



Queensland Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc.

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Annual Report & Financial Statement 2017 – 2018





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Notice of Annual General Meeting



NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-Ninth Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. will be held at Queensland Cricket Headquarters in the Ian Healy Room, 1 Greg Chappell St, Albion, on Wednesday, 18th July 2018, commencing at 7.00pm.

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting and Welcome to Members and Visitors
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
4. Presentation of Annual Report and Financial Statements
5. Speakers to Annual Report
6. Nomination of Life Member
7. Election of Office Bearers for 2018/19 year - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 5 members of the Management Committee, Delegate to Queensland Cricket
8. Annual Subscription
9. General Business



Office Bearers for 2017/18 Season



Patron: B Gaskell

President: P Boland

Vice-President: A Moir

Honorary Secretary: M White

Honorary Treasurer: S Eustace

Management Committee: I Barsby, J Griffith, R Howard
D McAndrew, D McIver

Queensland Cricket Delegate: M White

Board of Examination and Coaching: M Branch, S Dionysius
D Koch, D Taylor

Training and Development Officer: M Branch

Social Committee: A Moir, T Edmonds, G Kotteakos
D McAndrew, D McIver, N Grout

Statistician T Cupitt

Assistant Secretary: S Bocking



Honour Board



Patron

1968-1972	T Hiley
1972-1997	R Spence
1997-	B Gaskell

President

1966-1972	L Rowan
1972-1977	L Johnson
1977-1982	R Crouch
1982-1985	M Johnson
1985-1988	C Timmins
1988-1991	A McQuillan
1991-1993	C Timmins
1993-1995	P Polkinghorne
1995-1996	R Isherwood
1996-1997	A McQuillan
1997-2000	R Isherwood
2000-2004	M Jay
2004-2016	N Grout
2016-	P Boland

Treasurer

1966-1971	L Johnson
1971-1978	T Warwick
1978-1980	J Strauss
1980-1981	M Curnow
1981-1983	B Milner
1983-1984	D Jones
1984-1991	M Musch
1991-1998	P Latimer
1998-2004	M Molesworth
2004-2007	P Farley
2007-2011	N Abbate
2011-2015	P Farley
2015-	S Eustace

Life Members

1969	A Wyeth
1972	A Scott
1975	W McInnes
1976	J Newcombe
1977	L Johnson
1978	T Warwick
1980	F Britton
1982	R Crouch
1984	L Heath
1986	N Grout
1987	M Musch
1989	M Johnson
1990	J Taylor
1993	C Timmins
1994	C Bertwistle
1996	A McQuillan
1999	M Ralston
2000	P Parker
2002	A Loynes
2003	B Westphal
2005	M Jay
2006	R Howard
2007	J Rowe
2009	R Johnsen
2010	D White
2011	I Barsby
2013	P Boland
2016	B Oxenford
2017	D McIver

Secretary

1966-1971	L Johnson
1971-1978	T Warwick
1978-1980	J Strauss
1980-2003	N Grout
2003-2011	R Johnsen
2011-2014	R Howard
2014-2017	R Johnsen
2017-	M White

First Class Umpires

**	L Rowan
	W Priem
	J Newcombe
	L Johnson
**	P Enright
	Bro D. John
	G Jones
	S Doxey
	T Warwick
	D Lancashire
**	C Harvey
	J Boyle
**	M Johnson
	R Willmott
	R Philippe
	J Taylor
**	C Timmins
	A Fulwood
	M King
**	P Parker
	C Bertwistle
**	A McQuillan
	M Ralston
	T Musch
	M Jay
	M Whitby
	J Torpey
	G Zimmer
	L Musch
**	B Oxenford
**	D Orchard
	N McNamara
	T Laycock
	A Curran
	D Mealey
	D Koch
**	Test Umpire



Member List



	Adie	J.	2014/15		Marjason	N.	2013/14
	Athwal	G.	2014/15	300	Marsh	R.	2003/04
	Balakrishnan	D.	2008/09	150#	McAndrew	D.	2005/06
300#	Barsby	I.	1998/99	200#	McIver	D.	1998/99
*	Bekal	R.	2017/18		McLay	M.	2012/13
	Bermingham	S.	2016/17	100	McMahon	B.	2006/07
100	Bloomer	A.	2005/06	150#	Mellifont	M.	2005/06
	Bocking	S.	2007/08	150#	Moir	A.	2006/07
	Bogicevic	A.	2015/16	150	Monaghan	P.	2000/01
200#	Boland	P.	1999/00		Morris	S.	2010/11
*	Bradley	J.	2017/18	100	Murray	K.	2006/07
150#	Branch	M.	2008/09		Naylor	K.	2006/07
150	Brown	C.	1995/96	100	Neate	R.	2007/08
	Butchers	M.	2006/07	200	O'Brien	N.	1995/96
100	Castle	D.	2000/01	150#	O'Connor	M.	2006/07
#	Clifford	P.	2015/16		Olsen	M.	2005/06
100	Coleman	L.	2008/09	100#	Oxenford	B.	1998/99
	Collins	J.	2010/11		Paul	Y.	2016/17
	Cudmore	G.	2016/17		Peers	B.	2007/08
	Cupitt	T.	2010/11	*	Philpott	D.	2017/18
	Dagnall	P.	2015/16		Prakash	J.	2011/12
*	Damodaran	R.	2017/18	200	Pritchard	C.	1998/99
100#	Davidson	M.	2012/13	300#	Ralston	M.	1986/87
	Devereaux	A.	2016/17		Ramasubramanian	S.	2015/16
100#	Dionysius	S.	2009/10	**	Rearden	J.	2015/16
300#	Dore	A.	1996/97		Redmond	M.	2004/05
	Dore	C.	2004/05		Rogerson	P.	2013/14
*	Douglas	G.	2017/18	200	Rooke-Jones	R.	2004/05
**	Downs	A.	2014/15	#	Rosolen	D.	2015/16
	Durkin	J.	2015/16		Ross	I.	2016/17
	Ebdon	B.	2014/15		Russell	P.	2011/12
#	Edmonds	T.	2011/12		Shreeharsha	S.	2013/14
100	Elkington	I.	2008/09		Simmonds	J.	2015/16
	Eustace	S.	2011/12		Skinner	M.	2012/13
	Exelby	D.	2014/15	**	Smith	B.	2007/08
	Farley	S.	2014/15		Standen	R.	2014/15
150#	Farrell	B.	2007/08	100	Strickland	K.	2005/06
#	Farrell	S.	2012/13	300	Szkutko	N.	1994/95
*	Faulkner	N.	2017/18	#	Taylor	D.	2016/17
200#	Fazen	G.	1993/94		Thompson	B.	2014/15
	Fernandes	J.	2008/09	150	Tutt	G.	2008/09
200	Ford	W.	1993/94	*	Warren	A.	2017/18
	Gibson	K.	2007/08	100	White	M.	2010/11
150	Griffith	J.	2006/07	100	Wiggins	G.	2009/10
	Groves	M.	2015/16	^	Wright	B.	2016/17
*	Harris	M.	2017/18				
	Harris	P.	2015/16				
	Holmes	G.	2011/12				
	Hooper	P.	2013/14				
400#	Howard	R.	1991/92				
	Jacobsen	B.	2016/17				
100#	James	N.	2011/12				
*	Jamieson	T.	2017/18				
#	Koch	D.	2012/13				
	Kotteakos	G.	2015/16				
	Kumar	V.	2016/17				
150#	Logan	T.	2005/06				
	Marchisella	J.	2015/16				

LEGEND

^	Associate Member
*	New Member
**	Returning Member
#	Holder of First Grade Badge
100	Holder of 100 Game Badge
150	Holder of 150 Game Badge
200	Holder of 200 Game Badge
300	Holder of 300 Game Badge
400	Holder of 400 Game Badge



President's Report



The Association enjoyed quite a successful year as a whole and individually there were some outstanding highlights. There were however continuing issues with recruitment and availabilities which resulted in a number of games not having umpires at all. This situation was not helped by an increase in the overall number of games requiring umpires each weekend, however we must find a way to meet this challenge head on.

Recruiting this year seemed to hit a roadblock with only four new umpires coming from the CA on-line course. We hope this will prove to be an anomaly and that next season we will return to the fifteen to twenty new recruits we need to keep our numbers healthy.

For the second consecutive season, past members and interstate transferees boosted our numbers to offset the lack of recruits. It is pleasing to see the number of members who have returned when family and work commitments have allowed.

The sponsorship from Beastwear provided our members with a new on-field, hatband and social shirt each. Other items such as spray jackets and sports bags were able to be provided at cost price to those who purchased them. We once again thank Beastwear for their support of this Association and look forward to the relationship

continuing for the next two seasons.

On-field we saw Donovan Koch make his List A and First Class debuts this season. Donovan has proven himself to be one of the very best umpires in Australia and we congratulate him on his performances. David Taylor was also selected to stand in the Australia v Pakistan U/19 One Day Games leading into the Youth World Cup and further rewards cannot be too far away.

Murray Branch once again did a fine job as the Training and Development Officer by ensuring our new recruits hit the field well educated and confident to take on the challenges of umpiring. Murray and his assistants also provided the general membership with excellent training sessions at our annual seminar as well as at the general meetings. The seminar was held at the National Cricket Centre where a high number of members attended. The seminar was based on the new 2017 re-write of the Laws of Cricket, with quite a number of changes being introduced. It was pleasing to see our umpires were well and truly up to date with all these changes prior to the start of the season.

Unfortunately, the MyCricket program again created some problems with Captains' Reports during the season. We have tried to have these problems rectified but there does not seem to be a willingness by the Cricket Australia staff responsible to understand the issues.

This season we welcomed back Life Member John Rowe as an observer/selector for the lower grades. John performed his duties with the same passion he displayed during his umpiring career and along with David McIver and Ross Howard formed the Lower Grade Selection Panel. Due to lack of numbers during the season, David and Ross spent much of their time umpiring rather than observing and John was left to pick up the pieces. We thank them all for the time and

effort they dedicated to a very difficult job.

The observations of our first and second grade umpires improved from the previous season and we thank Mike Ralston, Peter Monaghan and Rob Dunbar for their efforts in this regard.

The Selection Panels again had the issue of late pull-outs to deal with. This combined with wet weather and members who did not keep their availabilities up to date on MyCricket, made their jobs twice as difficult as they should have been. I again ask all our members to try and commit to as many days possible next season. We have over one hundred members and struggle to field seventy umpires each Saturday. With women's cricket becoming more popular, we also need to field more and more umpires each Sunday also.

We welcomed Murray White to the Management Committee this season as Secretary in place of Ron Johnson. Ron handed over the reins after eleven years (in two stints) as Secretary. He also took on roles as selector and observer in recent years and I, on behalf of the Association would like to formally thank Ron for his efforts over the years. The remainder of the Management Committee remained unchanged from the previous year. I would like to thank Andrew Moir, Scott Eustace, Ian Barsby, Ross Howard, David McIver, Damien McAndrew and Jim Griffith for their efforts during the year.

I would like to thank the other members who took on a variety of roles within the Association. Tony Cupitt (Statistician), Steven Bocking (Assistant Secretary) while Todd Edmonds and Greg Kotteakos provided invaluable assistance to the Social Committee. Many hands make light work and we will always be looking for members to help out where necessary.



President's Report (cont.)



The Association's financial position continues to remain strong, although we again experienced a small downturn in our capital. Most of this is attributed to having a guest speaker at our Annual Dinner but still trying to keep the cost per member at a reasonable level.

Our relationship with Queensland Cricket remains firm and we appreciate the support from Grade Cricket Manager, Michael Wright.

As we head towards the Association's 50th Anniversary next season, I urge all our members to spare a thought for those who preceded us. It was their hard work and sacrifices that brought about the changes to conditions and benefits which we enjoy the results of today. Wearing ties in 30+ degree heat, travelling all over Brisbane to umpire and being compensated with a \$2 allowance is a long way from what we experience today.

Finally, I would like to thank the members for their efforts and support over the past year and congratulate all award winners on their achievements. I also congratulate our representative umpires on their performances and thank them for the positive way in which they advertised our Association to others.

Good luck to all for the following season.

Peter Boland

Management Committee Report

We held our meetings in the Ian Healy Room or the Boardroom at Queensland Cricket HQ this season. Our thanks go to Queensland Cricket for allowing us to use their facilities for our monthly meetings.

The Committee meets in the first week of every month throughout the season to ensure that everything runs smoothly and to prepare for the upcoming season.

Meetings attended August 2017 to July 2018 (12 Meetings):

Peter Boland	12
Andrew Moir	10
Murray White	12
Scott Eustace	9
Ian Barsby	11
Jim Griffith	10
Ross Howard	11
Damien McAndrew	12

Peter Boland once again chaired all the meetings with his professionalism, knowledge and dry humour. All the matters that were raised during the year were efficiently and effectively dealt with.

Most of the above listed members have been on the Committee for many years and they have provided the good judgement, prudence and security for the Association in any issues that have arisen.

In saying this, after two stints as Secretary that covered some eleven years in total, Ron Johnsen decided not to nominate again for another year. I wish to personally thank and

pay tribute to Ron for the smooth handover and for the personal sacrifices that he made in putting in the time and effort for a long period for the improvement of the functioning of the Association.

Ron had the Secretary's computer files logically arranged so this made the job of finding what I needed quickly, easy. He also provided me with a checklist, so I was able to learn what tasks I was responsible for and when they needed to be done.

Upon stepping into the Secretary's position, I found that the laptop I had received had been damaged and was beyond economic repair and there was only a Telstra sim card that was provided for me with no actual phone. It was decided that the Association purchase a replacement computer and a handset to assist me in my duties rather than using my own equipment or as it's called in the IT industry, BYO. After a myriad of updates, I was up and running.

After four years as Assistant Secretary, I decided to nominate and was successful in getting elected as the Secretary. Many thanks go to Steve Bocking who took over from myself in taking the General Meeting Minutes. After I provided Steve with the MS Word template, he needed no help thereafter.

It certainly was a very busy season looking back and with the new Laws



being introduced by the MCC and the various changes and additions to the competitions that Queensland Cricket facilitates, it was a challenge to keep everything afloat.

Ron in not re-nominating as Secretary also discontinued as Chair of the Lower Grades Selection Panel. This departure meant a new Chair was required. Ross Howard can forward and eagerly accepted the role that was vacated. The Association also welcomed back Life Member John Rowe into an active role once again as an observer/selector. John's experience and enthusiasm was of great inspiration and assistance to the members during the season. Dave McIver stepped up and took a more active role in appointments under Ross' excellent tutelage during the season.



Management Committee Report (cont.)



