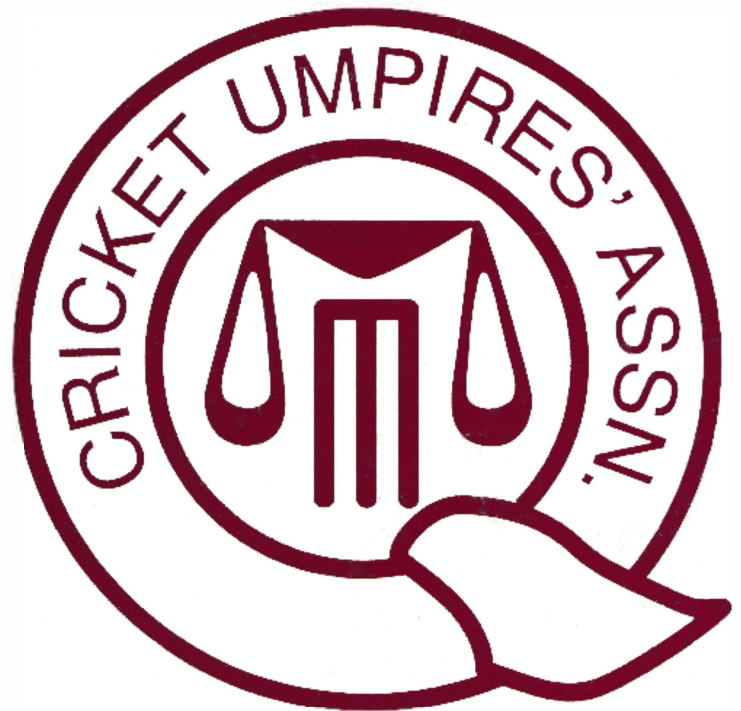




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Annual Report
and Financial Statement



2006 - 2007

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association Inc. will be held at Queensland Cricket Headquarters in the Ian Healy Room, Bogan St, Albion, on Wednesday, 1st August 2007 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 2007/2008 year
8. Annual Subscription
9. General Business



Office Bearers for 2006/2007 Season



Patron: B Gaskell

President: N Grout

Vice-president: M Musch

Honorary Secretary: R Johnsen

Honorary Treasurer: P Farley

Executive Committee: R Howard, D McIver, I Barsby,
D White, I Wyeth, C Spalding

Director of Umpiring: M Ralston

Representative Member: C Spalding

QCA Delegate: M Musch

Grade Committee Representative: M Ralston

Allocation Panel - 1st Class: M Ralston, L Johnson

Allocation Panel - Grade: M Ralston, D White, R Howard,
M Musch, B Westphal.

Board of Examination and Coaching: M Ralston, J Rowe, M Musch,
A Loynes, A Curran, D. McIver, P. Boland.

Recruitment and Development Officer: J Rowe

Observation Panel: M Ralston, M. Musch, S Dean, J Rowe.

Social Committee: D White, A Eedy, D McIver,
J. Black, D Woodman , N O'Brien, I Wyeth.

Property Officer: P Shine

Statistician: R Howard

Minutes Secretary: R. Gruenfeld

Auditor: M Boulton





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- N Grout

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- P Farley

LIFE MEMBER

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

SECRETARY

1966-1971 L Johnson
 1971-1978 T Warwick
 1978-1980 J Strauss
 1980-2003 N Grout
 2003- R Johnsen

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
 ** Test Umpire



Members List



	Abbate	N.	2002/03		Hermeston	B.	2000/01		Nickerson	J.	2002/03
	Anthony	T.	2004/05		Hetherington	J.	2004/05	*	Nielson	C.	2006/07
*	Archibald	J.	2006/07		Hobman	F.	2002/03		Nimmervoll	M.	2005/06
	Aspinall	G.	1998/99	*	Hoffmann	C.	2006/07	+	O'Brien	N.	1995/96
*	Badrick	T.	2006/07		Hogan	G.	2005/06	*	O'Connor	M.	2006/07
# +	Barsby	I.	1998/99	*	Horne	P.	2006/07	*	O'Malley	T.	2006/07
	Beath	N.	2005/06	# +	Howard	R.	1991/92		Olsen	M.	2005/06
	Biggs	S.	2005/06	*	Huggett	S.	2006/07		Orchard	D.	2002/03
	Black	J.	2001/02	# + +	Jay	M.	1990/91	+	O'Rourke	B.	1998/99
	Bloomer	A.	2005/06		Johnson	P.	1999/00		O'Rourke	T.	2001/02
#	Boland	P.	1999/00	+	Johnsen	R.	1995/96	#	Oxenford	B.	1998/99
	Boyle	J.	2004/05	*	Jones	A.	2006/07		Pain	G.	2003/04
*	Brown	C.	2006/07		Jones	P.	2005/06	# + + +	Parker	P.	1981/82
*	Butchers	M.	2006/07	*	Jones	R.	2006/07	*	Patterson	C.	2006/07
*	Bruton	R.	2006/07		Kampmann	R.	2005/06	*	Pay	S.	2006/07
*	Bull	D.	2006/07	#	Kangur	J.	2000/01	*	Peacock	B.	2006/07
*	Cameron	A.	2006/07		Kelly	S.	2005/06		Peisley	J.	2005/06
*	Campbell	D.	2006/07		Kumar	S.	2005/06	*	Pezely	D.	2006/07
	Campbell	M.	2004/05	*	Lassen	P.	2006/07		Pflugrath	C.	2003/04
	Castle	D.	2000/01	*	Lawrie	C.	2006/07	*	Pidgeon	A.	2006/07
*	Cavanagh	G.	2006/07	# +	Laycock	T.	1991/92		Pius	M.	2005/06
*	Chivers	B.	2006/07	*	Lloyd	R.	2006/07		Popko	C.	2000/01
*	Christie	G.	2006/07	*	Lloyd	S.	2006/07		Prior	B.	2000/01
+	Clarke	M.	1997/98	*	Logan	T.	2005/06		Pritchard	C.	1998/99
*	Crane	A.	2006/07	*	Lowings	M.	2006/07	*	Proud	B.	2006/07
	Cleary	D.	2002/03	# + + +	Loynes	A.	1987/88		Redmond	M.	2004/05
#	Curran	A.	2000/01	*	Luca	P.	2006/07	*	Robinson	M.	2006/07
*	Dagnall	P.	2006/07	*	Marrinan	B.	2006/07		Rogers	A.	2005/06
	Damm	N.	2005/06		Marsh	N.	2003/04	*	Rogers	G.	2006/07
	Davies	P.	2005/06		Marsh	R.	2003/04		Rook-Jones	R.	2004/05
# +	Dean	S.	1994/95		McAndrew, Damien		2005/06	*	Rosenthal	D.	2006/07
*	Doherty	C.	2006/07		McAndrew, Duane		2005/06	# + +	Rowe	J.	1989/90
	Doherty	E.	2005/06	*	McGettigan	S.	2006/07	*	Russell	S.	2006/07
+	Dore	A.	1996/97	#	Mclver	D.	1998/99		Ryan	R.	1994/95
	Dore	C.	2004/05	*	McLean	G.	2005/06	*	Sands	G.	2006/07
	Dore	N.	2004/05	*	McMahon	B.	2006/07	*	Sheehy	M.	2006/07
*	Drury	J.	2006/07	#	McNamara	N.	2000/01	#	Shine	P.	1999/00
*	Dutt	K.	2006/07	*	McQuillan	P.	2006/07		Sirl	D.	2004/05
	Eedy	A.	1997/98		McRae	D.	2005/06		Smith	P.	2005/06
*	Elsworthy	R.	2006/07	+	McShane	M.	1989/90	*	Spalding	C.	2006/07
*	Esat	A.	2006/07		Mealey	D.	2005/06	*	Spence	P.	2006/07
*	Evans	S.	2006/07		Mellifont	M.	2005/06		Strelow	W.	2005/06
*	Farley	G.	2006/07	*	Mitchell	B.	2006/07		Strickland	K.	2005/06
*	Farley	P.	1997/98	*	Moir	A.	2006/07	+	Szkutko	N.	1994/95
*	Fernando	A.	2006/07		Moloney	D.	2001/02		Tait	I.	2001/02
	Fitzsimmons	R.	2005/06		Monaghan	P.	2000/01	*	Tanksale	A.	2006/07
	Foster	R.	2003/04		Mosley	P.	2005/06		Topp	J.	2004/05
	Fryer	R.	2005/06	*	Muniswamy	K.	2006/07	*	Tutin	R.	2005/06
	Fuller	S.	2005/06	*	Murray	K.	2006/07	*	Vine	C.	2006/07
*	Gardner	S.	2006/07	*	Naylor	K.	2006/07		Walker	G.	2005/06
*	Garrett	C.	2006/07					*	Watson	D.	2006/07
*	Glasby	B.	2006/07						Westbrook	D.	2004/05
*	Godfrey	K.	2006/07					+	Westphal	B.	1982/83
	Gothoskar	K.	2004/05					+	White	D.	1996/97
*	Green	D.	2006/07					*	White	J.	2006/07
	Grieve	A.	2005/06					*	Whittaker	B.	2006/07
*	Griffith	J.	2006/07						Wills	D.	1999/00
	Gruenfeld	R.	2004/05						Woodman	D.	2004/05
*	Hanley	J.	2006/07						Wright	W.	2002/03
	Harris	A.	2002/03						Wyeth	I.	1998/99
*	Hart	N.	2006/07					*	Zwiers	R.	2006/07

LEGEND

- * New Members
- # Holder of First Grade Badge
- +
- ++ Holder of 150 Game Badge
- +++ Holder of 200 Game Badge





President's Report

When I reflect on the 2006/2007 year, there are three words which best describe it- change, challenge and commitment.

Our biggest change from previous seasons was combining under the banner of Q.C.U and S.A all umpires who officiated in the QLD Cricket, the Sub-District and the Churches Competitions. This amalgamation was a very smooth one. One of the main reasons for the success of this venture was the agreement by QLD Cricket to pay for one umpire of each pair appointed to Sub-Dist and Churches Competition games.

Our Grade Awards were extended to each of the 3 Sub District grades and the Church competition and we were delighted to be able to present the Mel Johnson Trophy to the best umpire officiating in the Sub District Competition.

Our greatest challenge for the season was the allocation of umpires. With a second successive year of record numbers of new members there was an excessive amount of movements of umpires to try give our new umpires, firstly a partner at all times and secondly the benefit of standing with an experienced umpire. The Allocation Panel did a sterling job but changes will need to be made in forthcoming seasons to allow for a definite progression between grades.

Although hopeful at the beginning of the season of achieving our goal of two umpires for every game in Grade, Sub-District and Churches Competitions, this was only achieved on a couple of occasions. Although our numbers of new members are at a record high, we continue to lose umpires each year for a multitude of reasons and many umpires are not available every Saturday. I am optimistic that in 2007/08, this goal will be achieved.

Without a doubt, the main word to describe the 2006/07 season was commitment. Commitments are two fold in our Association. Firstly the commitment of the management to its members and then conversely the commitment of members to our Association. Due to our healthy financial position, the Association has continued to provide services and value to members by heavily subsidising our annual seminar and dinner, giving all members a \$15 voucher which can be spent on merchandise and complimentary food and drinks after general meetings. In the forth coming season, members will be reimbursed up to \$30 on purchasing a new hat and the Association will pay the full cost of re-accreditation of members. During 2006/07 we were fortunate to have a number of companies sponsor us and their commitment to us is outlined in "The Appreciation" section. To these companies, the Association is indebted to you for your support and assistance.

