



Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT

TO BE PRESENTED TO

THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ON WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST, 1983 AT 7.30P.M.



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A G E N D A

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes - 1982 Annual General Meeting
3. Presentation of Annual Report and Financial Statement
4. Election of Office Bearers for 1983/84 year
5. Annual Subscription
6. General Business

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 1982/83 SEASON

PATRON

R. Spence

PRESIDENT

M. Johnson

VICE PRESIDENT

J. Strauss

HON. SECRETARY

N. Grout

HON. TREASURER

B. Milner (resigned February 1983)  
D. Jones (appointed March 1983)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

R. Crouch, L. Heath, S. Lanigan,  
C. Timmins, R. Young

Q.C.A. DELEGATE

R. Crouch

ALLOCATION PANEL - 1ST CLASS

C. Harvey

ALLOCATION PANEL - GRADE

J. Strauss

BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND COACHING

L. Heath, R. Philippe, J. Taylor

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

N. Grout, L. Heath, D. Jones,  
P. Kelso, S. Lanigan, T. Musch

HON. AUDITOR

R. Spence

LIFE MEMBERS

SCOTT A. 1972  
McINNES W. 1975  
NEWCOMBE J.G. 1976  
JOHNSON L. 1977

\*\* WARWICK T.H. 1978  
BRITTON F. 1980  
\*\* CROUCH R. 1982

MEMBERS OF THE Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

*	ACKERY	L.	1982/83	MANLEY	T.	1981/82
	ANDERSON	S.	1980/81	MARFAN	M.	1981/82
*	BETTINSON	L.	1982/83	* MARSDEN	P.	1982/83
	CARL	D.	1981/82	* MATHERS	P.	1982/83
*	CARLILE	J.	1982/83	McCAMLEY	G.	1980/81
	CHITHAM	D.	1980/81	McKEWEN	L.	1980/81
	COKER	P.	1977/78	** McQUILLAN	A.	1976/77
*	COX	L.	1982/83	MILNER	B.	1977/78
	DAVIES Miss	C.	1980/81	** MUSCH	T.	1975/76
*	DEMPSEY	P.	1982/83	* NATION	G.	1982/83
*	DICK	C.	1982/83	NEWMAN	K.	1981/82
	DURSTON	G.	1981/82	* O'BRIEN	T.	1982/83
	DWAN	D.	1981/82	O'DOHERTY	R.	1981/82
	FLETCHER	A.	1980/81	** O'NEILL	W.	1975/76
	FORD	H.	1978/79	PARKER	P.	1981/82
	FREESTUN	P.	1981/82	PEARSON	S.	1978/79
	FULWOOD	A.	1980/81	** PHILIPPE	R.	1977/78
*	GILBANK	P.	1982/83	PRESTON Miss	L.	1976/77
*	GLOVER	S.	1982/83	RADO	I.	1968/69
*	GREEN	M.	1982/83	ROACH	B.	1981/82
**	GROUT Miss	N.	1975/76	* ROCKS	S.	1982/83
**	HARVEY	C.	1973/74	SMITH	M.	1980/81
	HEATH	L.	1973/74	STACEY	H.	1974/75
	HUDSON Miss	F.	1981/82	** STRAUSS	J.	1972/73
**	JOHNSON	M.	1974/75	STREAT	J.	1981/82
	JONES Mrs.	D.	1979/80	** TAYLOR	J.	1978/79
	JONES	V.	1979/80	** TIMMINS	C.	1977/78
	KELSO	P.	1981/82	TRAVES	W.	1981/82
	KING	J.	1981/82	* TURNER	B.	1982/83
*	LACHMUND	R.	1982/83	WADDELL	D.	1980/81
	LANIGAN	S.	1977/78	WAKENSHAW	G.	1978/79
	LEEDER	J.	1980/81	* WARD	M.	1982/83
	LIVERMORE	C.	1980/81	WATKINSON	T.	1981/82
	LOXTON	C.	1980/81	* WESTPHAL	B.	1982/83
				** YOUNG	R.	1975/76

\* New Members

\*\* Holder of First Grade Badge

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The 1982/83 cricket season was one of change, disappointment and hope. It saw the exit from the President's chair of Bob Crouch to whom we say - thanks for a job well done in difficult times. It saw the disappointment of only twenty-one members available for semi-finals and finally the hope in some new initiatives instigated by the Q.C.A. after discussion with our Association.

