

# annual report '25

July 2024 to June 2025



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# Introduction

**As we build on three decades of progress, this year has been one of growth, connection, and renewed commitment to improving the lives of those affected by pituitary conditions.**

It has been another impactful and inspiring year for the Australian Pituitary Foundation. As Chair, I am proud to reflect on the growth, collaboration and commitment that continue to define our organisation and community.

Building on the momentum of our 30th anniversary, 2024–2025 has been a year of consolidation and renewal. We strengthened our Medical Advisory Committee, expanded our reach through community and clinical engagement, and laid the groundwork for new initiatives that will further enhance the lives of those affected by pituitary conditions.

## **A Stronger Foundation**

We were delighted to welcome new members to our Medical Advisory Committee, broadening our expertise across endocrinology, neurosurgery, psychology, and allied disciplines. Their involvement ensures our programs reflect the latest clinical insight and holistic approaches to care. We also welcomed Amanda Sheppeard and Dr Carmela Caputo to the Board, whose experience and passion further strengthen our leadership. Together with our General Manager, Kimberly Downes, the Board continues to guide APF with purpose and care.

## **Connection and Celebration**

A highlight of the year was our 30-Year Gala Ball at the State Library of Victoria — a wonderful celebration that brought together patients, families, clinicians, and supporters. It was also a significant fundraiser for our upcoming Nurse Help Line, which is in planning stages.

Our online support groups and coffee catch-ups continued to flourish, creating safe spaces for shared experiences and peer connection. These gatherings remain at the heart of APF's work, ensuring no one faces a pituitary condition alone.

## **Education and Advocacy**

Education remains a cornerstone of what we do. This year we delivered GP education sessions in Brisbane and Melbourne, improving awareness and early detection of pituitary conditions.

At our Board Strategy Day, we explored innovative ways to support our community. From those discussions came new initiatives — including an “Ask the Expert” video series with our Medical Advisory Committee - planned for 2026. These reflect our forward focus on education, connection, and innovation.

## **Engaging Globally**

In October 2024, I had the privilege of representing the Foundation at the World Alliance of Pituitary Organisations (WAPO) Global Summit in Dublin. Engaging with patient advocates and medical experts from around the world reinforced the importance of global collaboration and the power of shared learning to improve outcomes.

## **Looking Ahead**

As we look to the year ahead, our priorities remain clear — to deepen partnerships, expand support and education, and strengthen the Foundation's long-term sustainability.

I extend heartfelt thanks to our members, volunteers, donors, and partners for your ongoing trust and generosity. Special thanks also to Dr Yi Yuen Wang, whose long-standing service and leadership have been invaluable to APF's journey.

Together, we are making a difference.

Malini Raj

Chair  
Australian Pituitary Foundation

MALINI RAJ  
CHAIR



# Our People

The Australian Pituitary Foundation Board of Directors and General Manager



**Malini Raj**

**CHAIR**

Malini is a leader in community engagement, with a notable record in diversity advocacy and impactful contributions to health and inclusivity initiatives. Drawing from her personal journey with Cushing's Disease, she amplifies global awareness and inspires change.



**Robert Price**

**TREASURER**

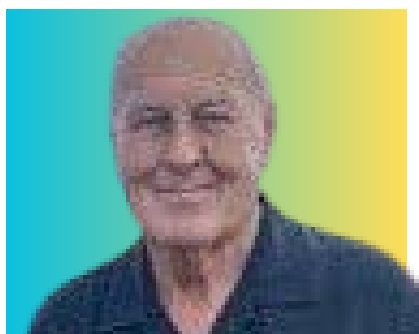
Rob is a dynamic financial executive with a 30-year tenure spanning global banks to Australian startups, specialising on strategy, and operations. His commitment to community shines through volunteerism in sports and charities. A sports enthusiast and football referee, Rob's leadership is shaped by his MBA and education from the London Business School.



**Geoff Musgrove**

**BOARD MEMBER**

Geoff is a seasoned commercial lawyer with a legacy of establishing and leading Maddocks Lawyers' largest commercial group, focusing on succession planning and governance for charities and private businesses. His personal experience with a pituitary tumour fuels his ongoing commitment to the APF, the support it provides to the medical community, and those living with pituitary conditions.



