

O. C. A. UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENT

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ON WEDNESDAY the 27th AUGUST, 1975 at 8.00p.m.

A G E N D A

1. Confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.
2. Presentation of the Annual Report and Financial Statement for the 1974/5 year.
3. Election of Office Bearers for the 1975/6 year.
4. Nomination of Life Member ( if any )
5. General Business.

LIST OF FINANCIAL MEMBERS FOR 1974-75 SEASON.

|            |        |             |      |
|------------|--------|-------------|------|
| ACREMAN,   | K.     | LAMBERT,    | J.   |
| AINSWORTH, | H.     | LANCASHIRE, | D.   |
| AUER,      | L.     | LEIGH,      | P.   |
| AUER,      | M.     | LOPATICH,   | V.   |
| Baxter,    | W.     | McINNES,    | W.   |
| BOYLE,     | J.     | MACKAY,     | M.   |
| BRIGHT,    | L.     | MARTIN,     | W.   |
| BRITTON,   | F.     | MERLEHAN,   | M.   |
| BROWN,     | K.     | NEWCOMBE,   | J.   |
| BROWNE,    | W.C.   | PEARCE,     | A.   |
| BUCKLEY,   | R.     | PHILLIPS,   | N.   |
| BUXTON,    | P.     | RADO,       | I.   |
| CAMPBELL,  | K.     | ROBERTS,    | I.   |
| CARTY,     | Rev.D. | STACEY,     | H.   |
| CLARKE,    | W.     | STRAUSS,    | J.   |
| CROUCH,    | R.     | WARD,       | G.   |
| DINNING,   | W.     | WARWICK,    | T.H. |
| DOXEY,     | R.     | WILKINSON,  | K.   |
| DRUMMOND,  | I.     |             |      |
| DUTNEY,    | P.     |             |      |
| ENRIGHT,   | P.     |             |      |
| GASKEIL,   | R.     |             |      |
| GORDON,    | S.     |             |      |
| HACK,      | J.     |             |      |
| HANSEN,    | W.     |             |      |
| HARRIS,    | J.     |             |      |
| HARVEY,    | C.E.   |             |      |
| HEATH,     | L.     |             |      |
| HISLOP,    | E.     |             |      |
| HUBBARD,   | J.     |             |      |
| JAMES,     | Dr.B.  |             |      |
| JEAYS,     | W.     |             |      |
| JOHNSON,   | L.     |             |      |
| JOHNSON,   | M.     |             |      |
| JONES,     | G.     |             |      |
| KATTERN,   | J.     |             |      |
| KIDD,      | K.     |             |      |

LIFE MEMBERS.

|        |                |
|--------|----------------|
| WYETH, | A. (Deceased). |
| SCOTT, | A.             |

Office bearers of the Q.C.A.UMPIRES ASSOCIATION FOR THE  
1974-5 season:-

PATRON - Mr.R.Spence.

President - Mr.L.Johnson.

Vice-Presidents - Messrs J.Lambert and J.G.Newcombe.

Hon-Secretary-Treasurer - Mr.T.H.Warwick.

Delegate to Q.C.A. - Mr.R.Crouch.

Executive Members - Messrs. L.Johnson, T.H.Warwick, R.Crouch,  
I.Auer, D.Lancashire, J Lambert and G.Jones.

Examination Panel - Messrs L.Johnson, J.G.Newcombe and G.Jones.

Umpires Coach - Mr.J.G.Newcombe.

Allocation Panel (1stClass) - Mr.J.G.Newcombe.

Allocation Panel (Q.C.A.grade) - Mr.J.G.Newcombe.

Minute Secretary - Mr.J.Lambert.

Hon-Auditor - Mr.R.Spence.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that your Executive Committee presents for your consideration and adoption the Sixth Annual Report which covers the activities of your Association together with the Financial Statement for the past season.

As President of this Association I tender my apology for non-attendance and wish all members good luck for the forthcoming season.

#### MEMBERSHIP:

Fifty-five members were registered as financial members of this Association during the past season, four of whom were non-active members, a further two qualified for membership but did not officiate. During the past season, Eight members tendered their resignation and Eleven members of the previous season did not officiate or maintain their membership.

Most notable resignations were received from Messrs P. Enright and Doctor Bruce James. Bruce James was an active member both on the field of play and in meeting activities. He has accepted a position with the La Trobe University in Melbourne, Victoria, and intends to become a member of the Umpires Association in that State.

Mr. Peter Enright due to business and personal reasons tendered his resignation for umpiring. Peter has officiated in Twenty-two (22) first class matches which include, Sheffield Shield, International and Test Matches. He has been an active umpire for ten seasons and was, at the time of his resignation, the most experienced member of Our Association.

It is pleasing to note that he has offered his services to this Association in an advisory capacity and this Association welcomes his services as his knowledge and experience will be an asset to the members of this Association.

