



CEO Report Yass Valley Aged Care AGM 2025

The operational focus and challenge for Yass Valley Aged Care 2025 has been preparation for implementation of the New Aged Care Act.

The new Aged Care Act, with the Statement of rights at its core provides a legal framework for Yass Valley Aged Care to continue our vision of “excellence in care to support and protect with dignity, respect and faith those who live and work here and all with whom we come in contact”.

The statement of rights outlines what you can expect from your aged care experience, either residential, respite care or receiving support at home. If you are in our care, we will continue our work to support you to feel respected, safe, heard, connected and in control, this is our commitment to you.

I would like to acknowledge the work and dedication of staff and the care they provide. During the last 12 months our organisation has been navigating change in an environment of uncertainty while we have waited for the finalisation of rules from the Government. Thank you for your continued support and care to residents, families, and representatives.

Recognition of Years of Service

10 years

- Jo L
- Jenny T
- Jovita V
- Sonia V

15 years

- Brad C
- Annette R
- Fiona T

25 years

- Margaret Mc
- Ruth P



Achievements and improvements

- digitalisation of payroll
- Improvement and upgrades to Cyber security
- Integration of My Health Record with our health record system
- Registered Nurse recruitment with 2 RNs on duty during the day and one overnight.
- Physiotherapy services for group and individualised 3 days per week promoting resident physical activity.

Expression of Appreciation

On behalf of care recipients, families and staff I would like to thank the Foundation. Their donations have significantly improved the quality of life of our residents with the purchase of new larger and more comfortable beds. They have offered further support, donating to assist with works to progress technology and security with the purchase of a new call bell system integrated with real time location services. Their support to staff development and career pathing with funding provided for staff members to complete Certificate IV in Training and Assessment assists with continual improvements to the quality of care.

Thanks, and appreciation to the volunteers and Friends of Horton House and Warmington Lodge for their support. Your donations this year of the raised garden beds and funds for social functions improve the both the lifestyle and dining experience for residents.

To the President and directors of the Board, thank you for your continued support, guidance, and commitment to the vision of our organisation.

The Year ahead

In the coming year we will centre on successfully integrating the new stronger quality Aged Care Standards into our operations, leveraging digital tools to increase efficiency and to invest in staff development to enable us to continue to provide excellent, high-quality care to those in our care.

Nicola Barnes

CEO

