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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-Third Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' Association will be held in the Queensland Cricketers' Club on Wednesday the 5th August, 1992 commencing at 7.30p.m.

A G E N D A

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 1992/93 year.
8. Annual Subscription.
9. General Business

MEMBERS OF THE QUEENSLAND CRICKET UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION

ABBOTT	T.	1990/91	McSHANE	M.	1989/90
ANDERSON	M.	1986/87	NELSON	A.	1985/86
ARTUSO	T.	1990/91	NUNN	D.	1988/89
BARTON	M.	1990/91	#+ PARKER	P.	1981/82
BEASLEY	K.	1990/91	PAULSEN	A.	1987/88
* BEIN	S.	1991/92	PAXINOS	E.	1990/91
# BERTWISTLE	C.	1983/84	PAYNE	A.	1990/91
* BROWN	C.	1991/92	# PAYNE	D.	1984/85
* CARTER	D.	1991/92	PIENAAR	P.	1988/89
* CLAPHAM	T.	1991/92	* PLANINIC	J.	1991/92
#+ DURSTON	G.	1981/82	POLKINGHORNE	P.	1983/84
EDMUNDS	B.	1984/85	PUMFREY	B.	1986/87
EDWARDS	B.	1986/87	# RALSTON	M.	1986/87
ENRIGHT	P.	1990/91	* ROBINSON	M.	1991/92
* FILES	A.	1991/92	* ROGERSON	P.	1991/92
* FORSTER	S.	1991/92	ROWE	J.	1989/90
GREEN	R.	1989/90	#+ SCHOLES	N.	1983/84
# HEARN	M.	1986/87	* SHAW	M.	1991/92
HOLDWAY	G.	1990/91	SKIPPER	C.	1990/91
* HOLZNAGEL	J.	1991/92	SMITH	B.	1990/91
* HOWARD	R.	1991/92	* STANLEY	R.	1991/92
* ISHERWOOD	R.	1991/92	#+ STRAUSS	J.	1972/73
JAY	M.	1990/91	THOMPSON	A.	1990/91
* JOHNSON	J.	1991/92	THOMPSON	C.	1990/91
JOHNSTON	W.	1990/91	#+ TIMMINS	C.	1977/78
KELLY	R.	1990/91	TORPEY	J.	1990/91
# LATIMER	P.	1983/84	TOWNSEND	G.	1990/91
* LAYCOCK	T.	1991/92	#+ TURNER	B.	1982/83
LINDSAY	P.	1984/85	* WEBB	R.	1991/92
LOYNES	A.	1987/88	WESTPHAL	B.	1982/83
* McCARTHY	A.	1991/92	WHETSTONE	P.	1988/89
McKENZIE	P.	1987/88	WHITBY	M.	1985/86
McNAMEE	R.	1990/91	WYLIE	M.	1986/87
#+ McQUILLAN	A.	1976/77	* ZIMMER	G.	1991/92

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

DENNING D. 1990/91

LIFE MEMBERS

NEWCOMBE	J.	1976	# GROUT	N.	1986
# JOHNSON	L.	1977	#+ MUSCH	T.	1987
# WARWICK	T.	1978	# JOHNSON	M.	1989
# CROUCH	R.	1982	#+ TAYLOR	J.	1990
# HEATH	L.	1984			