The Association management is committed to continuing to improve our great Association. With over 170 members just in Brisbane, we must constantly review our policies, our recruitment and training methods, our assessment and allocation practices, and continue to make the best use of technology etc. I would encourage all members to express their views or concerns at meetings so that this Association can continue to grow and prosper. QLD Cricket has recognised our increased numbers and workload and in line with the other States has created the full time position of State Umpiring Manager.

In conclusion I must recognise the member's commitment to our Association. To all members who were able to officiate in the majority of rounds, who attended meetings, the seminar, functions and supported our fundraising I thank you. In



any association, there are some people who are able to contribute more. To the members of the Social Committee, the Allocation Panels, the Observers, the Board of Examination and Coaching, the First Class Coach, the Statistician and the Executive Committee, your time and effort is greatly appreciated by myself and all our members. A special thank you to Ron Johnsen, Merv Musch, Mike Ralston and Don White for the many hours spent ensuring that our Association runs in a professional, efficient manner. Finally to Peter Farley and John Rowe who are standing down from their roles of Treasurer and Recruitment and Development Officer respectively, your contribution and commitment to the Q.C.U and S.A over the years has been greatly appreciated and will be surely missed.

Best wishes to all members for the 2007/08 season.





Ross and Nora enjoying the Annual Dinner

Ross Howard

You could be excused for thinking that Ross is part of the furniture in our Association. He attends all the social functions, all meetings and training seminars. In fact since he joined our Association in 1991 he has not missed ONE Saturday game to this day, a feat that is unlikely to be bettered and one he is quite rightly proud of.

He has stood in 189 Saturday grade games straight and numerous Sunday and Midweek fixtures. He attained First Grade status by officiating in 36 top grade games. He remembers that a highlight of his career was when he stood in the Australian Country Championships in Toowoomba.

A very distinguished career indeed however, life membership of this Association takes into account a members' willingness to help out in other areas and Ross has more than accomplished that requirement.

He started helping the Social Committee for a few years including two years as the Chairman. He was elected to the Executive and Allocation Panel in 2001 and became our Statistician the following season. He still holds these positions today.

Ross is a very popular member and when you see that you been allocated to stand with him you can be sure that you will have a very professional and competent partner who will make you feel at ease and ensure that you will enjoy the experience.

May you increase your unbroken string of games for a few more years yet Ross and congratulations for a great career so far, and for being awarded the highest honour the Association can bestow.



Michael Jay

Michael Jay has been a valuable and popular member of this Association for many years. Even after an illustrious career at First Class level, and many years in administration, he still to this day, helps the Association by assisting up and coming umpires with guidance and advice in third grade.

Michael moved from NSW to Queensland in 1990 and immediately created a stir with his crouching style of umpiring which he still does to this day. He stood in Sheffield Shield and interstate One Day fixtures while in NSW and in Queensland, officiated when Queensland played South Africa and umpired several interstate One Day and Second Eleven games.

Next season, he will have stood in over 200 Saturday grade games and is a holder of a First Grade badge. Michael is also one of a select group of members who have won the Bob Spence Medal twice (1995/96 and 1997/98).

Michael has been very active in the administration of our Association. He served on the Executive and the Board of Examination and Coaching for 8 years and was our President for 4 years (2000-2004).

Very approachable and always willing to help anybody, Michael has many friends among the umpiring fraternity. We are very lucky to still have a member of this standing in our Association.

Congratulations Michael on a wonderful career and this well deserved honour.





Executive Committee Report



The Executive was unchanged from last season. We decided to take the view that the reason no sitting member of the Executive was challenged for their position at the AGM in 2006 was because the general membership was happy with the way the Association is being run.

Meetings attended August 2006 – March 2007 (8 meetings):

N Grout 8; Merv Musch 6; Ron Johnsen 7; Peter Farley 8; Don White 7; C Spalding 6; R Howard 8; I Barsby 8; D Mclver 8; I Wyeth 6.

The Executive holds meetings at least monthly during the off season (April to August), sometimes more depending on the issues that need to be dealt with each year.

Nelma Grout once again chaired our meetings with professionalism and with an efficiency that ensured that all matters raised were dealt with speedily and reasonably.

Once again I must thank the members of the Executive for all the help they gave me this season. Nelma Grout, Merv Musch, Don White and Peter Farley were especially generous with their time and help. Of course, my thanks go to Rebecca Gruenfeld who took over from Brian O'Rourke as our General Meeting

Minute Secretary. Rebecca needed little guidance and took to the job with aplomb and to our Statistician Ross Howard, thanks again for all your hard work behind the scenes.

The main items of business discussed during the season were:

Queensland Cricket

Queensland Cricket and our Association continued their close relationship this season. The big issue dealt with was the incorporation of Sub Districts and Churches Umpiring Associations with QCU&SA and the subsequent trials and tribulations such a major merger entails. Through many meetings with Queensland Cricket, Sub Districts Cricket Association and Churches Cricket Association and the umpires involved, all the details were worked through resulting in a very successful transition. Of course there are many teething problems that have been highlighted and more work needs to be done to smooth out these crinkles. My thanks go to all the stakeholders in this process for their willingness to make this work and their professionalism in all their dealings with us.

Innovations

This season was one of consolidation in many ways with our computerized allocation and payment system. We are still finding bugs and highlighting improvements that will make the whole system run more smoothly. Merv is working very closely with the IT people at Queensland Cricket to achieve this.

The web site is improving and more information is being made available to members constantly. It is also proving to be a very good recruitment tool as we get enquiries from prospective umpires constantly.

With so many new members it was decided to trial a "Mentor" system

where an experienced member was allocated to a new umpire for several games straight. Although very beneficial in many ways this didn't prove to be very practicable in a lot of cases and will be reviewed next season.

The handbook will be available earlier this year. To accomplish this, the draw will not be incorporated as in the past, but will be available on the Bulls website.

A Ground and Pitch rating system was devised.

It was decided to email the Executive Report and General Meeting Minutes to members before General Meetings.

A Bob Spence Medal "Lapel Pin" was struck. All Bob Spence medal winners were invited to our Annual Dinner to receive their award.

General Meetings

We were very excited to get back to holding our meetings in the new Ian Healy Room. Unfortunately it is a lot smaller than the old room and can't hold much more than 80 people comfortably. With over 170 members this obviously presents a problem.

Despite this, the meetings were very successful this season with an average attendance of 80. The coaching sessions were enhanced by the incorporation of group discussions. It was thought that a new member might be more willing to talk and participate in a smaller group and therefore obtain the answers and advice he/she needs.

A very popular innovation was the holding of several Sausage Sizzles and several free beer meetings.

Club Forum

We held our meeting with the clubs a month earlier than normal, so on the 4th of April we welcomed representatives from Redlands, Sunshine Coast, Beenleigh/





Logan, Western Suburbs, Valley and University of Queensland cricket clubs to the Executive meeting. The Chairman of the Grade Committee, Mr John Forrest was also in attendance.

Clubs raised different issues independently, with open and frank discussion from all parties following on all points.

Main points were:

- General consensus that the standard of umpiring had improved.
- Umpire inconsistency when adjudicating on light.
- Time wasting and banter was a problem during the season.
- Some clubs believed there has been a big improvement in umpiring overall, especially in communication, but agreed that banter on the ground is becoming a problem.

Handbook

We have made great progress in trying to get the Handbook into a readable and logical document. Mr Forrest and Mr Sturgess have been very accommodating to our requests for alterations and implementing a timeline so that the document can be made available to our association by our Seminar.

Recruitment and Training

With 72 new members registered this season it is obvious that our recruitment and training program was successful. Not all of these registered new members actively umpired all season for various reasons, however we were still able to nearly fulfill our objective of placing two umpires in all fixtures. Mike Ralston, John Rowe and all the members of the Examination and Coaching and Observing Panels are to be congratulated for a mighty job this season. And thanks must also go to you the members who have welcomed the new members and helped them along the way.

Observers

The Observers were kept very busy looking at all of the new members this season; despite this they were still able to observe most of the entire membership as well, providing invaluable advice to the Allocation Panel.

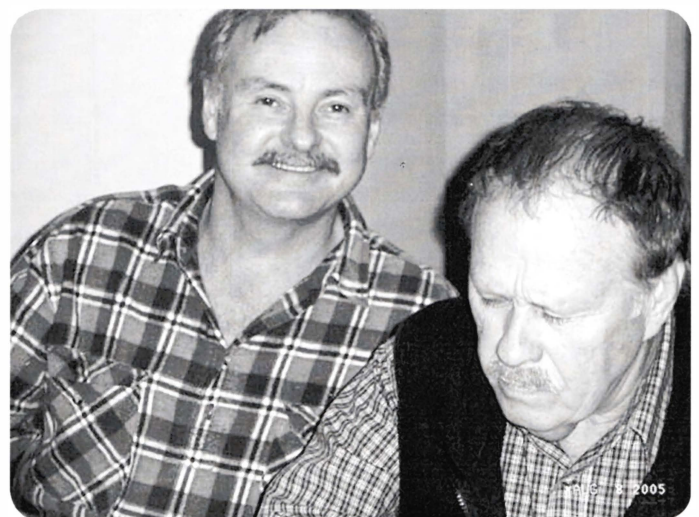
Equipment and merchandise

Patrick Shine has shone as our Director of Merchandising this season. This is Pat's fourth year in the job and was his best yet. Although he didn't provide any new products for us to buy, he was kept very busy providing all the new members with their gear.

Pat's dedication to his job and the Association is a credit to him. He has not missed a meeting since he took on the job and even attends meetings when he is on holidays so that the members don't miss out on buying something they need. Congratulations Pat and thank you to Peta, his lovely and very understanding better half, who puts up with a lot!



Serious work for Ian and Dave at Executive Meeting



Don does all the work while Ross poses



Membership 2006-07

Our official membership this year stands at 172 Ordinary Members and 22 Life Members. Two factors influenced the extraordinary increase in our numbers from past years. The members of the Cricket Umpire's Associations from Churches and Sub Districts joined our Association and Merv Musch, Mike Ralston and John Rowe did an amazing job in recruiting and training brand new umpires.

It is worth noting here that these figures reflect members who have completed one days umpiring at least. As is normal in every season not all of these members were available every weekend and indeed quite a number are no longer active because of various reasons. This hampered our objective of putting two umpires in every game this season, however we came very close.

This season we took on the responsibility of supplying umpires to the QC XXXX GOLD Grade Competition, Sub Districts Cricket Association and Churches Cricket Association fixtures. This meant that on any Saturday we needed to allocate in excess of 166 umpires. We also supplied officials to countless Sunday games and after Christmas, to TAS and AIC school games.

Special mention must be made to the umpires who joined our Association from Sub Districts and Churches. These members came to us as well trained and very competent officials. The manner in which they embraced the way that the QCU&SA organises umpiring was most appreciated. They assimilated very quickly with a minimum of fuss, and we look forward in having them become more involved in the Association in the years to come.

Again our members who are new to umpiring were very well trained, having sat through class room and on field training well before the start of the season. Congratulations to all of you,

without your willingness to listen and learn and your dedication, we would not be able to place such competent officials on the field. All the members of the Board of Examination and Training led by Merv Musch did another magnificent job, congratulations.

