



## Gympie Medical Transport Inc.

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### Presidents Report:

Hard to believe we are into another year. Welcome everyone to 2023. Two years ago we opened on the 1st February 2021. The two years have become extremely busy with bookings. In that time we have increased our car fleet to six, with a further expansion in the near future.

The committee has decided our next venture needs to be a secure home for GMT. The initial plans for a GMT Hub with shed space for fleet cars, driver's cars, office space, reception area and training room was born. We are still working on this as it has been difficult to find somewhere that is suitable to house the needs of GMT.

No committee meeting was held in December as the office took a break from Friday 16th December through to Monday 8th January. Bookings however were still being taken. We were very lucky to have drivers happy to be on standby during this time for any transport requirements. Thankyou to those who volunteered.

The first committee meeting for 2023 was held on Tuesday the 17th of January.

Previous statistics are as follows:

Total klm for cars: Nov 21,504, Dec 18,592, Jan 19,157

Total driving hrs: Nov 512, Dec 486, Jan 538

We had another proud moment for GMT. We now own all our cars due to wonderful benefactors in the Gympie district, grants from all levels of Government, plus generous donations from our great community.

I would like to remind our clients to book early to ensure a car is available so they can attend appointments.

At the moment Wednesdays are booked up to 6 weeks in advance. If one is unable to obtain transport to an appointment, Sally and I encourage the Hospital or Surgery be contacted to make an time suitable to client transport needs.

Thankyou Bev Goodall



Safety for our drivers, clients and road users is paramount to GMT service. We are pleased to announce the arrival of our first trade in vehicle.

Vehicle supplied by John Madill Toyota, Gympie. A big thankyou to Madiill Toyota for their ongoing support.

## Awards

### Citizen of the Year

A huge congratulations to our wonderful president Bev Goodall. This is a well deserved award to someone who is truly dedicated to the organisation. The award was presented to Bev by the Mayor Glen Hartwig, at the Australia Day Celebrations.



Congratulations to Ngaire (volunteer driver) on receiving the National Emergency Medal awarded in 2022. This medal was in recognition of her contribution and volunteering with the Red Cross for 21 days straight in the Whitsunday Islands 2017 disaster zone.

The National Emergency Medal is an operational service medal which recognises significant or sustained service to others in response to nationally-significant emergencies within Australia.

### Women Celebrate Women

Secretary - Sally Carkeet, Mayor Glen Hartwig, Treasurer - Tracy Edwards and GMT President - Bev Goodall, attended the International Women's Day breakfast at the Southside Bowls Club, on Tuesday



### Donations

Thankyou to:

The Rotary Club of Gympie

Local Benefactors

Dean Rogers

Masonic Lodge - In memory donation.

Our wonderful clients