* New members

Holder of First Grade Badge

+ Holder of 100 Game Badge

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 1991/92 SEASON

PATRON:	R. SPENCE
PRESIDENT:	C. TIMMINS
VICE-PRESIDENT:	N. SCHOLES
HONORARY SECRETARY:	N. GROUT
MINUTES SECRETARY:	M. RALSTON
HONORARY TREASURER:	P. LATIMER
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:	C. BERTWISTLE, B. EDMUNDS, A. PAULSEN, P. POLKINGHORNE, M. RALSTON
Q.C.A. DELEGATE:	T. MUSCH
GRADE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE:	P. POLKINGHORNE
ALLOCATION PANEL - 1ST CLASS:	M. JOHNSON
ALLOCATION PANEL - GRADE:	M. JOHNSON (Chairman), C. BERTWISTLE, R. GREEN, N. GROUT
BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND COACHING:	M. JOHNSON, (Chairman), C. BERTWISTLE, T. MUSCH, M. RALSTON
RECRUITMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER:	C. BERTWISTLE
UMPIRES' OBSERVERS:	M. JOHNSON (Chairman), R. GREEN
UMPIRES' ADVISOR:	M. JOHNSON
SOCIAL COMMITTEE:	J. ROWE (Chairman), T. ARTUSO, P. LINDSAY, M. RALSTON
STATISTICIAN:	R. GREEN
AUDITOR:	R. COLE (PANNELL KERR FORSTER - Chartered Accountants)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Approximately three seasons ago our Association was struggling to recruit Umpires. This season for the first time in the history of our Association, we were able to allocate two Umpires to every Grade fixture. My thanks are extended to several people for this historic achievement. To Mr. Tony McQuillan our immediate past President and his Committee for their innovative ideas to recruit and train new Umpires, to Mr. Allan Pettigrew and his Committee for their encouragement and financial support and to Mr. Col Bertwistle for his total dedication to recruitment, training and encouragement of Umpires.

The Peter Burge Medal was again a successful event and I would like to thank our co-sponsors, The Sunday Mail, Park Royal Dockside and Power Brewing for their support and assistance. I would like to extend our special thanks to Ian Sturgess for his assistance to this highly sought after trophy.

The Executive Committee worked very hard this year with some very long meetings to consolidate work started in previous years. There were several sensitive issues they were required to deal with and these were handled by them with a great amount of sensitivity and sensibility. I thank them very much for their assistance to me during this season.

This year saw the largest number of members and guests ever attend our Annual Dinner. I congratulate all those involved in the organisation of what was a very successful night. To all those members who won medals, congratulations on your successful season.

Our parent body the Q.C.A. had major changes to its structure this year. Obviously they experienced some teething problems, but even during these they showed major support to our endeavours.

To our Secretary, Nelma Grout my sincere thanks and gratitude for her support and guidance during this year.

I would also like to record my thanks to all Grade Clubs for their improved support to our Association this year. This support has had a great bearing on helping our Association retain and recruit Umpires.

To all members congratulations for a good season, your dedication to a tough job has helped hold our Association in high esteem within the cricketing scene.

With the Australian Cricket Board and local Associations now recognising the important role Umpires hold within cricket and offering assistance for Umpires, the foundations laid by our Association over the past few years will be of major benefit to all Queensland Umpires. The future for Queensland Umpires looks very promising and exciting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee is pleased to present for your consideration and adoption the Twenty-Third Annual Report and Financial Statement of your Association which covers its activities during the 1991/92 year.

The Executive Committee met on 13 occasions during the year under review. Members' attendances at meetings of the Committee are as follows:

C. Timmins	- 13	B. Edmunds	- 12
N. Scholes	- 12	A. Paulsen	- 13
N. Grout	- 13	P. Polkinghorne	- 12
P. Latimer	- 12	M. Ralston	- 13
C. Bertwistle	- 12		

The Annual General Meeting held on the 7th August, 1991, saw Colin Timmins elected as our new President and Phil Latimer became the new Treasurer with Bruce Edmunds becoming an Executive Committee member for the first time. In addition to congratulating all members who were elected, sincere thanks must be extended to Tony McQuillan and Merv Musch for the service and commitment they have given to the Association while they held the positions of President and Treasurer respectively.

During the year, matters dealt with by the Executive Committee included:

* Retirement Fund: The details of the Umpires' Retirement Fund were finally settled and made effective from the commencement of the 1990/91 season. The Q.C.A. will finance this fund and be responsible for maintaining accurate records.

