



Presidents Report to Gold Coast Jazz and Blues Club AGM 3/7/19

Your Club has concluded an excellent year of rebuilding and planning. Your Committee has been instrumental in achieving a stable and positive Financial result, growing memberships and a return to our regular venue at HOTA.

I would personally like to thank the Committee for working diligently and enthusiastically to ensure our Club's future. We are all committed to growing our Club memberships and presenting a high-quality range of musical artists and entertainment going forward.

Our Treasurer has done an outstanding job in presenting his report and 2019 results tonight. It presents an encouraging picture for our Club's future compared to the last 2 years of uncertainty.

Our Club is farewelling our Vice President Richard Patterson and thank him for his contribution to your Club. Richard will remain a member but is scaling back his personal activities. Our Treasurer Gary Watson has agreed to act in that position as we seek a replacement. All other Committee members are offering themselves for re-election for which I am most thankful.

We are seeking 2 additional Committee members to join us....firstly a minute's secretary to assist our hard-working secretary and a promotional /marketing person to work with our social media/band bookings manager and Secretary to ensure the profile of the club is growing. This includes our desire to work with some of the local school music programs and offer them the opportunity to showcase their skills at our Club nights.

The Challenges for our Club in the future are to continue to grow memberships and ensure we can present diverse and entertaining programs throughout the year in the genre of Jazz and Blues. We are looking to collaborate with HOTA to celebrate World Jazz Day on April 30 next year and are currently negotiating to host a high profile group to celebrate this day.

We also welcome any suggestions from our members as to the direction and future of the Club and any other ideas you may have. Our new website has allowed us to communicate more efficiently with our members and supporters and providing the opportunity to express their views on Club activities.

Finally I would like to thank all our members for their ongoing support and we look forward to another successful year in 2020 and beyond.

John Purnell

President 3/7/2019