



Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Inc

MACASA

Annual Report 2025



*Assisting the seniors' community to remain in their own homes.
A volunteer-based service that provides
in-home support for seniors.*

Clients Served - 500

Meals Service	Meals Delivered 17545	Volunteer Kms 30720
Social Support Functions	Clients Served 206	Group Functions 36
Assessment Services	Clients Assessed 79	Hours 77
Transport Services	Clients Served 66	Kms Travelled 12403

VOLUNTEER HOURS

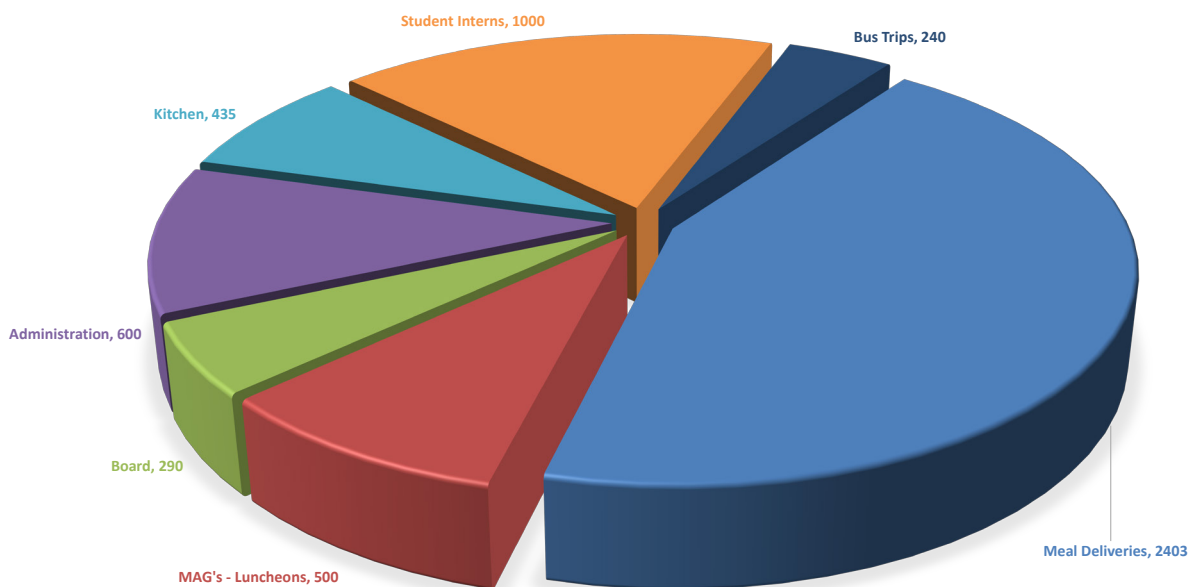


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Acknowledgement

MACASA would like to acknowledge all the support it has recieved over the 2024/2025 financial year.



**University of
South Australia**



Multicultural
Ageing Services



Multicultural Aged Care



Multicultural
Learning and
Development



Australian Government
Department of Health and Aged Care



**Government of
South Australia**

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1. The principal object of the Association shall be to provide assistance without reward to persons in necessitous circumstances, and for the relief of needs arising from old age, sickness, incapacity, isolation, loneliness or insecurity, with priority given to the Maltese Community and those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.
2. Initiate and develop services to meet the needs of people in the Maltese Community of South Australia who are aged, frail or disabled.
3. Ensure that the Maltese Community has priority of access to all services, while also making services available to members of the wider community.
4. Cooperate and liaise with existing organisations to formulate and implement an overall strategy of coordinating services to optimise the benefits of these services, to the Maltese and the wider Community, in particular, the elderly and infirm.
5. Act as an advocate body, lobbying for the rights and concerns of all MACASA Service Users.
6. Collate and disseminate information on the availability of various facilities and services for the use of the Maltese Community, in particular, the elderly and infirm.
7. Endeavour to improve the quality of life of the members of the Maltese Community – in particular, the elderly and infirm – through the facilitation of their participation in the culturally - and linguistic-specific social and religious activities that they value.
8. Encourage the Maltese and wider Community, and, in particular, the younger generations, to become more actively involved in addressing the needs of the aged members of the Maltese and wider Community.
9. Continually monitor the effectiveness and efficiency of the services established by the Association to ensure that they evolve to meet the changing needs and the delivery of high quality services to the Maltese and the wider Community.
10. Consult, liaise and cooperate with other mainstream and ethno-specific bodies and persons whose objectives and purposes are similar to those of the Association.
11. Promote and implement such other objectives and purposes, which the Association may determine from time-to-time; and to do all such things for the purpose of achieving and maintaining the objects and purposes of the Association, as the Association may deem advisable and as the finances of the Association permit.