* New Members' Rebate: In an effort to further attract new members and to assist with the initial cost of becoming an Umpire, it was decided that all new members who had officiated in at least eight Q.C.A. Rounds be reimbursed for the cost of our weekend seminar and rule book.

* Constitution Change: The Chairman of the Q.C.A. Board, Mr. Alan Pettigrew approached our Association in July, 1991, with a proposal to amend our Constitution to incorporate umpires throughout Queensland by allowing one delegate from each of the 10 zones to become a member of our Association.

A considerable amount of time has been spent by the Executive Committee discussing and reviewing the Constitution and then drafting the necessary amendments. A Special General Meeting is being held in July, 1992 to put these amendments.

During 1991/92, Umpires' Associations throughout Queensland have been asked to form zone committees and to appoint one delegate to attend our General Meetings.

* Q.C.A. Board Member: As mentioned elsewhere, 1991/92 saw the introduction of the Q.C.A. Board to replace the Executive Committee. Mr. Damien Mullins was allocated the portfolio of Umpires'

Association and Women's Cricket. Mr. Mullins was invited to attend two Executive Meetings in October and February. He is our avenue of communication with the Q.C.A. Board. Matters which were discussed included our Retirement Fund, the need to review the disciplinary process used in Q.C.A. cricket and continued financial support from the Q.C.A. in the form of sponsorship, grants and advertising.

Thanks are extended to Mr. Mullins for his assistance in the above matters and his general support of our Association.

* Review of procedures used for breaching the Code of Behaviour: For a considerable time, the Q.C.U.A. has felt that the entire disciplinary system used in Q.C.A. cricket needed to be reviewed. The 1991/92 season saw a subcommittee formed to deal with this matter. Mr. Polkinghorne and Miss Grout were members of this Committee. The Committee has recommended that a Match Report replace major and minor reports, that a Commissioner receive and prosecute the complaints and that there be new procedures for the Conducts Committee Hearings including appropriate representation for Umpires and players.

The Q.C.U.A. Executive Committee support these changes and are hopeful that these changes will be implemented in the 1992/93 season.

* Junior Cricket Umpires' Association: The concept of a Junior Cricket Umpires' Association was initiated this season with the aim being to get junior parents accredited as umpires and for them to form Zone Umpires Associations. Our Board of Examination and Coaching conducted seminars in a few zones and many parents qualified as umpires. To date, no Junior Umpires' Associations have been formed and this will be an ongoing matter for next year's Executive.

* Sunglasses: Approval was given by the Executive for members to wear prescription sunglasses. Members who intended to wear prescription sunglasses were asked to lodge a letter from an Eye Specialist or Optometrist with our Secretary.

* Budget: So that the finances could be better managed and funds appropriately allocated, the Executive drew up a budget for the season. The main expenses included our weekend seminar, an answering machine for the Secretary, our End of Season Dinner, and the New Members' Rebate.

* Umpires' Handbook: Our Umpires' Advisor at the beginning of the season was asked by the A.C.B. to collate all the material for an Umpires' Handbook. This handbook should be available to all Umpires in Australia by the 1992/93 season.

* Coaching Sessions: Beginning with the first General Meeting of the 1992/93 season, a one hour coaching session will be held prior to each General Meeting. The Executive Committee felt this concept had proved very successful with the new members and felt the benefits of it should be available to the entire membership.

The Executive Committee had an extremely busy and challenging year and we look forward to the 1992/93 season.

MEMBERSHIP

The 1991/92 season was our most successful season to date with regard to membership. Our membership statistics are outlined below with last year's statistics shown in brackets.

Total membership	78 (70)
Ordinary members	68 (60)
Associate members	1 (1)
Life members	9 (9)
New members	18 (24)
Active members	68 (58)
Officiated in all Q.C.A. fixture games	13 (19)

As the figures indicate, we are still attracting a significant number of new members to our Association. This is directly a result of the Association introducing the Recruitment and Development Officer, and the Q.C.A. supporting this initiative.