**Dennis O'Brien**

**BOARD MEMBER**

Dennis, a retired Mechanical Engineer and Fellow of the Institute of Engineers Australia, has made significant contributions to engineering and philanthropy. His tenure at Norman Disney & Young culminated in executive roles and charitable initiatives, including establishing the NDY Charitable Trust and championing projects for vulnerable populations. His personal journey with Cushing's Disease have deepened his commitment to medical and community support.



**Tim Fitzsimmons**

**BOARD MEMBER**

Tim has been an active member and support of the APF since 2022 and is a trusted adviser in communications and stakeholder engagement with more than 15 years of experience. Tim has worked in the offices of federal and state government departments, the education sector and for not for profit and member based organisations. He holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Marketing and Bachelor of Communications from UTS.



**Amanda Sheppard**

**BOARD MEMBER**

Amanda is a journalist and editor with more than 35 years experience in her field. During that time, she has worked across a broad range of areas, including health, education, local government, police/courts, finance/property and features. She has been recognised with awards from the National Press Club and at the Gold Coast Media Awards.



**Dr Carmela Caputo**

**BOARD MEMBER**

Dr. Carmela Caputo is a holistic endocrinologist specialising in pituitary disorders, providing tailored care and serving as a co-medical advisor for the Australian Pituitary Foundation.



**Kimberly Downes**

**GENERAL MANAGER**

Kimberly is a strategic philanthropy leader and advocate, dedicated to advancing women's giving through innovative engagement and fostering a culture of generosity. As a published author and expert consultant, she extends her impact by guiding collaborative initiatives and serving in nonprofit board leadership roles.



# Our Medical Advisory Committee

Provide invaluable advice and guidance to the Australian Pituitary Foundation



**Ann McCormack**  
**ENDOCRINOLOGIST**

Associate Professor McCormack leads the Hormones and Cancer Group at the Garvan Institute and actively shapes pituitary research and care standards in Australia.



**Yi Yuen Wang**  
**NEUROSURGEON**

Yi Yuen is an esteemed neurosurgeon specialising in pituitary disorders with a leadership legacy at St Vincent's Hospital and past Chair of Australian Pituitary Foundation, coupled with a robust record in clinical research and education. His commitment extends beyond the operating room, as he actively engages in endurance triathlons to raise awareness for pituitary health.



**James King**  
**NEUROSURGEON**

Dr. James King is a highly trained neurosurgeon with a primary interest in pituitary disease. He is the Director of Training in Neurosurgery at Royal Melbourne, the Head of Pituitary Surgery and the Deputy Director of the Department of Neurosurgery.



**Neda Haghighi**  
**RADIATION ONCOLOGIST**

Dr. Neda Haghighi leads the Victorian Gamma Knife service, specializing in stereotactic radiation treatments, with a keen interest in skull base tumors and functional neurological disorders.

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**Dr Christine Jang**

**ENDOCRINOLOGIST**

Dr. Christina Jang is a senior staff specialist in endocrinology at Royal Brisbane Women's Hospital. Specialising in women's health, she is President elect of the Australasian Menopause Society and a Senior Lecturer at the University of Queensland where she teaches and supervises endocrinology trainees



**Dr Clare Fraser**

**NEURO-OPHTHAMOLOGIST**

Dr. Clare Fraser trained at Sydney Eye Hospital and did neuro-ophthalmology fellowships at Moorfields Eye Hospital (London UK) and Emory Eye Center (Atlanta USA). She is a consultant Visiting Medical Officer at both Sydney Eye Hospital and Liverpool Hospital and at the University of Sydney she holds the title of Professor of Neuro-ophthalmology



**Prof Rob Baber**

**OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY**

Professor Rod Baber, Clinical Professor at The University of Sydney, led the Menopause service at Royal North Shore for 35 years. A past President of the International Australasian Menopause Societies and former Editor-in-Chief of Climacteric, he has received numerous honours including the Order of Australia.