#### MEETINGS:

Monthly general meetings were held during the past season and were generally well attended with an average attendance of 28 members per meeting.

The Executive Committee also met monthly during the past season.

There was a dismal response to meetings called for the purpose of group discussions on the Laws of Cricket. Umpires are required to have a complete knowledge of the Laws of Cricket and this can be maintained only by continuous study and by group discussions.

#### COACHING:

A very special vote of thanks must be extended to Mr. J. G. Newcombe, Coach of Our Association for the past two seasons, for his devotion to the responsibility he has accepted.

Mr. Newcombe devoted much of his time in visiting various grounds and advising members on matters pertaining to Umpiring, delivering lectures to Umpires and other persons interested in the Laws of Cricket. He has served this Association well as its representative on the Allocation Panels for both Q.C.A. grade fixtures and First class Umpire appointments.

The individual reports furnished at the end of each season to members are compiled by Mr. Newcombe from information supplied by team Captains at the end of each fixture round, and are provided to assist Umpires and not as a means of endeavouring to destroy the confidence of umpires.

The club captains are requested to provide constructive criticism on the performance of Umpires and where during the course of a season a particular fault re-occurs it is a matter then for the individual Umpires, with the assistance of Our Coach, to correct that fault.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations are extended to the following members who officiated in first class matches during the past season;

International Match:-

Qld. v M.C.C.. Messrs P.Enright and D.Lancashire.

Sheffield Shield:-

Qld. v. N.S.W. Messrs P.Enright and R.Doxey.

Qld. v. W.A.. Messrs P.Enright and D.Lancashire.

Qld. v. S.A.. Messrs P.Enright and T.H.Warwick.

Qld. v. Vic.. Messrs.P.Enright and C.E.Harvey.

Gillett Shield:-

Qld. v. N.S.W. Messrs.P.Enright and T.H.Warwick,

4BK-AK Final:- Messrs D.Lancashire and C.E.Harvey.

Under 19 Final:-Messrs E.Hislop and J.Lambert.

The following members officiated in the Channel "O" Knock-out series:-

Messrs J.Hubbard, J.Strauss, J.Lambert, W.Clarke, L.Auer, K.Wilkinson (2) R.Doxey (2), D.Lancashire, C.E.Harvey (2) R.Crouch, G.Jones, P.Enright, B.James, T.H.Warwick (2).

Messrs T.H.Warwick and C.E.Harvey officiated in the final of this series between Wynnum-Manly and University.

Queensland Junior Cricket :-

Four matches were played at Victoria Park between teams from Queensland and New South Wales on the 26th January, 1975 and the following members officiated free of cost - Messrs. J.Hubbard, J.Boyle, B.Stacey and T.H.Warwick.

The Queensland Cricket Association Finals were in the hands of:-

"A" grade.....Messrs.P.Enright and D.Lancashire.

"A" Reserve.....Messrs.T.H.Warwick and R.Doxey.

"B" grade.....Messrs.C.E.Harvey and J.Boyle.

"C" grade.....Messrs.R.Crouch and J.Strauss.

Intermediate Grade.....Messrs.M.Merlehan and M.Johnson.

Schoolboy Grade.....Messrs.A.Pearce and L.Auer.

EXAMINATIONS PANEL:-

During the course of the past season Our Examination Panel examined Twenty-Two candidates for membership to Our Association and of this number Five failed to obtain a pass on the Laws of Cricket and of those who did pass Two did not Officiate.

Our Coach, Mr. Newcombe, has drawn up a new examination paper of thirty questions which covers a wide number of the Laws of Cricket. It is proposed that the future examination will take the form of an assignment whereby the examinee answers the questions from the book of Laws within a prescribed period of time and with a very high percentage pass rate. It is thought in higher educational circles that this is the best method of ascertaining learning capabilities of an individual.

#### APPOINTMENT PANEL:-

The Umpires' Allocation Panel consisting of Messrs. W.E.P. Harris, J.G. Newcombe, T. Fox, I. Stephenson and P. Ledger deserve a word of appreciation for the manner in which they carried out their function in the allocation of Umpires to grade fixtures during the past season.

To assist the Allocation panel, members are requested to promptly return their appointment cards, correctly completed, to the Secretary of the Queensland Cricket Association so that the Allocation Panel members will be aware of the availability of members for forthcoming rounds.

#### COMPLAINTS:-

There have been numerous complaints made by members during the past season regarding the attitude of some players towards Umpires. These complaints have been made at meetings and have been discussed by those present. There was only one written complaint furnished to the Queensland Cricket Association regarding the conduct to a player during the course of a match.

Under the Regulations of the Queensland Cricket Association Umpires should intervene in the case of bad behaviour or offensive comment on the field by players. If the intervention by the Umpire does not suitably settle the occurrence then the Umpires should report the facts of the matter, in writing, to the Secretary of the Queensland Cricket Association not later than 4.30p.m. on the Tuesday following the completion of the match.