It is very pleasing to note the increase in the number of active members and also that only 11 members did not renew their membership as compared with 15 Umpires in the 1990/91 season. For a number of years, retention of members had been a problem but we are hopeful this problem has been resolved.

The Association was pleased to welcome Ray Isherwood, a former Test Umpire to its ranks.

Unfortunately, Mick Harvey, our most experienced active Umpire did not renew his membership for the 1991/92 season. Mick, a former Test Umpire, joined our Association in 1973/74 and officiated in excess of 200 Grade games. He was our member on the First Class Allocation Panel for many years and also our Delegate to the Q.C.A. The Q.C.U.A. wishes to thank Mick for his commitment to umpiring and the Association.

In June 1992, Col Bertwistle announced his retirement from First Class umpiring. Col, who rejoined our Association in 1983/84 has been a member of the First Class Panel for the last five seasons and has been appointed to 10 Shield matches, three F.A.I. Cup games and two International matches.

Our members were asked to officiate at several games and carnivals throughout the season, including Junior Zone Under Age Trials, the Christian Brothers' Carnival, Suncorp Cup games, the Emerging Players' Carnival, G.P.S. and T.A.S. games, Queensland Women's Cricket and Second Division Finals. Thanks must be extended to all Umpires who officiated in these carnivals and games.

Congratulations are extended to the following members:

- * Col Timmins on his selection on the 1991/92 International Panel of Umpires and his appointment to three World Series games.

- * Messrs. Timmins, McQuillan, Parker, Bertwistle, Ralston, Jay and Musch for being members of the First Class Panel. First Class and other special appointments are outlined elsewhere in this Report.
- * Michael Hearn received his First Grade Badge for 25 First Grade games.
- * Neville Scholes and Brian Turner achieved the milestone of 100 Grade games and were presented with their "100 Game Badge" at the End of Season Dinner.
- * Alan Loynes made his First Grade debut during the season.
- * To those members appointed to Semi-Finals and Finals in Q.C.A. fixtures, Metway Super League, Gabba Sporting Product, Under 19 and the Under 16 competition.

THE BOB SPENCE MEDAL

The Bob Spence Medal is presented annually to a member who has made a significant contribution to the Association both on and off the field during the year. The award is determined on the basis of points allocated for attendances at General Meetings and seminars, doing a refresher exam, the number of games umpired and your average mark for umpiring. This award was instituted in 1984/85.

At our End of Season Dinner, Paul Polkinghorne announced the top 10 contenders for the medal were Marita Anderson, Ray Isherwood, Michael Jay, Tony McQuillan, Peter Parker, Don Payne, Mike Ralston, Neville Scholes, Colin Timmins and Malcolm Wylie. These people were presented with a medallion by Mr. Tom Veivers.

The Q.C.A. President, Mr. Tom Veivers, announced that Tony McQuillan was the recipient of the Bob Spence Medal for Umpiring Achievement for 1991/92.

Tony joined the Association in the 1976/77 season and has officiated in excess of 160 Q.C.A. grade games. He is currently a member of the First Class Panel and has officiated in six Shield matches, one International match, three One Day International matches and three F.A.I. and McDonald's Cup games.

Tony was President of the Association from 1988/89 to 1990/91 and has also been an Executive Committee member and a member of the Board of Examination and Coaching. Tony has indeed made a significant contribution to our Association both on and off the field and we congratulate him on winning this award for the second time.

Sincere thanks are extended to Roy Green for being the statistician for this award. The time and effort taken to collate the points is greatly appreciated.

ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Awards for on field achievements throughout the Grades began in 1990/91 with awards being given in First, Second, Third/Fourth, Fifth/Under 18 Grade. Due to a significant increase in the number of active Umpires in 1991/92, awards were given in all six Grades. To be eligible for a Grade Award, an Umpire needed to officiate the majority of his games within that Grade.