Thank you to all the members who were recruited as "Mentors" to the new members. These more experienced members took the new umpires under their wing and imparted invaluable advice that you can't teach in a classroom situation.

With the influx of new members, the challenge for our Association in the immediate future will be to not get complacent with our numbers and to ensure that we retain the experienced members, recruit more umpires and provide professional training and support for all members.

Peter Parker had another year to remember by being selected to officiate in the World Cup in the West Indies. Congratulations Peter.

Long serving member, Alan Loynes, had a memorable season by standing in his 250th grade game. Congratulations Alan.

Nick Marsh and Todd O'Rourke made their First Grade debuts this season. Congratulations Nick and Todd, very well deserved.

UMPIRING MILESTONES

The following achievements were recorded by members during the 2006-07 season:

First Grade Debut-

Nick Marsh, Todd O'Rourke

100 Game Badge-

Michael Clarke, Ian Barsby, Alan Eedy, Brian O'Rourke

UMPIRING ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations are extended to

Peter Parker

ICC International Panel

**Tim Laycock,
Dave Orchard,
Bruce Oxenford,
Peter Parker**

CA National Panel

**Norm McNamara,
Andrew Curran**

CA State Panel

CARNIVALS

My job was made easier this year because quite a number of our new members were available mid-week. Not only did this help me enormously in allocating over 380 umpiring days midweek during the season, I'm sure it gave these members valuable experience and enjoyment as well. During the QCJCA Under Age Championships in December we were requested to provide 36 umpires each day. Some of the carnivals were:

- ▷ QCJCA State U16, U15 and U13 Championships
- ▷ Secondary Schools State Cup Final
- ▷ U12 QPSC CARNIVAL
- ▷ U12 Development Carnival
- ▷ Qld Primary Schools Girls State Championships
- ▷ Southern Skies
- ▷ Christian Brothers Carnival
- ▷ QC Emerging Players Matches
- ▷ University of Queensland Inter College Carnival
- ▷ Various School games and trial matches
- ▷ Griffith University's successful "Longest Game of Cricket" world record attempt.





Ian Barsby being congratulated by Ron Johnsen

The Bob Spence Medal was first presented in 1984/85 and since that time 17 of our most consistent and competent umpires have had the honour of being a Bob Spence Medallist. If you have a look at the list you will see a who's who of cricket umpiring in Queensland.

The Medal is presented to not necessarily the best umpire on field but to the most dedicated member as well. This year Ian Barsby emerged as not only the most dedicated member of this association but also the best umpire in First Grade as is evidenced by his winning of the First Grade Award for the second time in three years.

It is just reward for Ian as he has been umpiring very well for several seasons now. He has also shown his passion for the Association by sitting on the Executive and being our Suitability Card coordinator.

Ian was presented with his Medal at our Annual Dinner which was attended by previous Bob Spence Medal winners and Life members who were invited to attend as our guests.

It was pleasing to see a couple of new faces in the top ten, namely Rebecca Gruenfeld and Rod Kampmann, congratulations. The other finalists were: Andrew Curran, Jay Kangur, Alan Loynes, David McIver, Peter Monaghan, Todd O'Rourke and Pat Shine.

Congratulations to our winner Ian Barsby and all the finalists for their dedication to cricket, umpiring and our Association.

Once again Ross Howard our statistician did a sterling job in compiling all the data to find our winner. Another job well done Ross, thank you.

The 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



3 'Top Tenners' acknowledging Ian



Association Awards

This season was a very difficult one for the determining of winners in each grade. One of the unforeseen consequences of having so many new members and welcoming Sub Districts and Churches Umpires to our Association, was the fact that there was a great deal of movement between the grades. A lot of the more seasoned members helped the Association by mentoring new members in lower grades and most of the new members were rotated through Churches, Sub Districts and Grade throughout the season.

The Award winners were announced at our Annual Dinner. Former Test Umpire Col Timmins and Peter Parker, just back from his umpiring duties in the World Cup and Life Members Alan Loynes and Ross Howard shared the presenting duties for the grade awards. We were once again honoured to have as our special guests Bev Hoy and John Forrest, Chairman of the Grade Committee, on hand to assist in the presenting of the Col Hoy Encouragement, the Allan Pettigrew Progression and Patron's Awards. Our Patron, Brian Gaskell was unable to attend this year due to health problems.



Peter Boland, Ian Barsby, Nick Marsh and Peter Monaghan were the outstanding contenders in First Grade this year. Once again, as he did in 2005/06, the "quiet achiever" Ian Barsby rose to the top to claim the title. Ian's style of umpiring is appreciated by players and his partners alike and this is just reward for a very popular member. Congratulations Ian.



In another tight contest, Second Grade produced Alan Loynes, Alan Grieve, Alan Eedy and Todd O'Rourke as the outstanding umpires in 2006/07. His great form in Third Grade early in the season saw Alan Grieve promoted to Second Grade. This decision was vindicated as his form was good enough to win the Second Grade Award from a very strong list of umpires. Well done Alan.



A closely fought tussle saw Gil Aspinall, Michael Campbell, Rebecca Gruenfeld and Dan Bull as the top contenders this year. Rebecca Gruenfeld showed she has got what it takes to beat off all the others to claim the crown. Rebecca has worked hard on her umpiring in the last few years and her improvement is obvious. Congratulations Rebecca, a great effort.



Stuart Fuller, John Hetherington, Rod Kampmann and Ray Marsh rose to the top in Fourth Grade this season. In a bad year for the English, Stuart Fuller saved some pride for the old country by winning the Award. Stuart is obviously umpiring well and a long and successful career ahead is assured for him. Congratulations Stuart.



Long time member Mick McShane showed he still has what it takes by seeing off a lot of contenders to win this Award. A previous winner of the Fifth Grade Award in 2001/02, Mick keeps on keeping on. Well done Mick.



Association Awards



In his first year as an umpire, Craig Hoffmann managed to win the U18 Award. Craig consistently impressed the captains, players and partners all season and this award is richly deserved. Congratulations Craig.



Another very popular winner was Phil Spence who stood out as the best umpire in A Grade Sub Districts this year. Phil is a very experienced umpire and has elected to umpire in Sub Districts, which makes our First Grade umpires very happy, (they don't need more competition). Well deserved Phil, congratulations.



While Brendan Marrinan was playing in the Over 40's competition, he thought he would like to give umpiring a try, he had an idea he could do it ok. How right he was, his feel for the game is outstanding, making his first year as an official very successful, well done Brendan.



Peter Smith joined our Association last year and has quickly assimilated into the umpiring culture. He is very keen to improve and by winning this award shows he is on the right track. Congratulations Peter, may you win many more.



Another very experienced umpire is Craig Spalding who managed to garner enough points from the captains to win the award this year. Craig has elected to umpire in Churches exclusively, which once again makes the First Grade umpires very happy. Well done Craig.



The winner this year was Mark Pius. Mark began the season in U18 and finished in Second Grade, he also stood in the Semi Final and Final for Third Grade. Obviously, he was a standout for this award. Mark is in only his second year with our Association, but has extensive experience as an umpire in India. Their loss is our gain, congratulations Mark on a wonderful season.



Craig Hoffmann has displayed all the attributes required to make a success of umpiring cricket. His winning of the U18 Award in this his first year, reports from his partners and observers over the season has shown that he is a member with enormous potential. Well done Craig, may you have many more great seasons.





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

	U18 Grade	Sub Districts	Progression (Alan Pettigrew Award)	Col Hoy Award
1992	B. McNamee		1992 G. Townsend	G. Zimmer
1993	N. Southall	2007 A Grade P. Spence	1993 R. Kelly	W. Heinemann
1994	P. Bell	B Grade B. Murrinan	1994 W. Heinemann	D. Vinall
1995	J. MacLean	C Grade P. Smith	1995 W. Cressy	B. Nielsen
1996	M. McGovern		1996 B. Nielsen	C. Brown
1997	J. Maxwell-Jones	Churches	1997 S. Dean	M. Whitman
1998	A. Payne	2007 C. Spalding	1998 M. Whitman	L. Stokes
1999	N. Szkutko		1999 B. Oxenford	V. Sestito
2000	D. Wills		2000 P. Boland	P. Shine
2001	R. Kinstler		2001 A. Curran	B. Prior
2002	R. Brown		2001 D. Knott	S. Vetsich
2003	R. Brown		2003 B. Hunt	D. Cleary
2004	J. Ezzy/ R. Marsh		2004 D. Moloney	N. Marsh
2005	R. Rooke-Jones		2005 C. Pfulgrath	A. Smith
2006	R. Marsh		2006 D. Mealey	N. Damm
2007	C. Hoffman		2007 M. Pius	C. Hoffmann



Patron's Award for Outstanding Service



The dual recipients of the Patron's Award this year were Peter Farley and Alan Eedy. Unfortunately Peter was unable to attend our Annual Dinner, however Alan was presented his honour on the night by the Chairman of the Grade Committee, Mr John Forrest.

Peter has been our Honorary Treasurer for three years. He handles the Association's finances very professionally and we have never been in a better financial position. He is a very active and important member of the Executive where his considered advice and participation on many issues that need attention over the season has been invaluable.

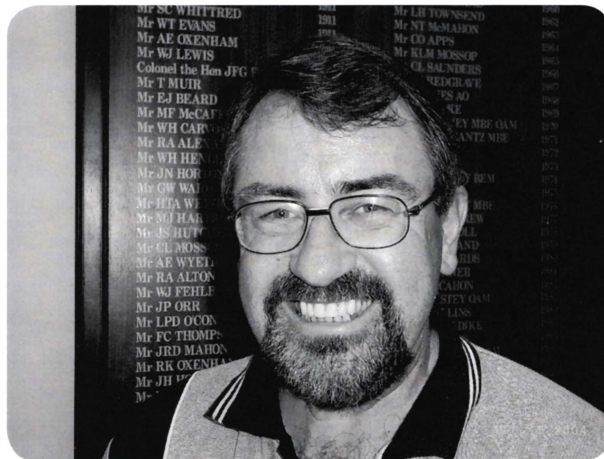
Peter joined the Association in 1997 and is currently standing in First Grade.

Alan is one of those tireless workers that operate behind the scenes in an association, who receive little attention or acknowledgement. He has been one of Don's famous "Seven Dwarfs" for many years and is invaluable in ensuring that the Social Club operates efficiently. Alan is always seen serving beer or helping out in many ways at after meeting gatherings and seminars.

Alan is a First Grade umpire who joined our Association in 1997. He is an "official" tragic as he shares his love of umpiring cricket with referring that round ball game.

Congratulations Peter and Alan, and thank you for your service to our Association.

Peter Farley



Alan Eedy being congratulated by John Forrest



Queensland Director Of Umpiring

Season 2006/2007 I regard as being very successful throughout the State.

- Queensland has 957 registered umpires: an increase of 137 overall from last season.
- 88 registered junior umpires: an increase of 18 juniors aged 17 or 18 years.
- Cricket Australia Level 2 Accreditation Program has 395 accredited umpires and 78 umpires are presently completing their course program.
- Compulsory registration and approval of umpires for the "Suitability Card / Blue Card" prior to them taking the field. All active umpires throughout
- Queensland are fully accredited in line with State Government legislation. Our State policy is "NO Blue Card NO Appointment"
- Discussions on the formation of a Junior Umpires Association are ongoing and as we now have the Cricket Australia training grant more proactive training programs can be implemented.
- The introduction of Sub-District and Churches umpires into the QCU&SA has been a successful amalgamation and will benefit the quality of the umpiring ranks for the future.
- The First Class appointments of Jay Kangur and Darren Moloney for Under 19 and Under 17 respectively to Cricket Australia championships in Adelaide and Brisbane were well vindicated as both umpires performed outstandingly and had match and championship reports of the highest level. The

quality of visiting umpires for the Under 17 championships was of a high level and they acknowledged that it was the best championship they had attended.

