseeable future transactions.

(iv) Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial report requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial report, are disclosed in note 2.

(v) Comparatives

Comparatives have been reclassified, where appropriate, to enhance comparability.

(b) Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial report incorporates the assets and liabilities of all subsidiaries of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) ('parent entity') as at 31 December 2025 and the results of its subsidiary for the year then ended. Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) and its subsidiary together are referred to in this financial report as the Group or the consolidated entity.

(i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity where the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the transferred asset. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

The Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) has a single subsidiary, Mates4Mates Limited, of which the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) is the single member of the company.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(c) Revenue recognition

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised by reference to each distinct performance obligation in the contract with the customer. Revenue from contracts with customers is measured at its transaction price, being the amount of consideration which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, net of goods and service tax, returns, rebates and discounts. Transaction price is allocated to each performance obligation on the basis of the relative standalone selling prices of each distinct good or services promised in the contract. Depending on the substance of the contract, revenue is recognised when the performance obligation is satisfied, which may be at a point in time or over time.

The Group recognises other revenue when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and specific criteria have been met for each of the Group's activities as described below. The Group bases its estimates on historical results, taking into consideration the type of customer, the type of transaction and the specifics of each arrangement.

Revenue is recognised for the major business activities using the methods outlined below.

(i) Lottery ticket sales

Revenue primarily comprises funds raised from sales of lottery tickets. Revenue is recognised at a point in time once the lottery has closed and the lottery is drawn. Revenue for lotteries which have not been closed and drawn are treated as a contract liability.

(ii) Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the point in time when the Group delivers a product to the customer.

(iii) Rental income

Rental income on investment properties is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Contingent rentals are recognised as income in the periods when they are earned.

(iv) Interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method. When a receivable is impaired, the Group reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flow discounted at the original effective interest rate of the instrument, and continues unwinding the discount as interest income. Interest income on impaired loans is recognised using the original effective interest rate.

(v) Dividends

Dividends are recognised as revenue when the right to receive payment is established.

(d) Grants

Grants are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Group will comply with all attached conditions. Assets arising from grants in the scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at their fair value when the asset is received. Grants where there are specific performance obligations are treated as within the scope of AASB 15.

(e) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) operates solely as a charitable non-profit group. It is established to promote the interests and welfare of former and serving members of the Australian Defence Force and their dependants, in order to carry out commemorative and patriotic activities. Accordingly, the Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) is registered as a Taxation Concession Charity (TCC) by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and as such is not liable for income tax as the Group maintains such registration.

(f) Leases

The Group leases various premises and vehicles. Rental contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 12 months to 5 years, but may have extension options as described below.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(f) Leases (continued)

Contracts may contain both lease and non-lease components. The Group allocates the consideration in the contract to the lease and non-lease components based on their relative stand-alone prices. However, for leases of real estate for which the Group is a lessee, it has elected not to separate lease and non-lease components and instead accounts for these as a single lease component.

Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor. Leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

Leases are recognised as a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability at the date at which the leased asset is available for use by the Group.

Assets and liabilities arising from a lease are initially measured on a present value basis. Lease liabilities include the net present value of the following lease payments:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable,
- variable lease payment that are based on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date,
- amounts expected to be payable by the Group under residual value guarantees,
- the exercise price of a purchase option if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise that option, and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising that option.

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability.

The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. If that rate cannot be readily determined, which is generally the case for leases in the Group, the lessee's incremental borrowing rate is used, being the rate that the individual lessee would have to pay to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment with similar terms, security and conditions.

To determine the incremental borrowing rate, the Group:

- where possible, uses recent third-party financing received by the individual lessee as a starting point, adjusted to reflect changes in financing conditions since third party financing was received,
- makes adjustments specific to the lease, eg term and security.

Lease payments are allocated between principal and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising the following:

- the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability,
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received,
- any initial direct costs, and
- restoration costs.

Right-of-use assets are generally depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis. If the Group is reasonably certain to exercise a purchase option, the right-of-use asset is depreciated over the underlying asset's useful life.