Peter Monaghan, Rob Dunbar and Mike Ralston continued their roles allocating and observing the higher grades. They also picked up allocating the First Grade Women's and Lord's Taverners from the Lower Grade Selection Panel

Unfortunately, late pull-outs, wet weather call-offs and lack of available umpires caused numerous headaches and a few hiccups for all concerned during the season. In addition to these issues, there were a few members who hadn't entered and/or kept their availabilities on MyCricket up to date. The MyCricket website still has bugs and quirks in its operation. With the continual development that is being undertaken by CA, it is hoped that these issues will be rectified some-time in the near future. One major issue that was flagged as a considerable issue for associations was ground management. Over the past two years, CA has undertaken an audit across Australia to accurately pinpoint the location of every ground across Australia. It is hoped that MyCricket will integrate with this new venue data during July. It is proposed that all venues across the country will have individual GPS coordinates for every venue and every oval; this will allow MyCricket to better identify potential venue clashes for administrators.

With some seventy umpires being required just for Grade fixtures on Saturdays and an ever-increasing volume of umpires required for Sunday games, it is of vital importance that members devote themselves to as many umpiring days as possible during the coming season.

Disappointingly, the interest shown by the Saturday trial games before the start of the season was poor with many umpires that day ended up umpiring solo.

During the past season, both Ross and Dave had to abandon their observation duties and umpire which was not an ideal situation for all concerned. John Rowe carried the can for the team and undertook more observations than what was envisaged at the start of the season.

The Association thanks all the members on the two selection panels for their dedication and diligence in undertaking this pressure cooker job.

Many thanks to the members for your ongoing encouragement and attendance at the functions and events that the Social and Management Committees arrange. As usual Andrew Moir and the rest of the members of the Social Committee work tirelessly for the Association in organising and getting all the refreshments ready for the BBQ/ sausage sizzle after the General Meetings and assisting with the seminar and Annual Dinner arrangements. They are a vital cog of what makes an Association a great machine.

A special thank you goes to the partners and families of members for bearing and persevering with those Association activities that draw our members away from their other private interests and family time. We are grateful to those members and partners who can attend and participate and make all the effort worthwhile.

Handbook

This season we welcomed the return of the Umpire's Handbook. Thanks goes to Michael Wright for organising this for the members as the Grade Handbook wasn't ready for distribution at the start of the season due to the complex job of rewriting the playing conditions because of the new Laws being introduced.

Recruitment and Training

The recruitment and training process that follows on from the CA online course failed to give the Association anywhere near the number of candidates that the Association requires to keep its numbers healthy and able to cover every Premier Grade game with two umpires throughout the season. What is bemusing, is the numbers that successfully complete the 1.0 Community Officiating online portal course and do not follow this up with completing the face to face

component or umpire at all considering it currently costs the candidates \$40.00 to undertake. Perhaps an investigation needs to be carried out as to why this is occurring and what strategies can be implemented so more candidates can be encouraged to take up umpiring after finishing the online component.

Once again, the Lower Grades Selection Panel made sure that the new recruits were partnered with an experienced umpire for at least their first few games. They were observed twice and given quality constructive feedback by their partners and the observers.

I would like to thank those that helped in guiding and assisting our new members early in the season.

From the process of observation, we only allow people to become members of the Association that meet our high standards. The four new umpires that did join the Association were committed and umpired with us on a regular basis. To counter the deficit from the lack of new umpires coming in, we were fortunate to welcome transfers from other umpire associations and obtain the services from some old members that had rekindled their interest in umpiring once again and had the time to commit to it.

As has been the case for many seasons now, the main problem still facing the Association is still is retainment rather than recruitment of umpires.

Thanks goes to Murray Branch and the rest of the Board of Examination Board and Coaching for bringing the members up to speed with all the changes to the Laws and QC Regulations at the Seminar and for their sessions during the monthly General Meetings.

This year's Law and Regulations Quizzes entered the online world for the first time as they were well received and caused far fewer issues. Members were able to see their mark straight away after submission and they were able to be undertaken on most devices that had an internet connection.



Management Committee Report (cont.)

Merchandise

The "Beastwear" sponsorship commenced at the start of the season. The Association has now in place a three-year exclusive uniform and merchandise supply agreement with them. So far Beastwear provides the Association with field, casual and dress shirts, caps, ties hatbands, spray jackets and sports bags. Consequently, from this sponsorship arrangement, we were able to supply the members with a free field shirt, a casual shirt and a hatband at the start of the season. With the introduction of the new Laws, once stocks of the 2017 Laws (Blue Book) had arrived from Cricket Australia, these were also distributed with no charge to the members.

Thanks goes to Damien McAndrew and Andrew Moir who had the mammoth job to ensure that the new Beastwear field shirts were distributed out to all the umpires before the start of the season and were able to meet the merchandise needs of the members throughout the season.

50th Anniversary Dinner

A steering committee was formed to assist with the arrangements for the 50th Anniversary Dinner to be held in April 2019. Ross Howard, Damien McAndrew, Jim Griffith, Ron Johnsen and Nelma Grout form this sub-committee. At this stage, we can use the same room that we utilise for the Annual Dinner at Easts Leagues for the 50th Anniversary Dinner. The anniversary dinner is proposed to be open to all members, past and present and promises to be a wonderful night and celebration.

Unfortunately, Damien resigned from this committee during the season.

So far Ross has set up a Facebook page, and a link to the Facebook page from the umpires' website has been setup. Jim has gone through old contact lists and is compiling a database of former members' details.

It was agreed that the Association order merchandise from Beastwear incorporating the 50th anniversary. Field Shirts, Ties, Dress Shirts and Caps have been organised so far. A 50th Anniversary Field Shirt and Cap are to be provided free to the members. More details on this giveaway will be provided in the new season. Some more momentous celebrating the occasion are being envisaged and planned during the coming season.

General Meetings

We had an average attendance of 60 at our monthly meetings this season. This is a slight increase over the average of 56 from last season.

It is a continual task for Management to try and raise the attendance level at these meetings. We are very aware that members who attend meetings get so much out of them: keeping up to date with the new Laws and QC regulations and the training sessions are essential listening!

One very good point of attending meetings is that you get to meet and socialise with your fellow members so that when you do stand with someone that you haven't stood with before, you have some sort of rapport which can make your umpiring experience so much more enjoyable. This rapport assists by having an increased level of quality communication and teamwork without having to break the ice just minutes before heading out onto the field.

Some of the Association's best umpires and the ones that are on the rise through the grades, are the ones who regularly attend the meetings.

We are still open in tweaking the meetings to try and make them flow better. We followed on from the 2016/17 season by conducting the formal part of the meeting first followed by the training session and then breaking up for the all-important socialising around the BBQ.

Another benefit of attending the General Meetings is that it gives the membership control over decisions made by the Management. If the majority of members present don't like something, they can vote it down. At the end of the day, it is the membership that have control of the Association's decisions, power and direction rather than the Management Committee.

Awards

It was decided to rename two of our awards. With the passing of time there are very few members who knew or know of who Alan Pettigrew and WEP Harris were. It was felt that with the 50th Anniversary of the Association approaching, it would be appropriate to re-name these awards after two of the Association's more decorated umpires. The WEP Harris First Grade Award will now be named the Bruce Oxenford First Grade Award.

Bruce was chosen as the Association's most capped Test umpire and someone who our current members try to emulate.

The Alan Pettigrew Progression Award will now be named the Col Timmins Progression Award.

Col was chosen due to his four Test Matches, numerous First-Class appointments and overall service to the Association including President and more recently the Chairman of Selectors.

This season's Sixth Grade Award was named in honour of the late Peter Chapman.

Bruce, Col and Peter's wife and son - Robyn and Steven, were on hand at the Annual Dinner to present trophies to the respective winners.

Conclusion

In my first season as Secretary, I would like to thank my fellow members of the Management Committee very much for all the assistance that they gave me, whether it was great or small, during the past season.



Management Committee Report (cont.)



Special thanks goes to Peter Boland who continues to mature in the role as President since Nelma's departure, Scott Eustace for keeping the Association's finances in a healthy state, Ross for his Association experience and for his role as a selector and observer, Jim Griffith for looking after the Black and Blue, Tony Cupitt as the statistician, Ian for looking after the Blue Cards and conducts and to Andrew Moir and the hard working members of the Social Committee.

Thanks to the dedicated band of midweek umpires who stand in the numerous carnivals and other miscellaneous games that were arranged throughout the season. The organisers of these carnivals and games are always impressed with our professionalism and have trust in the Association that we can provide umpires that makes cricket fun, enjoyable, safe, inclusive and a worthwhile experience for their junior participants. They are the game's future.

In closing, whatever our role in this great game is, we all must find new ways to make improvements, to keep it relevant and enjoyable for all concerned.

Many thanks to the members and I express my appreciation of their support during the past season. Best wishes to all for the coming season.

Murray White

Hon. Secretary

Thank You Brian Gaskell



It is with deep regret that we bid farewell to Brian Gaskell, as our Patron.

Brian became the third Patron of our Association in 1997, following on from Sir Thomas Hiley (1968-1972) and Bob Spence (1972-1997). He has been a great supporter of the Association for the past 21 years including providing sponsorship through his business Gabba Sporting Products at various times.

The Association approached Brian to become Patron due to his excellent service to the game of cricket together with an unquestioned belief in fair play. As a player

he represented Queensland on one occasion but his contribution to Grade Cricket was immense. He was an outstanding player for Eastern Suburbs DCC from 1953-1976 playing 170 first grade games, taking 323 wickets at an average of 18.28 and scoring 2703 runs at an average of 18.14. During this time Brian also captain-coached QCA Colts for a number of years. In this role he oversaw the development of the best players (under 23 years old) the competition had to offer. Many of these players went on to represent at First Class level.

He was joined in his support of the Association by his wife Pam, who unfortunately lost a gallant fight against cancer two years ago. Pam, who presented the Association with our fantastic handmade tapestry displaying all the umpiring signals of the time in the early 2000s, had her support marked with Honorary Membership in 2006.

Unfortunately, over the past couple of years, Brian has had some health issues of his own to deal with and is now standing down as Patron. We thank him most sincerely for his Patronage over the past 21 years and wish him all the best for the future.



Brian and Pam Gaskell at the Annual Dinner in 2014



Obituaries



Vale Jack Graham Newcombe 1930 - 2017

It was with deep sadness that we received an email advising the QCUSA of the passing of our Life Member, Jack Newcombe. Jack rose to be a First-Class Umpire and stood in some nine Sheffield Shield games between 1966 to 1972, all at the Gabba.

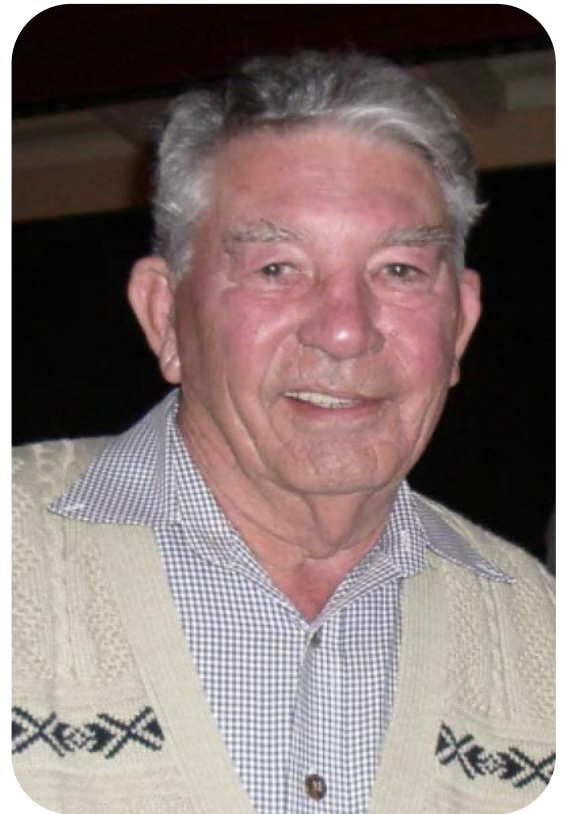
Jack was born in Warwick on the 30th December 1930 and departed this world on the 1st November 2017. Jack passed away peacefully and is survived by his four children, six Grandchildren and one Great-Grandchild.

"Black Jack" as he was known because of his thick black head of hair, was a tireless worker for the Association in its early years. He was a foundation member in 1969

and served on the Executive Committee from 1969 to 1976. He was Vice President from 1973 until 1976. Jack was also a member of the Examination Panel from 1969 to 1976.

He worked on the Allocation Panel appointing Umpires to First class matches from 1973 to 1975 and the Allocation Panel appointing umpires to Queensland Grade Cricket. He also mentored and was the Umpires' Coach from 1973 to 1976.

For his services to the Q.C.A. Umpires' Association (as it was known then), Jack received the highest honour it can bestow in 1976: Life Membership.



Vale Peter Joseph Chapman 1952 - 2017

On Friday 17th November 2017, Peter Chapman succumbed to his battle with cancer at the age of 65.

Peter is survived by his wife Robyn and son Steven. He was indeed taken too soon.

Peter joined our Association in the 2008/09 season. That first season Peter won the Mel Johnson Medal, the B Grade Achievement Award for Sub-Districts and made the Bob Spence Medal "Top Ten", not a bad effort for the first season!

Peter was awarded his 150-game badge just last season before ill health forced him into premature retirement. From the first day he started in the Association he became known to most of us as "Happy Chappy" and his cheerful demeanour became part and parcel of our Association for the past nine years.

Umpiring partners and players alike had tremendous respect for Peter. He mentored

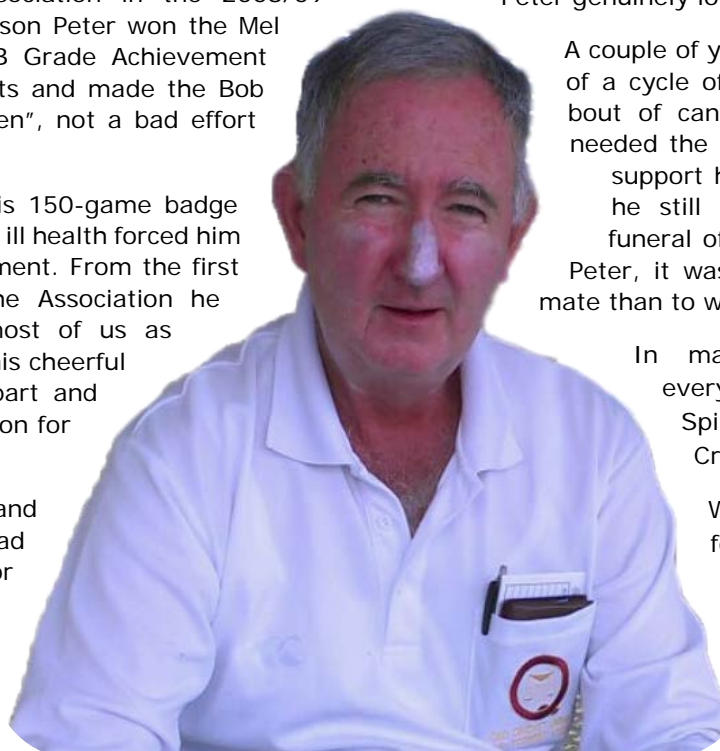
numerous new umpires and would offer to drop down grades to help the new umpires rather than pursuing his own ambitions of umpiring in the higher grades.