- Visited Grade clubs preseason to discuss law changes and any other aspects of the new season. Our policy where umpires would speak to captains prior to the start of the fixture and advise them of the current understanding of the "Spirit of Cricket" requirements was ongoing. This season saw an increase to 15 "Breach of the Code" reports. Although this represented an increase over the previous season it should be taken into consideration that the majority of these reports came from the Sub District competition which came under the jurisdiction of Queensland Cricket for the first time. Our sincere appreciation goes to Messrs. Torpey and Kelso for their dedicated and diligent approach as Commissioners. This policy will be ongoing in QCA and will be implemented throughout the State. It is envisaged that a more proactive approach in this area will be implemented in the future to give stronger support for umpires in the field.
- The recruitment of 137 umpires throughout the State for season 2006/2007 is pleasing. Several new umpires throughout the State show excellent qualities and the ability to progress to higher appointments.



- It will be a requirement that all Associations actively foster the recruitment of all levels of Umpires. Training aids and material will be made available to promote this initiative.
- Seminars and Training Programs 2006/2007:
 1. Cairns
 2. Caloundra (South Queensland Camp)
 3. Brisbane Metropolitan (Brisbane Grammar)
 4. Fraser Coast – Bundaberg
 5. Stanthorpe
 6. Gold Coast
 7. Darling Downs (Toowoomba)
 8. Ipswich
 9. Hervey Bay38 examinations were conducted from these seminars.
- State Directors meeting in September in Brisbane – covered agenda items:
 1. Accreditation and reaccreditation Program to a set criteria:
 - (a) Active umpiring within an Association





- (b) Attending seminar training during the season
- (c) Performing an ongoing self assessment program
- (d) Observer reports for on field performance
- (e) Education and Training
- 2. Global Development
- 3. Community Cricket
- 4. Training material.
- 5. CD Training and funding

for supply to State Associations.

6. Recruitment and funding.

- QCCA Annual Delegates Meeting – discussed many items in relation to lifting the profile of Country Umpires.
- (a) Ongoing Development of a Country Umpires Workshop.
- The reappointments of a North and South Queensland umpires coordinator in

Graeme Smith (Rockhampton) and Craig Spalding (Brisbane) has again proved to have been successful.

- Outcomes of season 2006/2007 were very pleasing and I look forward to an even busier 2007/2008. QCU&SA will further increase their umpire levels from their July new member training program.

Michael Ralston

Director of Umpiring,
Queensland

Board Of Examination and Coaching

The Examination and Coaching Panel with the help of our senior Umpires conducted the hour long Coaching sessions at our monthly meetings. This hour long coaching sessions will continue next season but in a different format.

Our annual seminar was held in Brisbane at Brisbane Grammar School Grounds and could have been attended by more members this seminar is only for one day.

Thanks to the panel members who helped out with the training and also to the wife's of members who helped out the social committee to supply lunch and drinks.

A big thank you to my fellow panel members for their support throughout the year and I hope the members who were there for the first time will be back next season

Merv Musch

Chairperson

Delegates Report

This year saw the Board returned for another year. Our representative on the board was Mr Carl Rackemann and our association has had a very good working relationship with him.

The Chairman Mr Damien Mullins stood down as one of our representatives to Cricket Australia and his replacement will be Mr Brian Phelan until the year 2008.

Thanks to Mr Iain Wyeth who attended the meetings that I could not attend and I hope Iain will take on the position next season.

On behalf of our association I would like to thank Mr Graham Dixon C.E.O of Queensland Cricket and all the staff from the office for their help throughout the season. We have a good working relationship with them and I hope it continues for many years to come.

Merv Musch

Delegate





Allocation Panel Report

The Allocation Panel members in Merv, Don, Barry, Ross and I embarked on a very busy and remarkable season of allocations. The Panel met each fortnight during the season at Queensland Cricket Headquarters, Albion to allocate members to Grade, Sub-Districts and Churches and to other competitions we were involved with for season 2006/2007.

This season was particularly busy with many new members joining the Association. I sincerely thank the panel for the many hours of dedication and attention to detail that was spent in preparing allocations. Our special appreciation must go to Merv for the many extra hours put in to computerise our allocations and send the appointments to members; this was done very professionally throughout the season with minimal disruption. Ross's extra duty, in conjunction with allocations, was as statistician, a job very well done and acknowledged by all on the Executive Committee.

My appreciation goes to all member's who made themselves available throughout the season to officiate in the XXXX Grade Competition, First Grade One Day Competition, Konica Women's First and Second Grade, the Over Forties, Under 19's and the Lord Taverners Under 16. With our increased new member numbers we allocated appointments to all Grade fixtures as well as expanding our umpiring areas to incorporate Sub-District, Churches and School competitions with AIC, TAS and many mid week carnivals. I would like to make special mention of the allocation work done by Ron Johnsen with his efforts to place members into the extra mid week school carnivals we were invited to officiate.

As chairman of the Allocation panel it is my duty and pleasure, in consultation with the Panel members, to invite several promising umpires to move up into higher grades, this is a direct reflection of the quality of umpiring within the Association.

With the increased number of fixtures available it was particularly pleasing that so many members made themselves available for mid week, Saturday and Sunday. The electronic allocation system has proved to be very successful this season and our sincere appreciation must go to Merv for the excellent work done throughout the season. The availability of members will again be sort for season 2007 / 2008 as it is anticipated that more fixtures will be played throughout the season.

I would like to extend my congratulations to all members who were appointed to officiate in Semi and Grand Finals.

Michael Ralston

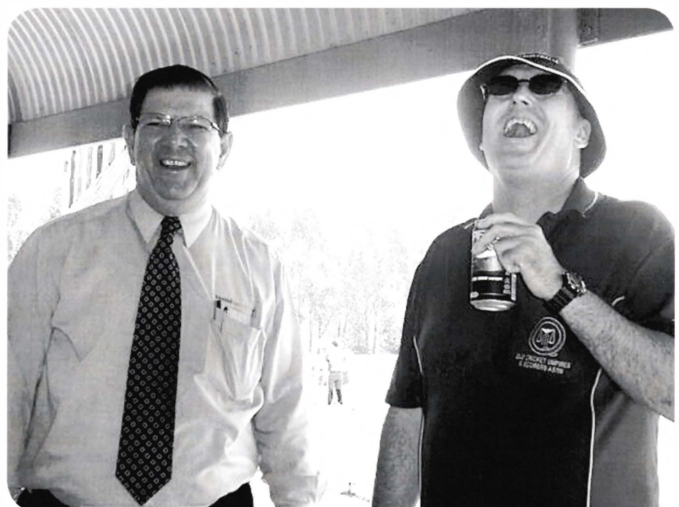
Chairman,
QCU&SA



Barry explaining his allocation policies



Merv Musch



Mike and Dave 'seeing the funny side'



Observer's Report



The role of the Observer is to encourage all umpires to be technically correct and coach them to move at the appropriate speed and time into the best suited position to confidently make a decision.

The increased membership of the Association posed some difficulties with viewing all members but I am happy with the overall results with observing reports being completed for the majority of members throughout the season. The inclusion of Sub District and Churches umpires for the first time presented us with a more difficult program but I am pleased to report that all new members and those of Sub District and Churches were observed and have performed to expectations.

The introduction of the mentor system after Christmas was seen as a success and my appreciation is extended to all of those members who took part in assisting our new members settle in to their umpiring duties. Due to the thorough initial training given by John Rowe and the Board of Examination and Coaching, only a few minor technical faults were detected with members during the season.

Improvement was noted in all grades as the season progressed and confidence levels rose. It was pleasing to see our newer members working as a "team" with communication; this "team effort" is encouraged and will continue to grow in the seasons to come as they progress through to higher grades. The reports received, from Captains and club officials from meetings held post season, were encouraging in that the general feeling from Grade clubs was that umpiring was at an acceptable standard throughout the grades. First Grade was particularly singled out for mention where it was indicated that the quality of umpiring was of the highest level, compared to past seasons. Second and Third Grade were also mentioned as an improvement over past seasons.

I can gauge from these reports that the preseason training has been successful with bringing all members to a satisfactory level for the season; the coaching panel should be congratulated for their efforts. The quality of our Observer's reports has been instrumental in helping to raise the standard of umpiring with our new and more seasoned members. It is pleasing to advise that many of our new members sought advice from the Observers and from other experienced umpires

The most rewarding part of our Observers duties is to have a member enquire about his or her report and seek an expanded version of the report. Observers and members of the Examination and Coaching Panel are there to help in a non threatening but constructive manner and will take every opportunity at meetings and seminars to discuss technique problems. I confidently expect the quality of umpiring to rise even further for the 2007/2008 season.

In conclusion I would like to express my appreciation for a job well done to my fellow Observers in Merv Musch, Steve Dean, and John Rowe and especially to the many Grade umpires who were asked to assist the Observers with observations of their newer partners throughout the season.

Michael Ralston

Chairman,
QCU&SA
Observers Panel.



*Observer Steve Dean
sharing his secrets with
the ladies*



Social Committee

Another season of standing out in the middle of an oval, waving your arms and pointing your finger to the skies while watching players walk off, (Umpiring) has come to an end.

There were some high and lows for members throughout the year, but to the Grade Award Winners "Congratulations to you all, and well done". Special mention to the Bob Spence Medal winner Ian Barsby a very popular winner who also took out the First Grade Trophy, "well done" Louie.

The Ian Healy Room was the venue for our general meetings this season and at times proved to be a bit tight and stuffy, but that didn't affect the attendance at the meetings. Members, the social committee needs your support at these meetings, the proceeds assist with the end of season dinner and go towards other purchases, so thank you to all members for your generosity and support throughout the year.

The Christmas raffle was the major fund raiser this year and was well supported by sales and donations.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following for their support during the year:

- Mary-Ann Strelow from Four Wheel Drive Hire Service, for sponsoring a BBQ and donating a wonderful 4WD holiday for us to raffle.
- Heather Jeffers now Strickland, from CWM-Network for merchandise towards the Christmas raffles.
- Eris Pratt from Castlemaine Perkins who assisted with donations towards the seminar and the Annual Dinner.
- The Queensland Cricketer's club for allowing us to hold our Annual Dinner and Executive meetings at their club.
- John Hanley for donating a BBQ.

Thank you all very much; your support was most appreciated.

We tried a new format this year with a B.B.Q. after two of our general meetings. These proved very popular and



successful and we will be ensuring that this is an on going event in future seasons. We would like to acknowledge and thank Nelma for her support by providing the sandwiches and nibbles at the meetings.

Members, once again thank you for your support this season, I'm sure you are all looking towards the next one when the process starts all over again.

Last but not least a "thank you" to my fellow members of the social committee without your assistance the job would be a lot more taxing.

"My your finger be raised for all the right reasons"

Don White
Social Coordinator.



Playing Find the Bat at the off season BBQ





The venue this year was the Queensland Cricketer's Club. Among 129 excited guests were 7 life members and 9 past Bob Spence Medal winners who were invited as special guests of the Association. The Bob Spence Medal winners were presented with a specially struck Lapel Pin by our President Nelma Grout. It was great to see all the old faces sitting with all their friends, reminiscing on past experiences on and off the field.