**Prof Richard Harvey**

**RHINOLOGIST**

Professor Richard Harvey, a leading Sydney rhinologist, specialises in sinus, allergy and skull base surgery. He holds senior roles at Macquarie University, St Vincent's Hospital and UNSW, with over 300 publications and a PhD. Richard is an award-winning researcher and educator in advanced rhinology,

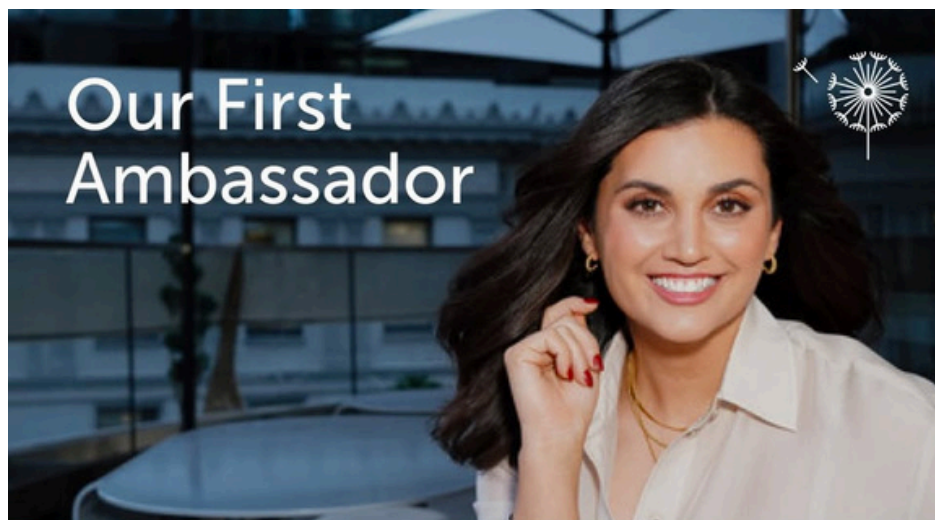


**Dr Sue Jackson**

**PSYCHOLOGIST**

Dr Sue Jackson is a chartered psychologist specialising in the psychosocial impact and treatment of chronic health conditions for patients, their families and carers. She is an associate lecturer at the University of Plymouth. Dr Jackson works with a number of patient support charities and is the first psychologist to serve on the Medical Advisory Committee for the Pituitary Foundation in the UK

# Our Ambassador



We're proud to announce that **Jamila Rizvi** bestselling author, broadcaster, and gender equality expert, is the first official Ambassador for the Australian Pituitary Foundation. In 2017, Jamila was diagnosed with a rare brain tumour (craniopharyngioma), which left her with significant pituitary damage after two brain surgeries and radiation.

Her lived experience fuels her advocacy for people with complex, invisible, and rare health conditions.



# Endocrine Nurse Volunteers

**Kat Prior**

ENDOCRINOLOGY NURSE



Kat Prior is the Endocrinology CNC at John Hunter Children's Hospital, with 10 years in the role. She holds a Master of Nursing and a Postgraduate Diploma in Endocrinology, supported by the 2021 Jenny Nairn Grant. Kat is dedicated to family-centred care and nurse education, and serves on several ANZSPED and PEN ED committees.

**Krisztina**

ENDOCRINOLOGY NURSE



Krisztina Toth is an endocrine nurse with 15+ years' experience. After earning her nursing degree in 2006, she specialised in endocrinology from 2009. She developed expertise in diagnostic testing at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital and now works at St Vincent's and the Garvan Institute, focusing on dynamic testing and patient education.





# Our strategy

## Strategic plan 2024/2025

The Board held its annual strategy session and reconfirmed Our vision of providing “an improved quality of life for patients living with pituitary conditions and their families” and Our Mission to “increase awareness and provide support and information for patients with pituitary conditions and their families”.

Our Vision	Our Mission
An improved quality of life for patients living with pituitary conditions and their families.	Increase awareness and provide support and information for patients with pituitary conditions and their families.

We discussed our strategy with a focus on 4 strategic pillars: Education, Patient Care, Awareness and Advocacy and Stewardship.