In these modern times umpires of all grades are under more pressure, either direct or indirect, than their counterparts of twenty years ago. Umpires come under more scrutiny from television replays and commentator's remarks. This does not just refer to those in the first class arena but also the grade umpires for players are more informed about what to look for and are generally more aware of the umpires' task. Players of all grades of cricket have become more professional in their approach with their coaches, administration and practice facilities and will no longer tolerate umpiring they believe to be below standard. If we are to continue to be a part of this cricket renaissance then we must become more professional in our attitude.

Seminars are held at various times before and during the season and all are urged to attend at least one. The 1982/83 season commenced with a seminar featuring speakers such as Greg Chappell, Col Hoy, Bob Spence and Peter Dornan but only a total of 23 umpires attended over the two days. This was very disappointing and perhaps a pointer to problems encountered later in the season. Meetings provide another forum where umpires can further their knowledge and gain confidence from their colleagues. If we are all prepared to better ourselves, no matter in what grade we officiate, we must become a little more professional in our approach.

The area of allocation of umpires to the various grades has always been a contentious issue. Perhaps the two attributes of a good umpire could be used - common sense and temperament. The allocation of umpires has never been easy and nor has the perfect system been devised but the 1983/84 season will be a little different from previous seasons. The Q.C.A. has invited our Association to make our own allocations and this should lead to better communications about our performances. Our Association in consultation with the Q.C.A., has devised a new captains' report which will give an umpire a much better idea of his strengths and weaknesses. The Q.C.A. has been most helpful in demanding the return of these forms to enable allocation to be done on a factual basis. The second area that needs attention to allocate successfully is the return of our cards stating our availability. The allocation of umpires has been the subject of many hours of work through the winter and if the captains' reports and our cards are in by the prescribed time then allocations should not be as contentious as before.

The President and Vice-President of your Association attended the F.A.C.U. meeting in Launceston. The Minutes of that Conference will appear in the Over Magazine but it is quite evident that all States suffer from our "problems" in numbers, allocation, payment, frequency of games etc. However, it is pleasing to note that we, as an Association, compare more than favourably with our counterparts.

Finally I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Executive of our Association for their work during the year. An executive member has an onerous task and each and every one of them performed with great dedication in attending meetings (sometimes quite lengthy) and sorting out the problems which confront this Association. To our secretary, Nelma, a special thank you. Much of whose work is unseen and unseeing but so vitally necessary to the efficient running of our Association.

Good luck in the 1983/84 season and lets be more professional.

MEL JOHNSON

LIFE MEMBER - 1982

At the Thirteenth Annual General Meeting, Robert (Bob) Crouch was made a life member. Bob joined the Association in 1972/73 after twenty-five years with Sandgate-Redcliffe District Cricket Club.

In his second year with the Association, he became a member of the Executive Committee and Delegate to the Queensland Cricket Association and has held these positions up to the present time. Bob was Vice President for a number of years before becoming President in 1978 and remained President until 1982. Bob was also an inaugural member of the Q.C.A. Recruitment Subcommittee.

In umpiring, Bob officiated for ten seasons mainly in First Grade matches and on numerous occasions was allocated with new umpires or umpires officiating in their first "First Grade" match.