Congratulations to all the winners in each grade and to the winners of the Col Hoy Encouragement and the Alan Pettigrew Progression Awards.

Of course, the main award for the evening was the Bob Spence Medal, which was won by Ian Barsby, a popular

choice among the members. Ian is well known for his dedication to the Association on and off the field and his great umpiring. Well done "Louie."

The Mel Johnson Award for Sub-District appointed umpires (which is equivalent to the Bob Spence Medal), was won by Phil Spence, another very worthy winner. Congratulations Phil.

The guest speaker for the evening was the former Australian Rugby Union international referee, Scott Young. It was enthralling to have a speaker from a different sporting body to talk on how they train to reach maximum fitness and how they program themselves to gain maximum concentration. The film clips he had on what can happen on the field were very interesting and enlightening.

Thank you Scott, for your time and fascinating talk, it was one of the highlights of the night.

Master of Ceremonies, Brendan Creevey, as always was full of witty remarks relating back to his playing days. His stories about his experiences with some of the retired umpires in attendance were most enjoyable. The evening flowed smoothly thanks to Brendan's efforts and with his input through out the evening. Thanks once again Brendan.

A special mention must go to Castlemaine XXXX GOLD, Four Wheel Drive Hire Service and Queensland Cricketers Club for their generous support which helped make the evening such a success.

Don White

Recruitment and Development Officer's Report



Changes, challenges, umpire numbers and plenty of training, these best describe the last twelve months.

With our Association taking on Sub Districts and Churches umpires our numbers on the field each Saturday became close to 170. That figure fell short of what we needed to allocate in the 2006/07 season, but with more new umpire training programs and field training we are getting closer all the time.

Unfortunately keeping umpire numbers stable from season to season is like any work environment, people move on to other fields for various reasons, and our numbers will always decrease slightly through the off season. Mike Ralston has indicated we have healthy numbers for early training in June/July, so we are looking good for the new season.

The new recruits in the 2006/7 season all performed well, reports from captains, observers and their partners were very positive and we had some of our new members making good progress through the grades.

I hope our new members enjoyed their first season and will come back in September. The second season is always a challenge, as you put all your training together with your first year experiences, and really work hard to achieve and perform better in your second season.

This will be my last Recruitment and Development report. I enjoyed my years in this role and had a lot of fun. I especially enjoyed working with the new people and wish you all the success in your umpiring ventures in coming seasons.

John Rowe

Recruitment and Development Officer



Property Officer's Report

It has again been my pleasure to serve this great umpiring Association as Property Officer (AKA Director, Property and Merchandise Services) and to present my report on my activities for the past 12 months.

This was the fourth year that I have looked after the Association's merchandise. The 05/06 season was known as my "Farewell Tour I". The 06/07 season was known by a couple of different names, depending on what day of the week it was. It started as "The Encore Tour", but "The Closing Down" sale came up fairly regularly. Perhaps I made too much of a point of saying that everything was on sale at below recommended retail prices. A key feature of the Association's merchandise is that everything is sold at cost price and no profit margin is added to the cost that members pay. The \$15 discount voucher automatically means that money is lost on what the merchandise costs the Association to purchase. In this respect, the Executive should be commended for their wisdom and desire to give members value for their membership fees.

I would like to acknowledge my wife Peta for putting up with all the merchandise in the spare bedroom, in the pergola and garage. Not to mention Peta's help with the constant stocktaking (Treasurer Farley!). A measure of Peta's support of me being the Property Officer, is when I get home after every meeting she always asks "How much merchandise did you sell tonight dear?" "Heaps" I would say, to which she would reply "That is great dear, keep up the good work!"

There were no new items of merchandise this year. The biggest challenge this past year has been to outfit the large number of new members. Over the four years that I have looked after the property, outfitting all active members

in the white umpiring shirts has been the biggest challenge and most time consuming part of the role. Umpiring shirts, Casual Polo Shirts, Business Shirts, Ties, Shorts, Caps, Water Bottles, Counters, Notebooks, Bowling Markers, Sports Bags, MCC Laws Books, Tom Smiths and CD-ROMS (I think that is everything!) have been items available for members to purchase.

I would like to thank all those members who purchased some merchandise during the past 12 months for their patronage. For those other members, I hope they can be tempted to buy something during 2007/08.

The Executive in their wisdom decided to again offer a \$15 discount voucher for members, the "Grumpy". I'm still waiting for the Executive to respond to my 3 page letter wherein I asked for an explanation about why the discount voucher was called the "Grumpy". I'm seeking clarification on whether "Grumpy" refers to certain members of the Executive, the Secretary for suggesting it, the Treasurer for panicking about the cost to the Association's bottom line or whether it was a sledge at me!

The Grumpy was great for members by being able to further slash the already low prices of merchandise even lower. The Executive is looking at options for cheaper white umpiring hats for the 2007/08 season, rather than the discount voucher. I see this as a very good move and evolution of the concept of members receiving a discount on essential items of umpiring merchandise.

I would encourage all members to purchase items of the Association's merchandise. Notwithstanding the requirement for an umpiring shirt, it is great to see members arriving and leaving grounds wearing the casual polo shirt,

shorts or cap. Wearing our merchandise is also a great way to promote our Association and to better represent the "Third" team at every game of cricket. If it is good enough for the players to wear their club's merchandise to games, it is good enough for the umpires!

A big THANK YOU to Madam President Grout, VP Musch, Secretary Johnsen and Treasurer "Cattle Prod" Farley – "do you have any money for me this month" for their continued support and assistance throughout the season.

Again a big THANK YOU to all members for your patronage, support and good humour during the season. Also, thank you to our country cousins for their patronage over the past 12 months!

In closing, I have decided that if the Executive wants me to do this job for one more season, that I want a promotion. I'm asking for a title change to become "Non-Voting Executive Vice President in charge of Property and Merchandise" and I'm looking for business cards to hand out to all my customers. One can only hope!

Yours in cricket property and merchandise

Patrick Shine

(Director, Property and Merchandise Services)



Peter Burge Medal



804 runs coming at an average of 57.43 ensured that West's all rounder Aaron Nye secured his second Peter Burge Medal, signifying him as the best player in the XXXX GOLD Grade competition. Aaron was presented with his award at the XXXX GOLD Presentation Dinner by Joan Burge.

Nye finished on 22 votes to finish six clear of four fast bowlers – last year's winner Ben Laughlin from Wynnum-Manly, Gold Coast captain Chris Swan, Beenleigh-Logan quick Worrin Williams, and Valley's Darin Turner.

He scored three centuries and three half centuries, and his top score of 161 in Round 9 helped his side to a fighting draw against eventual premiers University.

Nye also chipped in with 13 wickets at 27.54, including a best of 6-29.

Nye had a slow start to the season where he polled points only once in the first 8 playing days of the season. He then polled at least 2 votes in every game from rounds 5 to 11 to snare his second medal.

Peter Burge Medal Honour Board:

1990/91	Harley Hammelman (Souths) Bob McGhee (Toombul)
1991/92	Peter Clifford (Toombul)
1992/93	Andrew Courtice (University)
1993/94	Adam Dale (Wynnum/Manly)
1994/95	Scott Prestwidge (Wynnum/Manly) Peter Skuse (Toombul) Dominic Ovenden (Norths)
1995/96	Adam Dale (Wynnum/Manly)
1996/97	Jeff Pfaff (Gold Coast)
1997/98	Paul Argent (Souths)
1998/99	Mick Miller (Norths)
1999/00	Brendan Creevey (Sandgate/Redcliffe)
2000/01	Dale Turner (Souths)
2001/02	Greg Rowell (Wests)
2002/03	Aaron Nye (Wests)
2003/04	Nathan Rimmington (Sandgate/Redcliffe)
2004/05	Derek Tate (Toombul)
2005/06	Ben Laughlin (Wynnum/Manly)
2006/07	Aaron Nye (Wests)

Kath Smith Medal

WNCL Player of the Year Melissa Bulow, captain of the Konica Minolta Queensland Fire, has broken teammate Trish Brown's stranglehold on the Kath Smith Medal.

Bulow polled 12 votes to edge out her Australian, Queensland and Western Suburbs teammate Jodie Purves by one to claim the Kath Smith Medal for the 2006/07 season.

Scoring 561 runs at an average of 111.2, with a high score of 184 was enough for the umpires to give Bulow sufficient points to rise to the top this season.

Brown, from Wynnum-Manly, was third on 10 votes, followed by North's Megan White, Sandgate-Redcliffe's Kirsten Pike and Wests' Jo Verrall, each on seven.

Completing the top 10 were Wynnum-Manly's Julia Price (6), and Beenleigh-Logan pair Jude Coleman and Delisse Kimmince (5).

Kath Smith Medal Honour Board

2002/03	Trish Brown (Valley)
2003/04	Trish Brown (Wynnum/Manly)
2004/05	Trish Brown (Wynnum/Manly)
2005/05	Trish Brown (Wynnum/Manly)
2006/07	Melissa Bulow (Western Suburbs)





Cricket Australia Umpire Coach Report

The season 2006-07 was an extremely busy one, with the Ashes Series, The International One Day Series, 20/20 International Series, the International under 19 Series, the Women's International Series, the Domestic Season, culminating with the World Cup. Congratulations to the Australian Side for reclaiming the Ashes, winning the International One Day & 20/20 series and the World Cup.

Congratulations also to the Tasmania Devils for winning their first ever Pura Cup, to the Queensland XXXX Bulls in winning the Ford Ranger Cup and to Victoria in winning the 20/20 Big Bash Final.

Cricket Australia is to be congratulated on their promotion of the domestic 20/20 competition by arranging for matches to be played at country venues. Toowoomba hosted the 20/20 match, Queensland v Tasmania which drew a record crowd. This season will see Queensland play Victoria on the 31st of December in Townsville.

At the end of the 2006-07 season Cricket Australia undertook the task of restructuring the Umpire Panels. Each State Coach was requested by the Umpire Selection Panel, to review the performance of each umpire, who had officiated in their home state, and then rank them in order, from one through to twelve, who in their opinion should be on the National Panel, excluding Simon Taufel and Daryl Harper, who are contracted to the I.C.C. This information was then collated and subsequently the Umpire Selection Panel announced the names of the umpires who will receive a contract for the 2007/08 season.

Cricket Australia National Panel:

Jeff Brooks.	W.A.
Steve Davis.	S.A.
(I.C.C. International Panel)	

Simon Fry.	S.A.
Tim Laycock.	Qld.
Ian Lock.	W.A.
Dave Orchard.	Qld.
Bruce Oxenford	Qld.
(I.C.C. International Panel: T.V. Umpire.)	
Peter Parker.	Qld.
(I.C.C. International Panel)	
Bob Parry.	Vic.
Paul Reiffel.	Vic.
Rodney Tucker.	NSW.
John Ward.	Vic.

The members on the National Panel are eligible to officiate in Pura Cup, Ford Ranger Cup, 20/20 and tour matches. Peter Parker and Steve Davis remain on the I.C.C. International Panel along with Bob Parry as a nominated third umpire. Peter and Steve can be selected to officiate in One Day Internationals, and can be appointed by the I.C.C. to stand in Test Matches. This Association can be proud in having retained four members on the National Panel.