Payments associated with short-term leases of equipment and vehicles and all leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less. Low-value assets comprise IT equipment and small items of office furniture.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(f) Leases (continued)

Extension and termination options

Extension and termination options are included in a number of property and equipment leases across the Group. These are used to maximise operational flexibility in terms of managing the assets used in the Group's operations. The majority of extension and termination options held are exercisable only by the Group and not by the respective lessor.

(g) Impairment of assets

Intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that they might be impaired. Other assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting year.

(h) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(i) Trade receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. They are generally due for settlement within 30 days and are therefore all classified as current. Trade receivables are recognised initially at the amount of consideration that is unconditional unless they contain significant financing components, when they are recognised at fair value. The Group holds the trade receivables with the objective of collecting the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The Group applies the AASB 9 simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables and contract assets.

To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. The contract assets have substantially the same risk characteristics as the trade receivables for the same types of contracts. The Group has therefore concluded that the expected loss rates for trade receivables are a reasonable approximation of the loss rates for the contract assets. The expected loss rates are based on the payment profiles of sales over a period of 36 months and the corresponding historical credit losses experienced within this period.

(j) Inventories

(i) Art Union properties

Art Union properties which have not yet been included as a prize in a lottery draw at 31 December 2025 are included in the consolidated balance sheet as inventories. These are stated at the lower of net realisable value recorded as a cost less provision for impairment. Cost is assigned to an asset by specific identification including costs of acquisition, development costs, and any other costs incurred in bringing the inventory item to its present condition. Net realisable value considers the income an associated lottery draw would be estimated to make less estimated costs of running the draw.

The cost of Art Union properties acquired under contracts entered into but not yet settled as at balance date are not taken up as inventories, unless all contractual conditions have been fulfilled such that there is virtual certainty of completion to enable transfer of title and benefit to the property. Such costs are recognised as prepayments.

Should an Art Union property no longer be allocated to a future draw, it is held for resale with net realisable value the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the reporting year in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of the assets, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives or, in the case of leasehold improvements, the shorter lease term as follows:

• Buildings	2.5%
• Plant and equipment	10% - 40%
• Leasehold improvements	5%
• Motor vehicles	12.5% - 20%

The assets residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting year.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (note 1(g)).

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in profit or loss.

(l) Investment properties

Investment properties are held for long-term rental yields and are not occupied by the Group. They are carried at cost including transaction costs, less accumulated depreciation and impairment charges.

The cost of properties acquired under contracts entered into but not yet settled as at balance date are not taken up as investment properties unless all contractual conditions have been fulfilled such that there is virtual certainty of completion to enable transfer of title and benefit to the property. Such costs are recognised as prepayments.

Investment properties (other than land) are depreciated over their useful lives to the Group commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the expected useful economic life of the assets at 2.5%.

(m) Intangible assets

(i) Software

Software including cloud software

Software as a Service (SaaS) arrangements are service contracts providing the Group with the right to access the cloud provider's application software over the contract period. On commencement of a new contract with a cloud-based provider, the Group will assess whether there is control surrounding the underlying software and whether this will provide a future economic benefit to the Group. Where the Group will obtain a future economic benefit and can restrict access to the software, an intangible asset will be recognised. All customisation and configuration relating to this asset will be capitalised where the implementation has been performed by the SaaS provider and the improvements are considered 'not distinct' within the software. The Group defines the configuration and customisation to be 'not distinct' when the adaptations to the software significantly enhance or modify the product and are no longer easily identifiable from the original software.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(m) Intangible assets (continued)

(i) Software (continued)

Where the Group incurs costs surrounding a SaaS arrangement that do not result in the recognition of an intangible asset, the Group then considers who provided the configuration and customisation services and whether these services are 'distinct' or 'not distinct'. Where the services are provided by the SaaS supplier and are considered 'not distinct', the cost will be expensed over the contract term of the software. However, where the services are considered 'distinct', the costs will be expensed when the service is received. The Group will review the costs incurred relating to SaaS arrangements at the end of every reporting period to assess whether they meet the definition of an intangible asset. Any changes to the amortisation or depreciation rates that are applied will be treated as a change in accounting estimate. The Group has historically capitalised all configuration and customisation as an intangible asset in the consolidated balance sheet.

