



Netball SA & the Adelaide Thunderbirds

# 2025 ANNUAL REPORT



# FROM THE CHAIR

Carolyn Mitchell  
Netball SA Chair



I'm very pleased to report that 2025 has been another year of growth for netball in South Australia, both on and off the court.

It's been a very busy and successful 12 months, with Netball SA delivering on many fronts, guided by our Strategic Plan and our overarching purpose of enriching lives, enhancing communities and inspiring the next generation.

As we expected, 2025 was dominated by the move towards our new, long-awaited stadium. This redevelopment is a once-in-a-generation change, and we're determined to get it right to ensure the benefits are felt by netball right across the state for many years to come.

Designing and building a new stadium takes an enormous amount of work, and I'm happy to report that things are progressing well, with the collaboration between the state government and the netball community delivering real results.

With construction work beginning at the Mile End site during 2025, Netball SA staff had to move to their new, temporary home. At the same time, numerous competitions and events also had to be relocated and rescheduled, and I want to thank everyone

involved in these changes for their understanding and resilience.

The impact goes much further however, with the Netball SA Board now developing a new, robust business model which will best suit the organisation when we move into our new home in two years.

Of course, our focus has not just been on the stadium. Amid all the distractions and additional work, Netball SA has maintained, and in many cases expanded, its work at every level.

2025 saw record participation for summer netball, proving our sport is still thriving in an ever more competitive sporting landscape.

We maintained a clear focus on community netball, while our high-performance system continued to deliver results, giving South Australia's top players the best opportunity to flourish.

Our First Nations pathway also continued strongly, across our Rising Sisters program and our Yakanarna team.

The Adelaide Thunderbirds once again had another successful season, not only providing world class entertainment, but also acting as inspiration for our younger talent.

Commercially, we performed

solidly despite the unique disruptions presented by the stadium redevelopment. We welcomed Adelaide University as Principal Partner and RAA as Membership Partner, which helps us to deliver more services and support. We also saw healthy consumer revenues from membership, apparel, and ticketing.

Netball SA remains a strong, high-performing and well-governed organisation, and I must thank my fellow Board members for their hard work and expertise which extends to our five permanent sub-committees - Audit and Risk, Governance and Nominations, Stadium Redevelopment, Member Council, and Adelaide Thunderbirds and Elite Pathways.

I must also recognise the many, many volunteers who put so much into our sport in every competition across the state. You are irreplaceable.

And finally, my sincere thanks to our CEO Bronwyn Klei and all her staff for their dedication and commitment to serve and grow netball.

Carolyn Mitchell  
Netball SA Chair



# CEO NOTE

Bronwyn Klei

Netball SA Chief Executive Officer



Hello everyone,

Looking back across 2025, I'm very proud to say that Netball SA delivered significant achievements across a wide range of activities – including participation, community, and high performance – while also recognising our past and building for the future.

It was very heartening to see that once again we recorded a healthy increase in the number of people playing our sport in 2025, with overall participation up by 5%.

At a time when people, especially young people, have so many other sporting (and non-sporting) options I think it speaks volumes that we continue to attract players and grow steadily year after year. Netball isn't just a sport, it's a community that people want to be part of!

This growth is underpinned by Netball SA's constant activity in the community. During 2025 we continued to deliver key programs around the state.

NetSetGo activities were held at 104 sites and introduced an estimated 1,841 young primary school children to the fun of playing netball. We held 71

school holiday clinics across the state including at Gawler, Woodside, Golden Grove, Victor Harbor, Morphett Vale and Mount Gambier with over 1,500 participants attending the sessions. Our Netball on the Road teams visited 24 venues across 5 regions, providing skill sessions and development to some 1,500 participants of all ages, travelling some 4,000kms.

Our annual Country Championships were another great success, with 88 teams traveling from across South Australia to play each other over three days at Mile End stadium. In all, there were 483 games played by nearly 1,000 athletes ranging from U11 to Seniors.

As well as developing players, 2025 saw 269 Umpires, 519 Coaches and 7 Bench Officials secure Netball SA accreditation – roles that are vital to our netball family.

During the year, we also improved our high-performance pathway programs. We are now able to offer South Australian athletes' greater access to the resources they need to excel on the national and international stage.

To ensure our peak local competition remains highly

competitive and enjoyable, we conducted a full review of the Hospital Research Foundation Premier League during 2025. As a result, 2026 will see the debut of two exciting new clubs - Walkerville and Norwood.

The success of our high-performance strategy was highlighted by our U17 state team claiming their second successive gold at the national championships – giving them six of the last eight national crowns!

While the Adelaide Thunderbirds couldn't quite make it a championship three-peat in the Suncorp Super Netball competition, 2025 was in all respects a fantastic season for our athletes in pink. They sold out three of their matches at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre, attracted more than 57,000 fans to their home games, expanded their membership base beyond 6,000 for the first time, and finished the minor round in a highly credible third place.

At the end of the season, Sophie Casey was named SSN "Rookie of the Year", Latanya Wilson made the Team of the Year, and Tayla Williams won the "Heart of the Game" award.

On the international stage, Matilda Garret, Georgie Horjus and Lucy Austin all wore the Green and Gold of the Diamonds during 2025, while four South Australians – Sophie Casey, Kayla Graham, Tabitha Packer and Lucy Voyvodic – were in the Australian World Youth Cup team that won gold in Gibraltar.

In 2025, we also launched the SA Greats to recognise those who have contributed to South Australia's rich netball past – our great players, coaches, and administrators. There's a saying 'you can't be what you can't see' and with the SA Greats we want to show the younger generation just how high they can fly.

While the SA Greats celebrate our history, a huge part of the year was dedicated to securing our future with our \$92 million stadium redevelopment getting underway with the demolition of the outside courts at Mile End.

Netball SA management and staff have been, and will remain, heavily involved in the redevelopment project to ensure the stadium design is fit for purpose and future proofed. The two-year transition from the old stadium to the new is a massive

exercise for everyone involved as we manage all the disruption associated with moving from our home of 27 years.

This included transferring our Summer, Adelaide Metro (AMND), and Hospital Research Foundation Premier League competitions to new homes and timeslots.

It also saw all Netball SA staff relocate to temporary offices at the Adelaide Arena in Findon, which offers training facilities for the Adelaide Thunderbirds.

Crucially, 2025 also saw the start of detailed planning to secure Netball SA's long-term financial viability after we move into our new home. With the state government maintaining ownership of the new venue, Netball SA will no longer be financially responsible for stadium upkeep. However, this also means we lose a number of our traditional revenue streams.

This is a very similar situation to that in other states, and we have been consulting with netball bodies across the country to help develop a robust business model to ensure the new stadium is maximised for the good of netball statewide.

In closing, I want to say a huge thank you to everyone at Netball SA for all the great work they put in to support and develop our game. And to everyone in the wider netball community, thank you for your enduring passion, feedback and support. Go netball!

Bronwyn Klei  
Netball SA Chief Executive Officer

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**CHAIR**

**Carolyn Mitchell**  
Director 2021 - 2022  
Chair 2022 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Caroline Phillips**  
2018 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Chris Wood**  
2020 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Georgia Cadzow**  
2024 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Helen Cutler**  
2023 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Julianne Cirson**  
2019 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Michelle Pole**  
2018 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Noelle Smit**  
2022 - Present



**DIRECTOR**

**Stephen Dawes**  
2022 - Present

## VOLUNTEERS

Netball SA extends its sincere thank you to the volunteers across our netball community that once again provided an invaluable contribution in 2025.

From grassroots to the Adelaide Thunderbirds and the Netball SA Board, our volunteers provide generous support to help our sport thrive and grow.

Netball SA was proud to recognise our volunteers at the Netball SA Awards Gala for both metro and

regional communities. There were strong finalists across both categories with Simone Punshon from Garville Netball Club awarded the Metro award, while Sarah Prime from Ports Netball Club took out the Country award.

From running committees across South Australia to the Team Pink volunteers who help deliver Adelaide Thunderbirds game days, our sport would simply not be the same without them.



## 2025 SNAPSHOT



**6,000**  
RECORD ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS  
MEMBERS

**3**  
ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS  
SOLD OUT MATCHES



**57,000**  
MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS ATTENDED ADELAIDE  
THUNDERBIRDS GAMES ACROSS THE SEASON

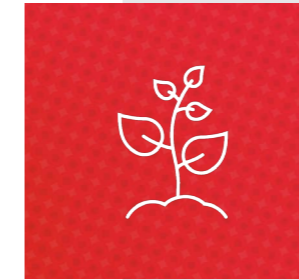
**269** UMPIRE BADGES  
AWARDED

**519\*** COACHING  
ACCREDITATIONS  
AWARDED

**3** SA BENCH OFFICIALS OFFICIATED  
ON THE INTERNATIONAL STAGE

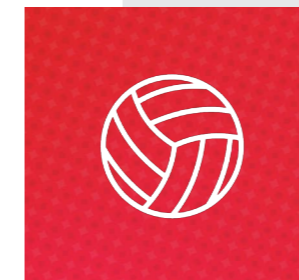
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## STRATEGIC DIRECTION



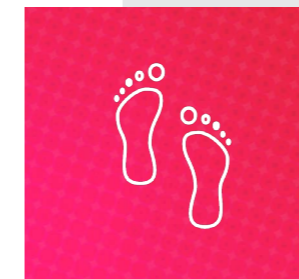
### GROW

- Grow netball participation in South Australia.
- Embed a sustainable business model.
- Increase Netball SA's venue usage.
- Invest in the next generation of volunteers to grow our sport.



### PLAY

- Ensure clear, defined, and connected pathways for all.
- Grassroots competitions and programs provide the opportunity for everyone to participate.
- THRFG Premier League remains the pinnacle competition in South Australia.



### LEAD

- Ensure netball is inclusive and a sport for all.
- Build a strong, safe, and sustainable netball community.
- We are customer centric in everything we do.
- Netball is a place where people can thrive and grow.



### INSPIRE

- Elevate the Adelaide Thunderbirds to be the voice for women and girls in South Australia.
- Increase the connection between grassroots and elite netball.
- Make Adelaide Thunderbirds a destination club for the world's best players, coaches, and high performance staff.



# POWER OF OUR SPORT

## LIFE MEMBERS

Netball SA's Life Membership is awarded for outstanding voluntary service at a state level in the areas of playing, coaching, umpiring and/or administration.

We are forever grateful to all the life members who have dedicated themselves to the service of our sport.

In 2025, Netball SA was deeply saddened by the passing of Life Member, Betty Fisher who gave so much to our sport and will be fondly remembered by the netball family.