Our Association has been advised that we have the support of the Queensland Cricket Association Executive to endeavour to eliminate this type of conduct on the field of play and unless these matters are brought to the attention of the appropriate authorities they are not in a position to take the necessary action.

Umpires who report matters of misconduct by players on the field are playing their part in curbing this type of conduct. The matter then becomes the property of the Executive Authorities and it is their responsibility to act on the information supplied.

#### ANNUAL DINNER:-

The Association's Annual Dinner was held in the Cricketers' Club on the 9th April, 1975. It was a most successful function attended by a total of 41 members and friends plus our Guests Mr. and Mrs. R. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. D. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. N. McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Dooley, Mr. T. Veivers and Mr. W. E. P. Harris.

We are grateful to Mr. T. K. Dooley for his most interesting address relating to Sports Medicine.

#### APPRECIATION:-

During the past season Our Association was fortunate to have been able to hold two field practices at which new members were able to gain some experience under the direction of more experienced umpires.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Messrs. G. Chappell,

J. Maclean, I. Seib, J. Thomson, G. Dymock and others who so ably created situations upon which the new members had to adjudicate.

We also wish to thank the Southern Suburbs District Cricket Club for the use of their ground and player for a second field day for our members.

The field practice by new members must be of great value to them and the knowledge and experience they gain must assist them when they officiate in grade fixtures.

#### QUEENSLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

Our Association was pleased to co-operate with the Queensland Cricket Association and we express our sincere thanks to the Executive members of that Association for their assistance and consideration during the past season.

We also express our thanks to Mr. Lew Cooper and his Staff of the Cricketer's Club, and to the past Secretary Mr. Max Robins and the present Secretary Mr. Tom Veivers and their Staff for the assistance and co-operation in assuring that all reasonable requests from Umpires were afforded proper and prompt attention.

#### CONCLUSION:-

It is regrettable that this Association has not, to date, been able to supply two umpires to each grade fixture and as this is the ultimate goal of this Association I appeal to all members to make themselves available during the forthcoming season with a view to attaining this goal.

It is regrettable that in a small Association such as Our that we have such a large turn-over of members and although we gather new members each season we are unable to maintain sufficient numbers to fulfill our goal.

I wish to thank the Executive members of our Association for their assistance to me in the past and to all members of the Association I express my appreciation of their support and it is hoped that I will receive that same assistance and support in the forthcoming season.

In conclusion I request all members to uphold and improve and maintain the high standard of umpiring which was observed during the past season and continue to support their Association.

I. Johnson.  
President. 27/8/75

T. H. Warwick,  
Hon. Secretary. 27/8/75.

Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 1975

INCOME

|   |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|
| Interest - Commonwealth Savings Bank    | 6.08   |        |
| - Qld. Permanent Building Society       | 5.06   |        |
| Membership Fees                         | 112.00 |        |
| Subscriptions - Annual Dinner           | 163.00 |        |
| Sales of Ties & Tie Bars                | 88.50  |        |
| Proceeds Raffle                         | 47.00  |        |
| Queensland Cricket Association - Levies | 202.35 |        |
| Sale - Laws of Cricket Books            | 14.50  | 638.49 |

LESS EXPENDITURE

|                                    |        |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Affiliation Fee                    | 50.00  |        |
| Advertising                        | 6.75   |        |
| Honorariums                        | 60.00  |        |
| Trophy - Blind Wattle Cricket Club | 9.50   |        |
| Purchase - Laws of Cricket Books   | 30.00  |        |
| Printing and Stationery            | 5.00   |        |
| Purchase Ties                      | 96.00  |        |
| Wreaths, Flowers, etc.             | 14.00  |        |
| Annual Dinner                      | 323.39 |        |
| Refreshments                       | 29.00  |        |
| Umpires Fees - Social Matches      | 17.70  | 641.34 |

Excess of Expenditure over Income

(2.85)

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Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET

30TH JUNE 1975

ACCUMULATED FUNDS

|   |               |               |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Balance 1st July 1974                         | 344.34        |               |
| <u>Less</u> Excess of Expenditure over Income | <u>(2.85)</u> | <u>341.49</u> |

These Funds are represented by:-

FIXED ASSETS

|                                       |               |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash at Bank                          | 127.13        |               |
| Petty Cash                            | 2.57          |               |
| Queensland Permanent Building Society | <u>211.79</u> | <u>341.49</u> |

L. JOHNSON

President

BRISBANE

18TH AUGUST, 1975

T.H. WARWICK

Hon. Secretary/Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the Books, Accounts and Voucher of the Q.C.A. Umpires Association for the year ended 30th June, 1975. In my opinion the above Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30th June 1975 is properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Q.C.A. Umpires Association.



ROBERT SPENCE

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

18TH AUGUST, 1975