Strategic Pillars			
Education	Patient Care	Awareness & Advocacy	Stewardship
We are committed to enhancing the understanding of pituitary conditions among healthcare practitioners, particularly GP's, through educational programs and resources.	Our focus is on providing comprehensive and compassionate care to patients and their families, ensuring they have access to the resources and support they need.	We are dedicated to increasing public awareness of pituitary conditions and advocating for improved healthcare policies and support to enhance the lives of those impacted	We recognise the importance of responsibly managing our resources to maximise the impact on our community, ensuring the financial sustainability of our initiatives.
Goal Education for HCPs	Goal Patient Care Initiatives	Goal Awareness Raising	Goal Stewardship
Objectives:	Objectives:	Objectives:	Objectives:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Develop a GP Accreditation Program.</li><li>2. Establish a dedicated GP page on the APF website.</li><li>3. Regularly distribute educational resources through GP newsletters.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Establish an APF Nurse Help Line.</li><li>2. Develop and disseminate comprehensive patient resources</li><li>3. Update APF online resources for better accessibility and inclusivity.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Launch a national awareness campaign</li><li>2. Optimise APF website SEO for greater reach</li><li>3. Amplify APF awareness by promoting national awareness days in hospitals and healthcare facilities.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Innovative fundraising strategies, including events and merchandise</li><li>2. Build and strengthen long term partnerships including Government relationships</li><li>3. Sustainable resource management</li></ol>

The Board reaffirmed their commitment to further building the resources we provide for our community by adding to the topics addressed in our fact sheets. A new program called Ask the Expert was developed during the Board’s strategy day. This program will see the APF providing video interviews with our Medical Advisory Committee.

In 2024 we began fundraising for a Nurse Help Line. These efforts continue with plans to launch in 2026.

Education and awareness is always top of the list for APF and after providing two GP education sessions this past year we are looking at ways to reach more GPs and expand the impact.

# GP Education Sessions in Brisbane and Melbourne

The APF hosted two GP education sessions during the early part of 2025. The aim of the sessions was to focus on assisting with earlier diagnosis and raising awareness of the APF and our services for patients and their families. Nearly 100 GPs attended these sessions from city and regional areas. The GP Education Sessions are structured to significantly enhance the professional development of general practitioners (GPs) across Australia. From 2024 to 2026, the program will be rolled out in six major cities: Melbourne, Brisbane, Sydney, Perth, Adelaide, and Darwin. These locations have been carefully chosen to ensure broad and inclusive access to this specialised training.

The initiative is set to engage 300 GPs over the course of six sessions, with each session hosting 50 participants. This targeted approach demonstrates a robust commitment to elevating the nationwide expertise in diagnosing and treating pituitary disorders, ensuring GPs across the country are equipped with the critical skills required for effective patient management in this challenging medical specialty.

APF will host more of these sessions in 2026 in Sydney and Adelaide.



# Connecting with community

## Coffee Catch Ups 2024 - 2025

To support our patients, we have recruited State Social Coordinators to assist APF in providing an opportunity for patients to come together to share their pituitary journey and to support each other.

These gatherings, organised by our co-ordinators, have been very successful as they provide support and understanding from others who are going through a similar situation.

Depending on the group, these sessions have been held four or more times a year.





# Connecting with community

It was time to celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of supporting pituitary patients and their families...so we held a Gala Ball at the State Library of Victoria in Melbourne.

With great thanks to Jenny Musgrove for coordinating and organising all the details, we raised funds for the Nurse Help Line.

## Celebrating 30 years with a Gala Ball



# Connecting with community

Celebrating 30 years with a Gala Ball





# Connecting with community

## APF Online Support Groups 2024 - 2025

We held our online patient support groups in August 2024 and February 2025. The aim of the Support Group is to gather patients from across Australia to come together to discuss and ask questions of each other around specific conditions.

The APF is deeply grateful for the patients and families who joined our August 2024 and February 2025 support group sessions. Your participation and the shared stories contribute significantly to our sense of community and mutual support. As we look forward, we're excited to continue these valuable conversations and connections

Online Support Groups meet twice a year.

Groups are broken down in the following:

- Hypopituitarism/Panhypopituitarism Support Group
- Acromegaly Support Group
- Cushing's Support Group
- Parent/Carer Pituitary Support Group



## Quarterly Newsletter - "Pituitary Connection" 2024 - 2025

Our quarterly newsletter keeps our community informed and engaged.

Our newsletters include updates from the Board and General Manager, patient stories, and community contributions.

These stories are crucial reinforcing the importance of listening to our members and creating a sense of ownership amongst them.