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>1941</b> Lorna Ryan*               | <b>1982</b> Nadia Marmach*     |
| <b>1945</b> Gwen Patterson (Benzie)*  | <b>1983</b> Betty Fisher*      |
| <b>1946</b> Greta Crane*              | <b>1984</b> Patricia Courtney* |
| <b>1946</b> Clara Rankin*             | <b>1984</b> Jan Summers        |
| <b>1946</b> Anne Stanton*             | <b>1987</b> Lorne Sutherland*  |
| <b>1946</b> Alice Spilsbury*          | <b>1987</b> Jeanette Fryar     |
| <b>1952</b> Mary White*               | <b>1987</b> Yvonne Battersby   |
| <b>1952</b> Mavis Nunn*               | <b>1989</b> Valerie Wright     |
| <b>1954</b> Selena Pomeroy*           | <b>1990</b> Margaret Angove    |
| <b>1954</b> Jeanette Hargrave*        | <b>1990</b> Bronwyn Roberts    |
| <b>1954</b> Merle Oldham (Potter)*    | <b>1992</b> Marlene Pressley   |
| <b>1954</b> Joy Sheridan (Dundon)*    | <b>1993</b> Yolanda Cannizzaro |
| <b>1956</b> Fay Dumont*               | <b>1993</b> Barbara Martin*    |
| <b>1958</b> Marcia Gray (Hepworth)*   | <b>1995</b> Raechel May*       |
| <b>1958</b> Lois Quarrell*            | <b>1995</b> Marlene Lang       |
| <b>1959</b> Mavis Buckingham (Scott)* | <b>1999</b> John Belton*       |
| <b>1959</b> Millie Cakebread*         | <b>1999</b> Nathalie McRae*    |
| <b>1959</b> Alice Rice*               | <b>2000</b> Wendy Gambling     |
| <b>1959</b> Dawn White                | <b>2002</b> Ron Blake*         |
| <b>1961</b> Muriel Wallace*           | <b>2004</b> Pam Brown          |
| <b>1961</b> Glenda West*              | <b>2006</b> Jackie Blyth       |
| <b>1961</b> Gertrude Law*             | <b>2006</b> Jan Sutherland     |
| <b>1964</b> Margaret Cahill*          | <b>2012</b> Lee-Anne Cummins   |
| <b>1968</b> Pauline Harrison*         | <b>2013</b> Allan Wright       |
| <b>1968</b> Iris Rodgers*             | <b>2019</b> Dawn Reid          |
| <b>1968</b> Avis Boyce*               | <b>2020</b> Ros Collins*       |
| <b>1969</b> Sylvia McCubbin*          | <b>2022</b> Graeme Gilbert     |
| <b>1973</b> Daphne Todd*              |                                |
| <b>1975</b> Elizabeth Slarks*         | <i>*Deceased</i>               |
| <b>1975</b> Shirley Cox               |                                |
| <b>1975</b> Joan Horner*              |                                |
| <b>1976</b> Chris Burton              |                                |
| <b>1977</b> Jocelyn Bayly             |                                |
| <b>1980</b> Robin Smith*              |                                |

## ASSOCIATIONS & PRESIDENTS

### Adelaide Plains

President: Josie McArdle

### Adelaide Metro Netball Division

President: NA

### Barossa, Light & Gawler

President: Katrina Frederick

### Broken Hill

President: Tori McManus

### City Night

President: NA

### Eastern Eyre

President: Jacoba Frischke

### Elizabeth

President: Lois Scaife

### Gawler & Districts

President: Brenton Wittwer

### Great Flinders

President: Alex Stratford

### Great Southern

President: Rick Mart

### Hills

President: Kirsten Hawthorn

### Kadina & Districts

President: Narelle Koch

### Kangaroo Island

President: Tracy Mills

### Kowree Naracoorte Tatiara

President: Hayley Walter\*

### Limestone Coast Football Netball League

President: Jill Paul

### Mid Hills

President: Felicity Duffield

### Mid South East

President: Sara Gray

### Mount Gambier

President: Tracy Brown

### North Eastern

President: Jane Parkinson

### Northern Areas

President: Carla Hook

### Port Augusta

President: Selina Ashton

### Port Lincoln

President: Rebecca Plane

### Port Pirie

President: Sally Johns

### River Murray

President: Emma Swan\*

### Riverland

President: Rachael Stoeckel

### Murray Valley Football Netball League

President: Andrew Schulz

### Roxby Downs

President: Dianna Woodward

### SA Districts

President: John Adams

### SA Mens & Mixed Netball

President: Lisa Wilson

### Southern Hills

President: Tracey O'Neill

### Southern United

President: Helen Meynell  
(now retired)

### Western Eyre

President: Reanna Freeman

### Whyalla

President: Leanne Cole\*

### Yorke Peninsula

President: Meagan Daniel

\* Denotes new in 2025



## PARTICIPATION

Netball SA's Development Team continue to proudly support affiliated clubs and associations across the state and pleasingly 2025 reported a 5.8% increase in participation across Netball SA membership.

To support this Netball SA visited five regions as part of the 'Think Road Safety' Netball on the Road program. These include, Central Ranges, Fleurieu Peninsula, Yorke Peninsula, Riverland, and Upper North. The program expanded to participation clinics at regional schools with 1,749 students across 16 schools taking part in netball participation programs.

Five courses/workshops were delivered and 538 netball juniors participated in clinics across eight clubs.

Netball SA remains committed to supporting the growth and development of associations and clubs across the state. Our monthly Game Plan newsletter, continues to provide valuable content on governance, funding opportunities, product offerings, player development pathways and club growth initiatives.



# WOOLWORTHS NETSETGO



Woolworths NetSetGo is netball's official starter program for kids aged 5 to 10.

A chance to learn the netball basics, Woolworths NetSetGo helps kids gain confidence, get active and make friends in a safe and inclusive environment.

Following an extensive review, the new-look program took centre stage across South Australia.

This included a 12.6% increase to over 1,803 participants, and 26 new centres (representing a 22% increase).

## WOOLWORTHS NETSETGO CENTRE OF THE YEAR

Port Lincoln Netball Association was announced as the Netball SA Woolworths NetSetGo Centre of the Year.

Recognised for their tireless work in ensuring their program is inclusive for all, addressing neurodivergent needs, as well as all genders and cultures.

This also provided an opportunity for the club's young umpires to gain confidence in a more relaxed environment.

With 117 participants taking part, PLNA continues to go from strength to strength. In 2025 Netball SA introduced a NetSetGo Fun Fest to provide an engaging day of celebration open to all NetSetGo participants. Held at Netball SA stadium the event included activations, giveaways and meet and greet opportunities with Adelaide Thunderbirds athletes.

# COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Held annually on the June long weekend, the Adelaide University Country Championships is the largest event on the netball calendar, attracting the best regional talent from across the state to Netball SA Stadium for a three-day competition.

In 2025, just shy of 1000 netballers participated as the best regional talent came together from across South Australia. In addition, 23 associations were represented as 88 teams competed in over 483 matches.

10 coaches and 13 umpires were mentored during the event and 13 umpires received national badges.

Newscorp's live streaming arm – KommunityTV – covered the event for the fifth-consecutive year, bringing the competition to the communities and supporters who were unable to attend.

Netball SA would like to extend its gratitude to all who contributed to the event's success, in particular the Country Championships Organising Committee.



## COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS

**Seniors A Grade** Limestone Coast

**Senior B Grade** Barossa Light & Gawler

**17U Division 1** Limestone Coast

**17U Division 2** Port Augusta

**17U Division 3** Adelaide Plains

**15U Division 1** Great Southern

**15U Division 2** Riverland

**15U Division 3** Eastern Eyre

**13U Division 1** Port Lincoln

**13U Division 2** Adelaide Hills

**13U Division 3** Yorke Peninsula

**11U Division** Adelaide Hills



## ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS TALENT ACADEMY

Five development academies returned with an average of 20 South Australian netballers spread across the locations: Jamestown, Keith, Metro, Port Lincoln, and Willunga. The Emerging Academy also returned, with athletes from across the state talent-identified to take part in this specialised program.

The Academy provided 116 athletes with specialist training, including insight into sports psychology and fitness testing. It also included access to Adelaide Thunderbirds specialist coaches and athletes and concluded with all participants invited to attend trials for Netball SA's 17U State Team.

Athletes consistently noted the value of the program, coaching support and development opportunities.

### HEAD COACHES

**Emerging :** Darren Saul  
**Metro:** Rachael Capetanakis  
**Willunga:** Emma George  
**Port Lincoln:** Kate Baker  
**Jamestown:** Katie Liebelt  
**Keith:** Jane Gould

### ASSISTANT COACHES

**Emerging :** Carly Heinrich  
**Metro:** Jo McLean  
**Willunga:** Megan Jacobs  
**Port Lincoln:** Stacey Curtis  
**Jamestown:** Lauren Amey  
**Keith:** Donna Denton



## THE HOSPITAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION GROUP PREMIER LEAGUE

The Hospital Research Foundation Group Premier League is South Australia's pinnacle netball competition, comprising of the state's best talent and fiercest rivalries. It provides athletes, coaches, umpires, and officials with a highly competitive environment to showcase and develop their skills while being an important feeder program for national opportunities within the netball pathway.

We hosted two First Nations Rounds for the competition, aligning with Reconciliation and NAIDOC Weeks. All eight clubs donned dresses with First Nations designs. Ribbon Round returned in as Netball SA joined forces with principal charity partner The Hospital Research Foundation Group to raise vital funds and awareness for cancer research. Garville and Contax Netball Clubs also participated in a heritage round showcasing heritage dresses and celebrating the great rivalry between these two clubs.

Newscorp's live streaming arm - KommunityTV - provided coverage of the competition and broadcasted Court 1 games across the minor rounds and all finals matches, with the Grand Finals once again streamed live via Kayo Sports. The Reserves

Grand Final saw modern rivals Matrics and Contax go head-to-head, with Contax claiming victory. In the League division, Garville made their historic return in a Premier League Grand Final and reignited the age old rivalry between these two great clubs. The final was one for the ages as Contax defended their title.

In 2025, Netball SA underwent an accreditation process for clubs to secure a Premier League license for the next three years. Eight clubs were successful in securing a League division license with Walkerville awarded their first license. Rounding out the nine team competition is the newly re-branded Norwood Netball Club.



