

## Spencers Brook Progress Association

### Vice President's Report 2024

Welcome and thank you for coming tonight.

This year started with our annual Australia Day event which was held in the grounds of the Station Master's house. The Spencer Brook community came together to celebrate that wonderful feeling of being Australian by joining for a free breakfast and a good old fashioned chin-wag. Entertainment was provided by a local singing group who led us in the singing of the national anthem.

The community came together again mid-year for a luncheon get-together at the Lume Café in Northam.

Work continued on the restoration of the Station Master's house through the year with several busy bees to keep the grounds in good condition.

The committee made a presentation to the Shire of Northam detailing the demographics of our community, a summary of the history of the area and seeking support for grants and funding.

Towards the end of the year there were several resignations from the committee which included the President, Treasurer and some committee members.

This action left quite a hole in the committee and I am grateful for the support shown to the community by Marilyn Rulyancich who took on the role of Secretary, Leslie-Anne Hoare who stepped into the role of Treasurer, Maria Wilding and Pat Lummis who stepped into the roles of committee members. Thank you to Annie Kavanagh who retained her role on the committee.

The committee has been working on a business plan for the association which documents in detail the current and future projects and the process to achieve those outcomes. The document gives a clear indication of how the association will move into the future.

The Constitution when reviewed was found to not comply with the current legislation. A new constitution using the model rules as described in the Associations Incorporations Act 2015 and Regulations has been compiled and will be presented for adoption tonight. This constitution will bring us into compliance with the legislation.

I am sure that your newly elected committee tonight will be in a strong position to take Spencers Brook forward in exciting new directions for the future.

I would like to wish everyone success in the coming year.

Simon Wallace  
Vice President