Bob Crouch has been a very active member of the Association, both in umpiring and as an administrator and the Association appreciates his continuing involvement.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Throughout the year, the Executive Committee met on 11 occasions and attendances at the meetings by the Executive members were:

R. Crouch (9), N. Grout (10), L. Heath (11), M. Johnson (9),  
D. Jones (4), S. Lanigan (11), B. Milner (4), J. Strauss (11),  
C. Timmins (10), R. Young (6)

Our excellent relationship with the Queensland Cricket Association has continued and representatives of that body are always prepared to meet with our Association to discuss problems. One important item discussed was the endeavour to find reasons for the loss of umpires, ways of recruiting additional umpires, and finally how to retain umpires as members of our Association.

Our thanks go, also, to the Q.C.A. office staff for their assistance and co-operation at all times.

During the season, our members officiated at several carnivals, some of which were Queensland Junior Cricket Union Association, Intrastate Secondary Schools and the Australian Women's Cricket. Two members also visited Gove in the Northern Territory to officiate in the Calder Shield Carnival.

As usual a number of members made themselves available for Club pre-season trial matches and for various Club matches during the year.

Expenses for umpiring social games were reviewed and increased to what the Committee considered a more reasonable figure.

We are grateful to Radio Station 4BC for its assistance on rain affected days by broadcasting details of cancelled matches. The notification by telephone of cancellations to the umpires concerned has in the past been almost impossible and the new system has appeared to work quite well.

A dream of the Association for many years has been the making of a coaching film and it appears this dream will be realised. During the year Marist Brothers Fund Raising Office approached our Association and offered to conduct an art union on our behalf. The proceeds from the Art Union will be used to finance the coaching film. This film has been discussed by the Executive Committee throughout the year and nearly all arrangements for the film have been finalised. The film should be made by the commencement of the forthcoming season. Our thanks to Marist Brothers Fund Raising Office for their offer to raise funds for our Association.



MEMBERSHIP

Membership at the conclusion of the 1982/83 season is seventy-six which includes our seven Life Members.

During the year eighteen new members joined the Association which is considerably less than the previous season in which there were thirty-one new members.

Sixty-five members which is only slightly less than last year officiated in one or more games, during the season. Unfortunately, during the season a number of our experienced umpires were unable to complete the season due to work commitments, sickness or family reasons. It is hoped that these members will be able to resume umpiring next season. Approximately forty-four umpires officiated in each of the thirteen rounds.

During the season three members (T. McQuillan, J. Strauss and R. Young) received their "First Grade" Badge which is awarded after an umpire has officiated in at least 25 First Grade games.

Congratulations to Athol Fulwood for making his first class debut and to Mick Harvey on his election as a Queensland Selector.

BOARD OF EXAMINATION & COACHING

Eighteen new members were examined and accepted for membership and were available for umpiring during the Season.

A most successful pre-Season Seminar for Members was held over the weekend 28/29 August 1982 at the Brisbane Cricket Ground with practical umpiring as the theme. Speakers included Greg Chappell, Dr. Peter Dornan (Sports Medicine), Col Hoy and Bob Spence (Scoring). The expertise of the speakers was of inestimable value to those Members who attended and went a long way towards giving a deeper insight into what makes a good umpire.

Discussions on umpiring problems were presented by the Examination and Coaching Board members at General Meetings throughout the season and numerous queries were dealt with by members over the telephone. Feedback from Grade Cricket Captains was also very helpful.

Training was not of as high a standard as we would wish, due in some measure to the very full cricket programme to which we were committed throughout the Season. We will endeavour to rectify this for the future and look forward to the coming Season in this regard.

Seminars are not held solely for the recruitment of new Umpires, they are also for the benefit of all practising Umpires.

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Throughout the season, raffles were run at our General Meetings. Thanks to those members who donated the prizes and also to those who sold the raffle tickets. Some of the raffle winners were Alf Pearce, Bill McInnes, Michael Marfan and Peter Kelso.

At the conclusion of each monthly General Meeting, members were invited to stay for the Happy Hour. Thanks to Merv Musch for acting as barman during the Happy Hour.