The state coach and the state Director of Umpiring were also required to submit the names of umpires, who in their opinion should be on the state panel including the members on the National Panel. The names submitted are as follows:

Peter Parker	C.A. contract.
Bruce Oxenford	C.A. contract.
Dave Orchard	C.A. contract.
Tim Laycock	C.A. contract.
Norm McNamara.	
Andrew Curran.	
Jay Kangur.	
Darren Moloney.	
Damien Mealey.	
Todd O'Rourke.	

The non contracted umpires on the State Panel will not receive a Cricket Australia contract but can be selected

by the Umpire Selectors to officiate in Pura Cup, Ford Ranger Cup and 20/20 matches. If selected for any of these matches they will receive on field attire and the relevant match payments.

Congratulations are extended to the following for their achievements in 2006/07.

Peter Parker:

appointed to officiate at the World Cup, Test Matches and One Day Internationals in South Africa, the Asian Cup in India, a 20/20 International in Sydney, and 3rd umpire for two Ashes Tests. Peter also officiated at the Emerging Players' Tournament.

Bruce Oxenford:

4th umpire ashes test, 4th umpire one day international, officiated at the Under 19 International Series Australia v Pakistan, the Women's International One Day series. 3rd umpire for the Pura Cup Final. He also officiated at the I.C.C World Cricket League Division 3 in Darwin and at the Emerging Players' Tournament.

Dave Orchard:

appointed to the Under 19 International Series Australia v Pakistan, and the Emerging Players' Tournament.

Tim Laycock:

4th umpire one day international, appointed to the Under 19 International Series Australia v Pakistan, Women's One Day series, and the I.C.C World Cricket League Division 3 in Darwin. Tim also officiated at the Emerging Players' Tournament.

Norm McNamara:

appointed to the Under 19 International Series Australia v Pakistan, the International Women's 20/20 and One Day Series, and the Emerging Players' Tournament.





Andrew Curran:

appointed to the Under 19 International Series Australia v Pakistan and the Women's International 20/20 and One Day Series. Appointed 3rd umpire for a Ford Ranger Cup match and following an injury to Norm became the on field official. Andrew has been selected to attend the emerging umpire's program at the Centre of Excellence in July.

Jay Kangur:

appointed to a C/A Cup match at Border Field and Under 19 Championships in Adelaide.

Darren Maloney:

appointed to the Under 17 Championships in Brisbane.

All appointments appear elsewhere in this report.

Congratulations are also extended to Daryl Harper Cricket Australia Umpire of the year, and to Simon Taufel Official of the Year.

The implementation of the Cricket Australia Umpiring Strategic Plan has seen a continued improvement in the overall performance of umpires, capable of officiating with a high level of accuracy in decision making. This has been achieved with fairness in a variety of challenging situations. Umpires also play a central role in encouraging players to see that the game is played within the Spirit of Cricket guide lines.

The umpire coach has become a very important mentor, whereby umpires have a person that they can relate to, on a one to one basis. The coach can counsel them after each days play, discuss their performance, give encouragement to lift their confidence, and provide them with technical support.

My thanks to the National Panel and State Panel umpires, for their support and encouragement throughout what has been a very busy season.

Lew Johnson

C.A. Umpire Coach



*Lew Johnson ready for action
at a General Meeting*





National U/19 Championship

I arrived in Adelaide with the QLD team on Sat 9th Dec to a very warm 42 degrees. I was greeted by Daniel Waters the Development Officer, Umpires & Volunteers for the SACA. The same day I arrived, the Tasmanian umpire Steven Johns joined me. With the very warm day Adelaide had, Steven nearly had heat stroke due to wearing a tweed suit, as he did not expect such a hot day.

We arrived a day earlier than most teams which was great, as this gave me time to look around Adelaide and get myself ready for the 2 weeks ahead.

As is the custom with these championships, umpires get to stand with different umpires from the other states. The umpires I had the privilege to stand with were: Mick Martell (W.A) for rounds 1 & 2, Peter Tate (N.S.W) for rounds 3 & 7, Stuart Rudd (N.T) round 4 and Luke Uthenwoldt (S.A) rounds 5 & 6.

Unfortunately I didn't get to stand with: Geoff Joshua (VIC), Steven Johns (TAS) and Yohan Ramasundra (A.C.T), which was a shame as a collective group it was scary on how well we got on.

For most of the championships, Adelaide provided most games with beautiful weather except for a couple of games. During these wet weather days, we needed to be on top with the rules and regulations (as we had a couple of instances during these championships, where there was misunderstanding of the rules for both the 1 and 2 day games.) I can't stress enough to my fellow members, the importance of knowing all the relevant playing conditions especially ground, weather and light.

The SACA organised excellent 2 bedroom, fully contained units for the umpires. They were centrally located in Adelaide (5 minutes walk to the centre of the C.B.D) and close to most of the grounds.

Hire cars were provided for our use for the entire 2 weeks which was great. We used them extensively on our days off, seeing the sights as Adelaide is a beautiful city.

The standard of cricket throughout the championships was of a very high standard across the boards. From day one there were upsets in the 1 day games. After the four rounds of 1 day games, TAS and A.C.T were leading the championships, which was a real shock to most people. During the 2 day games things started to change back with N.S.W and VIC ending up on top with one round to go.

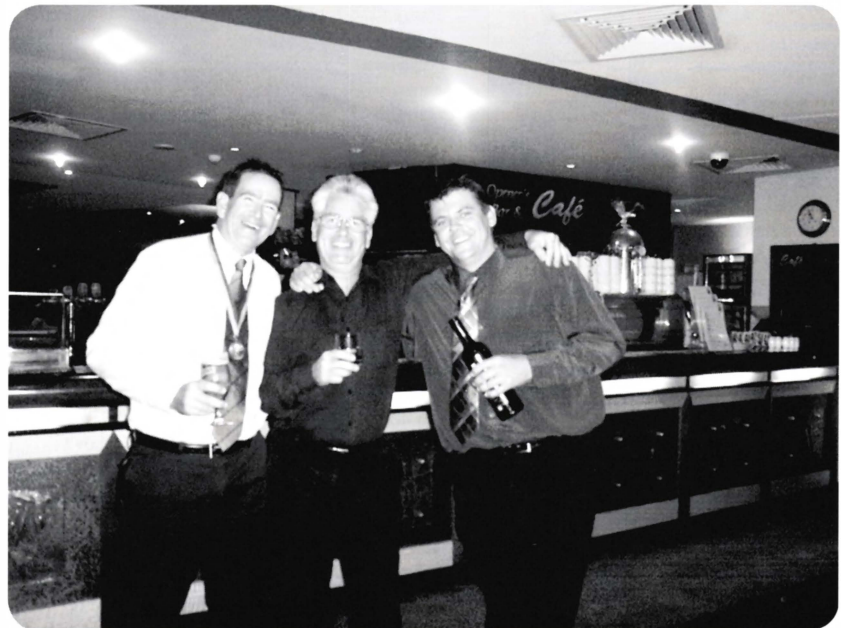
I had a few highlights through these championships and met some great people along the way and hopefully some friends for life. The game I will remember the most was the last game in which I stood with Peter Tate. It ended up being the decider for the championships between N.S.W and VIC. This game was very tight for the 2 days. A large storm building up to hit about 2 P.M on the 1st day and light rain for the 2nd day made this game very interesting to umpire as we had to be switched on for both days.



Just for the record N.S.W won the decider by 4 wickets and therefore the championship.

I would like to thank Qld Cricket and the Qld Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association for giving me this opportunity to experience a championship of this stature, Cricket Australia for their support of the umpires, Mel Johnson, Dick French, Geoff Allardice and Brent Silva for their helpful feedback. To Daniel Waters and the S.A.C.A for organising an excellent championship with fantastic grounds and facilities. Thanks also to my colleagues I umpired with in the championships and my fellow members in QCU&SA.

Jay Kangur



Jay sharing a drink with Peter and Phil at the Annual Dinner





My time at the U/17 National Championship was both extremely enjoyable and productive to my umpiring technique. The time spent with the other umpires both on and off the field was an experience I will not soon forget. As a group we bonded quickly and it wasn't long before we were all relaxed in each others company and although I did not get a chance to umpire with all the other state representatives, the matches that I did stand in were all of a high standard and a lot of fun to umpire.

As the home umpire and host it was my responsibility to keep the other guys happy and relaxed, so that the only thing they had to think about was their matches. This was easy when all of us got on so well. We all helped each other out so task sharing became second nature. I took them to the Sunshine Coast on one of our rest days for a family BBQ at my parents

place and some Queensland hospitality.

We took turns in car pooling to matches depending on how many umpires were needed to get to a particular ground and shared the driving.

We had sessions after each days play to discuss the days events and decisions and to use them as a workshop to iron out any problems or issues that may have cropped up. This time was also used to fill out any remaining paper work and self assessment sheets. We looked out for each other, there was a definite kinship and I am proud to call them my friends.

During matches we would be constantly viewed by observers and were given feedback and tips to improve our techniques. In my case I worked more on going to the preferred side when I was standing at the bowlers end and standing closer to the play when at square

leg. I also recognised that I needed to concentrate harder during quieter periods in a match these observations and tips were very helpful for me and I have been working on them since.

I would like to thank our Association for giving me the chance to umpire in these championships.

Darren Moloney



*Darren Moloney with
Mike Ralston*

Queensland Cricket Grade Committee Report

The Queensland Cricket Grade Committee comprised John Forrest (Chairman), Ian Sturgess (Manager Grade Cricket), Neil King, Jim Holding, Jon Hopes, Katherine Raymont, Tony Taylor and Michael Ralston.

The Committee met on two occasions to discuss matters relating to the control and general running of District Grade Cricket. The Committee was kept busy this season with a number of initiatives being considered to improve the standard of District Cricket. This season has been a very involved one for the Grade Committee with a number of clubs, teams and players pushing the regulations to their limit. The Committee had to adjudicate on a number of differing interpretations applied during

the season which also pinpointed a number of the Grade regulations that needed attention for the future.

This season also saw a greater involvement with the clubs through meetings to discuss the overall acceptance of the Grade Competition fixtures. This was seen as a proactive move to gauge their response to the new regulations and possible alterations for the future. The input from the Grade Clubs is vital to the success of District Cricket as the clubs are the competition. With the expected growth in the Competition for the new season and into the future, it is important that the Umpires Association is able to contribute to the issues affecting not only umpires but the total growth of the sport.

The Association has welcomed the opportunity to be a part of this Committee and participate in the running of Grade Cricket and I am sure our input has been of value to Queensland Cricket.

The Association would like to thank our Conducts Commissioners, Messrs. Torpey and Kelso for their support throughout the season and also our appreciation is extended to Mr. Ian Sturgess, Manager of Grade Cricket, for his support.

I would like to thank the members who furnished me with "Umpires Reports" pertaining to situations arising at fixtures. These were particularly helpful when questions were raised at Grade meetings.

Michael Ralston





SEQ Umpires Report Season 2006/07

It's nearly at the end of the season and it has been a long one. All reports have been good and encouraging because of increased numbers of umpires. Ipswich and Sunshine Coast have several umpires under 21 years of age umpiring with them at the moment which is very encouraging.

The following reports from the Sunshine Coast and Gympie are typical of what is going on in the country.

Most Associations are active in recruiting, but most are still low in numbers.

Yours in umpiring

Craig Spalding



Sunshine Coast

At the start of the season the Sunshine Coast Umpires had 34 on its books.

