

26 March 2025

Eileen McClure Secretary The Victorian Showmen's Guild Sent via email: vicshowmen@gmail.com

### Dear Eileen McClure

### Notification of changes – Action required

We acknowledge receipt of a Notification of Change to the office holders of the Victorian Showmen's Guild (AR2024/6).

A list of those changes has been summarised in Appendix A at the end of this letter.

### What you need to do right now

- Any person who has been elected or appointed to a new office that has financial management duties (which usually includes all the committee of management) MUST do <u>financial training</u> or <u>obtain an</u> <u>exemption</u>
- Inform all officers of their <u>disclosure obligations</u>
- Consider giving your new officers the link to the Commission's Officer Induction Kit

These next steps are explained below in more detail.



### Late notification warning

Appendix A contains late notifications. Please inform the relevant officer that this has been recorded against AR2024/6.

Late notifications are a serious issue that impacts on the transparency of the whole organisation to its members. Members should be able to tell who their officers are.

We have included some resources below to help support your good governance in relation to notifications of change.

### Financial training must be done within 6 months

Any officer who has been elected or appointed to a new office that has financial management duties must complete <u>financial training</u> (or obtain an exemption) **within 6 months** after taking office (section 293K of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (RO Act)).

The organisation is responsible for this requirement. You should arrange for the relevant officers to have training as soon as possible.

Good governance processes around financial training are highly recommended. These include:

- keeping a list of all offices that have financial management duties
- having a single person or officer responsible for overseeing the process
- collecting records of who has done training or obtained an exemption, including any certificates and exemption letters
- doing refresher courses for officers who have been re-elected to the same office (and are not required to do training under the RO Act)
- extending training to non-officers who are essential to your financial processes



### Officer financial training audit

An audit by the Commission into officer training found that organisations frequently misunderstood **which** officers are required to do training.

To help with this we have an <u>officer training online panel</u> with examples explaining what triggers the need to do training and how to identify the offices that require it.

Further information about training is provided in our officer financial training fact sheet.

### Help for new officers: Officer Induction Kit

The Commission has created an <u>Officer Induction Kit</u> to assist new officers. The Kit has resources that will help an officer to understand their general duties as an officer and their specific duties as an officer in your organisation. It also includes tools to guide an officer's understanding of compliance dates, disclosures and other reporting obligations.

Please direct your officers to the kit which is on the Commission's officers and disclosures page.

### Disclosure obligations: what officers must do

All officers are required to make disclosures regarding remuneration, non-cash benefits and material personal interests. Details are contained in the RO Act and are summarised in the Commission's <u>Disclosures Fact Sheet</u>.

The organisation and officers are both responsible for meeting this obligation.

### Time frames for notifications of change

Notifications of change must be lodged within 35 days of the change occurring (regulation 151 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009).

Resources to help you make your notifications of change

Notifications of change are vitally important to maintain the transparency of an organisation to its members. They empower members to hold the organisation properly to account for its decisions.

To ensure that organisations get these notifications right we have created resources to help you understand the notification of change requirement and complete it quickly.

These resources include:

- notification of change template
- a podcast that answers the question who is an officer?
- and a fact sheet on notifications of change that explains the requirement

### eLearning module – notifications of change



The Commission has launched an eLearning module to assist organisations in understanding when a notification of change is required.

The <u>eLearning module</u> is available on our website.

It will take approximately 20 minutes and has a short quiz at the end to help you test your knowledge.

Please contact 1300 341 665 or <u>regorgs@fwc.gov.au</u> if you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

Fair Work Commission

# Appendix A

The table below outlines the changes notified and when they were lodged.

Our records have been updated.

The notification of change and this filing letter can be viewed on the Commission Website through the <u>list of</u> <u>Registered Organisations</u>.

Date of lodgement	Branch	Change	Within prescribed period (Yes/No). If No, how many days late
25 March 2025	N/A	Vice-President (3), Committee Member (3), Committee Member vacancy (1)	No - 77 days late



# **NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO RECORDS**

I, Eileen McClure, being the Secretary of the Victorian Showmen's Guild, declare the following:

- 1. I am authorised to make this declaration.
- The following is a correct statement of the changes made to the information contained in the records required to be kept by the organisation in accordance with s.230(1)(b), (c), and (d) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009:
- A list of changes to offices and the names, postal addresses and occupations of persons holding those offices is attached to this declaration at Annexure A and forms part of this declaration.