In-house software

Development costs that are directly attributable to the design and testing of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Group are recognised as intangible assets when the following criteria are met:

- it is technically feasible to complete the software so that it will be available for use
- management intends to complete the software and use or sell it
- there is an ability to use or sell the software
- it can be demonstrated how the software will generate probable future economic benefits
- adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the software are available, and
- the expenditure attributable to the software during its development can be reliably measured.

Directly attributable costs of materials, hardware and services used or consumed in generating the software have been recognised, including costs of employee benefits. Development costs not meeting these criteria for capitalisation are expensed as incurred and included in the ordinary business operations. Costs associated with maintaining software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred. A software development pool has been used to allocate software expenditure that is incurred on developing (or on having developed) in-house software that is intended to be used solely for a taxable purpose. Software has a finite life and is carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any impairment losses.

The Group amortises software with a limited useful life using the straight-line method at 10% - 40%.

(n) Investments and other financial assets

(i) Classification

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income, or through profit or loss), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or other comprehensive income. For investments in equity instruments, this will depend on whether the Group has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

(ii) Measurement

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in profit or loss.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(n) Investments and other financial assets (continued)

(iii) Debt instruments

Subsequent measurement of debt instruments depends on the Group's business model for managing the asset and the cash flow characteristics of the asset. There are two measurement categories into which the Group classifies its debt instruments:

Bank fixed rate term deposits (note 9)

Amortised cost: Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other gains/(losses) together with foreign exchange gains and losses. Impairment losses are presented in other gains/(losses) in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Corporate bonds, unit trust bonds and hedge funds (note 15)

FVOCI: Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows and for selling the financial assets, where the assets' cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest, are measured at FVOCI. Movements in the carrying amount are taken through OCI, except for the recognition of impairment gains or losses, interest income and foreign exchange gains and losses which are recognised in profit or loss. When the financial asset is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is reclassified from equity to profit or loss and recognised in other gains/(losses).

(iv) Equity instruments

Equity securities, unit trust equity and managed funds (note 14)

The Group subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value. The Group's management has not elected to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in other comprehensive income. Changes in the fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in other gain/(losses) in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as applicable.

Dividends from such investments continue to be recognised in profit or loss as other income when the Group's right to receive payments is established.

(v) Impairment

The Group assesses on a forward looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its assets carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

(o) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Trade and other payables are presented as current liabilities unless payment is not due within 12 months from the reporting date. They are recognised initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(p) Employee benefits

(i) Short-term obligations

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits and accumulating sick leave that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liabilities for annual leave are presented as current employee benefit obligations in the consolidated balance sheet. The liabilities for wages payable are presented as current other payables in the consolidated balance sheet.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(p) Employee benefits (continued)

(ii) Other long-term employee benefit obligations

The Group has liabilities for long service leave and annual leave that are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. They are therefore measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period of corporate bonds with terms and currencies that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Remeasurements as a result of experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in profit or loss.

The obligations are presented as current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet if the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

(iii) Retirement benefit obligations

Contributions to the defined contribution section of the Group's superannuation plan and other independent defined contribution superannuation funds are recognised as an expense as they become payable. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

(q) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other receivables or payables in the consolidated balance sheet.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the taxation authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

2 Critical estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of accounting estimates which, by definition, will seldom equal the actual results. Management also needs to exercise judgement in applying the Group's accounting policies.

(a) Significant estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated. They are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(b) Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

(i) Estimated impairment of assets

The Group tests annually whether assets suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 1(g) and note 1(j).

RSL Queensland has elected to accelerate the depreciation of the lotteries system and its components as the asset is losing efficiency quicker than expected. The development of a new system is set for go-live in 2026.