Every year after the seminar, Peter would send out emails telling his mates how much he enjoyed the day and how he was looking forward to the season ahead. Peter genuinely loved his umpiring.

A couple of years ago, Peter was in the middle of a cycle of chemotherapy treating his first bout of cancer. His body was so weak he needed the assistance of a Zimmer frame to support himself. Despite his predicament, he still made the effort to attend the funeral of Penny Johnson (Ron's wife). To Peter, it was more important to support his mate than to worry about his own health.

In many aspects, Peter embodied everything that the "Preamble - The Spirit of Cricket to the Laws of Cricket" describes.

We are certain Peter will never be forgotten for his qualities by those he met over the years.



Ross Howard nominated David McIver for Life Membership of the Queensland Cricket Scorers' and Umpires' Association at the 48th Annual General Meeting of the Association, held in July 2017.

That night Ross gave a stirring speech in nominating Dave. That speech is as follows:

"Dave McIver joined the Association in the 1998/99 season after having spent many years in the Navy and living in Canberra. My first reaction was that he can't be too bad a bloke.

Dave took to umpiring quite quickly and by the end of his first season had reached 3rd Grade. He was unlucky to be pipped that year by Bruce Oxenford for the Progression Award.

By his second season he was quickly promoted to Second Grade and was showing a lot of promise. He stood in one of the Fifth Grade Semi-Finals when our best available umpires were appointed to all Semis and Finals.

In his third season Dave stood in all Third Grade matches and he also joined the Social Committee.

For the following two seasons, he stood in all Second Grade Matches. Although Dave is a very patient person as you would all know, he was starting to wonder if he'd ever get to First Grade and mentioned this to the Allocation Panel. Being the unassuming quiet person Dave is, somehow, he had slipped under the radar of the selectors. So, in the next appointments I was sent to stand with him and check him out. It was a Second Grade match between Wests and Norths. Damien Mealey was the Wests captain. Norths batted first and were all out for a modest 211. Then it was Wests turn to bat. Brett Mortimer had recently moved to Norths as club coach and bowled from Dave's end. He had never seen Dave before. Brett gave Dave a very

torrid workout appealing for everything. To his credit he didn't buckle. Eventually Brett gave up

standing in at least 25 First Grade games.

Other achievements include the Patrons Award in 2007/08, five years on the Management Committee, two years on the Board of Examination and Coaching and now he is a lower grade selector and observer. However, despite all of these achievements his greatest achievement of all is 17 years in a row on the Social Committee. This is an incredible contribution by Dave.

Dave has also mentored many inexperienced umpires both in an official capacity and informally. He has always been willing to do this.

In addition to all this Dave won the Bob Spence Medal in the 2012/13 Season which in itself shows his commitment to the Association. He was so genuinely surprised by this he gave the shortest acceptance speech in history.

Finally, I would like to mention that I have umpired many games with Dave. I have always looked forward to standing with him because not only will he give me a bag of lollies to eat during the game but we always have a very enjoyable time sharing a few jokes and supporting each other throughout the game.

On that note, I would like to commend Dave as a Life Member."



and bowled from my end. He said, "I was trying to test out your mate down there". I said, "I know.". He said "I couldn't break him. He's not a bad umpire." I said, "I know". It turned out to be a very close game with Wests getting up and scoring 9/213 declared. It was also a very important game in the context of the season. Dave came through with flying colours.

After that game, he was promoted to First Grade and never looked back.

Dave now has his 200 Game Badge and his First Grade Badge for



Ross Howard and Dave McIver during a lunch break at Redlands



Membership



Membership is continuing to decline. We had 95 active members this season down from 108 the previous season. Total membership of 116 included 20 Life Members and a scorer. Of those 20, 6 are still active umpires, being: Peter Boland, Ian Barsby, Ross Howard, Dave McIver, Bruce Oxenford and Mike Ralston. Mike fills in when we are short, and Bruce is on Elite Panel of ICC Umpires. This makes up an active umpire list of 101. We were fortunate to welcome three ex-members back into our ranks and well as four experienced umpires from other Associations/States this year. They certainly bolstered our talent, and all settled in smoothly.

We needed to supply some 72 to 80 umpires per Saturday again this season and early on, there were difficulties covering all the games with two umpires, this issue even occurred on the Sundays. As the season progressed, the availability of umpires started to tail off even more meaning that we were shortages across the last few rounds of the season. This meant that umpires had to stand alone. This happened in about six rounds.

This seems to be a common trend over the last few seasons and the reasons continue to be the same: some umpires found out umpiring was ultimately not for them, illness, injury, family reasons, work and some can only umpire on Sundays. Umpires are not always available every round with some sixteen umpires standing in fewer than five games. We were fortunate with the weather on a few occasions as some games were being called off early meaning that umpires could be swapped around to fill in the gaps that were originally covered by only one umpire.

Every season, we need approximately 15-20 new umpires on average to replace the umpires that don't return from the previous season. With only twelve new members, losing many active members from the previous season's numbers and more games this season being facilitated by Qld Cricket, we were around eight umpires short to fulfill our commitment to ensure that we have two umpires on the field in every game.

All prospective new members before being invited to the "Grade Training - Technical Sessions" now must have completed at least their "Level 1.0 Online" and "Face to Face Community Umpiring" courses. After that they attend the seminar and stand in trial games to complete their initial training. The feedback we have received from the Selection Panel chairman and the clubs involved was very encouraging about the standard of the new members, so congratulations to all of them, Murray Branch and his band of helpers for their excellent work during the season.

Umpiring Milestones

First Class Debut:

Donovan Koch

First Grade Debut:

Greg Douglas

Game Badges:

100 Game Badge

Mark Davidson
Steven Dionysius
Ian Elkington
Nathan James
Kevin Strickland

150 Game Badge

Peter Monaghan
Michael O'Connor

200 Game Badge

Gary Fazen

300 Game Badge

Peter Monaghan
Michael O'Connor

First Grade Badge:

Todd Edmonds
Daniel Rosolen

Umpiring Achievements

Elite Panel of ICC Umpires

Bruce Oxenford

CA Development Umpire Panel

Donovan Koch

State Umpires Panel:

Murray Branch
Stephen Dionysius
Steven Farrell
David Taylor

CA National U19s - Male:

David Taylor

CA National U17s - Male:

Murray Branch
Stephen Dionysius

SSA National U15s - Boys:

Steven Farrell - Inc Final
Nathan James

CA National U18s - Female:

Stephen Dionysius

CA National U15s - Female:

Jaime Bradley - Inc Final

Carnivals

We had again another very busy midweek and Sunday competition schedule during the season.

I would like to specially thank all the members who made themselves available whether it was just one, a few or every day. I hope the umpires enjoyed the whole experience of the season's carnivals. The Queensland U14s State Final was live-streamed for the first time from Northgate with Steve Bocking and Ross Howard being appointed to the match.

During the season we allocated umpires to the following carnivals and competitions:

- Ray Weier Cup
- Reevesie Cup/ALF Frantz Shield
- Heat Girls Cricket League
- QSS 10-12 Years Boys Champs.
- Impact Cricket Challenge
- Qld U14s State Championships
- Ian Healy Cup
- National Pharmacy Carnival
- Christian Brothers Cricket Week

Murray White

Hon. Secretary



Association Awards



The grade medals are determined by the captain's marks awarded after the game has been completed. Our policy this season, that to be eligible for a particular grade, a member must have completed a majority of the season in that grade and also have at least ten completed reports. Tony Cupitt again had the formidable task of deciding on the winners, and especially the Bob Spence Medal.

In Third Grade and down, members were not always available for every game meaning that there was a lot of movement and swapping between the grades once again this season making it a complicated business to determine the winner. However, it was completed and checked, and the winners were all awarded their trophies at our Annual Bob Spence Medal Dinner at the East's Leagues Club.

Peter Chapman's widow, Robyn, and his son, Steve (Sixth); Don White (Fifth, Fourth & Women's); Nelma Grout (Third); Lew Johnson (Second) and Bruce Oxenford (First) were on hand to present all grade winners with their awards. Mel Johnson again presented his medal, Mike Ralston presented the Patron's Award, Col Timmins presented his now newly renamed award and Mrs. Bev Hoy presented the Col Hoy Award.

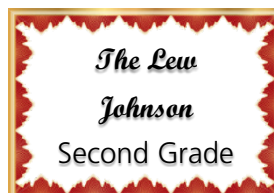
Tony McQuillan presented the Bob Spence "Top Ten" medals as the winners were sumptuously announced by Ross Howard. Tony McQuillan then announced the Bob Spence Medal winner. Unfortunately, Steve Farley was absent overseas, but Ross read out a statement that Steve had sent him. Qld Cricket Board member Mark Gray presented Steve with his medals and the Bob Spence perpetual trophy at the Grade Dinner later that month.



Winner: **Donovan Koch**
Contenders: Stephen Dionysius, Steven Farrell, David Taylor

Bruce was in the country long enough to present his award to Donovan Koch. This is the third time that Donovan has won the award for First Grade. Donovan now becomes the just the fifth three times First Grade winner. He joined our Association in 2012 from the UK and quickly rose to become a member of the CA Development Panel. During the current season, Donovan also made his First Class and List A umpiring debuts.

Congratulations, Donovan, on a brilliant season.



Winner: **Andrew Moir**
Contenders: Steve Farley, Greg Kotteakos, Brad Smith

This is Andrew's first grade award following on a string of Bob Spence Medal "Top Tens". He has been a member since 2006 and is currently the Association's Vice-President and also the Director of the Social Committee.

Well done, Andrew, for an outstanding season.



Winner: **Paul Russell**
Contenders: Aaron Devereaux, Ian Elkington, Peter Monaghan

Paul received the Sixth Grade Award in just his second season with us in 2013. It has taken him five seasons to win his next grade award. This shows he is steadily improving and what level of commitment and talent he has in umpiring.

Congratulations, Paul, on very well-deserved honour.



Winner: **Peter Harris**
Contenders: Lyall Coleman, Ray Marsh, Karen Naylor

Peter had to work hard for the win by beating off a bunch of experienced umpires snapping at his heels to take out the award. Peter has demonstrated that he has what it takes to be a very good competent umpire.

Well done, Peter, on a great effort.





Association Awards



Winner: **Phil Rogerson**
Contenders: Deepak Balakrishnan,
Alex Bogicevic, Davin Castle

This is Phil second time winning a grade award having achieved the feat by taking out the Sixth Grade award back in 2014. Phil has worked hard on his umpiring and by winning this award shows he is on track for more accolades. This has been shown already by being selected in Fourth Grade.

Well done, Phil, on a steady improvement.



Winner: **Jaime Bradley**
Contenders: Yesudas Paul, Br Chris Pritchard,
Alex Warren

This is Jaime's first season with us and she needed a wheelbarrow to take home all the awards she won at the Annual Dinner! Jamie hails from North West Tasmania and played and umpired cricket in the Apple Isle before heading north to the Sunshine State. Her enthusiastic approach to umpiring resulted in being recognised by the captains through her consistency.

Congratulations, Jamie, on a fine achievement.



Winner: **Jaime Bradley**
Contenders: Nathan James, Karen Naylor,
Daniel Rosolen

Jamie's had previous experience playing female cricket in Tasmania. This experience and willingness to learn the art of umpiring paid dividends by taking out the Women's Grade Award. During the season in January, Jamie was dispatched off to Adelaide to stand in the CA Under 15 Female National Championships under the CA Female Umpire Scholarship Program. She obviously impressed the observers so much she was awarded the final at the Glenelg Oval.

Well done Jamie, on this impressive accomplishment.



Jaime Bradley is the winner of this newly renamed award this year. By also taking out two grade awards in the one season and even more remarkably that this was her first season with us; an unprecedented achievement. She was a quick and enthusiastic learner, displayed a positive attitude and was a passionate umpire. She has a very bright future in the game and even managed to display her skills during the season in Third Grade.

Congratulations once again, Jamie, on your magnificent season.



Alex Warren received his award from Col Hoy's widow Mrs. Bev Hoy. Alex, after years playing cricket in his beloved Subbies, finally decided to break free of the shackles and umpire Grade Cricket. We are glad he made this decision and he displays all the attributes to make a successful career in umpiring.

Well done, Alex, we are sure this will be the first of many awards and accolades that are coming your way.