### PREMIER LEAGUE AWARD WINNERS

**Premier Division MVP (presented by THRFG):**  
 Jess Paradiso (South Adelaide)

**Reserves Division MVP (presented by THRFG):**  
 Emily Laird (Contax)

**Club Excellence Award (presented by Sixt):**  
 Contax Netball Club

**Umpire of the Year:**  
 Chloe Grosser

**Performance Development Coach of the Year:**  
 Kirsty Leonard-Down (Garville)

**Rookie of the Year:**  
 Jessie Wooldridge (Matrics)

### TEAM OF THE YEAR (PRESENTED BY THRFG)

**GS** Asha Thurlow (Oakdale)

**GA** Brooke Irlam (Garville) & Jess Paradiso (South)

**WA** Lucy Denton (Garville)

**C** Eliza Hunter (Contax)

**WD** Tabitha Packer (Contax)

**GD** Jasmin McKay (Contax)

**GK** Molly Watson (Contax)

**Goalie Reserve:** Lenize Guidera (Garville)

**Centre Court Reserve:** Lucy Voyvodic (Matrics)

**Defence Reserve:** Emily Burgess (Garville)

## COACHING

There were a variety of opportunities for coaching development across South Australia including coach education and selector workshops. Beginner Coach Workshops offered education specifically designed for the 'mum and dad' coaches to give them the confidence and tools to start their coaching journey. Netball SA also delivered an Elite Coaching Course for the first time in three years with eight coaches undertaking the first steps in becoming an Elite coach.

Coach mentoring also featured at Country Championships with 10 coaches accessing this opportunity.

A further opportunity was provided at The Back Bench Coach experience as part of an Adelaide Thunderbirds match. This workshop provided attendees with a unique experience to learn during a live SSN match.

At the Netball SA Awards Gala Anna van den Berg from South Adelaide Netball Club was awarded the Community Coach of the Year award.



ACCREDITATION	NUMBER OF ACCREDITATIONS
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Beginner Coach Workshop	17
Foundation (online)	440
Development	105
Intermedite	31
Advanced	5

## OFFICIATING

Across the state, 269 umpire badges were awarded.

We delivered the Sideline Lens workshop at an Adelaide Thunderbirds match and provided attendees the opportunity to workshop the game and hear from both head coaches as well as High Performance Umpire Coach Dusty Gould. Match analysis took place during the game with discussion focusing on what happened on court from both an umpire and coach perspective.

In April, South Australian umpires Chloe Grosser, Charlotte Seidel and Tayana Sithole were selected to officiate at the 17/U and 19/U National Netball Championships and the inaugural SN Reserves competition.

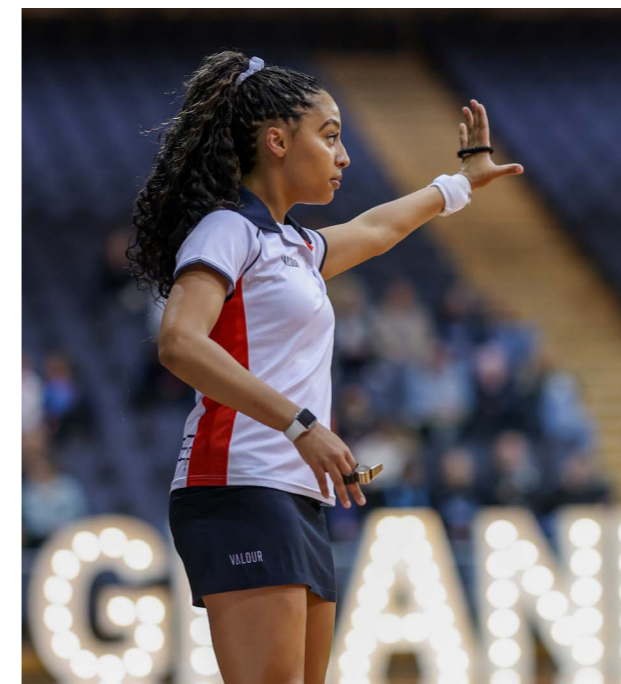
SA umpire Georgina Sulley-Beales once again earned a Suncorp Super Netball contract to officiate at the top level and was also awarded the honour of officiating on the international stage.

South Australian bench officials Debbie Green, Naomi Davey and Robyn Kelly were again selected to officiate at the international level.

At the Netball SA Awards Gala, Kristy Turnbull and Carlie Woods from Ports Netball Club shared Umpire of the Year (Community) while Chloe Grosser received the Umpire of the Year for Premier League for her second year in a row.

ACCREDITATION	NUMBER OF ACCREDITATIONS
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Foundation Umpires Course (online)	358
Beginner Umpire Workshop	433
A Badges	1
B Badges	40
C Badges	227





# INCLUSION

## FIRST NATIONS

Progress was made on Netball SA's First Nations Framework which outlines our commitment to increasing participation and development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander netballers in South Australia.

We made Suncorp Super Netball history when we rebranded the Adelaide Thunderbirds to Tarntanya Karntu across our platforms as well as broadcast for First Nations Round.

We worked closely with Uncle Michael O'Brien who provided the translation to Kurna language and performed a smoking ceremony and live Welcome to Country.

The state's largest First Nations Tournament, the Nunga Netball Carnival (NNC), took place at SA Districts Netball Association in Golden Grove, with a record 60 teams competing across the weekend.

Netball SA would like to thank Natasha Chisholm and Vanessa Dempsey for their collaboration on the execution of NNC and their ongoing support and guidance.

Recognised for her commitment to the engagement and support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander netball participants and communities, Nyree Coleman was awarded the 2025 Vanessa Dempsey award.

Aaleya Turner was awarded the Yakanarna Most Valuable Player award for the second year running at the Netball SA Awards Gala. Aaleya, along with her sister Nasyah Turner were also selected in the Black Swans squad.

Netball SA partnered with Gabriel Stengle in the development of a new First Nations design which formed the 2025 First Nations dress for the Adelaide Thunderbirds. The collaboration with athletes created a piece of art which truly represented and reflected the journey of the team.

Other First Nations initiatives in 2025 included:

- 15 Athlete Participation Scholarship recipients
- 60 teams participated in the Nunga Netball Carnival
- Nunga Netball Carnival was live streamed for the third-consecutive year thanks to our partnership with KommunityTV
- 20 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander netballers selected for 2025 Rising Sisters Program
- 2 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders netballers selected for the 2025 National First Nations team – Black Swans
- 2 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander netballers selected in State teams
- 5 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander netballers selected in Premier League Teams
- 1 Torres Strait Islander umpire selected in the Premier League Umpire Talent Pool
- 1 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coach of a Premier League team
- Netball SA continued its ongoing partnership with the South Australian Aboriginal Secondary Training Academy's (SAASTA) netball academy with 25 athletes participating in the program
- Staff continued with cultural education sessions

Netball SA would like to thank key contributors in this space for their support and guidance throughout 2025.



# WOOLWORTHS SA RUBIES

The Woolworths South Australian Rubies compete annually in the Marie Little Shield – named in honour of disability pioneer, Marie Little OAM.

The tournament has been running since 2013 and provides women with an intellectual disability the chance to compete at the national level and represent their state.

The competition was held at Nissan Arena in Brisbane and ran across a three-day format.

The Rubies delivered strong performances across the competition and secured bronze for the fourth-consecutive year.

Rubies Vice-Captain Alysia Potts was awarded the 2025 Naomi Perry Spirit Award for her performance.

Alysia was also crowned the 2025 Most Valuable Player at the Netball SA Awards Gala on the back of a strong performance across the competition.

## COACHING AND SUPPORT STAFF

**Head Coach:** Tricia Crockford  
**Assistant Coach:** Mardi Foweraker  
**Team Manager:** Samantha Luck

## ATHLETES

- Leonie Bux
- Alana Edom
- Skye Elliott
- Sarah Hill
- Isabella Ivancic-Holland
- Alysia Potts
- Amanda Roberts
- Hayley Lang-Robertson
- Megan Sadler
- Samantha Walker



# MEN & BOYS

The growth of male participation in netball remained a focus. Netball SA entered the second year of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the South Australian Men's and Mixed Netball Association. The MOU signifies a sharing of resources and knowledge to increase development opportunities for men and boys in netball.

Together, both Netball SA and SAMMNA have a shared commitment to encouraging male participation at grassroots level, while also developing the pathway for men and boys to reach the elite level.

The Men's Super League entered its second season with the introduction of a reserves division. South Adelaide Netball Club claimed the maiden reserves premiership while Garville Netball Club secured back-to-back titles in the league division.



# SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Netball SA continues to provide opportunities for primary and secondary school students to engage in netball, through the Sporting Schools Program and Thunder Cup Competition. 2025 saw 5,975 students participate in Netball SA schools programs and competitions.

## SPORTING SCHOOLS

The Sporting Schools program is an Australian Government initiative designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport, and to connect them with community sporting opportunities. In 2025, the Sporting Schools program included 50 schools. Participating school netball programs were held across 30 primary schools and 20 high schools.

## THUNDER CUP

Thunder Cup is a participation-based competition for schools. The weekly competition delivered in Terms 2 and 3 enables children from years 3 to 6 to play netball and develop their skills. This program saw 19 schools and 190 students participating.

## SPECIALIST SCHOOLS

The Specialist Schools Program entered its second year of the revamped structure allowing for schools to select the program that best suits their partnership objectives.

The program includes a Gold and Silver category enabling one student per school to complete an accredited Netball Australia course or workshop across 2025 with participating students across the three schools completing the Rules of Netball discussions and taking part in a beginner umpire workshop.

## GOLD

- Blackwood High School
- St Mary's College
- Trinity College

## SILVER

- Gleeson College
- Pedare Christian College
- Willunga High School
- Mary MacKillop College
- Henley High School





# ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS

## ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS

The Adelaide Thunderbirds were chasing greatness in 2025, entering the season with back-to-back premierships under their belt.

After making their new home at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre their fortress in 2024, the side was ready to defend their titles.

They began their campaign with a strong win at home, defeating the Melbourne Vixens in the grand final rematch 66-53.

After three rounds, the club announced the pregnancy of superstar Shamera Sterling-Humphrey who missed the remainder of the season as she prepared for the birth of her first child.

Despite the absence of one of the world's best defenders, the Thunderbirds finished third on the ladder and hosted a home semi-final, falling short by just two goals to eventual premiers the Vixens.

South African Sanmarie Visser debuted in Round 4 against the Giants, becoming Thunderbird #112.

Tayla Williams celebrated 50 games in the side's season opener, and Matilda Garrett reached the significant 100 games milestone in the semi-final.

Four South Australians were named as training partners, alongside Tasmanian Charlotte Walker: Sophie Casey, Tabitha Packer, Lucy Voyvodic and Molly Watson.