3 Revenue from contracts with customers

The Group derives revenue from the transfer of goods and services at a point in time as follows:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Sale of goods	11,184	12,408
Lottery ticket sales	200,213,564	199,237,473
	<u>200,224,748</u>	<u>199,249,881</u>

(a) Assets and liabilities related to contracts with customers

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Current other assets - contract costs	11,668,966	8,807,841
Non-current other assets - contract costs	2,741,418	2,701,332
Total contract costs	<u>14,410,384</u>	<u>11,509,173</u>
Contract liability - advance ticket sales	<u>(15,254,390)</u>	<u>(12,698,064)</u>

4 Other income and expense items

(a) Other income

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Rental income	3,008,242	2,710,658
Interest income	2,666,714	4,130,907
Dividends	3,191,445	3,887,552
Donations	668,112	1,417,571
Grant income	4,648,241	1,334,515
Sundry income	2,183,238	846,622
	<u>16,365,992</u>	<u>14,327,825</u>

Sundry income for 2025 includes \$1,075,955 (2024: nil) of stamp duty refunded by Revenue NSW after an exemption was granted.

(b) Other gains/(losses)

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Net gain/(loss) on disposal of non-current assets and inventory	777,458	(1,185,060)
Net fair value gains (realised and unrealised) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4,641,425	1,713,298
Net impairment reversal	2,609,012	584,712
	<u>8,027,895</u>	<u>1,112,950</u>

(c) Finance costs

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Interest and finance charges paid/payable for lease liabilities	<u>(717,285)</u>	<u>(527,940)</u>

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5 Income and expenditure - fundraising appeals

This disclosure is made to provide clarity on sources of fundraising appeals and expenditure directly applied towards the charitable purpose and is a requirement of *NSW Charitable Fundraising Act (1991)*. It is also considered relevant to the members of the organisation to provide additional information on direct expenses towards charitable purpose as this is not readily available from the presentation of the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

(a) Details of aggregate gross income and total expenses directly related to fundraising appeals:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Gross proceeds of fundraising appeals (as defined by the Act)	200,409,105	199,505,945
Cost of fundraising appeals	(113,992,139)	(100,048,338)
Gross surplus obtained from fundraising appeals	86,416,966	99,457,607

Fundraising appeals is primarily made up of the lottery operations. The cost of fundraising appeals includes payments made to traders where they have been engaged to assist with lottery ticket sales.

(b) Expenditure directly applied to the charitable purpose

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Donations and sponsorship	(13,792,361)	(15,872,181)
Veteran services and compliance	(23,332,837)	(23,769,179)
Welfare property expenditure	(7,094,794)	(7,578,969)
Total charitable expenditure	(44,219,992)	(47,220,329)

Other expenditure of an indirect or overhead nature which supports fundraising activity and the provision of charitable activities is not included in the above tables.

6 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	34,186,824	36,819,348
Deposits at call	18,210,021	11,486,929
Cash held by investment manager	984,863	365,056
	53,381,708	48,671,333

(a) Interest rates

Cash at bank earns interest at floating rates based on daily deposit rates.

(b) Restricted cash

The cash and cash equivalents held by the Group disclosed above and in the consolidated statement of cash flows include \$1,038,982 (2024: \$2,981,283) which are held by Group on behalf of external parties or for other purposes such as guarantees and unspent government grants. These deposits are subject to restrictions and are therefore not available for general or discretionary use by the entities in the Group.

7 Trade and other receivables

	2025			2024		
	Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Trade receivables	706,190	-	706,190	207,728	-	207,728
Loss allowance	(20,960)	-	(20,960)	(3,471)	-	(3,471)
	685,230	-	685,230	204,257	-	204,257
Other receivables	293,817	-	293,817	88,516	-	88,516
GST receivable	1,158,393	-	1,158,393	1,449,403	-	1,449,403
Prepayments	1,802,577	-	1,802,577	1,749,576	-	1,749,576
Loans to related parties (a)	-	1,164,950	1,164,950	-	1,166,950	1,166,950
Loss allowance	-	(1,164,950)	(1,164,950)	-	(1,166,950)	(1,166,950)
	3,940,017	-	3,940,017	3,491,752	-	3,491,752

(a) Loans to related parties

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Loans to sub branches:		
Bowen	22,000	24,000
Charters Towers	1,142,950	1,142,950
	1,164,950	1,166,950

Bowen

The loan was established on 23 July 2013 and is secured by a mortgage over the property situated at 38 Williams St, Bowen. The loan has been fully impaired.

Charters Towers

The loan was established on 24 May 2012 and is secured by a mortgage over the property situated at 8-10 Prior Street, Charters Towers. The loan has been fully impaired.