Honour Board for Association Awards



	First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
1992	A McQuillan	M Wylie	J Torpey	A Payne	C Brown
1993	R Isherwood	J Torpey	K Horton	C Brown	M Robinson
1994	R Isherwood	G Zimmer	M Barton	N Southall	D Woodlock
1995	C Bertwistle	D McGrath	K Beasley	T Whiter	M Smith
1996	C Bertwistle	E Edwards	M Molesworth	S Dean	G Heffernan
1997	J Torpey	D Vinall	N Gilloway	B Ryan	N O'Brien
1998	J Torpey	S Dean	J Maclean	P Lavallee	G Bailo
1999	J Torpey	P Lavallee	J Veivers	G Thompson	W Rogers
2000	L Musch	J Veivers	D White	P Farley	J Ezzy
2001	N McNamara	R Johnsen	D White	P Monaghan	M McShane
2002	L Musch	A Bonner	G Thompson	P Johnson	G Durston
2003	B Oxenford	R Johnsen	J Kangur / S Vetsich	B Westphal	J Black
2004	D Brandon/A McQuillan	R Johnsen	D White	M Clarke / G Stone	C Pritchard
2005	I Barsby	D Went	G Aspinall	I Tait	J Hetherington
2006	J Kangur/N McNamara	A Loynes	D Mealey	W Strelow	D Westbrook
2007	I Barsby	A Grieve	R Gruenfeld	S Fuller	M McShane
2008	P Boland	D Mealey	C Hoffmann	R Rooke-Jones	S Biggs
2009	A Curran	C Hoffmann	D McAndrew	P Davies	J Fleming
2010	J Kangur	R Howard	N O'Brien	B McMahon	P O'Meara
2011	N McNamara	R Lloyd	G Fazen	R Ambrose	T Anthony
2012	I Barsby	S Dionysius	R Marsh	N James	S Sinclair
2013	J Kangur	B Smith	S Eustace	L Coleman	G Walters
2014	D Koch	S Farrell	D Davis	T Edmonds	J Fernanades
2015	D Koch	S Kumar	K Murray	S Farley	N Marjason
2016	S Farrell	M Davidson	R Standen	N O'Brien	J Rearden
2017	S Farrell	T Edmonds	R Neate	G Kotteakos	M Topping
2018	D Koch	A Moir	P Russell	P Harris	P Rogerson

^ Alan Pettigrew Award to 2017

U18 Grade/ Sixth Grade		Sub Districts/Churches/ GPS/Women's			Progression (Col Timmins Award)^		Col Hoy Award	
		Sub Districts						
		A Grade	B Grade	C Grade				
1992	B McNamee	2007	P Spence	B Marrinan	P Smith	1992	G Townsend	G Zimmer
1993	N Southall	2008	G Rodgers	C Vine	L Power	1993	R Kelly	W Heinemann
1994	P Bell					1994	W Heinemann	D Vinall
1995	J MacLean					1995	W Cressy	B Nielsen
1996	M McGovern					1996	B Nielsen	C Brown
1997	J Maxwell-Jones	A Grade	B/C Grade*			1997	S Dean	M Whitman
1998	A Payne	2009	W Sowter	P Chapman		1998	M Whitman	L Stokes
1999	N Szkutko	2010	T O'Malley	P McQuillan		1999	B Oxenford	V Sestito
2000	D Wills				B/C Grade/Churches ***	2000	P Boland	P Shine
2001	R Kinstler	2011	J Boyle	T O'Malley		2001	A Curran	B Prior
2002	R Brown	2012	C Ross	P Joseph		2002	D Knott	S Vetsich
2003	R Brown					2003	B Hunt	D Cleary
2004	J Ezzy / R Marsh	Churches	Churches/Beenleigh**			2004	D Moloney	N Marsh
2005	R Rooke-Jones	2007	C Spalding	2009	S Crawford	2005	C Pfulgrath	A Smith
2006	R Marsh	2008	K Suthers	2010	C Spalding	2006	D Mealey	N Damm
2007	C Hoffmann					2007	M Pius	C Hoffmann
2008	P Smith				Churches/GPS/ Sub Districts****	2008	G Cavanagh	R Neate
2009	B McMahon	Women's				2009	P Smith	C Croucher
2010	G Tutt	2010	C Hoffmann			2010	M Branch	S Dionysius
2011	S Wilkins	2011	G Tutt			2011	J Collins	M Robertson
2012	D Male	2012	A Dore			2012	N James	S Eustace
2013	K Murray / P Russell	2013	A Dore	C Pritchard		2013	D Burns	S Farrell
2014	P Rogerson	2014	T Logan	J Peisley		2014	J Prakash	S Shreeharsha
2015	N Kabir	2015	G Athwal			2015	S Farley	B Thompson
2016	D Exelby	2016	J Griffith			2016	J Simmonds	J Rearden
2017	P Luca	2017	R Howard			2017	C Dore	P Alexander
2018	J Bradley	2018	J Bradley			2018	J Bradley	A Warren

* Sub Districts, B and C grades were combined for award purposes in 2008/09

** Churches award was combined with Beenleigh/Logan in 2008/09

*** Churches was combined with Sub Districts B & C Grades in 2010/11 Beenleigh no longer included

**** Sub Districts A Grade was combined with Sub Districts B & C Grades and added GPS in 2012/13



Bob Spence Medal



The winner of the Bob Spence Medal for 2017/18 is Steve Farley.

The winner of this medal collectively is determined on the basis of points allocated for attendances at General Meetings and the seminar, doing the Laws and Qld Cricket regulations refresher exams, the availability to umpire on Saturday and Sundays and the overall average mark given by the captains for the umpire's performance throughout the season.



Bob Spence Medal
Winner - Steve Farley

Tony Cupitt had the responsible job of going through the records and doing the calculations, to determine the winner.

Steven Farley joined the Association in the 2014/15 season. He umpired the entire season in Second Grade and found time also to stand on the Sundays in: Lord's Taverners, Women's, Over 40s and Legends.

In Steve's first season, he exploded on the scene by winning the Bob Spence Shield Fourth Grade Award, the Alan Pettigrew Award and made the Bob Spence Medal "Top Ten" also.

This season was Steve's second appearance in the Bob Spence Medal "Top Ten". In fact, only four regular First Graders made it to the Top Ten this year and within the Top Ten group there was a fascinating spread of winners throughout the grades; this is a healthy sign that there is a positive and keen group of umpires that is striving to achieve even higher honours and Steve is one of them.

Steve has had a long association with junior cricket as a coach so a natural progression for him was to become an umpire. The Association is very pleased Steve has chosen this path to join us. With his positive approach to umpiring, experience and knowledge of the game, he has obviously much impressed the captains during the season. He has now rattled up just over 75 games over his four seasons umpiring in Qld Premier Grade cricket.

In winning the Bob Spence Medal from standing in grades other than First Grade it is quite a rare feat, with only a handful of umpires achieving this honour before him. Congratulations goes to Steve in being presented with the Association's most prestigious award. Steve has become a very reliable and dedicated umpire and he is a very worthy winner of this award.

Former Test Umpire and Life Member Tony McQuillan presented the Bob Spence "Top Ten" medals. The winners were enthusiastically

announced by Ross Howard as the tension built throughout the function room at Easts Leagues. Tony McQuillan then announced the Bob Spence Medal winner. Unfortunately, Steve Farley was absent overseas, but Ross read out a statement of thanks that Steve had emailed through.

A couple of weeks later, Qld Cricket Board member Mark Gray presented Steve with his medals and the Bob Spence Perpetual Trophy at the Grade Dinner in the Legends Room at the Gabba. The previous year's winner, Peter Boland was present there to congratulate Steve on his achievement.

Bob Spence Medal Honour Board

1984/85	Merv Musch
1985/86	Don Payne
1986/87	Col Bertwistle
1987/88	Tony McQuillan
1988/89	Peter Parker
1989/90	Merv Musch
1990/91	Col Bertwistle
1991/92	Tony McQuillan
1992/93	Tony McQuillan
1993/94	Ray Isherwood
1994/95	Ray Isherwood & Wayne Heinemann
1995/96	Michael Jay
1996/97	Glenn Zimmer
1997/98	Michael Jay
1998/99	Jim Torpey
1999/00	Lawrie Musch
2000/01	Jim Veivers
2001/02	Andrew Curran
2002/03	Bruce Oxenford
2003/04	Don White
2004/05	Norm McNamara
2005/06	Ron Johnsen
2006/07	Ian Barsby
2007/08	Peter Boland
2008/09	Jay Kangur
2009/10	Jay Kangur
2010/11	Ian Barsby & Alan Grieve
2011/12	Ian Barsby
2012/13	David McIver
2013/14	Peter Boland
2014/15	Ian Barsby
2015/16	Benjamin Farrell
2016/17	Peter Boland
2017/18	Steve Farley



Bob Spence Medal "Top Ten" for 2017/18 from the left:
Peter Boland, Andrew Moir, Dave McIver, Gerard Tutt,
Nathan James, Daniel Rosolen and Murray White.

Absent: Steve Farley, Greg Kotteakos and Damien McAndrew.

This year, at our Annual Dinner, Andrew Moir was presented with the Patron's Award by Mel Johnson (who was standing in for Brian Gaskell, our Patron).

Andrew has been a very valued member of the Association ever since joining us in 2006/07. Andrew is the current Director of the Social Committee. When Andrew joined the Social Committee in 2012, he immediately jumped into the big shoes left by Life Member and former Director Don White who retired for greener pastures following a successful 13-year stint in the indispensable position. Andrew has been the Association's Vice-President for the past two seasons and has been on the Management Committee since 2011.

Andrew has stood in 180 grade games, is the holder of a First Grade badge and has been in the Bob Spence Medal "Top Ten" on six occasions.

Andrew is a very hard-working diligent member of both committees and it was decided that his efforts be recognised with this award. He has assisted at the seminar helping the day flow smoothly, organises the preparation of the essential after-meeting refreshments, serves behind the bar, sells raffle tickets and sticks inconspicuously volunteers for just about any task that needs attention.

The Association is blessed with many members who offer to share their time and talents to help make the Association run smoothly and make it a worthwhile experience for their fellow members without expecting anything in return. Andrew is one of those members.



Congratulations Andrew and thank you from all concerned. An award richly deserved being bestowed!

Mel Johnson Medal

Mel Johnson himself, Life Member, former Test Umpire and namesake of this award, presented it to this year's recipient, Stephen Dionysius at the Annual Dinner.

The medal is awarded to a member to recognise that they demonstrate great promise and have the capability to reach the elite level in umpiring, which Stephen has surely shown he has.

Stephen joined us in the 2009/10 season and during that time, has stood in some 122 games. He is the

holder of a First Grade badge. In his first season his natural aptitude shone through by winning the Col Hoy award, so even then it was recognised that he had the flair for umpiring. In that season he was also in the mix for the Fifth Grade award and was appointed to a Third Grade game.

Stephen quickly rose through the ranks and in 2011/12 debuted in First Grade and took out the Lew Johnson Award in only his third season. In the following season, he was among the top few considered for the First Grade award and was in contention yet again the following year.

In 2013/14, Stephen was on the State Umpires Panel and was appointed to the Impaja Cup, stood in a Future's League match and WNCL fixtures. In 2016/17 he was again on the State Umpires Panel was selected to attend the CA National U17 Championships and stood in the WBBL as well as the WNCL.

This season Stephen retained his place on the State Umpires Panel and was appointed to his second CA

National U17s in Sep/Oct and was Queensland's solo representative at the CA National U18 Championships for females in Canberra in Nov/Dec. He also stood in the WBBL and WNCL and had fourth umpire duties in three BBL matches at the Gabba.

Congratulations Stephen on your achievements, this award is a well-deserved recognition for your talent as a very skilful official.



Mel Johnson Medal Honour Board

2003/04	Greg Rogers
2004/05	Phil Spence
2005/06	Greg Rogers
2006/07	Phil Spence
2007/08	Greg Rogers
2008/09	Peter Chapman
2009/10	Gerard Cavanagh
2010/11	Regan Neate
2011/12	Jayvan Ruddick-Collins
2012/13	Andrew Willis
2013/14	Donovan Koch
2014/15	Steven Farrell
2015/16	Michael Mellifont
2016/17	Daniel Rosolen
2017/18	Stephen Dionysius



Umpire Selectors' Report



Thank you for the opportunity as Chairman of the Umpires' Selectors' Committee to present this report for the 2017/18 cricket season.

This season saw the selection committee continue with the work that we commenced over the last couple of season.

The Panel existed of Mr Mike Ralston, Mr Rob Dunbar and myself, we selected umpires for the first and second grade panels. Mr Ross Howard and Mr David McIver from the Umpires Association took control of the lower grades. This season we also included an extra observer for the lower grades in Mr John Rowe.

The splitting of the selections has allowed more time to be spent developing umpires and we (observers) were able to cast a wider view over all matches.

The season commenced with 120 members. To fill all grade matches on a Saturday, we require 72 umpires to be available. This figure rises to 80 after Christmas with the GPS competition commencing. As in previous seasons, approximately 6-10 umpires would make themselves unavailable either on the Friday night or Saturday morning before the days play. As you would be aware this does cause disruptions,

not only for the selectors, but also umpires who needed to be reallocated to different games and locations, sometimes on the morning of matches. These withdrawals were predominately from third grade through to sixth grade.

The Committee is responsible for allocating Umpires to all representative fixtures under the direction of Queensland Cricket's Premier Grade and Churches Association. We also take on the role of Umpire Observers. Our role as observers is to provide feedback to Umpires and their Coaches to improve their on-field performance. It is our aim to observe all Umpires early in the season and a follow-up observation in the second half of the season.

The Panel meets regularly to allocate Umpires to fixture matches, other special games and trial matches.

Our International Cricket Council member Mr Bruce Oxenford was appointed to stand in 8 Tests, 6 One Day Internationals around the world this season. Our Australia Development Umpire Mr Donovan Koch was allocated to a number of CA fixtures in Queensland as well as other states of the country as part of his duties and responsibilities as a State

Representatives. He demonstrated a high degree of professionalism and the prospects for higher honours in the National System are looking positive in the future. Members also represented in the Big Bash League, Women's Big Bash League, Toyota Future League, Women's National Cricket League and National under age carnivals, Men's, under 19 in Tasmania, under 17 and under 15 in Brisbane and, Women's under 15 held in Adelaide.

The Selection Panel continues to proactively work with the Umpire's Association for the betterment of Umpiring in Queensland.

On behalf of the Committee members, I would like to thank all members and staff of Queensland Cricket, the QCUSA for their assistance during the 2017/18 season. I would like to personally thank the committee members and also Mr Ross Howard, Mr David McIver and Mr John Rowe for their dedication, assistance and advice during the season.

On behalf of this Committee, I thank the Board of Queensland Cricket for the confidence they have shown in our committee.

Peter Monaghan
Chairman

Training and Development Officer's Report

The four new umpires to sit their Community Officiating course online and attend the face-to-face beginners' umpire-training began their first session early July. After these theory sessions followed two days of on-field training during inter-club trial games. We would like to thank Wests DCC and South Brisbane DCC and all those involved for allowing us to use their trial games for on-field training. This training is the most valuable experience the new umpires will receive and it prepares them well for their first game. All the beginning umpires went on to start in a Queensland Cricket competition match throughout the season.

Our association also benefitted, from umpires who had been with a different association and umpires come from other states, who began umpiring this season. We had returning umpires also make our ranks stronger.

With this quality of new umpires to the association, when it came to the end of the season, a number of the new umpires had progressed to Fourth Grade making the decision on who would win the Progression and the Encouragement Awards very interesting. I would like to congratulate Alex Warren (Col Hoy Award) and Jaime Bradley (Col Timmins Award, Sixth Grade, and Women's Awards) on winning their awards. It is excellent to see all the

new umpires are continuing to umpire in the 2018/19 season.

Once again, I would like to thank our senior umpires in the lower grades who pass on their wisdom and assist helping the new umpires enjoy the beginning of their umpiring careers.

Finally, I would like to thank Rob Dunbar, Peter Boland, the State Panel and, the observers and selectors for the feedback I received on the new and returning umpires. I would also like thank, Murray White, for all his support and assistance during my time as Training and Development Officer. Without his efforts, my role would have been significantly harder.

Murray Branch

This year's seminar was held at the National Cricket Centre and Queensland Cricket Headquarters. With a major rewrite of the Laws of Cricket, over 50, minor and major, changes it was only natural that the seminar's theme was these changes to the Laws.

