

St Kilda Community Sports Society Annual Report 2008

Income

Gaming Machine Income for the year ended 30 September 2008 was \$1.665m which was up about 1.5% on the 2007 year. This was due to the hard work of all parties - the Southern Sports Bar, St Kilda Tavern and the Society in maintaining standards and good gaming machines.

Grants

Grants to Authorised Purposes were \$703,754 or 42.2% of GM Income. The Trustees aim to maximise returns to the community and to keep costs to a minimum. Due to the installation of Pids returns to the community was about \$70,000 less than last year.

DIA Audit

The Department of Internal Affairs carried out their annual audit during December. Venue inspections at the St Kilda Tavern and Southern Sports Bar gained full marks with our Harm Minimisation policy receiving the thumbs up. Society procedures were found to be very good.

Procedures

Grants procedures were examined by the Trustees and the decision was made to continue with the present formula. Sport was the main recipient of funding with the balance going to Welfare, Arts & Culture, Community Organisations, Health and Education.

Venues

Gaming Machines at our two venues were continually upgraded during the year. Pids machines have been installed at a cost of more than \$140,000. This upgrade (like EMS) comes at a cost which only results in the community receiving less money from grants. All venue staff continued to receive Harm Minimisation training.

Prospects

The Southern Sports Bar and St Kilda Tavern have done a great job in caring for their customers and the Society looks forward to continued progress in the next year.

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Trustees
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