On Friday the 3rd December, 1982 the Umpires' Christmas Party was held at Fehlberg Park. All of the umpires and families who attended had a very enjoyable night. The highlight of the evening was the arrival of Santa and the children receiving their presents. The Social Committee is hoping to make this an annual event. Thanks are extended to Souths Cricket Club for providing us with the venue and to all who assisted with the party.

A major raffle was conducted towards the end of the season to subsidise the Umpires' Annual Dinner. All members were asked to sell twenty tickets. First prize was a Yalumba Collector's Dozen and second prize was a crockery set and tiered dish. The winner of first prize was G. Russell and the second prize winner was T. Moran. The raffle was very well supported and enabled the cost of the dinner to be substantially subsidised.

The Umpires' Dinner was held on Saturday the 16th April, 1983 at Brentleighs Theatre Restaurant and was enjoyed by all who attended. Each year the number attending the dinner has increased and this year was no exception. Valleys were the only Club who were able to attend because unfortunately many of the Clubs had their trophy presentations on the same night.

### UMPIRES ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

The members of the Umpires Allocation Grade Committee were Wep Harris, Roy Littledyke, Graham Miers and Jim Strauss. This Committee has a very difficult task and sincere thanks must be extended to its members for their efforts throughout the 1982/83 season. It was pleasing to see an additional member on the Committee than in previous years.

The problem of umpires not returning their cards to the Q.C.A. office or notifying the Q.C.A. by the specified time of their availability makes the work of the Allocation Committee very difficult. It is to the advantage of all umpires to return their cards promptly.

The 1982/83 season was a very busy one, with a number of games being played on Sundays. Understandably, many umpires were not able to officiate on both Saturday and Sunday and this has made the task of allocations especially on Sundays even more difficult.

UMPIRE RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE

Because of a fall off of officiating Umpires towards the end of the 1982/83 season, the Queensland Cricket Association called meetings of the Umpire Recruitment Committee in order to discuss the shortage and to call for suggestions to remedy the situation. The first meeting was held on the 8th March, 1983 and two others on the 12th and 28th April, 1983, at the second of which District Club Captains were invited to attend. Six captains only, out of a possible fifty, were present, none of whom were from First Grade sides.

Many reasons for the fall off were discussed and full reports were presented to the Executive Committee of our Association.

As a result of these Recruitment Committee Meetings:

- (a) A questionnaire has been sent to inactive umpires asking them for reasons of their inactivity and whether they will be available in future.
- (b) The format of Captains' Report Form is being revised for the 1983/84 season.
- (c) The Queensland Cricket Association has reiterated its intention strongly to uphold Umpires' Reports on offending players' behaviour.
- (d) Umpires will have the facility during the coming season of an Interim Report on their Appointment cards for cases not warranting an Umpires' Report Form. Adverse remarks made on these cards will be forwarded to the Club(s) concerned for their action.
- (e) The Queensland Cricket Association granted a credit of \$500-00 for Recruitment Seminars during the winter months. One seminar for new and current umpires was held on the 16th and 17th July, 1983 and a further one is scheduled for the 3rd and 4th September, 1983.

QUEENSLAND CRICKETERS' CLUB

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the management and staff of the Club for their assistance throughout the 1982/83 year. We are most appreciative of the Club's gesture in allowing us the use of the library for meetings.

The facilities of the Club are always available to our members on meeting nights throughout the year. Bar facilities are available to members before and after meetings. Our continued support in this area will be well received by the Club.

FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIAN CRICKET UMPIRES

The biennial Conference of the Federation of Australian Cricket Umpires was held in Launceston on 14th and 15th May, 1983.

Mel Johnson and Jim Strauss represented this Association at the Conference which was also attended by representatives from all State Umpires Associations in all the States.

Once again the Conference was judged to be an outstanding success.

Although some States attended the Conference with reservations about the continuation of the Federation, all left with a firm commitment to do all they could to make it more successful in its operation.