Warrawong
Sanctuary
September
2024



Management Board

Our Management Board for the 2024/2025 financial year.

Christian Wickham
Chair



Jessie Borg
*Co Chair
Cultural Consultant*



Phil Hiew
Treasurer



Helen English
*Secretary
Public Officer*



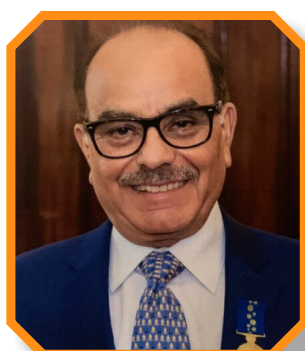
Devesh Mundhara
Board Member



Annie Wang
Board Member



Vikram Madan
*(Deceased)
Board Member*



Madeleine
Williams
Services Manager



Thank you to our Staff and Volunteers

Ashlee Jones

Lyn Martin

Christian Wickham

Madeleine Williams

Christine Pedler

Marian Campbell

Devesh Mundhara

Mark Howells

Ewan Eckermann

Rafa Mirzaev

Helen English

Rhiannon O'Connor

Jeff Burg

Robert Beatton

Jessie Borg

Sam Leelasestaporn

Julie Kerswell

Sharon Hudson

Julie Weber

Sue Boothey

Karen Hazelhurst

Susana Allik

Ken Mullan

Teresa Shean

Lisa Brown

Teresa Williams

Thanh Tram

Tony Caruana

Trevor Pedler

**THANK
YOU**

Chairperson's Report

Thank you to every volunteer, member, partner, and all staff

At the end of my third year as Chair and my fourth year as a volunteer, I am reminded constantly of the dedication and hard work of the MACASA volunteers who dedicate so much time, energy and care towards the organisation's success. Without the continuous work of our volunteers, showing care and attention towards our mission, we would not have been able to survive. I have had the pleasure of meeting more of you this year, and the positive feedback and comments that I get from our customers and members is always positive and reinforces how important you are. Thank you from the Board, from all the staff and from all of our members for all of your hard work and dedication.

Funding and structure challenges

It has been consistently hard over the last five years in the not-for-profit space, with the increase in cost of living, the decrease in new volunteers, and the changes in government regulations all playing a part to make our work more and more challenging. This year we have again suffered the delays of the Commonwealth Government's clarity and structures for the transition from the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) to the new Support at Home model – which has again been delayed to start in November 2025, and end in July 2027 which represents a delay of over two years from the original scheduled date. The specifics of this new model remain unclear, which is crucial for MACASA, as the funding structure will influence how we deliver services and could have a substantial impact on how we deliver our services. Many other Aged Care providers are also struggling with the lack of information and guidance in this area.

Over the last year, we have been close to being unable to remain solvent. A significant issue that had us restructure again, to remove our home cleaning brokerage service, and to unfortunately lose one long-standing staff member. We have been fortunate to obtain some grants and alternative funding services to enable us to remain on an even keel.