8 Inventories

	2025			2024		
	Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Art Union						
Art Union prize inventory	79,762,436	26,374,293	106,136,729	50,848,166	43,286,670	94,134,836
Provision for impairment - prize inventory	(706,414)	-	(706,414)	(263,675)	-	(263,675)
	79,056,022	26,374,293	105,430,315	50,584,491	43,286,670	93,871,161

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9 Financial assets at amortised cost

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Bank fixed rate term deposits	15,065,684	45,289,870
Other financial assets	104,071	-
	<u>15,169,755</u>	<u>45,289,870</u>

Bank fixed rate term deposits, including those managed by Willis Towers Watson are made for varying periods, on average six months, depending on the group's cash requirements. These deposits earn interest at variable rates between 3.76% - 5.12% (2024: 4.25% - 5.22%). All monies are invested with A+ rated Australian banks.

The Group classifies its financial assets as at amortised cost only if both of the following criteria are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows, and
- the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

10 Non-current assets - Property, plant and equipment

Non-current	Land and buildings \$	Plant and equipment \$	Motor vehicles \$	Leasehold improvements \$	Assets under construction \$	Total \$
At 31 December 2024						
Cost	37,735,656	13,254,201	83,265	-	1,022,467	52,095,589
Accumulated depreciation	(14,647,232)	(5,208,886)	(83,265)	-	-	(19,939,383)
Net book amount	<u>23,088,424</u>	<u>8,045,315</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,022,467</u>	<u>32,156,206</u>
Year ended 31 December 2025						
Opening net book amount	23,088,424	8,045,315	-	-	1,022,467	32,156,206
Additions	-	-	-	-	10,305,520	10,305,520
Disposals	-	(53,942)	-	-	-	(53,942)
Transfers	8,151,271	(2,731,635)	-	4,415,716	(10,306,444)	(471,092)
Depreciation charge	(1,029,559)	(232,781)	-	(1,236,868)	-	(2,499,208)
Impairment reversal	3,067,239	-	-	-	-	3,067,239
Closing net book amount	<u>33,277,375</u>	<u>5,026,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,178,848</u>	<u>1,021,543</u>	<u>42,504,723</u>
At 31 December 2025						
Cost	45,886,927	10,289,382	-	4,425,651	1,021,543	61,623,503
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(12,609,552)	(5,262,425)	-	(1,246,803)	-	(19,118,780)
Net book amount	<u>33,277,375</u>	<u>5,026,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,178,848</u>	<u>1,021,543</u>	<u>42,504,723</u>

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11 Investment properties

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Non-current assets - at cost		
Cost	13,571,611	13,100,519
Accumulated depreciation	(4,404,177)	(3,910,839)
	<u>9,167,434</u>	<u>9,189,680</u>

Movements:

Carrying amount at the beginning of the year	9,189,680	8,932,599
Transfers from plant and equipment	471,092	814,230
Depreciation	(493,338)	(491,982)
Disposals	-	(65,167)
	<u>9,167,434</u>	<u>9,189,680</u>

12 Leases

(a) Amounts recognised in the balance sheet

The consolidated balance sheet shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Right-of-use assets		
Premises	5,285,294	6,657,849
Vehicles	717,642	568,529
	<u>6,002,936</u>	<u>7,226,378</u>

Additions and lease modifications to the right-of-use assets during the 2025 financial year were \$1,852,437 (2024: \$1,663,443). Disposals of right-of-use assets through termination of leases were \$711,663.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
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Lease liabilities

Current	2,084,120	1,982,743
Non-current	4,543,935	5,712,028
	<u>6,628,055</u>	<u>7,694,771</u>

	2025 \$	2024 \$
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Future lease payments in relation to lease liabilities as at period end are as follows:

Within one year	2,677,474	2,648,141
Later than one year but not later than five years	5,103,446	6,674,352
	<u>7,780,920</u>	<u>9,322,493</u>

Future finance charges	(1,152,865)	(1,627,722)
Total lease liabilities	<u>6,628,055</u>	<u>7,694,771</u>