# Global Engagement

**WAPO Global Summit - Dublin**  
**Oct 4 - 5 2025**

As part of the World Alliance of Pituitary Organizations (WAPO) conference in Dublin, our Chairperson Malini Raj had the privilege of presenting on the Engagement and Fundraising Approaches that we at the Australian Pituitary Foundation (APF) use to support our mission. Here are a few key strategies that were shared:

**💡 Building Community:** Our online patient support groups and face-to-face coffee catch-ups provide safe spaces for pituitary patients to connect and share. Engagement and building trust is the foundation of everything we do, and it helps us build a loyal and supportive community.

**💡 Raising Awareness:** We've expanded our reach by partnering with media outlets and launching targeted awareness campaigns. This includes collaborations with a spectrum of organisations and holding events that include the mainstream community to increase understanding of the conditions.

**💡 Fundraising:** Malini shared some of our creative fundraising efforts, such as our Giving Day and community fundraising efforts by some of our members like marathons and music nights. Each event tells a powerful story about the importance of community support, and we ensure donors know exactly where their contributions are going. We recently held our Masquerade Gala Ball to celebrate our 30th anniversary.

The masquerade theme reflected the nature of pituitary conditions, which are often masked by other symptoms, making diagnosis a challenging journey. By raising awareness, we aim to unveil the mysteries surrounding these conditions and bring them to light.

In addition to the Ball, we've entered into creative partnerships to diversify our funding streams. One example is our collaboration with Do Good, which produces dandelion-themed jewellery in their range. The dandelion is our logo and symbolises hope

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Photos: Malini presenting and with WAPO Board members



# APF Merchandise

In 2024 we launched a merchandise range for our community. By wearing the t-shirts or carrying the bags we hope to start the conversation and to raise awareness of pituitary conditions.



# Partnerships

**We are excited to share we have a new partnership with Go Do Good, the creators behind the exquisite 'Hope Dandelion' jewellery range.**

We engaged in this collaboration as part of our 30th Anniversary celebrations. By using the code APF30HOPE when purchasing products in the beautifully crafted “Hope Dandelion” jewellery range, each purchase directly supports the APF’s initiatives to provide crucial support those affected by pituitary conditions and raise awareness amongst the general community.

The 'Hope Dandelion' collection, featuring elegantly designed pendant necklaces, symbolises resilience and hope—qualities that resonate deeply with our community. This partnership allows us to offer something special to our supporters: the opportunity to wear a symbol of hope that carries a story of strength and perseverance. It's a beautiful way to show support and solidarity with those affected by pituitary conditions, making each piece from the Hope Dandelion range more than just jewellery.





# Our supporters and sponsors

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following organisations for their support of our programs, initiatives and activities in 2024/2025.

We are fortunate to have the support for our programs, events and initiatives from the following organisations.



## Testimonials

Camurus Australia is grateful for the outstanding contribution of the Australian Pituitary Foundation (APF) to the health sector and the positive impact on us as an organisation. APF are instrumental in supporting individuals and families with pituitary conditions, enhancing awareness through advocacy, education, and reliable resources, and fostering informed communities for better care. Their commitment to research, dialogue, and championing patient needs drives innovation and improved standards across the sector, strengthening the health system with early diagnosis and more effective management. Our collaboration has provided Camurus Australia with valuable insights into patient challenges, shaped our approach to community support, and facilitated meaningful connections with healthcare professionals and advocates. We are proud to stand with APF, working together to improve patient outcomes and looking forward to supporting their vital mission in the years ahead.

The Australian Pituitary Foundation delivers critical value to the rare disease community through its leadership in patient advocacy, education, and awareness. Their work enhances health literacy, strengthens care pathways, supports earlier diagnosis and better long-term outcomes for people living with pituitary disorders. Recordati benefits significantly from the Foundation's deep patient insights and sector engagement. Their contributions help inform our strategic priorities, ensure alignment with real-world patient needs, and enhance the impact of our clinical and research initiatives. We recognise the Australian Pituitary Foundation as a trusted partner whose professionalism and sector expertise continue to advance outcomes across the pituitary care ecosystem.