The State Panel led the day, our panel worked in pairs to present an ambitious day with each pair taking a group of 20 – 25 QCUSA members for a nine-hour marathon and making that time, engaging, memorable and relative. Which if you have ever had to teach a group of cricket umpires about the Laws of Cricket is not an easy mission.

Our presenters on the day were, Rob Dunbar, Bob Parry, Steven Farrell, Donovan Koch, Stephen Dionysius, David Taylor and Nathan James. Each pair had to present the Laws of Cricket in four sessions, which were each given a theme, 'Setting up the Game' and Law 41, 'Innings and Result', 'Fielders and Substitutes, Batsmen and Runners, Practice on the Field, Wicket Keeper', and Unfair Play. Thanks to these umpires for their time and efforts with their seminar presentations, they do a top job and the training we received ensured we had a thorough knowledge and understanding of the Laws of



Cricket leading into 2017/2018 umpiring season.

The two exams, MCC Laws of Cricket and the QC Regulations' Exam, were provided as multiple-choice exams and they were available via a link to a Google Form so that the members could access each one in their own time. The exam had a pass mark of 85% but could be completed multiple times to achieve the result. The Laws exam focused on the changes to the Laws of Cricket, and the Regulations exam was a test of the application of these Laws and Queensland Cricket regulations.

The monthly training sessions consisted of a variety of themes,

which were chosen from the answers given on the exams, the feedback from the observers and the changes to the Laws of Cricket. Our training season kicked off with a refresher of Cricket Australia's expectation of On-field Technique and what the observers will be looking for during their observations.

At the September meeting, Michael Fisher walked us through the new Queensland Cricket regulations and I lead a discussion on the Laws exam. Other themes for the year were; on-field communication with your partner and Decision Making. Just before the one-day games, David Taylor worked through GWL calculations and ran a few scenarios for the members to complete. The year's training was completed with a thorough look at the variation between the regulations and the finals' regulations, which do change significantly for those games.

I want to thank all the members who helped with the seminar presentations, the monthly meeting training and those who provided feedback and ideas for all training. I would also like to thank the members for their support.

Cheers!

Murray Branch
Chairman





Bob Spence Medal Dinner



The Easts Leagues Club venue scored a hat-trick by hosting the Bob Spence Medal Dinner again this year. 96 guests congregated in the bar area and enjoyed pre-dinner drinks before making their way to be seated at their tables. Once again, we saw many new faces join us for the first time, which was great. I hope they enjoyed themselves and they choose to join us again next year both on and off the field. It was very pleasing to see many members attend as well as the partners of our members.

Guests enjoyed a wonderful night of great food, friendship and frivolities. Unfortunately, our Patron Brian Gaskell was unable to attend however we were very happy to welcome 16 special guests. We had representatives from three Brisbane Grade Cricket Clubs being: South Brisbane, Sandgate-Redcliffe, and the Sunshine Coast; Mrs Bev Hoy and her son, Ken; Col and Alyson Kelaart representing the Cricket Society; Scott and Therese Rugless representing our sponsors, Beastwear; Peter Chapman's widow Robyn with son Steven; and Rob and Traci Dunbar.

We were happy to have ten representatives from the Sub Districts Umpires join us for the night as well.

Many of our Life Members were in attendance. It was great to see in our presence once again Lew Johnson, Col Timmins, Anthony McQuillan, Mel Johnson, Don White and Ron Johnsen all having a great time catching up with each other.

Our Guest speaker this year was Jimmy "Mahbo" Maher. It was

conducted as an interview style by Peter Boland. As expected, Jimmy was hilarious and kept the members and VIPs in stitches with his many colourful anecdotes especially about his times as a player for his beloved Queensland Bulls.

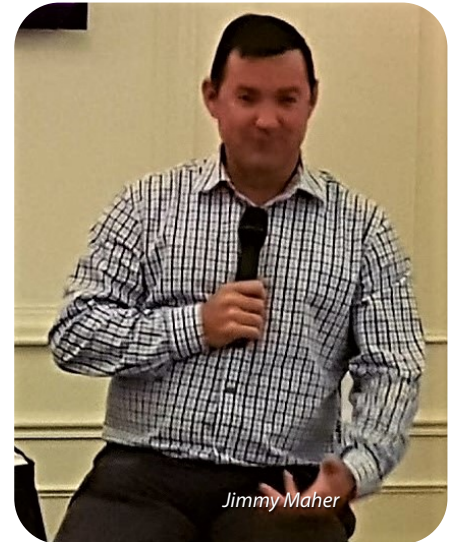
Again, we must thank Nelma, even though now she has stood down from any "official" position with the Association, she still wants to be involved. She again did a wonderful job in organising things for the night and had the burdensome assignment of ordering and checking all the trophies.

Many thanks to the members of the Social Committee who acted as our concierges and made sure all the ladies received their obligatory box of chocolates as a thank you for their attendance for the evening and ensured that the night progressed like a well-oiled machine, not too many hiccups and the meals and service be first class.

This year we added a PowerPoint that showed the contenders and winners as they were announced.

The presentation of the many awards went smoothly, and many thanks must go to our Statistician Tony Cupitt, who had the gargantuan undertaking in compiling all the figures to find the winners.

Peter Boland, as usual, did a wonderful job as our MC and Ross Howard again made the naming of the Bob Spence "Top Ten" entertaining and enthralling whilst Tony McQuillan presented the Bob Spence "Top Ten" medals to the winners.



Jimmy Maher

Peter Chapman's widow, Robyn, and son, Steve; Don White Nelma Grout; Lew Johnson and Bruce Oxenford were on hand to present all grade winners with their awards. Mel Johnson presented the Patron's Award and also the medal named after him, Mrs. Bev Hoy presented the Col Hoy Award, Col Timmins presented his award.

Again, it was great to see that this year most of our award winners attended the dinner to accept their awards themselves and receive the congratulations of their fellow members personally. Well done to all of you, it is very hard to win these awards, so it is a great achievement of which you should be very proud.

Congratulations to our Bob Spence Medallist Steve Farley on winning his maiden Bob Spence Medal.

Murray White
Hon Secretary



Steve Chapman with
his mother, Robyn



Social Committee Report



As I sit down to write this the Season has ended and our Annual Awards Dinner is done.

Congratulations to all the nominees and award recipients. Special congratulations to Steve Farley, the winner of the Bob Spence Medal. The year has certainly gone fast. Thank you all for your attendance at meetings and socialising afterwards.

The attendance at meetings has been strong and it has been our pleasure to provide an atmosphere where we can interact and get to know our fellow umpires.

In the past year we have provided refreshments at the AGM, the seminar and General Meetings. This helps with the partnerships on the field. Not only are we informed



during the meetings we get to socialise afterwards. This year we tried a few different things. We enjoyed pizza as a change from our usual sausages. We are always looking for assistance and ideas to mix things up. Please don't hesitate to bring any ideas for the coming

year. I look forward to seeing you in the coming season.

This year also saw the introduction of the new Beastwear merchandise. The coming season will be the 50th Anniversary of the Association. We will be distributing a commemorative cap and on-field shirt to active members. There will be more info regarding this in the new season.

None of this happens on its own. I would like to acknowledge and thank Damien McAndrew, Dave McIver, Todd Edmonds, Greg Kotteakos, Nelma Grout and all other members who have helped throughout the year. Till next season.

Andrew Moir

Director, Social Committee

QCUSA Delegate's Report

During the season, three delegates meetings were held including the Qld Cricket AGM. Even though reports and issues that were raised and discussed at these meetings didn't involve umpiring, the matters dealt with and the points raised did impact the administration of the game and how it is resourced throughout Queensland.

During the season, it was reinforced that the escalating burden of the ever-increasing participation rates at grassroots and junior levels, together with the resulting infrastructure and facilities requirements are proving to be a formidable challenge for all clubs to shoulder and more significant financial assistance provided by Qld Cricket will be needed if targets are to be met.

QC reported another solid financial result for the 2016/17 year. Its current position at 30 June 2017 is:

- Operating Profit \$564,069
- Cash at Bank \$6,671,260
- The Brisbane Heat posted a Net Profit of \$1,721,407.

QC's 2017/18 budget is built on known and contracted revenue, including achievable BBL patronage. The budget shows an operating loss of \$207,845. Brisbane Heat continues to drive the finances of Qld

Cricket and is budgeted to make a Net Profit of \$1,350,936.

Key elements in the budget include upgrades to Premier Grade wickets, Premier Grade coaching and female cricket programs and facilities.

Across the State, infrastructure challenges are immense. The lack of proper facilities at club level to cater for increased participation across the board, particularly for females, is a sorry state of affairs. This issue is an increasingly more difficult problem to provide a solution for.

Other key operating changes set to impact upon QC's future financial position beyond 2017/18 are as follows: (1) The implementation of the National Cricket Campus Masterplan incorporating the Allan Border Precinct (2) Essential maintenance requirements at Allan Border Precinct.

At the AGM, "The Farmer" Katherine Raymont, was made a Life Member of Qld Cricket. Kirsten Pike and Chris Simpson were elected, and John Salter re-elected to the Board.

At the December OGM, it was announced that Terry Svenson was the new Independent Director following Fiona Hannan's resignation. The first match of the Women's Ashes was played at AB Field on October 22 and was a successful event all round despite

the challenging weather conditions which highlighted the necessity to upgrade the drainage at AB Field. This issue is a major obstacle impeding the ground from becoming a world-class Tier 2 facility.

Kevin Roberts and Michael Kasprovicz from Cricket Australia attended the May OGM. The questions that were submitted were put to Kevin and in some cases Michael. What came out of that discussion for anyone involved in the game of cricket was that, the past season has certainly been a tumultuous and enervating affair starting with the MoU fiasco to the Cape Town debacle. Hopefully some positive change comes as a result of the recommendations stemming out of the related reviews that have been established.

Qld Cricket are facing reality that the Gabba requires a relatively major face-lift to remain competitive considering it lost having the opening test of the 2018/19 season.

In conclusion, the QCUSA acknowledges the generous support it has received from Qld Cricket which is greatly appreciated and we look forward to working together next season.

Murray White

QCUSA Delegate



Grade Committee Report



On behalf of the Premier Cricket Committee, I would like to thank all the umpires that officiated in Premier Cricket matches throughout the 2017/18 season.

Congratulations to you all for the effort you put in during preseason to ensure we could play the entire season under the revised law changes. Well done to Murray Branch for your effort in coordinating this training process with help provided by Qld Cricket State Umpire Manager, Rob Dunbar.

Congratulations also to those Umpires who officiated in Finals throughout the season and those who were awarded honours at the presentation night. Be proud of your achievements.

To Steve Farley, well done and an outstanding performance on and off the field this season. Steve's outstanding commitment to umpiring resulted in being the recipient of the Bob Spence Medal at the Peter Burge Medal Presentation. Well done, Steve, on your progression as an umpire.

Looking to our next season 2018/19 will see a National T20 competition introduced for Premier Cricket. The champions of the Tom Veivers Cup will be invited by Cricket Australia, to play in a ten-team competition in March 2019 in Adelaide.

On the back of this announcement from CA, the Premier Committee has structured the competition so that more T20 cricket will be played in the upcoming season. There will

also be an exciting new T20 competition introduced for the mid grades during the higher grade T20 window.

The advantage for the Umpiring Association will be more umpires umpiring T20 cricket the most exciting format of the game. We may need to get OX to sponsor a few "Ox Blocks"!

I look forward to seeing you all out there enjoying the wonderful game of cricket in 2018/19.

Steven Farrell

Chairman

Premier Cricket Committee



Northern Suburbs – Winner of the Cam Battersby Cup – myFootDr Men's First Grade Competition for 2017/18.



Western Suburbs – Winner of the Katherine Raymont Shield – Women's One Day First Grade Competition for 2017/18.



Sandgate – Redcliffe – Winner of the John McKhoolty Cup – myFootDr Men's First Grade Limited Overs Competition for 2017/18.



Western Suburbs – Winner of the Katherine Raymont Shield – Women's Twenty20 First Grade Competition for 2017/18.



Sandgate – Redcliffe – Winner of the Tom Veivers Cup – myFootDr Men's First Grade Competition for 2017/18.



Toombul – Winner of the The Lord's Taverners Competition for 2017/18.

Season Objective

Development of well-trained match officials to the Premier Competition level, Regional competitions and to meet the Queensland Cricket Strategic Plan.

Overview

The season saw the continuation of the objectives achieved over the last two seasons, that commenced last season with the members of the Lower Grade Committee assisting with the development of the Lower Grade umpires.

Peter Monaghan, Mike Ralston and I selected umpires for the First and Second Grade men's panels along with the Women's First Grade and Lord's Taverners competitions. Ross Howard and David McIver from the Umpires Association controlled the lower grades. This season we also included an extra observer for the lower grades in John Rowe.

With an influx of interested people wanting to umpire, through the commencement of the Community Cricket website, the season commenced with 120 members. What is interesting is the number of people who complete the on-line portal training and do not follow through to a Face to face session or umpire at all. To fill all grade matches on a Saturday requires 72 umpires to be available each weekend prior to Christmas. This figure rises to 80 after Christmas with the GPS competition commencing. As with previous seasons, approximately 6-10 umpires would make themselves unavailable either on the Friday night or Saturday morning, thus causing headaches not only for the selectors, but also the fellow umpires who were shuffled around the grounds at sometimes a moment's notice. These withdrawals continue to be predominately from Third Grade down. With the amount of cricket being scheduled, this year we saw a number of First Grade umpires make themselves unavailable on Sunday's when there wasn't a First Grade fixture scheduled. Over the last two seasons, we have seen our stocks diminish after Christmas when the heat and humidity kicks in.

Representative Appointments

The following umpires gained Representative Appointments during the season:

- Bruce Oxenford - Elite Panel of ICC Umpires 2017/18:
7 Test Matches (Field)
3 Test Matches (3rd Umpire)
6 ODIs (Field)
7 ODIs (3rd Umpire)
(Bruce has now stood in 48 Tests, 86 ODI's and 20 International T20s)
- Donovan Koch - Cricket Australia Development Umpire Panel (DUP) 2017/18:
2 Sheffield Shield matches
5 International Tour Matches
2 JLT One-Day Cup matches
8 BBLs (Inc. 4 as 3rd Umpire)
2 Toyota Futures Leagues
- David Taylor - Qld Cricket State Umpire Panel 2017/18:
4 Toyota Futures Leagues
3 BBLs as 4th Umpire
2 WBBLs
2 International Tour Matches
National Under 19 Carnival
Ponting XI v Gilchrist XI
- Other umpires appointed to the Queensland Cricket State Umpire Panel 2017/18:
- Murray Branch
- Stephen Dionysius
- Steven Farrell
- Murray Branch appointments:
WBBL
WNCL
Futures League match
National Under 17 Carnival
- Stephen Dionysius
WBBL
WNCL
National Under 17 Carnival
- Steven Farrell appointments:
WBBL
WNCL
National Under 15 Carnival
- Jaime Bradley appointments:
Women's Under 15 Carnival
Recipient of a CA scholarship
- Nathan James appointments:
National Under 15 Carnival
- Daniel Rosolen appointments:
WNCL



Recruitment and Retention

The conversion rate from on-line accreditation to the Face to Face sessions needs improving.