Operations

MACASA's remaining key services are our food delivery, events and transport. With the support of our Cooks Rhiannon and Ashlee, we have prepared an impressive average of 3,080 menu items each month, totalling 36,938 meals this year for our grateful customers. MACASA served 500 clients, with our volunteers driving 31,967.6 km, provided 7 social events and 30 luncheons providing a total of over 3737.5 social support hours.

I would like to extend special thanks to our Services Manager, Madeleine Williams, for her tireless efforts. She continues to contribute and is always willing to step in for events and gatherings, even when she is meant to be taking well-earned leave.

This financial year, our only students were Jemy & Peter in sem 2 2024 who delivered great services whilst also improving their own skills and experiences – just another way that MACASA helps the community.

Our future

It has become apparent over the last few years that the Commonwealth Government do not have an aim to keep small charities alive, and so we can no longer just depend upon their funding for all our needs. MACASA needs to branch out and diversify into new revenue streams that will provide for our financial stability, as well as serving the community. We are now investigating ways that we can provide extended services to the community, reaching beyond existing MACASA members, and charge a small fee to cover our overheads. These aims will enlarge and engage our community, bring us all together, and build new connections. In the new year, MACASA will be providing more community services, by moving to larger premises and expanding our food services through our Social Enterprise banner of "Meals For All". In preparation for this new direction and the use of

new premises, we have developed a new Mission, Vision, Values, and Goals.

New Mission Statement

MACASA is dedicated to enhancing the well-being and quality of life for older people in South Australia, particularly those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and their carers. We strive to empower individuals to live independently within their communities by providing tailored support services. While honouring the unique needs of the Maltese community, MACASA embraces diversity and works to ensure that all individuals receive compassionate, person-centred care that fosters inclusion, dignity, and respect.

New Vision Statement

To create an inclusive and supportive environment where older people from all cultural backgrounds, including the Maltese community, can age with dignity, independence, and a strong sense of belonging, contributing to a vibrant, interconnected South Australian society.

New Values

- **Respect for Diversity** – Embracing and valuing all individuals' cultural backgrounds and experiences fosters an inclusive environment.
- **Providing Enjoyable Food** – Providing nutritious, culturally appropriate meals and food that promote health, well-being and a sense of belonging for all.
- **Community Empowerment** – Supporting older people and their carers to remain connected, independent, and engaged in their communities.

New Goals

1. **Great Services** – we provide inclusive and personalised services for food, social, and life services
2. **Great Food** – we provide and deliver nutritious and tasty food and meals that our members love
3. **Great Community** – we provide community services and transport to connect and support our diverse members

New Location

Our lease at Cheltenham is coming to an end, and we have been able to obtain a new site in Croydon Bowls Club, taking over the Arch Paterson Centre. The new location will require some improvements and work, but the benefits include having access to our own hall that we can use for our luncheons and planned community events. We will also have more storage space, and so produce more food for delivery, alongside the potential for more office space to allow us to organise and manage more community engagement and privacy for your assessments.

The Year Ahead

With the move to the Arch Paterson Centre, and with the connected increase in services and food delivery, we have the potential to step away from our constant battles to achieve break-even. This will allow us to rise above the increased cost of living, the decreases in government funding, and the increase in government process and paperwork. Whilst the changes and challenges in the year ahead will put us all to hard work, we are confident that with the dedication and flexibility of our hard working staff and volunteers, that we will have a stronger MACASA and community in the future.

Christian Wickham

Chairperson

Treasurer's Report

On behalf of the Committee, I am pleased to present the Treasurer's Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

Overview

The Association's financial results for the year reflect continued commitment to supporting the Maltese aged care community, while navigating rising operating costs and reduced ancillary income sources.

The Association recorded a deficit of \$13,794 for the year, a significant improvement compared to the \$129,138 deficit reported in the prior financial year. This result demonstrates strengthened cost management and steady income growth despite challenging funding conditions.

Income

Total income for the year amounted to \$794,479, representing an increase from \$770,816 in 2024.