# Our volunteers

We would also like to thank all of our volunteers who play an integral role in delivering initiatives and support to our patient community in particular our State Social Coordinators and our Board.

What our volunteers have to say about APF.

VOLUNTEER

**LESLEY**

STATE COORDINATOR



"It's the uncommon common, when it comes to rare pituitary conditions, but is more common than we think."



VOLUNTEER

**SARAH**

STATE COORDINATOR



"Paying it forward for an organisation and cause very dear to my heart."



VOLUNTEER

**RACHAEL**

STATE COORDINATOR



"I am a volunteer for the Australian Pituitary Foundation, because after my diagnosis, surgery and during my recovery I felt so alone and it was such a scary time. I want to be able to raise awareness for this medical condition and support others through their journey so they don't feel as though they are alone."

VOLUNTEER

**HILARY**

STATE COORDINATOR



"Pituitary conditions are complex and often invisible, it's so valuable and important for families and patients to be able to connect and support each other...I'm proud to be part of that!"



VOLUNTEER

**SEAN**

STATE COORDINATOR



"Having been through a very challenging period in my life managing and recovering from Acromegaly, I recognise the importance of supporting others with pituitary diseases. That is my passion for volunteering for the APF, as well as making a difference in how the foundation can impact those suffering with pituitary diseases."

VOLUNTEER

**BIANCA**

STATE COORDINATOR



"Volunteering at the Australian Pituitary Foundation allows me to give back to a cause close to my heart, connect with others who understand, and help create a supportive community!"

# Financial Statements 24-25

Please note these financials have not been reviewed by APF and have been provided in good faith

## Australian Pituitary Foundation Ltd

A.C.N 088 357 902

### Income and Expense Statement - 30 June 2025

	2025 (\$)	2024 (\$)
<b>Revenue from Ordinary Activities</b>		
Donations	35,615.20	48,841.43
Fee income	0.00	4,000.00
Sponsorship Sales	0.00	100,434.53
Membership fees	982.79	3,141.30
Interest Received	7,009.28	5,595.47
Merchandise Sales	399.56	0.00
Gala Ball Income	37,861.44	20,454.53
<b>TOTAL REVENUE FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>81,868.27</b>	<b>182,467.26</b>
<b>Expense from Ordinary Activities</b>		
Bookkeeping	652.28	0.00
Merchant Commissions	0.00	1.02
Educational Resources	0.00	8,470.00
Advertising	0.00	500.00
Promotional	1,700.00	597.41
CRM	1,654.00	0.00
Printing	1,880.96	1,462.76
Gift Presentations	325.36	0.00
Catering room hire support	136.42	4,093.02
Insurance	3,921.68	3,055.29
Postage Shipping	0.00	106.14
Telephone	843.80	854.18
Web Hosting and IT Expenses	13,730.04	5,971.42
Postage & courier	418.87	216.59
Printing & stationery	480.00	431.55
Sponsorships & Grants	0.00	1,000.00
Subscriptions	810.87	5,331.04
Contractors	81,207.42	0.00
Superannuation expense	0.00	8,225.63
Travel & accommodation	7,879.79	14,902.08
Wages & salaries	0.00	81,596.46
Work cover insurance	0.00	527.85
Storage	290.92	858.22
Marketing / Graphic Design	56,893.36	9,280.00
Third Party Event Management Fee	15,798.95	34,980.00
Gala Ball Expenses	33,774.93	20,649.99
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>222,399.65</b>	<b>203,110.65</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>-140,531.38</b>	<b>-20,643.39</b>
<b>Plus Other Income</b>		
Other Income	545.45	0.00
Bank Credit	80.81	0.00
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>626.26</b>	<b>0.00</b>



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## Australian Pituitary Foundation Ltd