Of these 6 have failed to report for duty so we have only 28 active umpires. With the inevitable umpire unavailability, we sometimes only had 20 and could only field down to third grade. I would say out of all our umpires we have 4 or 5 of A Grade standard but with training and feedback and more confidence in themselves we can lift that.

After recruiting last season by way of the media we got 6 additional umpires.

Thankfully we did get these new members as our numbers would have been really low otherwise.

We have 4 umpires under 21 and are nursing them at the moment with mentors.

Our main problem up here seems to be umpires not knowing local rules. We

address this at our meetings with different scenarios so hopefully we can eliminate the problem eventually.

There was a course run at Maroochydore High School last year with 15 schoolboys in Grade 12 receiving their Level 1. But we won't see any of these as they are either playing or have gone to Uni. But in the future we may get some out of the course.

Gympie

The Gympie Cricket Association has 8 matches every weekend. We have three umpires who are available every weekend, three who are available most weekends and two who are available for periods of two weeks and off two weeks, and one who is available sometimes. This gives us nine umpires, two with Level 2 certification, a couple with Level 1 and the rest with level two. We have never had a proper Judiciary in place but this is being rectified at last and will have this in place within the next week.

The standard of umpiring is generally very good. There have been disputes,

but mainly where players do not know the laws of cricket. A case in point was where I was at square leg and gave a player out obstructing the field. I took a lot of flack from players who did not know that either umpire can make this decision.

Payments were increased this year to \$60 a day. Payments from the Association are quite slow and generally a couple of months behind.

Something has to be done to sort this out. Currently they send the accounts out to clubs and need to collect the payment from them before paying the umpires.

The grounds are generally okay but pretty dry as in the rest of South East Queensland.

The season is going well and as usual we find it harder to umpire C grade than A grade.

We have seen this season, an increase in umpires who are putting their hand up for Representative cricket and the Country Panel. In South Queensland we may have up to 8 trying to get on the panel, so come the Nationals we should be very well off.





XXXX Grade Competition

Semi Finals

- First Grade - T Laycock, N McNamara, A Curran, D Orchard
- Second Grade - A Eedy, P Monaghan, I Barsby, A Grieve
- Third Grade - D Moloney, R Gruenfeld, J Kangur, M Pius
- Fourth Grade - A Harris, P Shine, R Marsh, R Fryer
- Fifth Grade - N Marsh, C Hoffmann, D McIver, C Dore
- U18 Grade - T O'Rourke, R Lloyd, A Loynes, K Godfrey

XXXX Grade Competition

Finals

- First Grade - T Laycock, D Orchard
- Second Grade - N McNamara, A Eedy
- Third Grade - A Curran, M Pius
- Fourth Grade - I Barsby, R Marsh
- Fifth Grade - P Monaghan, C Hoffmann
- U18 Grade - J Kangur, K Godfrey

First Grade One-Day Competition

Semi Final

- P Parker, I Barsby, B Oxenford, T Laycock

Final

- B Oxenford, T Laycock

Under 19

Final

- R Johnsen, M Clarke

Women's Cricket Finals

- First Grade - N O'Brien, P Johnson
- Second Grade - M Nimmervoll, C Dore

Sub-Districts Semi-Finals

- G Christie, P Spence, C Garrett, M Lowings, S Huggett, J Topp, D Woodman, N Hart, C Pritchard, P Smith, K Dutt, N Szkutko, F Hobman, C Popko, E Doherty, A Crane, J Peisley, J Drury, D Rosenthal, R Zwiers, B Mitchell, P McQuillan, B Glasby, S Pay, S Gardner, D McRae, M Butchers, C Doherty, B Chivers, D Green, M Sheehy, R Ryan, A Jones, S Kumar, A Pidgeon, D Watson, D Castle, T O'Malley, D Pezely, C Lawrie, B Proud, M Clarke, R Bruton, M O'Connor

Sub-Districts Finals

- D Castle, S Evans, P Spence, G Rogers, C Garrett, S Huggett, G Cavanagh, N Hart, B O'Rourke, G McLean, K Dutt, D Woodman, B Marrinan, Damien McAndrew, N Szkutko, F Hobman, C Pritchard, B Whittaker, M McShane, D Bull, J Black, D Rosenthal, B Glasby, T O'Malley, P Jones, P Davies, D Westbrook, R Foster, J Boyle.



Steven Biggs and Michael Mellifont donated their time to the longest cricket game in the world record attempt

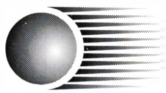


Ian and John officiated at the Fanatics V Barry Army at Ian Healey Oval



Attending to the scoreboard at Alan Border Field, Australia V New Zealand Womens one day





Peter Parker

Emerging Player Tournament	Brisbane.
NSW v SA	Ford Ranger Cup.
NSW v SA	Pura Cup.
SA v Vic	Pura Cup.
Australia v England	3rd Umpire 1st Test.
TAS v WA	Ford Ranger Cup.
TAS v WA	Pura Cup.
Australia v England	3rd Umpire 5th Test.
Australia v England	20/20 International.
QLD v SA	Pura Cup.
QLD v SA	Ford Ranger Cup.

Peter was appointed to officiate in Tests and One Day Internationals in South Africa. / South Africa v India.

Peter was also appointed to officiate at the World Cup in the West Indies.

Bruce Oxenford

Emerging Players Tournament	Brisbane.
QLD v TAS	Ford Ranger Cup.
QLD v New Zealand	Women's One Day.
Australia v New Zealand	Women's One Day
QLD v NSW	Pura Cup.
VIC v TAS	Ford Ranger Cup.
VIC v TAS	Pura Cup
Australia v England	4th Umpire 1st Test.
QLD v VIC	Ford Ranger Cup.
TAS v QLD	Pura Cup.
England v New Zealand	4th Umpire ODI
WA v NSW	Pura Cup.
VIC v WA	Pura Cup.
QLD v VIC	Pura Cup.
TAS v NSW	Pura Cup Final 3rd Umpire.

Dave Orchard

Emerging Players Tournament	Brisbane
QLD v New Zealand	Women's One Day.
WA v TAS	Pura Cup.
WA v TAS	Ford Ranger Cup.
NSW v England	3 Day Tour Match (non First Class)
NSW v VIC	Ford Ranger Cup.
SA v QLD	Ford Ranger Cup.
SA v QLD	Pura Cup.





Dave Orchard cont'd

QLD v WA	Ford Ranger Cup.
QLD v WA	Pura Cup.
TAS v VIC	Pura Cup.
TAS v VIC	Ford Ranger Cup.
NSW v QLD	Pura Cup.

Tim Laycock

Emerging Players Tournament	Brisbane.
QLD v SA	CA Cup Match.
QLD v TAS	Ford Ranger Cup 3rd Umpire.
QLD v TAS	Pura Cup.
Australia v New Zealand	Women's ODI
NSW v WA	Ford Ranger Cup.
NSW v WA	Pura Cup.
QLD Fire v NSW Breakers	Women's One Day (Sat)
QLD Fire v SA Scorpions	Women's One Day (Sat)
QLD v NSW	20/20 Big Bash.
Australia v England	4th Umpire ODI
QLD v WA	Ford Ranger Cup.
QLD v WA	Pura Cup.

Norm McNamara

Emerging Players Tournament	Brisbane.
Australia v New Zealand	Women's 20/20 International.
Australia v New Zealand	Women's ODI
QLD v NSW	Ford Ranger Cup.
QLD v NSW	Syd Gregory Cup Match.
QLD v NSW Breakers	Women's One Day. (Sun)
QLD v VIC	Ford Ranger Cup*
QLD Fire v SA Scorpions	Women's One Day (Sat & Sun)
QLD v TAS	20/20 Big Bash.
QLD v NSW	20/20 Big Bash.

*Norm sustained an injury during the match and was replaced on field by Andrew Curran.

Andrew Curran

Emerging Players Tournament.	C/A Cup Match.
QLD v SA	Women's 20/20 International.
Australia v New Zealand	Women's ODI
Australia v New Zealand	3rd Umpire Ford Ranger Cup
QLD v NSW	Women's One Day (Sat & Sun)
QLD Fire v NSW Breakers	3rd Umpire Ford Ranger Cup*
QLD v VIC	Women's One DAY (Sun)
QLD Fire v SA Scorpions	20/20 Big Bash.
QLD v TAS	

* Replaced Norm on field after Norm had sustained an injury





Analysis of Match Appointments

Name	1	2	3	4	5	U18	Sub-Dist	Churches One Day	Churches Two Day	First Grade One Day	U19	U16	Over 40's	Kookaburra Cup	First Grade Women	2nd Grade Women	Total Sunday	Total Grade
N. Abbate		9		1	1							6					27	54
T. Anthony			1	4	1												0	24
J. Archibald								6	7									13
G. Aspinall			9								3	1	2				33.5	86
T. Badrick							2	1				3	1				4	3
I. Barsby	11									5			3				73.5	109.5
N. Beath				1		1	2										2.5	9.5
S. Biggs					3	3											1	12
J. Black				1	1		3	1			1				1	2	4	30
A. Bloomer					1		5					1		1			3	10
P. Boland	10			1													5	92
J. Boyle			5	6							1	5	1	3			11	31
C. Brown								2	5								0	7
R. Bruton					1		6										0	8
D. Buil		1	8	2							5	3		2			10	12
M. Butchers							4										0	5
A. Cameron						2	2										1	4
D. Campbell				2	2		5					1					0	9
M. Campbell		1	9		0.5												0	43.5
D. Castle					1	1										7	65	73
G. Cavanagh				4	1	1	4										0	11
B. Chivers					2		2										0	5
G. Christie							10										0	11
M. Clarke			9			1					6	3	1	2			100.5	108.5
A. Crane					1	1	2										0	5
A. Curran	10		1							4		1					45	80.5
P. Dagnali								2	5								0	7
N. Damm			1	2		2											6	14
P. Davies			1	2	1		2	1	0.5				1				1	9.5
C. Doherty							4										0	5
E. Doherty				6								3					6	11
A. Dore	6	4				1				4	2		4				92	126
C. Dore				1	3	2	5									16	22	33
N. Dore					5		3									10	10	24.5
J. Drury							2										0	3
K. Dutt							11					2	1	15			18	13
A. Eedy	1	6								2							48	100
R. Elsworth					1		1					3					3	2
S. Evans					1	1	4										0	7
G. Farley												2					2	0
P. Farley	2	2								5	1		1				32	76.5
A. Fernando							7										0	7
R. Fitzsimmons																	0	0
R. Foster			8	3								1	1				5	38
R. Fryer			5	6								7		1			8	19
S. Fuller			2	9							1	3		2			12	21
S. Gardner						1	3										0	5
C. Garrett							11							12			12	13
B. Glasby						1	2					2					2	5
K. Godfrey				2	1	4	2										0	11
K. Gothoskar																	22	18
D. Green					1	2											0	4
A. Grieve		5	3										3				10	22
J. Griffith					1		9	1					1				1	11
R. Gruenfeld			11									1			7	1	32	31.5
J. Hanley					1		6	1	1								0	9
A. Harris	9	1											1				9.5	53.5
N. Hart							11							13			13	13