Sophie Casey was selected as the club's 11th player and made 11 match appearances throughout the season.

Off court, the club celebrated a new record of over 6,000 members and reached a new attendance record at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre, with over 57,000 fans attending across the season.

At the club's awards night, Latanya Wilson was named Adelaide University Club Champion for the second-consecutive season.

She was also named Players' Player, while Georgie Horjus took out Player of the Finals and Tayla Williams won Spirit Award.

Post-season, Australian Diamonds Georgie Horjus and Matilda Garrett pulled on the green and gold once again and South Australian Lucy Austin became

Diamond #196 in front of a home crowd at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre.

In September, four of the club's pathway athletes travelled to Gibraltar to represent Australia at the Netball Youth World Cup.

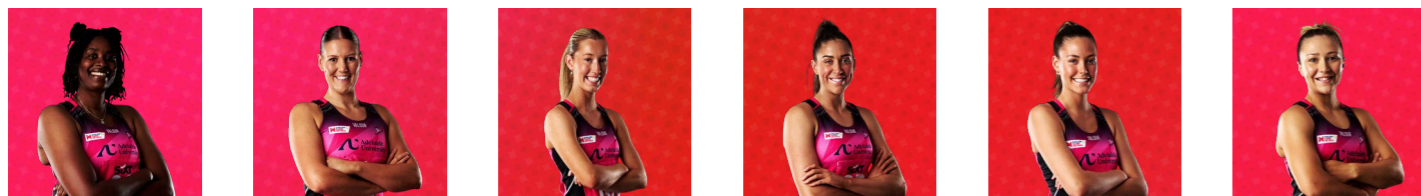
Sophie Casey, Kayla Graham, Tabitha Packer, and Lucy Voyvodic all returned home with gold medals after defeating New Zealand in the final.

Tabitha Packer was also named Player of the Tournament for Australia at the Netball Youth World Cup and Lucy Voyvodic was named Player of the Year in the SSN Reserves competition.





## 2025 ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS TEAM



ROMELDA AIKEN-GEORGE

LUCY AUSTIN

LAUREN FREW

MATILDA GARRETT

KAYLA GRAHAM

GEORGIE HORJUS



HANNAH PETTY

SHAMERA (STERLING-HUMPHREY)

SANMARIE VISSER

TAYLA WILLIAMS

LATANYA WILSON

## 2025 TRAINING PARTNERS



SOPHIE CASEY (11TH PLAYER)

TABITHA PACKER

LUCY VOYVODIC

CHARLOTTE WALKER

MOLLY WATSON

## AWARDS

At the Netball Australia Awards in October, Tayla Williams won the Heart of the Game Award for her commitment to uplifting others and having a lasting impact on our sport and community.

Sophie Casey was named Rookie of the Year for Suncorp Super Netball and Latanya Wilson was named in goal defence for the 2025 Team of the Year.

### 2025 CLUB AWARD WINNERS

- Club Champion: Latanya Wilson
- Players' Player: Latanya Wilson
- Spirit Award: Tayla Williams
- Player of the Finals: Georgie Horjus
- Members' Player of the Year: Latanya Wilson

### 2025 LEAGUE AWARD WINNERS

- Suncorp Super Netball Rookie of the Year: Sophie Casey
- Heart of the Game: Tayla Williams
- Player of the Tournament: Tabitha Packer
- SSN Reserves Player of the Year: Lucy Voyvodic



**CLUB CHAMPION**  
Latanya Wilson



**PLAYERS' PLAYER & MEMBERS' PLAYER**  
Latanya Wilson



**SPIRIT AWARD**  
Tayla Williams



**PLAYER OF THE FINALS**  
Georgie Horjus

# ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS FUTURES

Following a successful pilot season in 2024, the Adelaide Thunderbirds Futures competed in an expanded 2025 SN Reserves competition which included Melbourne Mavericks who became the eighth club.

Super Netball Reserves features athletes who are in or on the verge of Suncorp Super Netball, including training partners and state league players.

It also provides additional opportunities for umpires, coaches, officials and team support staff.

The squad of 12 featured all five of the Thunderbirds' training partners in Sophie Casey, Tabitha Packer,

Lucy Voyvodic, Charlotte Walker, and Molly Watson.

Eight teams played each other once across a seven-week Super Netball Reserves season which ran alongside Suncorp Super Netball.

The side was led once again by head coach Jacqui Illman, Assistant Coach Jenny Borlase, and Apprentice Coach Amanda Shattock.

At Netball SA's Awards Gala, rising star Lucy Voyvodic was named Most Valuable Player for the side and Lucy Austin was voted Players' Player by her peers.



## THUNDERBIRDS FUTURES

- Dani Binks (Matrics)
- Sophie Casey (Matrics)\*
- Lucy Denton (Garville)
- Kim Hearnden (Matrics)
- Brooke Irlam (Garville)
- Jemma Kelly (Matrics)
- Ellie Marshall (Oakdale)
- Tabitha Packer (Contax)\*
- Aaleya Turner (Matrics)
- Lucy Voyvodic (Matrics)\*
- Charlotte Walker (Oakdale)\*
- Molly Watson (Contax)\*

\* Adelaide Thunderbirds Training Partner

## 2025 CLUB AWARD WINNERS

- Most Valuable Player: Lucy Voyvodic
- Players' Player: Lucy Austin



**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
Lucy Voyvodic



**PLAYERS' PLAYER**  
Lucy Austin



# NATIONAL SUCCESS

## STATE TEAMS

The Netball SA 17U and 19U State Teams travelled to Sydney's Netball Central to compete in the 2025 National Netball Championships. The 17U side had a stellar tournament, once again bringing home gold, defeating Netball NSW to go back-to-back in the 2025 National Netball Championships. The side went undefeated for the entire tournament and held their nerve on the big stage in a tight finish, taking the game 33-26. SA's 19U side fought hard throughout the tournament and narrowly fell short to Netball ACT by two goals in their final match, finishing their tournament in sixth place.

Rising star Jazmin McKay took out MVP of the Grand Final match and joint MVP winner of the entire tournament alongside Sophie Sherriff from Netball Tasmania for the 17U division.

### 17/U STATE TEAM SQUAD

- Leah Anderson-Morris
- Kiara Burns
- Molly Chapman
- Anna Goad
- Mischa Human
- Maiya Kotowski
- Darcy May-Martin
- Tayla McCarthy
- Jazmin McKay
- Elouise Nordhausen
- Chloe Peacock
- Piper Stenner

### 17/U STATE TEAM STAFF

**Head Coach:** Darren Saul

**Assistant Coach:** Lee-Anne Cummins

### 19/U STATE TEAM SQUAD

- Edie Benger
- Rachel Hayball
- Charli Hazelhurst
- Layla Hearne
- Tahlia Jolly
- Jemma Kelly
- Anessah Oakley
- Samaya Oakley
- Summer Smith
- Charlotte Walker
- Sophie Warren
- Sienna Wilson

### 19/U STATE TEAM STAFF

**Head Coach:** Peta Maher

**Assistant Coach:** Peter Thomas



## SASI & NATIONAL SQUADS

The South Australian Sports Institute (SASI) Netball Program provides a high performance training environment for the state's nationally identified athletes to further develop their skills.

In 2025, Kayla Graham was offered a permanent contract with the Adelaide Thunderbirds. Sophie Casey was also named as the Adelaide Thunderbirds 11th player, with Lucy Voyvodic, Molly Watson and Tabitha Packer named as training partners.

Former SASI athletes Georgie Horjus and Sarah Klau played for the Australian Diamonds in 2025 with Lucy Austin making her debut for the national squad in October.

SASI athletes Sophie Casey (captain), Kayla Graham, Tabitha Packer and Lucy Voyvodic competed for Australia at the World Netball Youth Cup in Gibraltar.

### NATIONAL CATEGORISED SASI ATHLETES

#### Podium Potential

Athletes that could progress to a medal performance at the next World Cup and/or Commonwealth Games:

- Lucy Austin
- Matilda Garrett
- Georgie Horjus

#### DEVELOPING

Athletes in the 21/U national squad, athletes selected in the 19/U national squad and/or identified as developing athletes by the national selectors:

- Sophie Casey (Matrics)
- Lauren Frew
- Kayla Graham (Contax)
- Tabitha Packer (Contax)
- Lucy Voyvodic (Matrics)
- Charlotte Walker (Oakdale)

#### CATEGORY 5 EMERGING

An athlete who has been identified as being capable of progressing to developing in the next 4 years:

- Anna Goad (Contax)
- Brooke Irlam (Garville)
- Jemma Kelly (Matrics)
- Jazmin McKay (Contax)
- Elouise Nordhausen (Matrics)
- Leah Anderson (Contax)
- Kiara Burns (Newton Jaguars)
- Molly Chapman (Matrics)

- Darcy May-Martin (Garville)
- Samaya Oakley (Contax)

### SASI SCHOLARSHIP TALENT

SASI Temporary Athlete Agreement, but are currently not national categorised:

- Samaya Oakley
- Anessah Oakley
- Charli Hazelhurst

### 2025 DIAMONDS SQUAD

- Georgie Horjus
- Matilda Garrett
- Lucy Austin
- Sarah Klau

### 2025 NETBALL AUSTRALIA SQUAD DEVELOPMENT

- Sophie Casey
- Kayla Graham
- Tabitha Packer
- Lucy Voyvodic

### 2025 21/U NATIONAL SQUAD SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ATHLETES

- Sophie Casey
- Kayla Graham
- Jemma Kelly
- Tabitha Packer
- Lucy Voyvodic
- Charlotte Walker

### 2025 19/U NATIONAL SQUAD SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ATHLETES

- Jemma Kelly
- Samaya Oakley
- Charlotte Walker

### 2025 17/U NATIONAL SQUAD SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ATHLETES

- Leah Anderson-Morris
- Kiara Burns
- Molly Chapman
- Anna Goad
- Darcy May-Martin
- Jazmin McKay
- Elouise Nordhausen





# STRONG VOICE

## MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

Netball SA's Marketing and Communications arm continued to promote the sport in South Australia and beyond, from grassroots to the elite level.

The Adelaide Thunderbirds brand was elevated through the Chasing Greatness marketing campaign, which focused on three key pillars:

- Chasing history as the team strived to achieve what no other SSN club has done with a 3-peat
- Chasing records as the club aimed for higher membership and attendance numbers
- Chasing glory for South Australian sport and the netball community

The campaign was integrated across owned channels, earned media and paid digital advertising, as well as radio with Nova and an elevated presence in outdoor media with JC Decaux.