A.C.N 088 357 902

Balance Sheet - 30 June 2025

	2025 (\$)	2024 (\$)
<b>Banking</b>		
Cheque Account	26,761.69	49,055.27
Small Payments	1,360.70	1,360.70
Payroll Clearing a/c	-2,628.31	-2,628.31
Maxi Account	11,996.65	50,560.98
Term Deposit (4 Accounts, 7 Accounts in 2024)	53,296.87	134,451.87
Prepayments		
Electronic Clearing Account	2,034.31	2,034.31
<b>TOTAL BANKING</b>	<b>92,821.91</b>	<b>234,834.82</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Pledges Receiveable	21,100.00	41,500.00
Website Cost	11,271.40	11,271.40
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>32,371.40</b>	<b>52,771.40</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Office Equipment at Cost	31,646.55	31,646.55
Office Equip. Accum Deprec.	-31,646.55	-31,646.55
<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>125,193.31</b>	<b>287,606.22</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
GST Collected	-3,765.37	6,803.73
GST paid	-5,733.68	-4,432.76
PAYG withholdings payable	0.00	8,424.00
Superannuation payable	946.34	3,160.11
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>-8,552.71</b>	<b>13,955.08</b>

# Our Board volunteers

## Our Board Volunteers in Action - Board Strategy Day

In May 2025 the APF Board spent a day refining the Strategy for the year ahead. This is an important day where the Directors discuss the strategy for the year ahead and determine the key initiatives to deliver on the strategy.



# Board Activity & Attendance

## Appointments and Changes

### Board Members

Malini Raj - Chair  
Yi Yuen Wang - *resigned Feb 2025*  
Rob Price - Treasurer  
Geoffrey Musgrove  
Dennis O'Brien  
Tim Fitzsimmons  
Amanda Sheppeard - *joined Nov 2024*  
Carmela Caputo - *joined May 2025*

### Leadership Team

Kimberly Downes, General Manager - *appointed July 2024*

### Medical Advisory Committee

Yi Yuen Wang - VIC  
Dr Carmela Caputo - VIC  
Dr Neda Haghighi - VIC  
Dr James King - VIC  
Dr Ann McCormack - NSW  
Dr Christina Jang - QLD  
Prof Rodney Baber AM - NSW  
Clare Fraser – NSW  
Prof Richard Harvey – NSW  
Dr Sue Jackson – UK

### State Social Coordinators

**VIC** - Lesley Bunce & Sarah Sanders  
**NSW** - Tim Fitzsimmons & Sean Roccliffe  
**QLD** - Mia Slattery & Sarah DeNardi  
**SA** - Rachael McCracken  
**WA** - Mel Moore and Bianca Ashby  
**TAS** - Hilary Schofield

## Attendance

BOARD MEMBER	MEETINGS ATTENDED	MEETINGS MISSED
Malini Raj	8	0
Yi Yuen Wang	2	2
Rob Price	7	1
Geoff Musgrove	6	2
Dennis O'Brien	5	3
Amanda Sheppeard	5	0
Carmela Caputo	1	0
Tim Fitzsimmons	7	1



# Acknowledgements

## TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

As we reflect on the progress of the past year, we do so with a deep sense of gratitude and purpose. The strength of the Australian Pituitary Foundation lies not only in our mission, but in the people who bring that mission to life — our members, volunteers, clinicians, partners and supporters. Your experiences, generosity and engagement shape the work we do and the direction we take.

This year has been marked by meaningful connection, renewed momentum and significant growth across our community. From our GP education sessions in Brisbane and Melbourne, to our expanding online and in-person support networks, to the impact of our national communications and awareness efforts — every activity reflects the collective commitment of individuals who care deeply about improving outcomes for people affected by pituitary conditions.

Our 30th Anniversary Gala Ball was a powerful reminder of how far we have come, and the many hands and hearts that have carried this Foundation through three decades of service. We also strengthened our global connections through our participation in the WAPO Summit, ensuring our community remains linked to international learnings and best practice.

To our volunteers — including our State Social Coordinators, our Medical Advisory Committee, and the many individuals who support communications, events, fundraising and governance — your dedication is the backbone of this organisation. To our partners and donors, including those who contributed through Giving Day and other initiatives, your generosity makes it possible to expand our work and deepen our impact.

As we look to the year ahead, we are energised by new opportunities: growing our education offerings, strengthening partnerships, elevating lived experience at all levels of our work, and continuing to build a strong, cohesive organisation that reflects the needs of our community. Your trust, support and continued engagement are what make this progress possible.

Thank you for standing with us. Together, we are creating a future where every individual affected by a pituitary condition can access the support, knowledge and connection they need to live a full and empowered life.



**Australian Pituitary Foundation - ABN 13088357902**

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