Key contributors were:

- Government Grants: \$506,279 (up from \$448,191), reflecting stable support for aged care initiatives.
- Meal Sales: \$265,573 (slightly lower than \$291,857), impacted by changing service demand and community program participation.
- Fundraising and Donations: \$22,628 (down from \$30,769), showing a modest decline, consistent with broader sector trends.
- Other Income: \$4,433 (down from \$18,575), with the prior year including one-off items such as an insurance refund and asset sale.

Expenditure

Total expenditure was \$812,706, compared to \$918,530 in 2024.

Major expense categories included:

- Employee Benefits: \$484,018 (down from \$494,615), reflecting staffing adjustments and leave management.
- General Operating Costs: \$311,410 (down from \$405,387), aided by improved procurement and administrative efficiencies.

These reductions collectively contributed to the year's improved financial position.

Financial Position

As at 30 June 2025, the Association held total assets of \$143,381 and total liabilities of \$249,868, resulting in net assets of -\$106,487.

While the balance sheet reflects a negative equity position, the Association continues to operate as a going concern, supported by:

- Continued grant funding and community engagement,
- Adequate cash reserves (\$107,605, up from \$89,048 in 2024), and
- Positive operating cash flow (\$7,125, compared to an outflow of \$89,912 in 2024).

Outlook

The Committee remains focused on restoring the Association's financial strength. Priorities for the coming year include:

- Strengthening community fundraising efforts,
- Exploring new grant opportunities,
- Enhancing meal program efficiency and participation, and
- Continuing prudent financial management to maintain sustainability.

Treasurer's & Service Manager's Report

Conclusion

The Association has made tangible progress in stabilising its financial operations, closing much of the prior year's deficit. The Committee acknowledges the ongoing efforts of staff, volunteers, and the Maltese community for their dedication and contribution to these outcomes.

On behalf of the Committee, I thank everyone involved in supporting the Association's mission and look forward to a stronger financial year ahead.

Paul Brianni CA

Associate Director at Rinaldi & Co whom act as external accounting assistance.

Service Manager's Report

The 2024–2025 financial year presented significant challenges, yet I continue to be inspired by the unwavering dedication and commitment of our staff and volunteers. Your resilience and compassion are the foundation of MACASA, and I extend my deepest gratitude for everything you do to support our community.

During the year, financial pressures required adjustments to our services and staffing, including the difficult loss of our Team Leader: Meals and Volunteers. In response, we placed a strong focus on seeking financial assistance and exploring grant opportunities. I am pleased to report that several applications were successful, and we were granted greater flexibility in our service delivery. Despite the challenges, everyone worked together with remarkable determination—demonstrating once again the strength and unity of the MACASA family.

Looking ahead, we anticipate further change as we prepare for the introduction of the new Support at Home model, now deferred to 1 November 2025. While the service framework will evolve, MACASA remains committed to providing the same high-quality, personalised support our clients rely on.

In 2025–2026, our priorities will include securing additional grants, increasing fundraising efforts, and strengthening community partnerships. We are also excited about our upcoming move to new premises and the development of our social enterprise, Meals for All—an initiative designed to enhance services, create new opportunities, and ensure the long-term sustainability of MACASA. Expanding our volunteer network will also remain a key focus, particularly in our kitchen, meal delivery, and social support programs.

Together, we will continue to build a vibrant, caring community for all those we serve.

Madeleine Williams

Services Manager

Board of Management's Report

Committee's Report

Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2025

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

Committee Members

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

Committee Member	Position	Date Started	Experience	Qualification
Christian Wickham	Chair			
Jessie Borg	Vice Chair			
Helen English	Secretary			

Meetings of Committee Members

During the financial year, a number of committee meetings were held. Attendances by each of committee member during the year were as follows:

Committee Members Name	Number Eligible to Attend	Number Attended
Annie Wang		
Vikram Madan		
Madeleine Williams		
Phil Hiew		
Rafa Mirzaev		
Davesh Mundhara		
Mark Howells		

Principal Activities

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

To provide services to the elderly within the Maltese community.