Items discussed were:

- Difficulties of Operation
- Federation Role
- Procedure for Handling Queries on Laws
- Retirement Funds
- Over Magazine
- Recruitment and Training of Umpires
- Relationships between Member Groups and State Cricket Bodies
- Umpires Attire
- Variation in Signals to Scores
- Player Conduct

The standard of umpiring in Australia can only improve as a result of the successful operation of the Federation and it is hoped that the financial burden on State Associations attending can be alleviated in some way. Travelling and accommodation costs are the major expenses involved and the Federation is to look into this problem.

The next F.A.C.U. Conference will be held in Brisbane on the May Day weekend in 1985.

CONCLUSION

Thanks are extended to all members who have supported the Association throughout the year and to all those who may have assisted in any way with any of the off field activities.

The members have appreciated those Clubs who have made us welcome at their grounds and to those who have invited us to their functions and meetings.

The Association approaches the 1983/84 season confident that there will be more umpires available to officiate in games throughout the season.

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee.

J.W. Johnson - President  
N.R. Grout - Secretary

FIRST CLASS MATCHES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

The following members were appointed to first class matches or other special appointments.

TEST

AUSTRALIA V ENGLAND	1st Test	M.W. Johnson
AUSTRALIA V ENGLAND	2nd Test	M.W. Johnson
AUSTRALIA V ENGLAND	3rd Test	M.W. Johnson
AUSTRALIA V ENGLAND	5th Test	M.W. Johnson

BENSON & HEDGES WORLD SERIES CUP

8 matches (including one final)	M.W. Johnson
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SHIELD

Q'LD V S.A.	M. Johnson,	C. Timmins
Q'LD V VIC.	J. Taylor,	C. Timmins
Q'LD V TAS.	A. Fulwood,	C. Timmins
Q'LD V W.A.	A. Fulwood,	C. Timmins
Q'LD V N.S.W.	A. Fulwood,	C. Timmins

INTERNATIONAL

Q'LD V ENGLAND	M. Johnson,	J. Taylor
Q'LD V NEW ZEALAND	M. Johnson,	C. Timmins

MCDONALD'S CUP SEMI-FINAL

Q'LD V N.S.W.	M. Johnson,	C. Timmins
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Q.C.A. PREMIERSHIP FINALS

1st Grade	M. Johnson	A. Fulwood
2nd Grade	C. Timmins	C. Harvey
3rd Grade	T. McQuillan	J. Taylor
4th Grade	N. Grout	J. King
5th Grade	D. Waddell	T. Manley
U/18 Grade	R. O'Doherty	B. Turner

UMPIRES' APPOINTMENTS TO Q.C.A. MATCHES

Name	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	U/18	U/19	Gabba Sports
L. ACKERY			2	1			1	
S. ANDERSON		1	3	4		2	1	
L. BETTINSON				4		1		
D. CARL			4	3	1	3	1	
J. CARLILE		1	5	2	1	1	4	
D. CHITHAM		5	4	1		1	2	2
L. COX			4	3		2	1	
R. CROUCH			2	1				
C. DAVIES	1	11					1	1
P. DEMPSEY				2		4		
C. DICK			2	3		2	1	
G. DURSTON		7	4	2		1	1	2
A. FLETCHER		4	4	2			4	
H. FORD			3					
P. FREESTUN			4	1		1		
A. FULWOOD	12	2	1				1	1
P. GILBANK			2	4		2	3	
S. GLOVER			4	4		2	1	
M. GREEN				3		1		
N. GROUT	10	2		1				2
C. HARVEY	11	2	1					2
L. HEATH	2	9	1	1			1	1
F. HUDSON			2	5		2		
M. JOHNSON	9			1		1		1
V. JONES		1	4				1	
P. KELSO		2	1	2		1	1	
J. KING	12	2		1			3	4
R. LACHMUND			7	3		3	2	
S. LANIGAN	3	8	2	1			4	2
J. LEEDER		3	5	3		1		
C. LIVERMORE			4	2		2	1	
C. LOXTON			2	2	1	8	4	
T. MANLEY	7	5		1	1		3	3