The recent survey shows the average age of an umpire in Queensland is between 51-60 who has been umpiring for six years.

Most join for the love of the game.

Education and Training

As mentioned earlier, the conversion rate from on-line accreditation to the Face to Face sessions needs improving. These sessions are designed to be targeted at a basic level to assist a new umpire learn the ropes and not be scared away by a myriad of rules and regulations. These Local regulations can now be taught after umpires have had an opportunity to test the waters of officiating.

Rob Dunbar

Umpire Development and Support Manager



Umpires for Qld U19s vs. Zimbabwe U19s at AB Field on 24/08/2017
Left to Right: Daniel Rosolen, Nathan James, Joshua Adie



National U19 Male Championships



I left the Gold Coast and a sulking Black & White Border Collie in beautiful sunshine, only to arrive to Hobart in driving rain with the plane nearly skidding sideways off the runway. Steve Davis, who was also on the flight, now with his feet firmly on terra firma, returned to some type of normal colour after going white when the plane was landing.

The umpiring team gathered in the foyer of the hotel where we were staying before heading out to Blundstone Arena (aka Bellerive Oval) for a get to know session and playing conditions briefing. We were each asked to do a small presentation to the team revolving around specific PC's. With the laws meshed into the PC's this season, the session was certainly required.

Discussion topic around the dinner table that evening quickly turned to which games would be washed out after around 12 inches of rain in the past two days and who would be sticking the uniform on for day one.

Unfortunately, 4 out the 5 matches were washed out day one. The only game to go ahead ended in a tied match between NSW and the plucky local Tassie boys. NSW posted 269 from their 50 overs with another fine hundred to Penrith's new left-handed product, Ryan Hackney. The underdog Tassie boys lost their 9th wicket trying the win the game on the last ball only to be run out searching for that elusive final winning run.

For us other umpires who weren't required to get out of bed till later, we roamed Hobart looking for supplies and some cricket before finishing the afternoon in the chairmen's lounge at the shield game between Tasmania v NSW.

Day 2 – ACT v NT – Paired with Daryl Brigham from Victoria for the day, we headed for the outer northern suburbs of Hobart to Ferguson Park. The ground was still damp from the 12 inches of rain over the weekend required a little friendly persuasion to the groundsmen to start on time.

Thankfully, we managed this with NT batting first posting 137 (which proved a tricky chase for the ACT boys). ACT, with some of the bigger names of the tournament, started slowly losing a wicket in the second over (some thought this decision to be questionable, I thought out. Hardly surprising as I was the one to give him out) ACT scrambled their way to the total, 6 wickets down. After the debrief, the entire umpiring unit (umpires and match referees) headed out for a meal in the city with Steve Bernard, Paul Wilson and Simon Lightbody who were umpiring the Sheffield Shield game between Tas v NSW.

The following day, the team packed up and headed to Launceston. Peter Marshall and new CA umpiring development manager Richard Paterson decided to turn this drive into the great amazing run race from Hobart to Launceston with some thought provoking questions along the way. The participants extremely happy the race finishing at James Boags brewery, a great incentive to finish the day!

Day 3 – SA v TAS – Steve Brne my colleague for this match with Pete Marshall as match referee, played at the old NTCA number 2 ground. Unfortunately, the young Tassie boys who in the first 2 rounds were leading the competition forgot to turn up and were bundled out for 123 by SA's leg spinner Lloyd Pope. SA knocked the runs of within 20 overs to make two umpires and a

match referee very happy to get an early mark for the day.

Day 4 – Vic Country v WA – The jockey from NSW, Glen Stubbings was my colleague for this fourth round match. With jackets of for the first time during the tournament, the sun greeted us at Windsor community precinct. With several members from last season's winning team on board, WA were always going to prove to be tough opponents. Led by level headed skipper Aaron Hardie, WA chased down 212 with the loss of only three wickets in the last over of the match, Hardie top scored with a smart 68 at just under a run a ball. This victory got WA's campaign up and running.

We were afforded a day off before the next important fixture, a State of Origin humdinger under lights at University of Tasmania Stadium. The day's entertainment consisted of exploring all Launceston had to offer with dinner at the annual Friday night markets.

Day 5 – NSW v QLD D/N – State of Origin day. A late breakfast after a sleep in, we headed to the ground around 12.30pm for a 2.20pm start. Always good to get to these grounds early to try and iron out any potential hic-up's that could arise. With Pete Marshall as the match referee and James Hewitt from WA as my colleague, we covered of all potential issues early, leaving time to chill before my allegiance to state was about to be tested.



National U19 Championships 2017/18 Umpires



National U19 Male Championships (cont.)



David Taylor

Queensland landed the first blow after losing the toss by dismissing Penrith run machine Ryan Hackney for 13, bowled by Wests quick Blake Edwards. Once the Aussie U19s opening bat Jack Edwards was dismissed caught on the fence hooking for 51, NSW battled their way to 191 leaving 3 overs out on the field after being dismissed within 47 overs, something that would come back to bite them. Valleys quick Donal Whyte was the chief destroyer for QLD with 4/26 of his seven overs.

An aggressive/mouthy NSW team took to the field knowing they were short with the bat, were able to send Angus Lovell, QLD skipper Nathan McSweeney, Harry Wood and Lachlan Prince back to sheds early leaving the QLD boys grappling at 4/40 and in desperate need of a partnership. Cometh the hour, cometh the men, Max Bryant and Ben Maynard steadied the ship to produce a match winning partnership of 110 with a couple of lusty blows from Snell and Bartlett to guide QLD to a hard-fought win with the lights only just taking effect. Max Bryant earning the player of the match in this fiercely contested origin. After finishing off this match, it was back to the rooms for beers and pizza with the rest of the team before heading back to Hobart in the morning.

A late check out and casual drive back to Hobart proved tough for a

few of the groups needing to be back for a 3pm personal development session. This session now started at 4pm. The session was light, centred around our tournament thus far, what is working and what wasn't, the WBBL and the FL season. Ian Lock, who ran the session was seeking feedback.

Day 6 – NSW v TAS – Qtr Final – Anthony Hobson from NSW was my colleague for this match. Unfortunately, the home team didn't bring their A game to this match. NSW on the other hand, all mouthy, were just warming into the tournament. NSW batting first led by skipper Param Uppal (who made his shield debut a few months later) and Austin Waugh (Steve's son) posted 251 from their 50 overs. Tassie never got going and were all out for 111. Lawrence Neil Smith (who just signed a contract with Tasmania) the chief destroyer with 5/17.

Day 7 – NSW v WA – Semi Final – For mine, I was hoping this match to be the Grand Final. The two best credentialed teams in the tournament. For the game, I was paired with NSW's Troy Penman. WA for some reason asked NSW to bat first on a good flat wicket. After a cautious start by both teams, WA's decision to bowl first near proved a master stroke but for some sloppy fielding which would have seen NSW 5/90 in the 30th over and needing a partnership, these missed chances would come back to bite WA, with the wheels falling of the WA wagon.

NSW went on the attack, posting an imposing total of 288, again led by Param Uppal with 91. WA slightly hampered with the ball by WA's beanpole Cameron Green unable to bowl throughout the tournament due to stress fractures in the back (Green took 28 wickets in shield cricket for WA at the back end of the previous season).

NSW's 288 was always going to be a challenge at this level, but with the level head of WA Skipper Aaron Hardie, they were always in with a chance. Unfortunately for Hardie, none of his colleagues could stay with him, Hardie himself was

dismissed on 77 in the deep. WA were dismissed in the 38th over for 177.

A quick dash back as the group was required at the TCUSA monthly meeting. Never going to be a dull night with charismatic Will Braid's in control of the room and mic. Interestingly, Tassie pour through reports from respective grades each meeting. This all done with the view to make sure procedure is being followed, laws and PC's being adhered to, issues are being dealt with, and matters being addressed by umpires on the day or round. From the meeting, a quick change of clothes and the group headed out for a few beers before a day off.

A casual day off with half the team lazing at the hotel, the other half taking a drive up a cold Mt Wellington (take a jacket up there).

Day 8 – SA v WA 3rd/4th – My colleague for this match was Claire Polosak from NSW and in tow for a fourth time in seven games was Pete Marshall as match referee. The scores suggest this game reached some lofty heights, but that would be false. WA, batting first whacked their way to 288 with a smart 115 from Matt Spoor. Steady wickets fell throughout SA's innings, leaving them 70 odd runs short.

A quick dash back to the hotel before heading the Blundstone Arena for the presentation dinner with the Grand Final out on the field as the back drop. Interesting, right in the middle of dinner with everyone tucking in to a roast, the smoke alarm went off with everyone was told to leave the building (also stopping the GF on field). With some nice acknowledgement from all on stage speakers, the umpiring team walked away from the night with a smile on our faces ready for a few beers in Hobart's nightlife (nightlife used loosely, most of us headed home just after midnight). Tournament done for another year.

Time to head home to sunny Broadbeach and a happy Border Collie.

David Taylor



National U17 Male Championships



In September/October 2017, Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast co-hosted the Cricket Australia National Under 17 Male Championships.

Attending this carnival were 10 umpires from all states with Queensland representation from Murray Branch and Stephen Dionysius.

Cricket Australia were represented by Steve Davis, Bob Parry and Ian Lock. All three were heavily involved with the training and observations of the umpires with the assistance of the supplementary match referee panel – Neil Findlay, Ian Thomson, Kent Hannam. An exclusive first, we were fortunate to have the expertise from current CA National Umpiring Panel member, John Ward, who acted in a mentoring role throughout the carnival. This included both on and off the field and a wonderful experience to be part of. I am sure all involved were appreciative of John's time and effort. Thanks once again John!

The carnival consisted of 50 over one day matches with the first week up at the Sunshine Coast and the 2nd week in Brisbane. The overall standard of cricket was excellent,

and the future of Australian cricket is in excellent hands.

On arrival, there was a pre-tournament meeting with the CA representatives, coaches and captains. This gave us all a chance to understand the playing conditions and be all on the same page come game day. After this we had free time where we got to enjoy a quiet dinner and beverage.

Like the year before being played in Queensland, there is always the strong possibility of rain. Whilst most of the conditions were perfect there was a game or two where calculation of overs, wet weather playing conditions and match management was administered. It was testament to all our training at grade level coupled with our planning within the group to make sure things ran as smoothly as possible.

Team work, communication, player management and decision making are very important factors in making a quality umpire. These are on display both on and off the field. Like the players this carnival is a pathway to the next level within the CA model. Every umpire had their personal goals that they wanted to achieve, however, it was evident

early that we were operating as one team and had each other's support for, once again, a successful carnival.

Each game was observed by a CA representative in person and recorded which added further value to our improvement in being the best umpires that we could possibly be. All feedback given was constructive and because it was given at the end of each match. This was something that we could focus on for the next game.

The overall experience was excellent, a sense of what hard work and dedication is required to keep aspiring to higher levels. Lastly, I would like to thank the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association for giving both Murray and I the opportunity to go to the Championships and all the umpires in Brisbane for all the support that we received. Without you guys, this would not have happened.

Best Wishes

Stephen Dionysius and Murray Branch



National U18 Female Championships

In November/December 2017, Canberra hosted the Cricket Australia (CA) National Under 18 Female Championships. CA were represented by tournament director Neil Findlay, a current member of the CA Match Referee Supplementary Panel. We were also fortunate to have appearances from Simon Taufel, Ian Locke, Richard Patterson, Simon Lightbody and Claire Polosak who all added quality feedback to all umpires.

Joining me at this carnival were seven women from around Australia. I saw this opportunity as beneficial to developing my umpiring skills. My role was simple, umpire to the best of my ability but also lead by example and help the other seven umpires who were at differing stages in their short umpiring journey. Predominately,

this was their first carnival so mixed feelings were evident. Being away from home, dealing with the pressure of game day and the observations were all factors faced by my colleagues. Feeling uncomfortable is normal and one thing was evident, friendships were formed, and we had fun.

The carnival consisted of both T20 and 50 over one day matches. The overall standard of cricket was excellent, and the future of women's cricket is indeed promising. Like all carnivals, there is a pre-tournament meeting with the CA representatives, coaches and captains. This gave us all a chance to understand the playing conditions and be all on the same page come game day. After this we had free time.

Canberra was cold, and we had a considerable amount of rain which

was challenging. However, we all saw this as an opportunity to understand and apply the processes of GWL. All umpires valued this learning experience.

It was evident that we were one team, communicated well and had fun. The feedback was very positive to all and by no means did any of us think we were ready for test cricket. We all appreciated the time away and will use this feedback to improve our craft.

The overall experience was excellent, and I would like to thank the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association for giving me this opportunity to go to the U18 Female Championships.

Best Wishes

Stephen Dionysius

The Peter Burge Medal is awarded each season to the best and fairest cricketer in the My FootDr First Grade Competition, as judged by the Premier Grade umpires.

The award is named in honour of Peter Burge, who played in a 15-year Sheffield Shield career, scoring some 7,627 runs at an average of 56.08, including 24 centuries, in 91 matches. He captained Queensland 29 times. He also played 42 Test matches for Australia, scoring 2,290 runs at 38.16, including four centuries.

This year's winner was Alecz Day from the Sunshine Coast Scorchers. He was awarded his Medal by Joan Burge at the Queensland Cricket Awards Dinner.

Not only is Alecz is the captain of the Scorchers but also their top order batsman and off-spinner. Alecz took out the Peter Burge Medal for Premier Cricket Men's Best and Fairest player after scoring 966 runs across all formats at an average of 42 and taking 47 wickets at 19.74, the most by a spinner.

Alecz has been regularly amongst in the mix as one of the top 10 contenders for the medal over the past six seasons including his third placing just last year.

His form was rewarded with a call-up to the Queensland Academy of Sport team where he scored 86 against New South Wales in the Futures League. A crack at donning maroon colours soon is also within Alecz's sights.

Alecz's total of 62 votes was enough to edge out 2003/04 Burge Medal winner and Sandgate-Redcliffe paceman Nathan Rimmington who tallied 60 votes, with the duo safely out in front of Wests all-rounder Chris Sabburg who finished the season with 48 votes and 2014/15 winner University of Qld paceman Scott Walter trailing by a further vote back on 47.