Eileen McClure Secretary Victorian Showmen's Guild

25 March 2025

# **ANNEXURE A**

## Changes to Offices and Office Holders in the Organisation and its Branches

Branch	Date of Change	Name of Office that has changed	Name of <u>Outgoing</u> Office Holder	Name of <u>New</u> Office Holder	Postal Address of <u>New</u> Office Holder	Occupation of <u>New</u> Office Holder
	03.12.2024	Vice-President	John Roberts	Brad Verfurth Snr.	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman
	03.12.2024	Vice- President	Gary Johnson	Travis Taylor	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman
	03.12.2024	Vice- President	Bernard Young IV	Annette Calder	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman
	03.12.2024	Committee Member	Annette Calder	Paul Davis	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman
	03.12.2024	Committee Member	Charlie Miller (Bris)	Sonya Nocen	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman
	03.12.2024	Committee Member	Travis Taylor	Cheyenne Nocen-Phillips	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman
	03.12.2024	Committee Member	Aaron Ribbons	vacant	PO Box 36 ASCOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	Travelling Showman



9 April 2024

Eileen McClure Secretary The Victorian Showmen's Guild Sent via email: vicshowmen@gmail.com

Dear Ms McClure

The Victorian Showmen's Guild's annual return of information (annual return) lodged under subsection 233(1) of the RO Act

Thank you for providing your annual return lodged under subsection 233(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act).

### Summary of your annual return and its assessment

Year	2024
Matter number	AR2024/6
Lodgement date	26 March 2024
Review	Primary Review
Result	FILED

### Your primary review

Your annual return had a **primary review** which checked whether it was signed by an officer, lodged on time, the required declarations were made, included the list of offices and office holders and whether you met the requirements that the regulator raised with you last year. A primary review does not examine all the requirements of subsection 233(1).



Your annual return satisfied the requirements of the primary review and has been uploaded to the Fair Work Commission (the Commission) website.

### The Commission's risk-based approach

This year your annual return was assessed against a primary review. Consistent with the Commission's riskbased approach, most annual returns are the subject of a primary review.

The remainder receive an advanced review which is a more comprehensive review.

Each organisation should expect that in some years their annual return will be the subject of an advanced review.

The Commission's advanced review checklists are published on our website.

### Do you have any questions?

Information and education materials are available on our <u>website</u>. These materials are regularly updated. We recommend you <u>subscribe to the Commission's subscription service to find out when we release new</u> <u>materials</u>.

If you have any queries we can be contacted on 1300 341 665 or by email at regorgs@fwc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

**Fair Work Commission** 

# ANNUAL RETURN OF INFORMATION (organisation with no branches) in accordance with Regulation 147 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009 and sections 230 and 233 *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

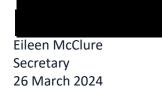
I, Eileen McClure, being the Secretary of the Victorian Showmen's Guild, declare the following:

- 1. I am authorised to make this declaration.
- 2. The register of members has, during the immediately preceding calendar year, been kept and maintained as required by section 230(1)(a) and section 230(2) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the Act).
  - 3. The following is a correct statement of the information contained in the records required to be kept by the organisation in accordance with section 230(1)(b), (c), and (d) of the Act:
  - The address of the organisation is 1/157 Mt Alexander Road FLEMINGTON VICTORIA 3031.<sup>1</sup>
  - The organisation has no branches and no branches have ceased or commenced in the previous 12 months.<sup>2</sup>
  - On 31 December in the previous year the number of members was 347.
  - A list of offices and the names, postal addresses and occupations of persons holding those offices as at the date of this declaration is attached at Annexure A and forms part of this declaration.
  - Under the rules of the organisation, the following elections must be held between 1 January and 31 December of THIS YEAR:<sup>3</sup>

(1)
(10)
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(1)
(2)

The organisation:

• Has not entered into an agreement under section 151(1) of the Act with a state union.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 230(1)(d); reg. 147(d)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 230(1)(d); reg. 147(a), (b), (c) & (d)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Section 230(1)(d); reg. 147(e)

# Annexure A

• Offices and Office Holders in the Organisation:

Name of Office	Name of Office Holder	Postal Address of Office Holder	Occupation of Office
(include any offices that are vacant)			Holder
Secretary	Eileen McClure	c/- the Registered Organisation,	Retired Showman
		PO Box 36 ASOT VALE VICTORIA 3032	
President	Elwin Bell Jnr.	As above	Travelling Showman
Treasurer	Terrence Moon	As above	Travelling Showman
Trustee	Marjorie Chant	As above	Retired Showman
Trustee	vacant	-	-
Vice-President	Bob Brown Jnr.	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Emile Verfurth III	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Adam Reardon	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	John Roberts	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Brady Phillips	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Clayton Taylor	As above	Travelling Showman

VSG Annual Return Template Org without Branches

Name of Office (include any offices that are vacant)	Name of Office Holder	Postal Address of Office Holder	Occupation of Office Holder
Vice-President	Gary Johnson	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Broderick Pavier	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Aaron Pink	As above	Travelling Showman
Vice-President	Bernard Young	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Annette Calder	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Andrew Quay	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Charlie Miller	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Travis Taylor	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	James Hudson-Quay	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Aaron Ribbons	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Les Chant Jnr.	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Josh Allan-Reardon	As above	Travelling Showman
Committee Member	Kyle Quay	As above	Travelling Showman