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B. Hermeston						2											0	33.5
J. Hetherington				7			1				1	2	3				9	32
F. Hobman					2	1	8									9	31	44
C. Hoffmann				1	3	4	2										0	12
G. Hogan			10				1					4		1			7	13
P. Horne						1	1										2	2
R. Howard		2	4	1	1	3				2	2	1	3	2	4		135	189
S. Huggett							11										0	13
M. Jay		2	2	7													90	199
R. Johnsen	3	6				1				2	3	3					99.5	128.5
P. Johnson		6	5									1			7	1	74	66
A. Jones					1	2	1										0	5
P. Jones				1	3		9					1	1				2	14
R. Jones					1	4											3	5
R. Kampmann				11							1	6				3	13	15
J. Kangur	10									5							45	78
S. Kelly				3	1	1	2										3	9
S. Kumar				1	2	1	1					1	1				3	8
P. Lassen												1					1	0
C. Lawrie					2	2		1									0	6
T. Laycock	8		0.5							6		1					64	125.5
R. Lloyd					3	4	5										13	
S. Lloyd				8			1						1				1	9
T. Logan				4	3	4						2					4	18
M. Lowings							9							1			1	10
A. Loynes		11									4	3	1				160.5	255
P. Luca							1										0	1
B. Marrinan						2	7									1	1	10
N. Marsh	5	4				1				1	3						24	44
R. Marsh				4	1	6							1		8	1	38	48
Damien McAndrew				3	1	1	5		1.5			1					3.5	15.5
Duane McAndrew					1	3	6		1								4	19.5
S. McGettigan																	0	0
D. McIver	8	1				1				4	2						35	98.5
G. McLean					3	1	4					7		3			10	12
B. McMahon					3		5										0	8
N. McNamara	8									3							30.5	75
P. McQuillan					2		8										0	11
D. McRae					2		9										0	14
M. McShane					5		6						1				81.5	167.5
D. Mealey		8	3								2	3		1			8	24
M. Mellifont				11							1	4		2			10	18
B. Mitchell						1	6										0	8
D. Mitchell						1											5	40
A. Moir					1	1						2					2	2
D. Moloney	8						1			5			2				43.5	62
P. Monaghan	10									3			2				37.5	76.5
P. Mosley				3	2	1	4								1		2	15.5
K. Muniswamy							1	4	1								0	6
K. Murray					1	1						2					2	2
K. Naylor						1	2										0	3
J. Nickerson					1		1										0	30.5
C. Nielson							3										0	3
M. Nimmervoll			1	4	1	3										15	28	15
N. O'Brien					1	6	2								10		85.5	116.5
M. O'Connor						1	7							4			4	9
T. O'Malley					1		8										0	11
M. Olsen					2		1										0	6
D. Orchard	4									1							13	21.5



Analysis of Match Appointments

Name	1	2	3	4	5	U18	Sub-Dist	Churches One Day	Churches Two Day	First Grade One Day	U19	U16	Over 40's	Kookaburra Cup	First Grade Women	2nd Grade Women	Total Sunday	Total Grade
B. O'Rourke			4		1	5	1					6	2				81	106
T. O'Rourke	1	10								2	5	1	3				52.5	63.5
B. Oxenford	6									5	1						45	73.5
G. Pain																	2	22.5
P. Parker	3	1								3							95	225.5
C. Patterson					1	1	1										0	3
S. Pay					2	1	1										0	5
B. Peacock							2										0	2
J. Peisley					1		9		1								0	23
D. Pezely					1												0	2
C. Pflugratn												2					5	25
A. Pidgeon					1	3											0	5
M. Pius		4	3	1		2						1					1	21
C. Popko							8										1	68.5
B. Prior		1															0	58
C. Pritchard				1	1	1	3					1	1				16	80
B. Proud							3										0	4
M. Redmond				1	2		4										0	24
M. Robinson					1	3	4	2									0	10
A. Rogers							1										0	5
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G. Rogers							11				4			14			18	12
R. Rooke-Jones			3	3			1					4					15.5	28.5
D. Rosenthal					1	1	1										0	5
S. Russell							1										0	1
R. Ryan						2	2										10	58.5
G. Sands				3	1	1	2					1					1	7
M. Sheehy						2											0	3
P. Shine	10	1								3	2	1	1	5			83.5	92
D. Sirl		10	1														0	35.5
P. Smith					2	1	5					1					1	11
C. Spalding								6	6								0	12
P. Spence							10							6			6	12
W. Strelow		7	3														0	19
K. Strickland				5			3										0	12
N. Szkutko					2		8									13	96.5	144
I. Tait			2	2	3	3											1	48.5
A. Tanksale					1	2		2									0	5
J. Topp					2		7										9	25
R. Tutin				6	1	1	3										3	14
C. Vine							4										0	4
D. Watson					3	1											0	5
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D. Westbrook			2	7	2						1	3		6		2	15	26
B. Westphal			1	1	2	5	1					1	3		4	2	144	261.5
D. White		10		1							4						25.5	114
J. White							2										0	2
B. Whittaker					2	2	1										0	6
D. Wills	2	9															0	81
D. Woodman							10									6	14	42
V. Wright		1															0	39
I. Wyeth		11									4		1				56	95
R. Zwiers							3										0	4



QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Independent Audit Report to the Members

Scope

We have audited the attached financial report, being a special purpose financial report comprising the Statement by Members of the Committee, Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 May 2007 of QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc. The Committee is responsible for the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act Queensland and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of this financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

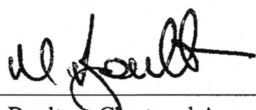
Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the association's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc as at 31 May 2007 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Signed on : 29 June 2007



Mark Boulton, Chartered Accountant
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QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Statement by Members of the Committee
For the year ended 31 May 2007

The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Committee the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of QLD Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc as at 31 May 2007 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

Nelma Grout
President

Peter Farley
Treasurer

QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Trading Account
For the year ended 31 May 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
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Trading Income		
Sales	5,520	7,860
Sales - Other	1,416	1,256
Total Trading Income	<u>6,936</u>	<u>9,116</u>
 Cost of Sales		
Add:		
Opening finished goods	3,650	1,477
Purchases	11,011	11,494
	<u>14,661</u>	<u>12,971</u>
 Less:		
Closing finished goods	8,548	3,650
	<u>8,548</u>	<u>3,650</u>
 Cost of Sales	<u>6,113</u>	<u>9,321</u>
 Gross Profit from Trading	<u><u>823</u></u>	<u><u>(205)</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Income and Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 31 May 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Income		
Trading profit	823	(205)
Accreditation Fees	6,070	2,970
Monthly bar & raffle takings	9,212	5,075
Annual dinner dance tickets	4,809	4,210
Seminars	1,725	3,666
Vouchers		670
Fees		1,360
Membership fees	11,560	9,430
Correspondence fees	40	50
Donations Received	350	50
Interest received	950	931
Sponsorship	100	
QCA grants		7,513
Government Grants	21,805	
Total income	57,444	35,720
Expenses		
Accreditation kits	4,950	2,805
Advertising and promotion	2,028	2,557
Annual dinners dance	7,852	6,287
Audit fees	880	880
Bank Fees And Charges	78	113
Bar supplies & finger foods	315	680
Depreciation	1,950	1,705
Discounts Allowed		670
Donations	281	250
Executive meeting refreshments	1,336	1,089
Fees & charges		35
General expenses	1,247	296
Honoraria	920	700
Insurance	159	
Member reimbursements	3,308	2,085
Print, post & photocopy	5,023	5,436
Seminar expenses	447	8,449
Stationery expenses	465	850
Sundry expenses	1,125	363
Telephone	2,139	2,164
Trophies & engraving	968	968
Umpiring Fees	55	1,360
Total expenses	35,525	39,743

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Income and Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 31 May 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax	21,919	(4,023)
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net profit attributable to the association	21,919	(4,023)
Total changes in equity of the association	21,919	(4,023)
Opening retained profits	37,392	41,415
Net profit attributable to the association	<u>21,919</u>	<u>(4,023)</u>
Closing retained profits	59,311	37,392

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Detailed Balance Sheet As At 31 May 2007

	Note	2007	2006
		\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash Assets			
BoQ - 10570684		16,727	5,348
Cash on hand		47	55
Bar float		120	120
		16,894	5,523
Inventories			
Finished goods - at cost		8,548	3,650
		8,548	3,650
Other			
BOQ - 20229899			23,017
BOQ 20362730		30,617	
		30,617	23,017
Total Current Assets		56,059	32,190
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment			
Plant & equipment - at cost		11,428	11,428
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(8,176)	(6,226)
		3,252	5,202
Total Non-Current Assets		3,252	5,202
Total Assets		59,311	37,392
Net Assets		59,311	37,392
Members' Funds			
Accumulated surplus (deficit)		59,311	37,392
Total Members' Funds		59,311	37,392

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

QLD Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 May 2007

Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 112:	Income Taxes
AASB 1031:	Materiality
AASB 110:	Events after the Balance Sheet Date
AASB 117:	Leases

No other Australian Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values, or except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following specific accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report:

(a) Income Tax

The charge for current income tax expense is based on the profit for the year adjusted for the year adjusted for any non-assessable or disallowed items. It is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or are substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method in respect of temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, where there is no effect on accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or liability is settled. Deferred tax is credited in the income statement except where it relates to items that may be credited directly to equity.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future tax profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The amount of benefits brought to account or which may be realised in the future is based on the assumption that no adverse change will occur in income tax legislation, and the anticipation that the association will derive sufficient future assessable income to enable the benefit to be realised and comply with the conditions of deductibility imposed by the law.

(b) Fixed Assets

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

(c) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the entity, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the interest expense for that period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful or over the term of the lease.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

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:

Mr. Damien Mullins, Queensland Cricket Chairman; Mr. Graham Dixon, Chief Executive Officer; Queensland Cricket Board of Directors, Ian Sturgess, John Forrest and the Brisbane Grade Committee and all members of Queensland Cricket staff. During the past year, the QCU&SA have held General Meetings and Allocation Meetings at QCHQ. We are very grateful for the use of all facilities at Queensland Cricket Headquarters.

We also wish to thank Ron Cochrane and Brisbane Grammar School for allowing us the use of their facilities at their playing fields at Northgate. We were able to hold our Annual Seminar there this year.

Thanks also to Peter, the Batman, for his fundraising efforts, which our Association benefits from. Also an autographed bat was given to all

Affiliated Bodies to be used for fund raising purposes. Our Association continues to enjoy the benefits of the grant scheme to offset the costs of our operation expenses.

The Queensland Cricketers' Club for offering our members a reduction of their club membership subscriptions. Also our Executive Committee enjoyed the hospitality of the Club for all our meetings and our Annual "Bob Spence Medal" Dinner was a great success at the Club. We are indebted to the Cricketers' Club for their continued support and hospitality extended to our members.

Gabba Sporting Products for providing members with bowlers' markers and also other merchandise, which was used for, raffle prizes. 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.

Castlemaine Perkins for donating products for our Seminar and Annual Dinner

Mary-Ann Strelow from Four Wheel Drive Hire Service, for sponsoring a BBQ and donating a 4WD holiday for the Association to raffle.

Heather Strickland, from CWM-Network for merchandise donated for our Christmas raffles.

The Districts Clubs for the hospitality they extended to our members throughout the 2006/07 season.

Members of the Executive Committee, the Board of Examination and Coaching, Social Committee, Grade Allocation Panel, State Director of Umpiring, First Class Coach, Observers, Recruitment and Development Officer, Property Officer, Statistician, First Class Allocation Panel members, Queensland Cricket delegate and Grade Committee representative for the considerable time and effort given to the Association during the past year and to all members who have supported the Association throughout the year.

N Grout
President

Ron Johnsen
Secretary

