

**ROXBURGH TROTting CLUB INC
PRESIDENTS REPORT 2024**

It is a pleasure to present my first annual report as President. I would like to offer my condolences to families and members who have lost loved ones during the year.

The weather played its part on our raceday, after Race 3 a perfect day emerged for racing. A record crowd was in attendance making a great family atmosphere for our club. Many thanks to our loyal sponsors for your continued support, also a big thank you to trainers, drivers and owners for providing competitive horses for our meeting. The 2024 Peters Genetics Roxburgh Cup was taken out by 'Kikorangi Blue', driven by Brent Barclay.

Again, this has been a challenging year, we lost our sponsors shed in strong winds, our committee are digging deep once again to finish a 6-bay shed on the north end, a sponsors shed and 20 stall covered yards that will allow over 100 horses to be under cover. We also hope to install pole shade bays at the south end, so there is a lot happening.

The committee has finished planting 32 shade trees and a number of pittosporum's so in a couple of years they will look really good, the grounds are looking great and shows the pride we have in our club. Special thanks to Tom Welsh. Also, the information shed at the entrance was completed, a very big thank you to Bob Mason for donating the shed.

Again, thanks to committee for your effort, the work we are doing now will make it easier for the future. We are talking about trying to secure another race day, this is an option that I feel should be looked at in more depth.

I am pleased to report that the club has recorded a surplus of \$8,801 which is a great result, our farming and campervan enterprises are steadily increasing.

Thanks to the staff at Southern Harness for your assistance during the year.

We look forward to seeing you all on Saturday 4th January 2025!

Neville Beckley
President

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