An additional award (Special Category) was introduced to accommodate those Umpires who officiate in a few Grades during the season.

For the second year, an award was given to recognise the efforts of a member in his first season of umpiring. This award was renamed the "First Season Encouragement Award".

The winners of these awards were announced at our End of Season Dinner. Mr. Wep Harris, secretary of University Cricket Club and Mr. Peter Easton, Q.C.A. Board Member and Secretary of Valleys Cricket Club, made the presentations.

The winners were:

First Grade	-	Tony McQuillan
Second Grade	-	Malcolm Wylie
Third Grade	-	Jim Torpey
Fourth Grade	-	Arthur Payne
Fifth Grade	-	Chris Brown
Under 18 Grade	-	Bob McNamee
Special Category	-	Glenn Townsend
First Season Encouragement Award	-	Glen Zimmer

Congratulations are extended to each recipient and we wish them every success in their umpiring career.

ALLOCATION PANEL

It is pleasing to have so many Umpires to allocate even if it does make the task of placing Umpires so much more difficult and so much more time consuming. The Q.C.A., to whom this Panel is directly responsible, continues to support us in a most harmonious way. A little statistic for thought - there have been 81 Test Umpires in the history of Australian Cricket and 33 of those 81 have done one Test only.

This season, the Panel was required to allocate Umpires to the 12 Q.C.A. Powers Grade Competition games which requires a total of 58 Umpires for all games to have two Umpires. I am delighted to report that on two occasions, there was a full compliment of Umpires - something that has been our goal for many seasons.

The 1991/92 season saw 68 members available for appointment, an increase of 10 on the previous season. The number of Umpires who officiated in each Round were:

Round 1 - 56	Round 7 - 51
Round 2 - 58*	Round 8 - 52
Round 3 - 58*	Round 9 - 51
Round 4 - 56	Round 10 - 56
Round 5 - 50	Round 11 - 53
Round 6 - 54	Round 12 - 53

The average number of Umpires who officiated per Round was 54 - a record for this Association. To indicate the commitment of our members and the strength of this Association I have listed below the average number of Umpires per Round for the previous five seasons. The figures speak for themselves - Congratulations members.

1986/87	-	39
1987/88	-	41
1988/89	-	40
1989/90	-	41
1990/91	-	48

The Allocation Panel was also required to allocate Umpires on Sundays to the Metway Super League games, the Gabba Sporting Products/Platypus One Day Competition, the Under 19 competition and for the first time the Lord's Taverners Under 16 competition.

Although the number of Sunday games is increasing, our Association was able to allocate two Umpires to all games.

The 1991/92 season was a very demanding and challenging one for the Allocation Panel but a very rewarding one and we look forward to a greater number of Umpires to allocate in the 1992/93 season.

MEL JOHNSON AND NELMA GROUT

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
QUEENSLAND CRICKET UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION

Scope:

We have audited the financial statements of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' Association for the year ended 30th April, 1992. The Association's Executive Committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information they contain. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Association.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Concepts and Standards so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Association's financial position and the results of its operations.

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

Audit Opinion:

It is not practical for the Association to establish accounting control over income prior to its receipt. Accordingly it was not practical for our examination of this area to extend beyond amounts of income recorded in the accounting records of the Association.

Our appointment as auditors was not until 20th May, 1992 and therefore our audit did not include a physical count of inventory at 30th April, 1992. We therefore do not express an opinion as to the inventory quantities on hand at 30th April, 1992 and we do not express an opinion on the prior year comparatives.

In our opinion, subject to the preceding paragraphs, the financial statements of the Queensland Cricket Umpires' Association are properly drawn up:

- (a) so as to give a true and fair view of the Association's state of affairs as at 30th April, 1992 and of its surplus for the financial year ended on that date; and
- (b) in accordance with Statements of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standards.