12 Leases (continued)

(b) Amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets			
Premises		1,955,682	1,503,031
Vehicles		408,535	490,816
		<u>2,364,217</u>	<u>1,993,847</u>
Interest expense (included in finance cost)	4(c)	<u>717,285</u>	527,940

13 Intangible assets

	Software \$	Work in progress \$	Total \$
At 31 December 2024			
Cost	19,770,058	66,251	19,836,309
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(11,280,619)	-	(11,280,619)
Net book amount	<u>8,489,439</u>	<u>66,251</u>	<u>8,555,690</u>
Year ended 31 December 2025			
Opening net book amount	8,489,439	66,251	8,555,690
Additions	-	911,178	911,178
Transfers	946,303	(946,303)	-
Amortisation charge	(3,855,376)	-	(3,855,376)
Closing net book amount	<u>5,580,366</u>	<u>31,126</u>	<u>5,611,492</u>
At 31 December 2025			
Cost	20,716,361	31,126	20,747,487
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(15,135,995)	-	(15,135,995)
Net book amount	<u>5,580,366</u>	<u>31,126</u>	<u>5,611,492</u>

14 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Equity securities, unit trust equity and managed funds	<u>68,040,096</u>	63,477,787

The Willis Towers Watson portfolio holds a variety of investments which generate a return based on income from those investments and changes in the market value of the investments. The majority of the Group's investment portfolio can be redeemed on an at call basis at the market value of the investment at the date of redemption less certain fees and charges.

The Group classifies the following financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL):

- equity investments that are held for trading, and
- equity investments for which the entity has not elected to recognise fair value gains and losses through OCI.

15 Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Non-current assets		
Corporate bonds, unit trust bonds and hedge funds	<u>46,871,507</u>	44,298,633

The Willis Towers Watson portfolio holds a variety of investments which generate a return based on income from those investments and changes in the market value of the investments. The majority of the Group's investment portfolio can be redeemed on an at call basis at the market value of the investment at the date of redemption less certain fees and charges.

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) comprise:

- Investments in corporate bonds, unit trust bonds and hedge funds which are not held for trading, and which the Group has irrevocably elected at initial recognition to recognise in this category. These are strategic investments and the Group considers this classification to be more relevant.

16 Other assets

	2025			2024		
	Current \$	Non-current \$	Total \$	Current \$	Non-current \$	Total \$
Contract costs	<u>11,668,966</u>	<u>2,741,418</u>	<u>14,410,384</u>	8,807,841	2,701,332	11,509,173

17 Trade and other payables

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Trade payables and accruals	<u>9,615,479</u>	8,166,488

18 Deferred revenue

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Government grants	<u>1,038,982</u>	2,981,283

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19 Employee benefit obligations

	2025		2024			
	Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leave obligations	5,070,526	1,520,362	6,590,888	4,775,704	1,369,848	6,145,552

20 Other reserves and accumulated funds

(a) Other reserves

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	6,682,732	6,382,106
	2025	2024
	\$	\$

Movements:

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Opening balance	6,382,106	2,385,011
Net gains - gross	300,626	3,997,095
Balance 31 December	6,682,732	6,382,106

Financial assets at FVOCI

The Group has elected to recognise changes in the fair value of certain investments in bonds and funds in OCI, as explained in note 15. These changes are accumulated within the FVOCI reserve within equity. The Group transfers amounts from this reserve to retained earnings when the relevant securities are derecognised.

(b) Accumulated funds

Movements in accumulated funds were as follows:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Balance 1 January	323,669,399	316,709,241
Surplus for the year	1,050,442	6,960,158
Balance 31 December	324,719,841	323,669,399

21 Contingencies

The Group had no contingent liabilities at 31 December 2025 (2024: nil).

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22 Commitments

(a) Capital commitments

Significant capital expenditure contracted for at the end of the reporting year but not recognised as liabilities is as follows:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Construction and purchase of property for future Art Unions	42,728,904	12,878,645
Property, plant and equipment	1,544,784	-

(b) Operating expenditure

The Group has an executed agreement with the Gallipoli Medical Research Foundation, entered into on 9 February 2022 for \$6,090,140. The term of the agreement is 5 years. The unspent commitment is \$1,218,028 which is payable in 2026. This project will establish and deliver an online learning service and provide clinical data analysis to determine health trends.