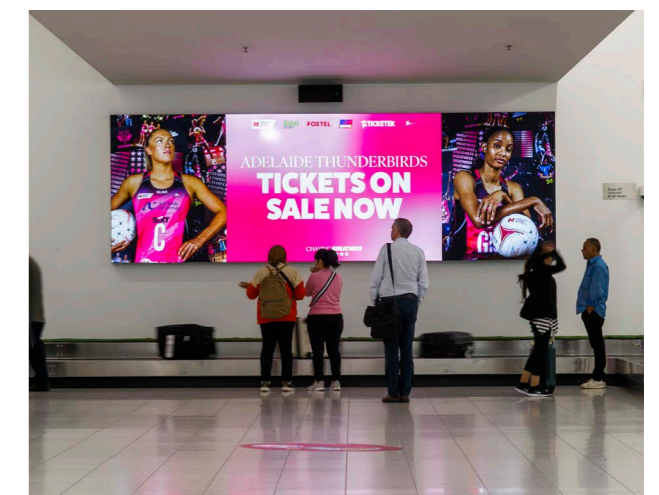
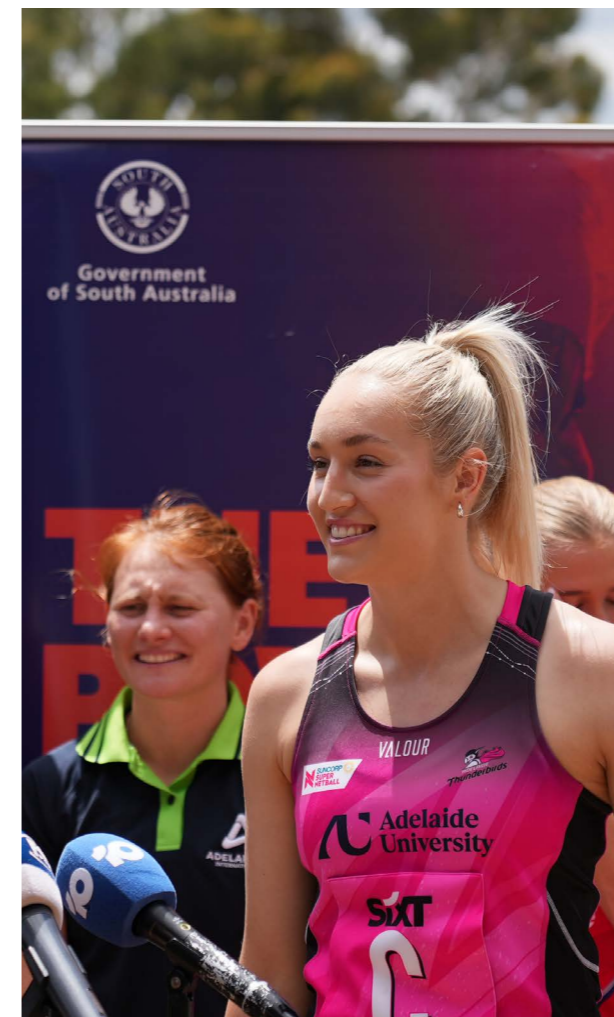
Digital advertising was elevated once again to support ticketing and corporate hospitality offerings, reaching over 2.27 million accounts, recorded 6.1 million views.

Our digital strategy resulted in significant growth for both the Netball SA and the Adelaide Thunderbirds brands as the online following grew to 222,700, with a combined average increase of 23.2% percent.

A fresh approach to the Thunderbirds TikTok account contributed significantly to the club's overall digital footprint with a 66% increase YOY in followers, taking the account from 17,700 to 29,400.

A stronger focus was placed upon promotion of Woolworths NetSetGo which led to the program being featured across OOH and digital advertising for the first time.

Netball SA extended its partnership with NewsCorp's live streaming arm KommunityTV to secure coverage of the Hospital Research Foundation Premier League, the Country Championships, and the Nunga Netball Carnival.



# STADIUM

Netball SA Stadium was a hive of activity in the opening months of this year, before preparations began on the \$92 million redevelopment of the Mile End precinct.

Club trainings, community programs and external events were all part of the diverse and busy calendar.

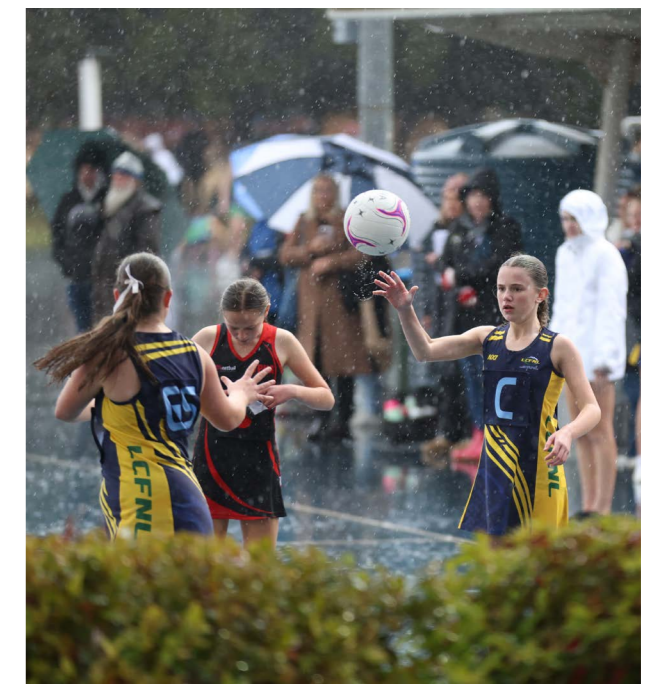
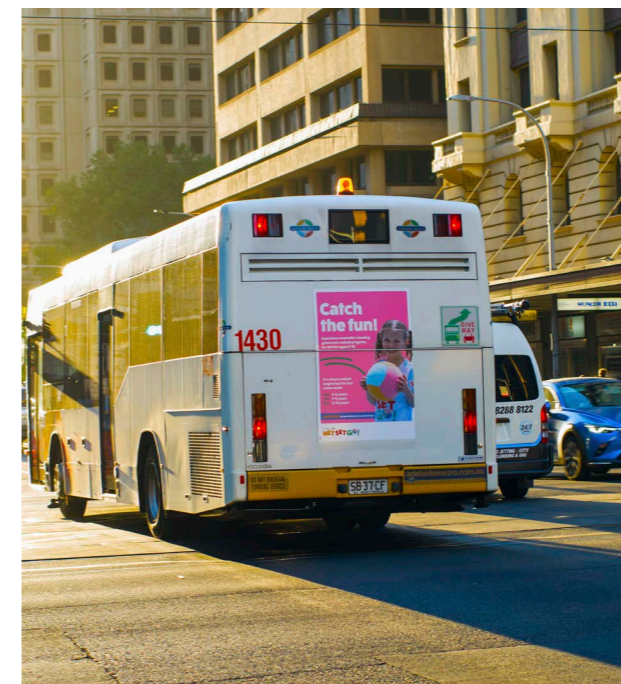
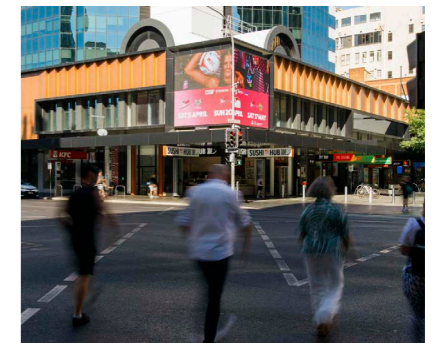
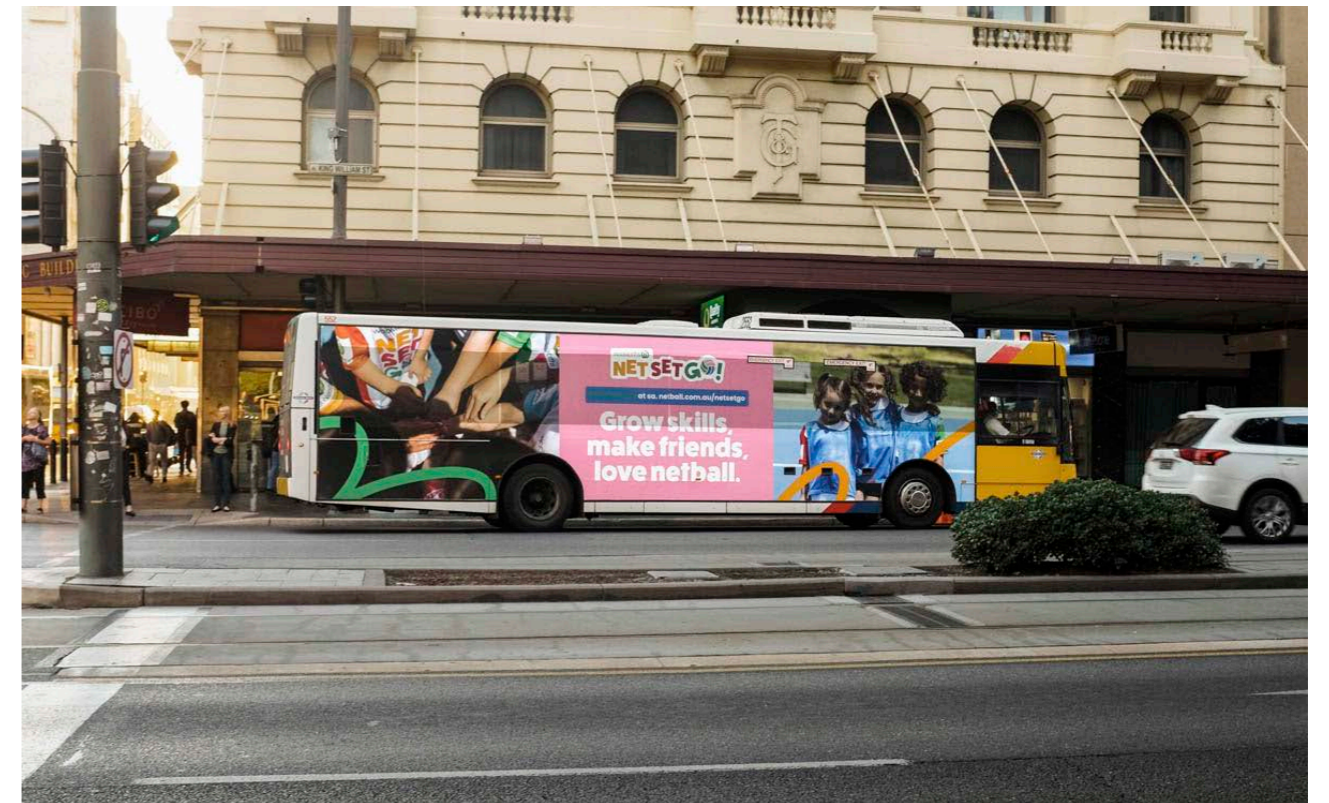
In October, works began on the 26 outdoor courts as Phase 1 of the redevelopment commenced. This exciting milestone prompted the temporary relocation of several Netball SA competitions and programs and we are thankful to the community for their patience and understanding during this transition.