For the first time a merit team was named for both the men's and women's First Grade, recognising the great individual seasons of twelve players in each competition.



Peter Burge Medal Honour Board

1990/91	Harley Hammelman (South Brisbane)
	Bob McGhee (Toombul)
1991/92	Peter Clifford (Toombul)
1992/93	Andrew Courtice (University of Queensland)
1993/94	Adam Dale (Wynnum/Manly)
	Scott Prestwidge (Wynnum/Manly)
1994/95	Peter Skuse (Toombul)
	Dominic Ovenden (Northern Suburbs)
1995/96	Adam Dale (Wynnum/Manly)
1996/97	Jeff Pfaff (Gold Coast)
1997/98	Paul Argent (South Brisbane)
1998/99	Mick Miller (Northern Suburbs)
1999/00	Brendan Creevey (Sandgate/Redcliffe)
2000/01	Dale Turner (South Brisbane)
2001/02	Greg Rowell (Western Suburbs)
2002/03	Aaron Nye (Western Suburbs)
2003/04	Nathan Rimmington (Sandgate/Redcliffe)
2004/05	Derek Tate (Toombul)
2005/06	Ben Laughlin (Wynnum/Manly)
2006/07	Aaron Nye (Western Suburbs)
2007/08	Glen Batticciotto (Sandgate/Redcliffe)
2008/09	Craig Phillipson (University of Queensland)
2009/10	Chris Lynn (Toombul)
2010/11	Nick Fitzpatrick (Sunshine Coast)
2011/12	Brian May (South Brisbane)
2012/13	Brad Ipson (Gold Coast)
2013/14	Simon Milenko (Redlands)
2014/15	Scott Walter (University of Queensland)
2015/16	Sam Truloff (Western Suburbs)
2016/17	Michael Philipson (University of Queensland)
2017/18	Alecz Day (Sunshine Coast)



Kath Smith Medal



The Kath Smith Medal is awarded each season to the best and fairest women's cricketer playing in Queensland Premier Grade Competition known as the Katherine Raymont Shield, as judged by the umpires.

The award is named in honour of Kath Smith, who played six Tests for Australia in the 1930s and was vice-captain of the Australian team that played the very first women's Test against England at the Brisbane Exhibition Ground in December 1934 and for the two subsequent Test matches played during January 1935 in Sydney and Melbourne. She was also the vice-captain of the Australian team for the tour to England in 1937, again playing in the three Test matches played.

This year's winner, fresh off her coronation in March 2018 as the Queensland Fire's Player of the Year and Players' Player is Gold Coast and Brisbane Heat all-rounder Sammy-Jo Johnson. Sammy-Jo finished on 17 points for the season to beat out WBBL and Fire teammates Jemma Barsby from Sandgate-Redcliffe on 15 points, previous two-time winner Delissa Kimmince from the Gold Coast on 14 points and Holly Ferling from the Western Suburbs on 13 points.

Still chasing a Southern Stars debut, Sammy-Jo led the competition's run-scorers list with 499 at an average of 45.36, and also claimed 11 wickets at 25.10.

During the Qld Fire season, Sammy-Jo collected a joint-most nine wickets at 16.44 while she was also the second highest run-scorer with 157 runs at 31.40.



Sammy-Jo Johnson

Kath Smith Medal Honour Board

2002/03	Trish Brown (Valley)
2003/04	Trish Brown (Wynnum/Manly)
2004/05	Trish Brown (Wynnum/Manly)
2005/06	Trish Brown (Wynnum/Manly)
2006/07	Melissa Bulow (Western Suburbs)
2007/08	Jude Coleman (Beenleigh/Logan)
2008/09	Melissa Bulow (Western Suburbs)
2009/10	Melissa Bulow (Western Suburbs)
2010/11	Jessica Jonassen (University of Queensland)
2011/12	Jessica Jonassen (University of Queensland)
2012/13	Jude Coleman (Ipswich/Logan)
2013/14	Delissa Kimmince (Gold Coast)
2014/15	Delissa Kimmince (Gold Coast)
2015/16	Grace Harris (Western Suburbs)
2016/17	Abigail Godfrey (Gold Coast)
2017/18	Sammy-Jo Johnson (Gold Coast)



The grand-niece of Kath Smith, Suzanne Connor, presents the Kath Smith Medal Perpetual Trophy to Sammy-Jo Johnson



Peter Burge medalist Alec Day with Kath Smith medallist Sammy-Jo Johnson



ICC and Cricket Australia Appointments 2017/18 Season



Bruce Oxenford

Test Matches:

Sri Lanka v India 26th-29th July 2017 Galle
Sri Lanka v India 3rd-6th August 2017 Colombo (SSC)
Sri Lanka v India 12th-14th August 2017 Kandy (3rd Umpire)
South Africa v Bangladesh 28th Sep-2nd October 2017 Potchefstroom
South Africa v Bangladesh 6th-8th October 2017 Bloemfontein
New Zealand v West Indies 1st-4th December 2017 Wellington (3rd Umpire)
New Zealand v West Indies 9th-12th December 2017 Hamilton
New Zealand v England 22nd-26th March 2018 Auckland
New Zealand v England 30th March-3rd April 2018 Christchurch
England v Pakistan 24th-27th May 2018 Lords (3rd Umpire)

One-Day Internationals:

Bangladesh v England 1st June 2017 The Oval (3rd Umpire)
South Africa v Sri Lanka 3rd June 2017 The Oval (4th Umpire)
England v New Zealand 6th June 2017 Cardiff
Sri Lanka v Pakistan 12th June 2017 Cardiff
England v Pakistan 14th June 2017 Cardiff (Champions Trophy SF) (4th Umpire)
New Zealand v West Indies 20th December 2017 Whangarei (3rd Umpire)
New Zealand v West Indies 23rd December 2017 Christchurch
New Zealand v West Indies 26th December 2017 Christchurch (3rd Umpire)
Bangladesh v Zimbabwe 15th January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka (3rd Umpire)
Sri Lanka v Zimbabwe 17th January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka
Bangladesh v Sri Lanka 19th January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka (3rd Umpire)
Sri Lanka v Zimbabwe 21st January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka
Bangladesh v Zimbabwe 23rd January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka (3rd Umpire)
Bangladesh v Sri Lanka 25th January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka
Bangladesh v Sri Lanka 27th January 2018 Mirpur, Dhaka (Final) (3rd Umpire)

Bupa Sheffield Shield:

New South Wales v Western Australia 4th-7th Nov 2017 Hurstville Oval

Donovan Koch

Women's Ashes Series:

Australia v England 22nd October 2017 AB Field (4th Umpire)

Bupa Sheffield Shield:

Victoria v Tasmania 13th-16th November 2017 Melbourne [First Class Debut]
Queensland v South Australia 3rd-6th December 2017 Cairns

JLT One-Day Cup:

Queensland v Cricket Australia XI 29th September 2017 AB Field
Queensland v Western Australia 11th October 2017 Drummoyne Oval

KFC Big Bash League:

Brisbane Heat v Melbourne Stars 20th December 2017 Brisbane (3rd Umpire)
Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers 1st January 2018 WACA, Perth [BBL Debut]
Melbourne Stars v Melbourne Renegades 6th Jan 2018 MCG (3rd Umpire)
Hobart Hurricanes v Sydney Sixers 8th January 2018 Hobart
Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers 13th January 2018 Alice Springs
Melbourne Stars v Sydney Sixers 16th January 2018 Melbourne (3rd Umpire)
Perth Scorchers v Hobart Hurricanes 20th January 2018 WACA, Perth
Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Renegades 24th Jan 2018 Canberra (3rd Umpire)

Women's Ashes Tour:

Australia v Queensland Fire 16th October 2017 AB Field
Queensland Fire v England 18th October 2017 McMahon Oval

Toyota Futures League:

Queensland v Tasmania 6th-9th November 2017 Bill Phippen Oval
NSW Metro v Victoria 5th-8th March 2018 Blacktown Int. Sports Park #2

England Ashes Tour:

Prime Minister's XI v England XI (T20) 2nd February 2018 Canberra

Nathan James

SSA National Under 15 Championships - Boys:

11th-18th February 2018 Sunshine Coast & Brisbane

Jaime Bradley

CA National Under 15 Championships - Female:

17th-23rd January 2018 Adelaide

David Taylor

KFC Big Bash League:

Brisbane Heat v Melbourne Stars 20th December 2017 Brisbane (4th Umpire)
Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Stars 26th December 2017 Perth (4th Umpire)
Brisbane Heat v Sydney Thunder 27th December 2017 Brisbane (4th Umpire)
Ponting XI v Gilchrist XI 5th January 2018 Brisbane (BBL Exhibition Match)

rebel Women's Big Bash League:

Brisbane Heat v Melbourne Stars 12th January 2018 Mackay
Melbourne Stars v Brisbane Heat 13th January 2018 Mackay

Pakistan U19 Tour Matches:

Australia v Pakistan 29th December 2017 Albert Ground Melbourne
Australia v Pakistan 31st December 2017 Albert Ground Melbourne

Toyota Futures League:

Western Australia v Tasmania 16th-19th October 2017 Lilac Hill, Perth
Queensland v Tasmania 6th-9th November 2017 Bill Phippen Oval
Queensland v Victoria 22nd-25th January 2018 AB Field
Queensland v Western Australia 19th-22nd February 2018 Brisbane

CA National Under 19 Championships - Male:

4th-15th December 2017 Hobart

Murray Branch

Women's National Cricket League O/D:

Queensland v Victoria 16th February 2018 AB Field
Queensland v Western Australia 18th February 2018 AB Field

rebel Women's Big Bash League:

Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers 15th December 2017 AB Field
Brisbane Heat v Sydney Thunder 27th January 2018 Brisbane
Sydney Thunder v Brisbane Heat 28th January 2018 AB Field

Toyota Futures League:

Queensland v Victoria 22nd-25th January 2018 AB Field

CA National Under 17 Championships - Male:

25th September – 5th October 2017 Sunshine Coast & Brisbane

Steven Farrell

rebel Women's Big Bash League:

Hobart Hurricanes v Adelaide Strikers 9th December 2017 Glenelg
Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers 15th December 2017 AB Field
Adelaide Strikers v Brisbane Heat 29th December 2017 Adelaide
Sydney Thunder v Brisbane Heat 28th January 2018 AB Field

SSA National Under 15 Championships - Boys:

11th – 18th February 2018 Sunshine Coast & Brisbane

Stephen Dionysius

KFC Big Bash League:

Brisbane Heat v Sydney Sixers 2nd January 2018 Brisbane (4th Umpire)
Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers 5th January 2018 Brisbane (4th Umpire)
Brisbane Heat v Hobart Hurricanes 10th January 2018 Brisbane (4th Umpire)

Women's National Cricket League O/D:

Queensland v Victoria 16th February 2018 AB Field
Victoria v Western Australia 17th February 2018 AB Field
Queensland v Western Australia 18th February 2018 AB Field

rebel Women's Big Bash League:

Brisbane Heat v Melbourne Stars 12th January 2018 Mackay
Melbourne Stars v Brisbane Heat 13th January 2018 Mackay
Brisbane Heat v Sydney Thunder 27th January 2018 Brisbane

CA National Under 17 Championships - Male:

25th September – 5th October 2017 Sunshine Coast & Brisbane

CA National Under 18 Championships - Female:

27th November – 7th December 2017 Canberra

Daniel Rosolen

Women's National Cricket League O/D:

Victoria v Western Australia 17th February 2018 AB Field



Semi-Finals and Finals Appointments



my FootDr Grade Competition

Semi Finals

- First Grade - D Koch, S Dionysius, D Taylor, S Farrell.
- Second Grade - M Branch, T Edmonds, N James, M Mellifont.
- Third Grade - D Rosolen, N Marjason, D McAndrew, P Russell.
- Fourth Grade - P Clifford, R Marsh, B Farrell, L Coleman.
- Fifth Grade - G Douglas, P Rogerson, P Boland, B Ebdon.
- Sixth Grade - A Moir, M White, S Farley, W Ford.

Finals

- First Grade - D Taylor, S Farrell. (Res) S Dionysius.
- Second Grade - N James, M Mellifont. (Res) P Clifford.
- Third Grade - M Branch, P Russell. (Res) B Farrell.
- Fourth Grade - D Rosolen, R Marsh. (Res) G Douglas.
- Fifth Grade - D McAndrew, P Rogerson. (Res) A Moir.
- Sixth Grade - P Boland, W Ford. (Res) S Farley.

Sub-Districts Semi-Finals

S Bermingham, C Dore, J Durkin, I Elkington, B Jacobsen, M McLay,
K Naylor, S Shreeharsha, R Standen, G Tutt.

Women's Cricket

Semi Finals

- First Grade
- One Day - J Bradley, N James.
- Second Grade - K Naylor, P Hooper, D Mclver, R Howard.

Finals

- First Grade
- One Day - J Bradley, J Adie. (Res) R Howard.
- Twenty20 - J Bradley.
- Second Grade - K Naylor, R Marsh.
- Youth Girls - K Naylor, T Cupitt.

my FootDr One Day Competition

Semi Finals

- First Grade - D Taylor, M Branch,
S Farrell, S Dionysius.
- Second Grade - M Davidson, T Logan,
A Moir, M Mellifont.

Finals

- First Grade - D Koch, D Taylor.
(Res) S Farrell.
- Second Grade - T Logan, M Mellifont.
(Res) A Moir.

Twenty20 Competition

Finals

- First Grade - S Farrell, M Branch.
(Res) N James.
- Second Grade - A Moir, M Davidson.
(Res) M Branch.

The Lord's Taverners Competition

- Final - G Tutt, P Monaghan.

The Shane Watson Cup Competition

- Final - P Russell, C Dore.

Sunday Legends

- Final - P Russell, G Tutt.

Churches Cricket Association of Qld

Final

- State Shield - R Rooke-Jones.