23 Related party transactions

(a) Key management personnel compensation

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Key management personnel compensation	2,911,726	2,456,019

(b) Transactions with other related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Payments to Districts	2,369,240	1,939,832

In addition to the above the Group also incurred indirect costs of \$2,805,154 (2024: \$3,618,031) to support the operational costs of the Districts.

During the year, the parent entity made a contribution of \$4,500,000 (2024: \$9,000,000) to its wholly-owned subsidiary Mates4Mates Limited to support the organisation's operations in the delivery of veteran services. This contribution has been fully eliminated in the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

24 Events occurring after the reporting period

No matters or circumstances have occurred subsequent to year end that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Group, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Group or economic entity in subsequent financial years.

25 Remuneration of auditors

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the entity, Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch), and its related practices.

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	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Audit of financial statements	153,800	145,750
Other assurance services	56,800	73,300
Assistance with the compilation of the financial statements	8,000	8,000
	<u>218,600</u>	<u>227,050</u>

26 Parent entity financial information

(a) Summary financial information

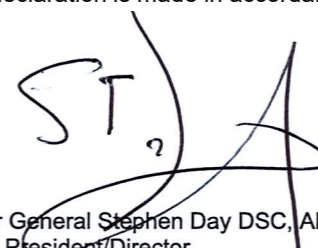
The individual financial report for the parent entity, Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch), shows the following aggregate amounts:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Balance sheet		
Current assets	159,382,229	153,749,735
Non-current assets	203,366,032	206,033,033
Total assets	<u>362,748,261</u>	<u>359,782,768</u>
Current liabilities	33,048,698	29,668,564
Non-current liabilities	6,064,297	6,084,522
Total liabilities	<u>39,112,995</u>	<u>35,753,086</u>
Net assets	<u>323,635,266</u>	<u>324,029,682</u>
Equity		
Reserves		
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	6,682,732	6,382,106
Retained earnings	<u>316,952,534</u>	<u>317,647,576</u>
	<u>323,635,266</u>	<u>324,029,682</u>
(Loss)/profit for the year	<u>(695,043)</u>	<u>6,597,054</u>
Total comprehensive (loss)/income	<u>(394,416)</u>	<u>10,594,149</u>

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial report and notes set out on pages 6 to 28 are in accordance with the *Collections Act 1966 (QLD)* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act 2012)*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosure Requirements, the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements, and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date, and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Group will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable, and
- (c) the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income gives a true and fair view of the all income and expenditure of the Group with respect to fundraising appeals, and
- (d) the consolidated balance sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group with respect to fundraising appeals, and
- (e) the financial report and associated records of the Group have been properly kept during the year ended 31 December 2025 in accordance with the provisions of the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW)*, the regulations under the Act and the conditions attached to Group's authority, and
- (f) the internal controls exercised by the Group are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the Group from any of its fundraising appeals.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.


Major General Stephen Day DSC, AM
State President/Director

Brisbane
14 May 2026



Independent auditor's report

To the members of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch)

Our opinion

In our opinion:

The accompanying financial report of Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Branch) (the Entity) and its controlled entities (together the Group) is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022*.

What we have audited

The financial report comprises:

- the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2025;
- the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended;
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, including material accounting policy information and other explanatory information; and
- the declaration of the Directors.

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Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report* section of our report.

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

Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2025, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon through our opinion on the financial report.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the financial report

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012* and for such internal control as the Directors



determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the ability of the Group to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: https://auasb.gov.au/media/apzlwnoy/ar3_2024.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Report on the requirements of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW) and Charitable Fundraising Regulation 2021 (NSW)

We have audited the financial report of the Group as required by Section 24(1) of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW) (the Act). The directors of the Group are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Act and the Charitable Fundraising Regulation 2021 (NSW) (the Regulation). Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit.

