Treasurer's report to the Annual General Meeting

for the period July 2025 to June 2026

Sisters in Crime Australia Inc.

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This is the full year report of our accounts for the 2025-26 Financial Year. It comprises of two reports: the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Statement.

The Balance Sheet lists our assets, liabilities and our equity. The Profit and Loss Statement summarises our income and expenses in details, shows the result (a surplus or loss) and reports on our financial transactions from July 2025 to June 2026. These reports are prepared by our Accountant, Robyn Young.

These are consolidated reports which includes our State Chapters in NSW, QLD, SA, WA and TAS.

For reporting convenience, the figures have been rounded to the nearest dollar, so sometimes the figures may not quite add up.

The Profit and Loss Statement for the period 1 July 2025 to June 2026 reflects that we had a total operating income of $120,819 and an operating expenditure of $114,400 giving us an operating surplus of $3,341.

The majority of our income came from the following sources:

	2025-26	2024-25
	$	$
1. Membership fees	20,782	18,400
2. Event tickets	43,769	24,973
3. Raffle tickets	5,164	2,413
4. Davitt Awards	22,880	10,020
5. Scarlet Stiletto Awards	22,453	22,156

During the period, the majority of our expenditure occurred over seven main categories:

	2025-26	2024-25
	$	$
1. Davitt Awards	16,785	8,371
2. Scarlet Stiletto Awards	18,761	18,097
3. Bookkeeping	2,755	3,302
4. PR and Administration	12,046	15,133
5. Web Design and Maintenance	8,077	9.940
6. Social Media & CRM	1,580	3,036
7. Venue hire & Catering	38,472	17,825

The increases in Event Venue Hire and Catering Expenses and in Event Tickets income are largely due to the very successful Kerry Greenwood High Tea.

Our two major competitions are the Davitts and the Scarlet Stilettos.
This is a quick comparison of income and expenses from the Davitts and Scarlet Stilettos over the last two financial years. In 2026-26 we offered prize money for the first time and paid our judging panel an honorarium (they read over 100 books)for their effort. We were able to fund this due to a significant donation, and in future we hope to expand our fundraising to continue to award prize money to our Davitt winners. Both awards' income comprises entry fees, ceremony tickets, and in the case of the Scarlet Stiletto Awards, sponsorship.

Davitt Awards	**2025-26**	**2024-25**
	$	**$**
Income	22,880	10,020
Expense	16,785	8,371
Profit/Loss	6,095	1,649

Scarlet Stiletto Awards	**2025-26**	**2024-25**
	$	**$**
Income	22,453	22,156
Expense	18,761	18,097
Profit/Loss	3,692	4,059

During the year we made the decision to conclude our merchandise sales, and awarded most remaining stock to renewing members. As a result, this year we have written off the balance. There are still some items of merchandise should you wish to avail yourselves of it but note, that when it is gone, it is gone.

The Balance Sheet
The Balance Sheet reflects our combined assets and liabilities at 30 June 2026.

	2025-26	2024-25
Total assets	27,921	20,329
Including cash at bank	27,621	20,029
Total liabilities	0.00	0.00
Total equity	27,922	19,829
Retained earnings	24,581	30,860

All current State Chapters (NSW, QLD, SA, WA and TAS) now have their own bank accounts and mainly have commenced operations.

This year we went from a loss of -$9,121 in 2024-25 to a profit of $3,341 in 2025-26. This sees us back into surplus territory. Effort has been made to reduce expenditure and increase income, and highlights the importance of donations and fundraising for an organisation without funding support.

I would like to thank all my fellow convenors, especially Carmel Shute and our accountant Robyn Young who prepares the financial reports for the Sisters so I can provide you with this report on our position.

In conclusion, I believe the funds of Sisters in Crime are in a reasonable shape to proceed into the forthcoming financial year.