Analysis of Match Appointments 2017/18



Umpire		my FootDr QLD Premier Cricket Competition								Women's (Games)				One and Two Day Fixtures		One Day Fixtures			(T20) (Games)	Totals	
		Two Day Fixtures						(Games)													
Surname	First	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade	3 rd Grade	4 th Grade	5 th Grade	6 th Grade	Grade One Day	Grade T20	1 st Grade (1 day)	1 st Grade (T20)	2 nd Grade (1 day)	2 nd Grade (T20)	QSDCA	CCAQ	GPS	Lord's Taverners	Over 40s	Sunday Legends	2017/2018	Career Total
Adie	Joshua		9					4	4	3	1					1	7			17.75	62.25
Athwal	Gurpreet						1.5								0.5	1				2.50	15.00
Balakrishnan	Deepak					7		6												10.00	68.75
Barsby	Ian	11						4	4	4	2					1	2			18.00	350.50
Bekal	Rajesh					2	2	2				5								7.50	7.50
Bermingham	Scott			7				5			2			1				1	1	11.75	14.75
Bloomer	Anthony						3.5	4				1			0.5					6.50	120.00
Bocking	Steve		9.5					3	2				2			1	8	1	1	17.25	93.00
Bogicevic	Alex					3.5	1	3				1			2.5	1				9.50	32.50
Boland	Peter	11				1	1	6	6											17.50	283.50
Bradley	Jaime			0.5		2	2	6		6	9	1	2			1				14.25	14.25
Branch	Murray	8.5	2	1				7	8	2							1			18.50	172.00
Brown	Chris						0.5	1												1.00	177.75
Butchers	Murray				3	0.5	0.5	1												4.50	85.25
Castle	Davin					5.5	3	6				6					1			15.00	139.75
Clifford	Peter	10	1		1			6	6								1			17.00	46.25
Coleman	Lyall			1	7			5												10.50	126.75
Collins	John				3.5	1.5		6							1					9.00	73.00
Cudmore	Greg					2	1.5	4				2								6.50	12.00
Cupitt	Tony				3.5			5												6.00	60.50
Dagnall	Phillip							1				6								3.50	21.75
Damodaran	Rajesh				2.5	1		3												5.00	5.00
Davidson	Mark	2	7.5					5	7				2				6	1		17.75	113.50
Devereaux	Aaron			7				6				1					1	1	1	11.75	18.75
Dionysius	Stephen	6	1	0.5				5	2											10.50	122.00
Dore	Allan																			0.00	357.75
Dore	Craig			6.5	1			6				1	2	1			2	2	2	15.00	92.50
Douglas	Greg	3	7.5	0.5	1	1		3	2	1	2						6			19.00	19.00
Downs	Alexander											1								0.50	7.50
Durkin	James			3.5	4			6						1						11.50	24.50
Ebdon	Bill				3.5	3	0.5	5				2								10.50	34.50
Edmonds	Todd	7.5	2.5					5	2								1			13.50	82.75
Elkington	Ian			5.5	2.5	1		6			2	4	2	1		1	2			17.50	112.50
Eustace	Scott		4					4	2											6.50	62.00
Exelby	David						7.5	4							2.5					12.00	45.00
Farley	Steve		11				2	3	4				2				5	1	1	19.25	75.50
Farrell	Benjamin	11		1	1			6	4	7							1			21.00	176.50
Farrell	Steven	11						8	7											16.75	82.00
Faulkner	Neale					1	2	3				5						1		7.50	7.50
Fazen	Gary			5.5		1		6												9.50	208.50
Fernandes	Jude			2	2		0.5	3								2				7.00	62.50
Ford	William				3	4.5	3	7				2		0.5						15.50	267.75
Gibson	Ken				3.5		0.5	4							1					7.00	84.75
Griffith	James				6		0.5	6			2	1	2				2	1		12.50	172.50
Groves	Max					2.5	1	2				1					1			5.50	21.00
Harris	Mark											2								1.00	1.00
Harris	Peter				1	1	0.5	5				1			0.5	1		1	1	7.25	14.50
Holmes	Garry				1											3				2.50	60.25
Hooper	Peter				1			1				6					1	1		5.50	48.50
Howard	Ross		1.5	1.5	1	1	1.5	3	2	4		7	2			6	3			19.00	444.50
Jacobsen	Ben			1	3.5	0.5	0.5	6				1		1			1			10.50	14.50



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James	Nathan	8	3					5	7	6	7						2			21.00	105.50
Jamieson	Tony				2		1.5	3				2			0.5	1				7.00	7.00
Koch	Donovan	3.5						5												6.00	72.75
Kotteakos	Greg		5.5	2			0.5	5	4				2			1	4	1		15.00	41.75
Kumar	Vivek		8.5	0.5	0.5		1	3	4							1	8	1	1	18.25	33.25
Logan	Tom	6	2					6	4	1			2			1	3			15.00	173.50
Marchisella	Joseph							1												0.50	19.00
Marjason	Nick		2.5	4.5				4	2	1		1				1	6			14.00	47.25
Marsh	Raymond				8	1	1	6				5				1	2	2	2	18.50	313.00
McAndrew	Damien	10	0.5	1		1		6	6	3										18.50	187.75
McIver	David		5	1.5			0.5	1	2			3	2			1	4	1		13.00	267.50
McLay	Marty			4	2		1.5	6						1						11.50	54.25
McMahon	Brian					2.5	3.5													6.00	108.00
Mellifont	Michael	7.5	3.5					8	6	1			2				4	1		20.00	197.75
Moir	Andrew	3	8			1	1.5	5	1				2				5			19.25	180.75
Monaghan	Peter			5.5			0.5	5		1		3				1	2	2		13.00	159.75
Morris	Steve					5	1	7				3								11.00	33.00
Murray	Kevin		1	2.5			0.5	5									1			7.00	124.75
Naylor	Karen				3.5		1.5	6		1		5	2	1	1					13.50	98.00
Neate	Regan		1	5.5				5												9.00	131.25
O'Brien	Nev				2.5	2.5		2				4								8.00	295.00
O'Connor	Michael	2	6					3	4							8	2			15.50	158.00
Olsen	Martin					1	1.5	2				2	2					1		5.50	61.00
Oxenford	Bruce																			0.00	119.75
Paul	Yesudas						4	3												5.50	7.50
Peers	William					1.5	1	3												4.00	48.50
Philpott	David					1.5	4	6							2.5	1				11.50	11.50
Prakash	Jai		3.5					3												5.00	75.75
Pritchard	Br. Chris						7.5	5				3			0.5					12.00	237.50
Ralston	Michael		1				1													2.00	301.00
Rearden	John			2.5	1	0.5		2							0.5			1	1	6.25	21.00
Redmond	Mark						1	2						0.5						2.50	31.00
Rogerson	Phillip				4.5	4	0.5	5												11.50	49.00
Rooke-Jones	Richard					1.5	1					2			0.5		3			5.50	205.75
Rosolen	Daniel	8	0.5	1	1			5	6	4	4		2				1			18.50	48.00
Ross	Iain				1.5	2.5		2												5.00	6.50
Russell	Paul			8.5	1			6				2						3	2	15.50	83.00
Shreeharsha	Shreeharsha		10				1	5	4				2	1		1	6	2	2	21.00	89.75
Simmonds	Jeff		2					2								2	4	1	1	6.75	30.50
Skinner	Matthew							1												0.50	7.75
Smith	Bradley		3	4.5		0.5	0.5	4	2				2			1	5	2		15.50	75.00
Standen	Ross		10					4	4				2	1			5	1		17.50	67.75
Strickland	Kevin					5.5	1	2				1						1		8.50	107.25
Subramanian	Jegan				7			3				1			1.5		1	1		11.50	30.50
Szkutko	Nikolaus					1	7.5	6				4						1		14.00	385.75
Taylor	David	9		1				7	4											14.50	29.75
Thompson	Brett					1		1				2				1				3.00	31.75
Tutt	Gerard			7.5			1	6				1	2	1		1	2	3	3	17.25	186.25
Warren	Alex				0.5	2	5	5				3		0.5						12.00	12.00
White	Murray				5	3	1.5	6				5		0.5			1		1	16.25	129.75
Wiggins	Graham																			0.00	108.75



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Independent Audit Report

To: The Members of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc.

I have completed the review of the financial report of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. for the financial year ended 31 May 2018.

I wish to report to you the following matters arising from our review:

1. Conclusion on financial report

An emphasis of matter paragraph has been included in our review report provided on the special purpose financial report of Queensland Cricket Umpires and Scorers' Association Inc. for the financial year ended 31 May 2018.

This has been included to draw attention to users of the special purpose financial report that the amount recorded as cost of sales for the year ended 31 May 2018 of \$10,923.50 includes \$9,995.70 for stock written off.

2. Matters for the Management Committee's attention

During our review, we did not identify any significant matters.

This report is prepared on the basis of the limitations set out below.

The matters raised in this report are only those that came to our attention during the course of our review and are not necessarily a comprehensive statement of all the weaknesses that exist or improvements that might be made.

We cannot, in practice, examine every activity and procedure, nor can we be a substitute for the Management Committee's responsibility to maintain adequate controls over all levels of operations and their responsibility to prevent and detect irregularities, including fraud.

Accordingly, Management Committee members should not rely on our report to identify all weaknesses that may exist in the systems and procedures reviewed, or potential instances of fraud that may exist. Our comments should be read in the context of the scope of our work. Findings within this report may have been prepared on the basis of management representations.

This report has been prepared solely for your use by the Management Committee and should not be quoted in whole or in part without our prior written consent. No responsibility to any third party is accepted as the report has not been prepared, and is not intended, for any other purpose.

Our fee for the review of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. for the year ended 31 May 2018 is \$400. (Inclusive of GST). Our invoice will be forwarded soon.

Should you have any questions in relation to the above matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Brendan Macrae FCPA
Managing Director

Date: 2/7/18



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Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. For the Year Ended 31 May 2018

Assertion Statement by Management Committee

The Management Committee has determined that the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The members of the Management Committee of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. assert that:

1: (a) The financial statements and notes, are in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc.'s Rules; and

(b) present fairly the financial position as at 31 May 2018 and the performance for the year ended on that date of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. in accordance with the disclosed accounting policies.

2: The Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. keeps financial records in a way that properly records the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc.'s Income and Expenditure and dealings with its Assets and Liabilities.

3: In the Management Committee members' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed at Brisbane this 15th day of June 2018 on behalf of the Management Committee.

Murray White
Secretary

Scott Eustace
Treasurer

Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. A.B.N. 50 189 308514 Notes to and Forming Part of the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 May 2018

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.

The Management Committee has determined that the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. is not a reporting entity and as such no Australian accounting standards, Australian accounting interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report is prepared on a cash basis.

The financial report is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values.

The association has no mortgages, charges and securities affecting the association's property.



Financials



Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc.
A.B.N. 50 189 308514
Balance Sheet
As at 31 May 2018

	2017	2018
	\$	\$
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Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash	7,977.52	6,144.35
Term Deposit Inventory	50,927.87	52,077.36
Other	191.51	163.91
Inventory	1,138.00	5,934.00
Total	60,234.90	64,319.62
Less Unpresented Cheques	0.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	60,234.90	64,319.62
Non-Current Assets		
Plant and Equipment at cost	0.00	0.00
Total Plant and Equipment at cost	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	60,234.90	64,319.62
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	0.00	0.00
Non-Current Liabilities	0.00	0.00
Equity		
Profit from Ordinary Activities	(5,793.10)	4,084.72
Retained Profit at Beginning of Year	66,028.00	60,234.90
Retained Earnings	60,234.90	64,319.62



Financials



Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc.
ABN 50 189 308 514
Trading Profit and Loss Statement for the Year Ended 31 May 2018

	2017	2018
	\$	\$
Income		
Accreditation Fees	0.00	0.00
Membership Fees	12,696.00	11,688.00
Bar and Raffle Takings	637.00	498.30
Seminar Receipts	2,530.75	1,245.00
Donations	0.00	420.00
Property Officer Sales	2,510.80	3,120.00
Affiliated Member Receipts	0.00	0.00
Annual Function	4,920.00	4,690.00
Interest	1,923.02	1,160.23
Fundraising	0.00	14,000.00
Other Income - Umpires Allocations	32,332.50	34,545.00
Other Income	4,800.44	24.84
Total Income	62,350.51	71,391.37
Cost of Sales		
Opening Inventory	9,406.50	1,138.00
Purchases	3,198.00	15,719.50
Closing Inventory	1,138.00	5,934.00
Total Cost of Sales*	11,466.50	10,923.50
Gross Profit/Loss	50,884.01	60,467.87
Expenses		
Accreditation Kits	0.00	0.00
Affiliation Fees	0.00	0.00
Annual Dinner	10,242.00	9,245.40
Accounting Fees (Level 2 Association)	385.00	400.00
Bank Fees	0.00	0.00
Bar Supplies	1,665.33	325.25
Depreciation	0.00	0.00
Executive Meetings	576.99	344.38
General Expenses	2,887.20	3,132.00
Honorariums	2,950.00	2,500.00
Insurance	0.00	0.00
Lodgment Fees	0.00	107.00
Member Reimbursement	450.00	0.00
Printing, Postage and Photocopying	4.80	291.80
Stationery	207.99	259.90
Storage Cost	1,101.60	1,188.00
Telephone	681.35	672.42
Training, Recruitment and Seminar Expenses	1,745.45	2,459.00
Trophies	1,959.40	1,648.00
Umpire Allowances	31,820.00	33,810.00
Total Expenses	56,677.11	56,383.15
Net Surplus/Deficit	(5,793.10)	4,084.72

***Total Cost of Sales comprises stock written off \$9,995.70 and cost of sales \$927.80**

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In Appreciation



We desire to record our appreciation of the invaluable assistance given to the Association during the year under review from many people and organisations including the following:

Queensland Cricket Board of Directors; Judge Sal Vasta, the Queensland Cricket Chairman; Max Walters, the Chief Executive Officer; Michael Wright, the Premier Cricket Officer; the Premier Cricket Committee and all members of Queensland Cricket staff. During the past year, the QCUSA have held General Meetings and Management Committee Meetings at QCHQ and also our Annual Training Seminar. We are very grateful for the use of all facilities at Queensland Cricket Headquarters.

Beastwear for their sponsorship and being the Association's exclusive official apparel partner. A special thank you to Scott Rugless, the Beastwear Queensland State Manager, for his assistance throughout the season.

Gabba Sporting Products for providing members with bowlers' markers during the season. A special thank you to Brian Gaskell, our Patron, for his support in this area.

Cricket Society Queensland for sponsoring the Col Hoy Trophy, an encouragement award that is given annually to a new umpire. We appreciate their continued support of this Association and cricket in general.

The Queensland Cricketers' Club for offering our members a reduction of their club membership subscriptions.

The District Clubs for the hospitality they extended to our members throughout the 2017/18 season.

Members of the Management Committee, the Board of Examination and Coaching, the Social Committee, the First and Second Grade Allocation Panel, the Lower Grade Allocation Panel, the State Umpiring Support Manager, Observers, the Training and Development Officer, the Assistant Secretary, the Statistician, the Queensland Cricket Delegate for their considerable time and effort given to the Association during the past year. To all members and their families who have supported the Association throughout the year.

Peter Boland
President

Murray White
Secretary

"Top Ten Contenders" for the Bob Spence Medal announced at the Annual Dinner



Back Cover: Rod Tucker, Paul Reiffel and QCUSA Life Member Bruce Oxenford (1st Test - Eng v Pak - May 2018)
For the first time, an All-Australian umpiring trio has officiated in a Test Match at Lords.



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