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	U/18	U/19	Gabba Sports
M. MARFAN			1	3		1	1	
P. MARSDEN				3	1	1		
P. MATHERS			1		1	4		
G. McCAMLEY		5	4	1		3	1	2
L. McKEWEN		2	1	1	1		2	
A. McQUILLAN	14		1				1	1
B. MILNER		7	2				1	
T. MUSCH	3	2						
G. NATION			3	1	1	1		
K. NEWMAN	3	2	5				2	2
T. O'BRIEN			1	4				
R. O'DOHERTY	1	8	1			2	2	1
P. PARKER	2	8	2	1			4	1
S. PEARSON			3	3			1	
R. PHILIPPE	8						1	1
L. PRESTON			4	3				
I. RADO			1	1				
B. ROACH		2	2	6	1	2	2	
S. ROCKS			1	5	1	4		
M. SMITH		3	2	4				
W. STACEY	1	6	2	2		2		
J. STRAUSS	8		1	1			1	1
J. STREAT		1	4	1	1			
J. TAYLOR	12	1	1					2
C. TIMMINS	10	4						1
B. TURNER		2	3			1	2	2
D. WADDELL		8	1	1	1	1	1	
G. WAKENSHAW			1	4		7		
M. WARD			2	3	1	3		
T. WATKINSON		2	2	5	2	3		2
B. WESTPHAL		1	3	4	1	2	1	
R. YOUNG	8			1				1

Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATIONBALANCE SHEET30TH APRIL, 1983

	<u>1983</u>	<u>1982</u>
Funds have been provided from:-		
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		
Balance 30th April, 1982	1140	733
Surplus for year	731	407
	<u>1871</u>	<u>1140</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Loan Account	-	750
Sundry Creditors	-	1115
		<u>1865</u>
<u>TOTAL FUNDS PROVIDED</u>	<u>1871</u>	<u>3005</u>
These Funds are represented by:-		
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Cash at Bank	1748	1336
Term Deposit	-	750
Sundry Debtors	-	757
	<u>1748</u>	<u>2843</u>
<u>EQUIPMENT</u> (At Cost less Depreciation)	<u>123</u>	<u>162</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS EMPLOYED</u>	<u>1871</u>	<u>3005</u>

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF ATTACHED ACCOUNTS

1. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention of accounting.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

In my opinion the above Balance Sheet fairly represents the financial position of the Association as at 30th April, 1983 and the Income and Expenditure Account fairly represents the results for the year then ended as disclosed by the books of account.

BRISBANE  
1ST JULY, 1983

ROBERT SPENCE  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT  
HON. AUDITOR



Q.C.A. UMPIRES ASSOCIATIONINCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTYEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1983

	<u>1983</u>	<u>1982</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Annual Dinner	685	837
Donations	102	178
Insurance	-	204
Interest	165	-
Membership Fees	1179	1093
Raffles	806	179
Sales -		
Happy Hour	148	311
Rule Books	30	213
Badges	42	10
Umpires Fees	50	-
Grants - Q.C.A. for Seminars	100	-
Christmas Party	411	-
	<u>3718</u>	<u>3025</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Advertising	-	52
Affiliation Fee - Q.C.A.	50	50
Annual Dinner	1221	1324
Bank Charges	1	3
Depreciation	38	28
Entertaining Test Umpire	55	-
F.A.C.U.	65	171
Honoraria	347	250
Insurance	-	180
Interest	50	-
Postage	305	155
Printing and Stationery	41	124
Purchases -		
Happy Hour	157	281
Seminar	50	-
Christmas Party	557	-
Umpires Fees	50	-
	<u>2987</u>	<u>2618</u>
Surplus for Year	731	407