As the redevelopment progresses into the next phase of work, including the demolition of the indoor facility, Netball SA has transitioned operational management of the venue to the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing (ORSR).

After 27 years, we said goodbye to the aging facility that has hosted endless significant moments in Netball SA's history.

While this marks the end of an era for us as venue operators, we're excited to continue working with ORSR on the redevelopment and ensuring our netball community gets the world-class facility it deserves.

Thank you to our Stadium staff for their many years of hard work and commitment.





# FINANCIAL

## COMMERCIAL PARTNERS

Netball SA welcomed a series of new partners to help grow the game of netball in South Australia.

In the inaugural year of principal partnership with Adelaide University, saw connection with more than one million people. In a partnership underpinned by a strong community footprint, we leveraged the profile of the Adelaide Thunderbirds, connecting elite athletes with education and supported a more equitable sporting landscape for women and girls.

“Play for Pink” round returned, in collaboration with our principal charity partner, The Hospital Research Foundation Group, to raise vital funds for breast cancer research. The Pink Army got behind the cause with full force and raised more than \$38,000 to contribute to the vital research.

The organisation also welcomed the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) to empower and

educate South Australians to be lifelong learners of road safety as part of the THINK! Road Safety program.

Loreto College and St Michael’s College joined as part of a pilot corporate schools program, providing integrated Adelaide Thunderbirds training and education into the school netball programs.

We introduced a new corporate hospitality offering to our Adelaide Thunderbirds game day, through our new partnership with South Ave.

The Adelaide Thunderbirds secured access to world-class training facilities through the introduction of the official high-performance partnership with South Australian Institute of Sport (SASI).

Netball SA would like to thank its partners for their ongoing support of netball in South Australia and we look forward to working together to enrich our netball community, on and off the court.

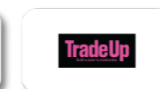
### PRINCIPAL PARTNER



### PRINCIPAL CHARITY PARTNER



### MAJOR PARTNERS



### APPAREL PARTNERS



### MEDIA PARTNERS



### CORPORATE PARTNERS

Arkaba Hotel, Cobb’s Hill Estate, Big Screen Video, Comwire IT, Department for Infrastructure & Transport, Encore, Fleurieu Milk Company, Fruchocs, Gilbert , HCF, Here for the Game, Jones Radiology, Loreto College, Nippy’s, SASI, Signage World, South Ave, Sports in Focus, St Michael’s, Strap It, The Physio Society, VPA & Westfield

### PLAYER SPONSORS

AS Lending Co, Auto Masters Glenelg, Blu Built, Equipped Group, Cafe F93, Level Up, Marsh Honey, Adelaide Max Fax, McKenzie Property, Oddy Media, Outback IT, Port River Cruises, Ramsey Bros, Roxby Earth Moving, Solar Power Direct, Stanley Co, Stoke Fireplace Studio, The Joiners, Tree Climb & William Buck



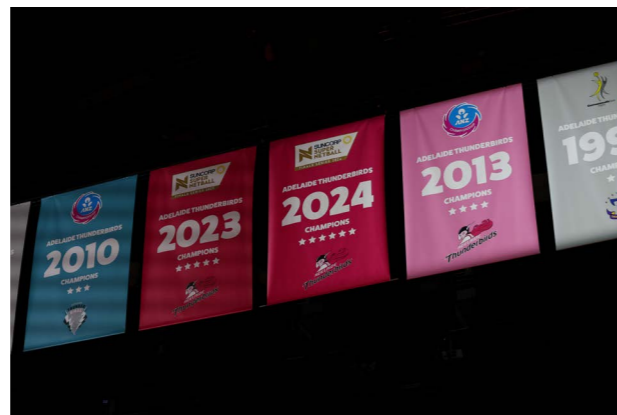
## MEMBERSHIP & TICKETING

The Adelaide Thunderbirds continued to build on the strong membership growth in recent years with the club reaching a new record of over 6,000 members, a significant 40% growth year on year.

The growth in the club's membership base put the Thunderbirds second only behind the Melbourne Vixens, as the club proudly claimed the highest membership base per capita.

The 2025 Suncorp Super Netball season was the most attended season ever in Australian women's sports, showcasing that netball continues to be the pioneers for women's sport in Australia.

The club experienced multiple sold out matches and achieved a record season attendance, with more than 57,000 fans attending across the season.



## STAFF

### EXECUTIVE

#### Chief Executive Officer

Bronwyn Klei

#### Office Manager & Executive Assistant

Courtney Semmler

### HUMAN RESOURCES & GOVERNANCE

#### General Manager - HR & Governance

Susan Cox

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#### General Manager - Venue and Corporate Services

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#### Management Accountant

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#### Receptionist & Admin Officer

Jan Hesketh

#### Receptionist & Admin Officer

Andrea Matthews

### ADELAIDE THUNDERBIRDS & ELITE PATHWAYS

#### General Manager - High Performance

Simon Allport

#### Operations Manager High Performance

Denny Peacock

#### Adelaide Thunderbirds Head Coach

Tania Obst

#### Adelaide Thunderbirds Assistant Coach

Cathy Fellows

#### Performance Analyst

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#### Performance Pathways Manger

Jade Vergara

#### Physical Performance Lead

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#### Athlete Wellbeing & Engagement Lead

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### NETBALL

#### General Manager - Netball

Steve Kavanagh

#### Club & Participation Manager

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#### Development Coordinator

Makayla Elliott

#### Development Coordinator

Jacynta Clark

#### Development Coordinator

Milly Mudge

#### Competition Experience & Pathways Manager

Heidi Sandison

#### Premier League & Program Coordinator

Erica Ayres

#### Competitions Coordinator

Hope Branch

#### Coach & Umpire Coordinator

Jacqui Heynen

#### Competitions Administration Officer

Lou de Martino

### COMMERCIAL, MEMBERSHIP & TICKETING

#### General Manager - Commercial

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Callum Flanagan

#### Partnerships Lead

Jemma Leigh

#### Membership & Ticketing Lead

Caleb Barnden

#### Membership & Ticketing Coordinator

Caitlin Webb

#### Member Services Officer

Jordan Deutrom

### MARKETING, COMMUNICATIONS & EVENTS

#### General Manager - Marketing, Communications & Events

Teneille Kleinitz

#### Events Manager

Kelly Sandona

#### Events Coordinator

Rebekah Thomson

#### Media & Communications Manager

Emmalie Balnaves-Gale

#### Content & Communications Coordinator

Millie Martin

#### Marketing Specialist

Erin Williams

#### Graphic Designer

Annabel Collins

#### Video & Digital Content Lead

Christopher Adams

### STADIUM

#### Venue Coordinator

Karyn Burlow

#### Stadium Coordinator

Ryleigh Craig

#### Food & Beverage Operations

Peter Boyle

#### Food & Beverage Coordinator

Rena Bent

#### Stadium Maintenance

Elias Khammash & Direck Talisic

# OPERATING PERFORMANCE

Netball SA concluded the 2025 financial year in a strong and stable position, delivering solid results despite significant operational disruption in the quarter ending 31 December 2025. The year was marked by a three month interruption to normal trading at the Mile End facility as part of the Stadium Redevelopment Project, which required the organisation to adapt its programs, competitions, and operational structure.

## FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Netball SA reported a net operating deficit of (\$262k) and a statutory loss of (\$3.183m) for the year. This net result compares to the prior 15-month period ending 31 December 2024 of net operating deficit (\$226,918) and statutory loss (\$5,053,864). While the 2025 year reflects a deficit position, the outcome is largely attributable to the redevelopment works and the associated relocation and displacement impacts.

A major shift in Netball SA's equity position occurred this year with the completion of the write off of the Mile End Stadium asset. Across the last two reporting periods, more than \$9.5 million in assets have been retired from the balance sheet. Despite this significant adjustment, Netball SA maintains a positive equity position of \$432k, supported by a \$2.5 million cash balance and liabilities that do not rely on immediate cash settlement.

Importantly, Netball SA continues to hold a strong liquidity position with no current borrowings, providing financial flexibility as the organisation transitions into a new operating environment.

The 2025 period also marks the first full 12-month financial year under the revised reporting cycle ending 31 December. This presents a valuable opportunity for improved consistency, enhanced financial insights, and the development of a modernised financial model to support future growth.

## GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP AND SECTOR SUPPORT

Netball SA acknowledges the significant support of the Government of South Australia, through the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing (ORSR). Throughout the displacement period, ORSR's financial and operational assistance has enabled the organisation to continue delivery of services and maintain stability during a challenging time. Netball SA is deeply appreciative of this support and looks forward to an ongoing partnership with ORSR as the redevelopment project progresses.

## OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

The most substantial operational impact during the year was the relocation of the CND competition to an alternate venue. While ORSR provided support, the relocation nonetheless affected operational cash flow and overall profitability. Despite this relocation, the netball community embraced the change of location, days and times of the competition deeming the competition a success.

## LOOKING AHEAD

The coming year presents an exceptional opportunity for Netball SA to reshape the future of netball in the state. With the support of the Government of South Australia, the organisation is well positioned to:

- Stabilise operations following the displacement period
- Build a contemporary financial model for long term sustainability
- Strengthen commercial capability to maximise opportunities that the new "Home of Netball" will bring
- Invest strategically in systems, capability, and diversification to grow and support netball from grassroots participation through to elite pathways.



## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

ABN : 12 814 437 874

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Your directors present their report on the association for the year ended 31 December 2025.

**Directors**

The names of the directors in office at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

Carolyn Mitchell	Chairman
Chris Wood	Director
Caroline Phillips	Director
Michelle Pole	Director
Julianne Cirson	Director
Stephen Dawes	Director
Noelle Smit	Director
Helen Cutler	Director
Georgia Cadzow	Director

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

**Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the association during the majority of the financial year were the promotion of netball throughout South Australia, the management of a sporting stadium and managing the operations of the Adelaide Thunderbirds.

