

## Hall Pavilion and Cottage 2023/24 Annual Report

- This year saw consistent use of the Hall Pavilion and Cottage facilities.
  - The Pavilion lease is still running on an *ad hoc* continuance. The President and Committee have continued to remind ACT Sport and Recreation, ACT Government, about renewal of the lease.
  - The Treasurer's report includes Pavilion and Cottage financial information.
  - From 01 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 there were a total of 218 bookings of the Pavilion, an average of 18 bookings per month.
  - During the year we prepared and submitted an application for an ACT Government grant to replace the gas heaters in the Pavilion with electric air conditioning, unfortunately the application was not successful.
  - There were a number of outgoings for servicing of the gas heaters, repairs to the kitchen tap, and installation of a new tap for filling the urns.
  - We were fortunate to benefit from a free upgrade to the power supply box at the rear of the Pavilion and also received free pest control from the Australian Pest Control Company Ltd.
  - Activities included children's birthday parties, weddings, Christmas parties, baby showers, tai chi, yoga, Hall Markets, Sheepdog Trials, a Medieval Ball, the 2023 Hall Christmas Fair, Irish Dancing and the VVMC Swap meet.
  - The Pavilion is professionally cleaned on Mondays, but otherwise maintained by volunteers.
  - This year we subsidised the Sheepdog Trials with free use of the Pavilion for the week, charging only for utilities consumption. Last year's Hall Christmas Fair was also subsidised at a cost of \$785 plus utilities.
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- The Cottage has received fairly continuous use, with around 20 bookings per month. Purposes include: Men's Shed meetings, Canberra Felters, Bible studies, meditation courses, railway enthusiasts, and family events.
  - This year the VHDPAC Committee prepared a policy covering hire of the Cottage.