In our opinion, in all material respects:

(a) The financial report of the Group represents a true and fair view of the financial results of the fundraising appeals for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and has been prepared in accordance with the Section 24(1) of the Act;



(b) The accounts and associated records of the Group have been properly kept, during the financial year ended 31 December 2025, in accordance with:

i. Sections 20(1), 22(1-2) and 24(1-3) of the Act; and

ii. Sections 14-1 and 17 of the Regulation;

(c) Money received as a result of fundraising appeal activities conducted by the Group during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the Act and Regulation.

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Darren Jenns
Partner

Brisbane
14 May 2026



OUTCOME OF 2025 AGM MOTIONS

RSL Queensland remains committed to providing updates at each State Congress on the status of any District or Sub Branch motions that were passed at the previous AGM. Motion 1 was not passed. The outcome of the remaining 2025 AGM motions is as follows:

Maroochydore RSL Sub Branch

Motion 2: That RSL Queensland make a submission to the National Veterans' Affairs Committee requesting that it lobby the Federal Government to extend the GST concessions currently provided to veterans on the Special Rate Pension to those veterans on the Extreme Disablement Adjustment Rate Pension, and that this extension take place as a matter of urgency.

Outcome of Motion 2:

RSL Queensland's submission (5 November 2025) was supported by the National Veterans' Advocacy Council (NVAC). RSL Australia subsequently made a submission to the Ex-Service Organisation Round Table (ESORT) on the motion (12 December 2025). The Department of Veterans' Affairs advised that GST eligibility extensions fall within the remit of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) and outlined existing DVA assistance arrangements for vehicle costs. The matter will be re raised with NVAC through an out-of-session paper for consideration with a view to RSL Australia making representations to the ATO.

Maroochydore RSL Sub Branch

Motion 3: That RSL Queensland makes a submission to the Queensland Veterans' Council requesting that it lobby the Queensland State Government to introduce limited exemptions from land transfer duty (commonly known as stamp duty) on properties purchased by veterans holding a Gold or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) card to achieve indexed annually:

- 100% exemption from transfer duty for purchases of property up to \$750,000 in value; and
- 85% exemption from transfer duty for purchases of property in excess of \$750,000 in value.

Outcome of Motion 3:

On 10 March 2026, the Head of Government and State Branch Relations followed up with the office of the Assistant Minister for Veterans' Affairs regarding earlier correspondence. The Assistant Minister's office advised on 13 March 2026 that no action had previously been taken in response to the RSL Queensland Deputy CEO's letter. The Assistant Minister's office confirmed that RSL Queensland's correspondence had since been forwarded to the Premier's office, and that the Assistant Minister intended to raise the matter with the Premier during the sitting week (24-26 March). A follow up has since been undertaken with the Premier's office, and an outcome is pending.



Tweed Heads and Coolangatta RSL Sub Branch

Motion 4: RSL Queensland review the communication channels in use to Sub Branches, with a view to optimising such communication in terms of content, timing, communication channel to be used, and addressees.

Outcome of Motion 4:

Following the 2025 State Congress and AGM, RSL Queensland restructured both the Veteran Services Department and Marketing and Communications Business Unit to strengthen regional support, streamline member communications and improve information flow across the League.

These changes, alongside a new website, improved intranet and enhanced member communications, have increased accessibility and engagement and will be monitored by the State Council of District Presidents through ongoing oversight.

Walkerston-Pleystowe RSL Sub Branch

Motion 5 (as amended):

That RSL Queensland actively supports the advocacy for the award of the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (HOSM) for OP SHADDOCK, OP PLES DRAI and OP AUSINDO JAYA and reports back at the 2026 State Congress, if not beforehand.

Outcome of Motion 5:

The issue was raised at the National Veterans' Advocacy Council (NVAC) meeting on 29 July 2025. At that meeting, other NVAC members indicated they were not aware of the issue being raised by their respective members. The CEO of RSL Australia advised that they were not aware of the operations identified by Walkerston-Pleystowe RSL Sub Branch and requested further detail, including proposed qualifying dates. RSL Queensland State Secretary was tasked with working with the Sub Branch to obtain the required information.

Further information was subsequently provided by the Sub Branch on 26 November 2025. An updated RSL Queensland submission was considered by NVAC on 30 April 2026, with the motion agreed to in principle by all RSL State Branches. The matter will now be progressed to the RSL Australia Board for consideration at its next meeting.



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