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

**Significant Changes in the State of Affairs**

As part of the \$92 million stadium redevelopment project, the Netball SA Stadium indoor facility ceased operations on 1 January 2026 and is expected to be re-opened in early 2028. Use of the outdoor facilities ceased on 21 September 2025, and they are expected to be re-opened in April 2026 to host the 2026 AMND season.

The closure will materially impact 2026 revenue, particularly facility hire, entrance fees, hospitality and participation income. The Association has transitioned its office to Adelaide Arena and is working with the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing to relocate affected competitions and programs to alternative venues.

**Change in financial year end**

In 2024 the Association changed its financial year-end from 30 September 2024 to 31 December 2024. As a result, the comparative figures cover a period of fifteen months from 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2024. This change was made to align with all other Netball Australia Member Organisations and the new Constitution.

Due to this change, the amounts presented in the financial statements may not be directly comparable with those of the previous financial period, which covered a 15 month period from 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2024.

**Operating results**

The net deficit for the year ended 31 December 2025 for the association was \$3,183,475 (fifteen months ended 31 December 2024: \$5,053,864 deficit).

**Auditor's Independence Declaration**

The auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 31 December 2025 has been received and can be found on page 4 of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors



Director - Carolyn Mitchell



Director - Julianne Cirson

Dated this 23rd day of March 2026

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**  
**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

To the board of South Australian Netball Association Incorporated

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 December 2025, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



**T A Basso - Director**  
**Basso Newman Audit Pty Ltd**  
**Chartered Accountants**  
**286 Flinders Street, Adelaide**  
**Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026**



**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Note	12 Months ended 31 December 2025 \$	15 Months ended 31 December 2024 \$
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Operating revenue	2	11,235,929	11,824,210
<b>Operating Expenses</b>			
Employee benefit expenses	3	(5,726,923)	(6,302,377)
Administration and office expenses		(1,261,677)	(1,112,206)
Bad & doubtful debts		(3,947)	(10,060)
Communication and IT expenses		(199,494)	(229,570)
Cost of sales		(480,321)	(528,622)
Event expenses		(1,698,624)	(1,327,430)
Occupancy costs		(476,348)	(662,198)
Other expenses		(102,534)	(227,340)
Participation expenses		(867,484)	(978,702)
Repairs, maintenance and minor equipment		(122,130)	(163,514)
Thunderbirds and pathways expenses		(558,922)	(509,109)
<b>Operating Surplus (deficit)</b>		<u>(262,476)</u>	<u>(226,918)</u>
<b>Other Expenses</b>			
Depreciation expense	8	(2,920,999)	(4,826,946)
<b>Total Other Income (Expenses)</b>		<u>(2,920,999)</u>	<u>(4,826,946)</u>
<b>Net Surplus (deficit)</b>		(3,183,475)	(5,053,864)
Other comprehensive income for the year		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members of South Australian Netball Association Incorporated</b>		<u>(3,183,475)</u>	<u>(5,053,864)</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	2,405,040	2,708,943
Trade and other receivables	5	832,550	215,357
Inventories	6	3,072	19,565
Other current assets	7	155,227	171,781
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>3,395,890</b>	<b>3,115,646</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	8	191,424	3,078,357
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>191,424</b>	<b>3,078,357</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>3,587,313</b>	<b>6,194,003</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other payables	9	843,488	862,224
Other liabilities	10	1,870,602	1,337,240
Employee benefits	11	266,430	238,751
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>2,980,521</b>	<b>2,438,215</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Employee benefits	11	174,018	139,538
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>174,018</b>	<b>139,538</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>3,154,539</b>	<b>2,577,753</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>432,775</b>	<b>3,616,250</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained surplus		432,775	3,616,250
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>432,775</b>	<b>3,616,250</b>

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes  
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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED  
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Retained surplus \$	Total \$
<b>Balance at 1 October 2023</b>	8,670,114	8,670,114
Surplus (deficit) for fifteen months	(5,053,864)	(5,053,864)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 December 2024 (as restated)</b>	<b>3,616,250</b>	<b>3,616,250</b>
<b>Balance at 1 January 2025 (as restated)</b>	3,616,250	3,616,250
Surplus (deficit) for year	(3,183,475)	(3,183,475)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 December 2025</b>	<b>432,775</b>	<b>432,775</b>

Opening equity at 1 January 2025 has been restated to reflect the correction of a prior period adjustment, as disclosed in Note 1(j).

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes  
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	12 Months ended 31 December 2025 \$	15 Months ended 31 December 2024 \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Receipts from members, funding bodies and customers		11,621,447	13,009,195
Payments to suppliers and employees		(12,021,170)	(12,656,640)
Interest received		129,886	140,788
<b>Net cash generated by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(269,837)</b>	<b>493,343</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(34,066)	(181,902)
<b>Net cash generated by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>(34,066)</b>	<b>(181,902)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Net cash generated by (used in) financing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		<b>(303,903)</b>	<b>311,441</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		2,708,943	2,397,502
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	4	<b>2,405,040</b>	<b>2,708,943</b>

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes  
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

**NOTE 1 - MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements cover South Australian Netball Association Incorporated as an individual entity. South Australian Netball Association Incorporated is an association incorporated in South Australia and operating pursuant to the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985*.

The material accounting policies disclosed below are those that are relevant to understanding the Association's financial position and performance, having regard to the nature of its activities and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

**Basis of Preparation**

These financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985. The Association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis using historical costs, except for cash flow information, and on a going concern basis. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar. Accounting policies have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The Association recorded net deficits of \$3,183,475 for the year ended 31 December 2025 and \$5,053,864 for the 15 months ended 31 December 2024. The Association's total equity declined to \$432,775 at 31 December 2025. Subsequent to the reporting date, on 1 January 2026, the Association's primary operating facility, Netball SA Stadium, ceased operations because of its scheduled demolition and government-funded redevelopment. The full facility is not expected to reopen until early 2028. Revenue streams directly dependent on this facility will be materially impacted during this period. As a result of these factors, a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. The Directors have formed the view that there are reasonable grounds to believe the Association will continue as a going concern and hence the going concern basis remains appropriate based on the following factors:

- Cash reserves of \$2,405,040 at 31 December 2025;
- Future operational and cash forecasts to support the on-going operations of the Association;
- Ongoing operational revenue streams not dependent on the Netball SA Stadium facility (Thunderbirds memberships, sponsorship income);
- An Operational Continuity Framework established jointly with the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing, to provide government support for displacement costs arising from the redevelopment during the construction phase;
- Active cost management strategies being undertaken during the redevelopment and construction phase

The financial statements do not include adjustments that would result if the Association were unable to continue as a going concern.

**Change in financial year end**

In 2024 the Association changed its financial year-end from 30 September 2024 to 31 December 2024. As a result, the comparative figures cover a period of fifteen months from 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2024. This change was made to align with all other Netball Australia Member Organisations and the new Constitution.

Due to this change, the amounts presented in the financial statements may not be directly comparable with those of the previous financial period, which covered a 15 month period from 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2024.

**Critical Accounting Estimates**

In preparing these financial statements, management has not made any significant judgements in the application of accounting policies, nor are there any key sources of estimation uncertainty that are expected to have a material effect on the amounts recognised. The financial statements are based on straightforward transactions, and the recognition and measurement of assets and liabilities do not involve complex or subjective assumptions.

**Accounting Policies**

**(a) Property, Plant and Equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are measured at cost, less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses

**Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line or diminishing value basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, commencing when the asset is ready for use. The following rates are applied:

Buildings and leasehold improvements	2 years
Plant & equipment	1.5 years to 10 years
Furniture, fixtures & fittings	2.5 years to 5 years
Computer equipment	1 year to 2 years

Residual values and useful lives are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted if appropriate. Assets are derecognised on disposal or when no further economic benefits are expected. Gains and losses on disposals are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they occur.

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(b) **Impairment of non-financial assets**

At each reporting date the Association assesses whether there is any indication that financial or non-financial assets may be impaired.

- Financial assets such as receivables are measured using the expected credit loss model under AASB 9. Losses are recognised in profit or loss when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery.

- Non-financial assets such as property, plant and equipment and intangibles are tested for impairment when indicators are present. An impairment loss is recognised when the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount of the asset or the cash-generating unit to which it belongs.

(c) **Employee Benefits**

Employee benefit obligations are recognised as expenses when services are rendered by employees.

- Short-term benefits such as wages, salaries and leave expected to be taken within 12 months are measured at the amounts expected to be paid.

- Other long-term benefits such as annual leave not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months and long service leave are measured at the present value of expected future payments.

Employee benefit liabilities are classified as current unless the Association has an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months.

(d) **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

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

(e) **Trade and Other receivables**

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers in the ordinary course of business.

(f) **Revenue recognition**

The association recognises revenue as follows:

*Membership income*

Membership revenue is recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the membership.

*Sales revenue*

Events and fundraising revenues are recognised when received or receivable.

*Grant income*

Grants that include sufficiently specific performance obligations are recognised in accordance with AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers. Revenue is recognised in profit or loss as the Association satisfies the performance obligations under the funding agreement. Where grants are conditional on the delivery of specified services or outcomes, revenue is recognised progressively as those obligations are met. Grants received in advance of satisfying performance obligations are recorded as contract liabilities until the obligations are fulfilled.

Where a grant does not contain sufficiently specific performance obligations, or involves the transfer of an asset such as a capital grant, income is recognised in accordance with AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities.

*Interest Income*

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method as it accrues.

*Other revenue*

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

(g) **Trade and Other Payables**

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the Trust that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period

(h) **Comparative Figures**

When required by Accounting Standards or for improved presentation of the financial report, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(i) **Change in Accounting Policy - Long Service Leave**

During the year, the Association changed its accounting policy for the recognition of Long Service Leave. Previously, the provision did not recognise Adelaide Thunderbird players with less than seven years employment with the association. The Association now recognises a Provision for Long Service Leave for all players. The change ensures the financial statements more appropriately reflect the Association's present obligation for employee benefits in accordance with AASB 119 *Employee Benefits*.