Significant Changes

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

Operating Result

The loss after providing for income tax for the financial year amounted to, as per below: (\$129,704)

Statement by Members of the Board

Committee's Report

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cashflows from operations to meet its liabilities. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:

Christian Wickham (Chairperson)

Date / /

True and Fair Position

Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2025

Annual Statements Give True and Fair View of Financial Position and Performance of the Association

We, Christian Wickham and Helen English, being members of the committee of Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated, certify that –

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2024.

Signed: 
Dated: 24/10/25

Signed: 
Dated: 24/10/2025

Audited Financial Report - Income Statement

Income and Expenditure Statement

Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated
For the year ended 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
Income		
Grants Received	506,279	448,191
Fundraising and Donations	22,628	30,769
Meal Sales	265,573	291,857
Total Income	794,479	770,816
Gross Surplus	794,479	770,816
Other Income		
Interest Income	1,941	10,995
Other Income - Insurance Claim Refund	2,396	-
Other/Sundry Income	96	7,035
Sale of Non Current Assets	-	545
Total Other Income	4,433	18,575
Expenditure		
Accounting & Audit Fees	11,596	11,359
Bad & Doubtful Debt Expenses	126	-
Depreciation	5,556	7,169
Employee Benefits Expense	484,018	494,615
Other Expenses	311,410	405,387
Total Expenditure	812,706	918,530
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	(13,794)	(129,138)
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit) Before Income Tax	(13,794)	(129,138)
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	(13,794)	(129,138)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Incorporated
As at 30 June 2025

	NOTES	30 JUNE 2025	30 JUNE 2024
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3	107,605	89,048
Trade and Other Receivables	4	18,365	13,010
Other Current Assets		-	41,068
Total Current Assets		125,970	143,125
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment and Vehicles	5	17,411	22,967
Total Non-Current Assets		17,411	22,967
Total Assets		143,381	166,092
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Bank Overdraft		-	-
Trade and Other Payables	6	22,304	50,832
Goods & Services Tax		79,848	30,855
Employee Entitlements	8	146,186	175,363
Credit Cards	6	1,529	1,736
Total Current Liabilities		249,868	258,785
Total Liabilities		249,868	258,785
Net Assets		(106,487)	(92,693)
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve			
Current Year Earnings		(13,794)	(129,138)
Retained Earnings		(92,693)	36,445
Total Capital Reserve		(106,487)	(92,693)
Total Member's Funds		(106,487)	(92,693)

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GRAY PERRY - DFK

Chartered Accountants

PARTNERS

Brendon Skates
Samuel Handley

ASSOCIATE PARTNERS

Timothy Mittiga
Rebekah Cervone

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of The Committee for the Year Ended 30 June 2025

Scope

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) for the year ended 30 June 2025 which includes the Committee Statement, Statement by Members of the Committee, Income, Balance Sheet and notes to and forming part of the financial statement.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

The committee is responsible for the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985* and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

We have conducted an independent audit of this financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of Maltese Aged Care Association (SA). No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Act (SA) 1985*. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any other person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates.

These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Association's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

The audit opinion expressed in the report has been formed on the above basis.

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Independent Auditor's Report

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) as at 30 June 2024, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Basis of Accounting and Distribution of Use

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis for accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985* referred to above. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Gray Perry DFK
Chartered Accountants



Brendon J Skates
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Dated this 27th day of October 2025

Activities and Functions

Christmas 2024



Activities and Functions



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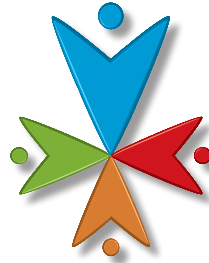
Gawler Greyhounds



Warrawong Sanctuary



MACASA



MACASA

Meals Service

*Hot meals delivered fresh each day
from Monday to Friday.*

**Frozen Meals available for clients outside
our hot meal delivery area.*



MACASA

Social Support



*Assisting clients with shopping, outings, attending
medical appointments and companionship.*



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