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(j) **Prior Period Adjustment**

During the current financial year it was noted that in the 2024 financials, SSN Distributions were allocated over the financial period. The correct accounting policy treatment is to account for these distributions in the year of the competition. The adjustment in accounting policy has been corrected by restating each of the affected financial statement lines for the prior period as follows:

	2024	Deficit Increase	2024 (restated)
<b>Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income(extract)</b>			
Grants and distributions received	1,339,989	(201,931)	1,138,058
	<u>1,339,989</u>	<u>(201,931)</u>	<u>1,138,058</u>
<b>Current year surplus (deficit)</b>	(4,851,933)	(201,931)	(5,053,864)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity</b>	<u>(4,851,933)</u>	<u>(201,931)</u>	<u>(5,053,864)</u>
<b>Statement of changes in equity (extract)</b>			
		<b>Retained Surplus</b>	<b>2024 (restated)</b>
<b>Balance at 31 December 2024 as originally presented</b>		3,818,181	3,818,181
Correction		-	(201,931)
<b>Restated total equity at the beginning of the year</b>		<u>3,818,181</u>	<u>3,616,250</u>
	<b>2024</b>	<b>Increase/ (Decrease)</b>	<b>2024 (restated)</b>
<b>Statement of financial position (extract)</b>			
Trade and other receivables	417,288	(201,931)	215,357
<b>Net Assets</b>	<u>3,818,181</u>	<u>(201,931)</u>	<u>3,616,250</u>
Retained surplus	3,818,181	(201,931)	3,616,250
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>3,818,181</u>	<u>(201,931)</u>	<u>3,616,250</u>

**NOTE 2: OPERATING REVENUE**

Revenue from contracts with customers:

	12 Months ended 31 December 2025	15 Months ended 31 December 2024
	\$	\$
Affiliation fees	2,434,847	3,153,849
Thunderbirds memberships and ticketing	2,364,137	2,091,340
Sponsorship Income	1,463,143	814,500
Grants and distributions received	995,040	1,138,058
Entrance fees and season passes	1,007,904	1,736,974
Hospitality	94,571	1,218,545
Facility Hire	609,021	628,742
Participation and community education	824,901	772,083
Displacement revenue	281,250	-
Other income	184,229	129,331
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<u>11,106,043</u>	<u>11,683,423</u>

Non-contract income:

Interest received	129,886	140,788
<b>Total non-contract income</b>	<u>129,886</u>	<u>140,788</u>

**Total operating revenue**

11,235,929      11,824,210

Grants and distributions received have been restated to reflect the correction of a prior period adjustment, as disclosed in Note 1(j).

*Disaggregation of revenue*

The disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers is as follows:

Revenue recognised over time	7,441,395	7,327,079
Revenue recognised at a point in time	3,664,648	4,356,343
	<u>11,106,043</u>	<u>11,683,423</u>

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	12 Months ended 31 December 2025 \$	15 Months ended 31 December 2024 \$
<b>NOTE 3 - DISAGGREGATION OF EXPENDITURE</b>		
The disaggregation of employee benefits expenses is as follows:		
Salaries and wages	(4,798,491)	(5,284,450)
Superannuation	(571,305)	(568,529)
Payroll tax	(237,335)	(267,935)
Workcover	(41,668)	(63,681)
Fringe benefits tax	(15,966)	(21,921)
Annual and long service leave entitlements	(62,159)	(95,861)
	<u>(5,726,923)</u>	<u>(6,302,377)</u>
<b>NOTE 4 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT ASSETS</b>		
	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash at bank	2,400,619	2,702,178
Cash on hand	4,422	6,765
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<u>2,405,040</u>	<u>2,708,943</u>
<b>NOTE 5 - TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES</b>		
	2025 \$	2024 \$
<b>Current</b>		
Accounts receivable	848,434	201,221
Other receivables and clearing accounts	-	30,021
	<u>848,434</u>	<u>231,241</u>
Less : Provision for doubtful debts	(15,884)	(15,884)
<b>Total trade and other receivables</b>	<u>832,550</u>	<u>215,357</u>
<b>NOTE 6 - INVENTORIES</b>		
	2025 \$	2024 \$
Merchandise and trading stock	3,072	19,565
<b>Total inventories</b>	<u>3,072</u>	<u>19,565</u>
<b>NOTE 7 - OTHER CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
	2025 \$	2024 \$
Prepayments	141,969	167,551
Accrued income	13,258	4,230
<b>Total other current assets</b>	<u>155,227</u>	<u>171,781</u>
<b>NOTE 8 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>		
	2025 \$	2024 \$
Buildings and leasehold improvements at cost	-	10,585,925
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	-	(7,726,674)
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,859,251</u>
Plant and equipment at cost	614,439	612,189
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(494,583)	(458,859)
	<u>119,856</u>	<u>153,330</u>
Furniture, fixtures and fittings at cost	355,617	355,615
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(344,044)	(338,168)
	<u>11,573</u>	<u>17,447</u>
Computer equipment at cost	313,044	418,984
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(253,049)	(370,655)
	<u>59,995</u>	<u>48,329</u>
<b>Total property, plant &amp; equipment</b>	<u>191,424</u>	<u>3,078,357</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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*Reconciliations*

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial period are set out below:

	Buildings and leasehold improvements \$	Plant & equipment \$	Furniture, fixtures and fittings \$	Computer equipment \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 January 2025	2,859,251	153,330	17,447	48,329	3,078,357
Additions	-	2,251	-	31,815	34,066
Depreciation expense	(2,859,251)	(35,725)	(5,874)	(20,149)	(2,920,999)
<b>Balance at 31 December 2025</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>119,856</u>	<u>11,573</u>	<u>59,995</u>	<u>191,424</u>

**NOTE 9 - TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

**Current**

Accounts payable  
Other payables & accrued expenses

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Accounts payable	188,901	289,347
Other payables & accrued expenses	654,587	572,877
<b>Total trade and other payables</b>	<u>843,488</u>	<u>862,224</u>

**NOTE 10 - OTHER LIABILITIES**

**Current**

Income in advance

**Total other current liabilities**

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Income in advance	1,870,602	1,337,240
<b>Total other current liabilities</b>	<u>1,870,602</u>	<u>1,337,240</u>

**NOTE 11 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

**Current**

Provision for annual leave  
Provision for long service leave

**Non-Current**

Provision for long service leave

**Total employee benefits**

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Provision for annual leave	153,904	190,199
Provision for long service leave	112,526	48,552
	<u>266,430</u>	<u>238,751</u>
Provision for long service leave	174,018	139,538
<b>Total employee benefits</b>	<u>440,448</u>	<u>378,289</u>

**NOTE 12 - KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES**

*Compensation*

The aggregate compensation made to officers and other members of key management personnel of the association is set out below:

Aggregate compensation

	12 Months ended 31 December 2025 \$	15 Months ended 31 December 2024 \$
Aggregate compensation	970,976	1,212,746

**NOTE 13 - RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

**Board of Management**

No director of the Board received remuneration from the association in their capacity as director. No other entity that the above directors are associated with has received funds other than through dealings with the association in the ordinary course of business and on normal commercial terms and conditions.

*Related party transactions*

There were no transactions with related parties during the current and previous financial year

*Receivable from and payable to related parties*

There were no trade receivables from or trade payables to related parties at the current and previous reporting

*Loans to/from related parties*

There were no loans to or from related parties at the current and previous reporting date

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	<b>12 Months ended 31 December 2025</b>	<b>15 Months ended 31 December 2024</b>
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 14 - AUDITOR REMUNERATION</b>		
During the financial period the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by Basso Newman Audit Pty Ltd, the auditor of the association, and related firms:		
Audit of financial statements	27,500	22,000
Tax compliance services	3,404	629
Consulting and bookkeeping services	2,590	2,640
<b>Total services provided by Basso Newman</b>	<b>33,494</b>	<b>25,269</b>

**NOTE 15 - CONTINGENT ASSETS**

As a result of the redevelopment of the Netball SA Stadium, the Association is in negotiations with the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing, to provide government support for displacement costs during the construction phase. At the reporting date, an agreement has been reached for reimbursement of displacement costs of \$281,250 (GST exclusive), which has been recognised as income and asset in the financial statements. Negotiations for further reimbursement related to the 2025 year are ongoing. The Directors consider that a further inflow of economic benefits is probable, however, the amount cannot be reliably measured at reporting date no further asset has been recognised in the financial statements.

**NOTE 16 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The association had no contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2025.

**NOTE 17 - CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

The association had no capital commitments as at 31 December 2025.

**NOTE 18 - EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD**

The Netball SA Stadium indoor facility ceased operations on 1 January 2026 and is expected to be re-opened in early 2028. Use of the outdoor facilities ceased on 21 September 2025, and they are expected to be re-opened in April 2026 to host the 2026 AMND season.

The closure will materially impact 2026 revenue, particularly facility hire, entrance fees, hospitality, and participation income. The Association has transitioned its office to Adelaide Arena and is working with the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing to relocate affected competitions and programs to alternative venues.

The Board has considered these matters in the context of the Association's ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied the Association will be able to meet its obligations as and when they fall due having regard to existing cash reserves, confirmed support arrangements and cost reduction initiatives. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

No other matters have arisen since 31 December 2025 that have significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the Association's operations or state of affairs.

**NOTE 19 - ASSOCIATION DETAILS**

The registered office and principal place of business of the association is :

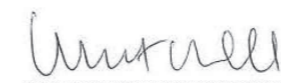
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 Findon SA 5023

**STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS**

The directors of the board declare that, in the board's opinion, the financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 3 to 14:

- 1 comply with Accounting Standards – General Purpose Financial Statements – Simplified Disclosures, and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.
- 2 give a true and fair view of the financial position of South Australian Netball Association Incorporated as at 31 December 2025 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
- 3 During the year ended 31 December 2025 no officer of the association, firm of which any officer is a member, or body corporate in which any officer of the association has a substantial financial interest, has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between any officer, firm or body corporate and the association.
- 4 There are reasonable grounds to believe that South Australian Netball Association Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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



Director - Carolyn Mitchell



Director - Julianne Cirson

Dated this 23rd day of March 2026

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of South Australian Netball Association Incorporated ("the entity") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2025, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by directors.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the South Australian Netball Association Incorporated is in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1985, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the entity'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 the Associations Incorporation Act 1985.

**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 are independent of the entity in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Accounting Professional and 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.

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

**Material Uncertainty related to going concern**

We draw attention to Note 1 in the financial report regarding the basis of preparation. The Association has incurred net deficits of \$3,183,475 for the year ended 31 December 2025 and \$5,053,864 for the fifteen months ended 31 December 2024, and as at balance date total equity is \$432,775.

The Association's primary operating venue ceased operations on 1 January 2026 ahead of its scheduled demolition as part of the government-funded redevelopment of the Mile End Sports Complex, with reopening not expected until early 2028. Revenue streams directly attributable to this facility will be materially impacted during the redevelopment period.

These events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

**Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report**

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and Associations Incorporation Act 1985 and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

**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 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 this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

  
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**Chartered Accountants**  
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**Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026**



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