PANNELL KERR FORSTER
(Chartered Accountants)

J.E.F. FRAYNE
(Partner)

QUEENSLAND CRICKET UMPIRES' ASSOCIATIONBALANCE SHEETAS AT 30TH APRIL, 1992

	NOTES	30.4.92 \$	30.4.91 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	1	13,205	7,191
Inventory		2,384	3,000
Other	2	<u>555</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>16,144</u>	<u>10,191</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and Equipment	3	<u>10,003</u>	<u>11,652</u>
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>10,003</u>	<u>11,652</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>26,147</u>	<u>21,843</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>\$26,147</u>	<u>\$21,843</u>
 ACCUMULATED FUNDS	4	<u>\$26,147</u>	<u>\$21,843</u>

QUEENSLAND CRICKET UMPIRES' ASSOCIATIONSTATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITUREFOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1992

	30.4.92	30.4.91
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Annual Dinner Dance Surplus	(5,846)	1,835
Interest	656	466
Membership Fees and Correspondence Fees	3,591	2,816
Raffles	873	320
Sales - Happy Hour	684	480
Rule Books	679	946
Badges	570	1,470
Ties	291	486
Shirts	380	460
Tie Bars & Lapel Pins	28	51
Q.C.A. Grant	3,000	2,000
Seminars and Films	3,565	2,329
Sponsorship	12,000	-
Sundries	644	50
	<u>21,115</u>	<u>13,709</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Affiliation Fee - Q.C.A.	50	50
Accountancy and Audit	375	200
Bank Charges	41	40
Engraving	437	118
Gifts	-	42
Honoraria	300	275
Printing, Postage and Photocopying	1,436	1,986
Cost of Sales:		
Opening Stock	3,000	
Plus Purchases	3,046	
Less: Closing Stock	(2,384)	
Happy Hour	453	402
Die for Medals	-	600
Seminars	7,563	3,909
Travelling Expenses	-	200
Trophies	519	-
Sundry Expenses	76	-
	<u>14,912</u>	<u>11,814</u>
Surplus Before Depreciation	6,203	1,895
Depreciation Expense - Film	1,782	1,782
Equipment	117	117
Surplus After Depreciation	<u>4,304</u>	<u>(4)</u>

QUEENSLAND CRICKET UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1992

	30.4.92	30.4.91
	\$	\$
1. CASH		
Cash at Bank	8,476	3,688
Savings Investment Account	1,674	3,503
Term Deposit	<u>3,055</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>13,205</u>	<u>7,191</u>
2. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		
Sundry Debtor (Dinner Dance Deposit Refund)	500	-
Sundry Debtor (Tax Refund)	<u>55</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>555</u>	<u>-</u>
3. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Coaching Film at cost	17,934	17,934
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>8,910</u>	<u>7,128</u>
	9,024	10,806
Equipment (Net of Depreciation)	<u>979</u>	<u>846</u>
	<u>10,003</u>	<u>11,652</u>
4. ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Balance at Beginning of Year	21,843	21,847
Add: Surplus for Year	<u>4,304</u>	<u>(4)</u>
Balance at End of Year	<u>26,147</u>	<u>21,843</u>

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Club again performed well in raising money for our end of year dinner function.

Money was raised by conducting raffles and selling drinks at our monthly meetings. For this activity to be a success it needed members support at our meetings, and more important was the donating of gifts towards our prizes. My thanks go out to all people who donated gifts during the season, you played a major role in these activities being a success.

With the possibility of the association moving our meetings to another venue, we may miss out on revenue from drink sales. This can be compromised by conducting a large raffle through our season, looking at a major prize like a weekend for two at a resort. Perhaps members could put their thinking caps on to what we could use as a major prize.

The only social function held was our annual End of Season dinner. This function was held at the Brisbane City Travelodge on the 11th April, 1992. There was a record attendance of 90 people which included Mr. Tom Veivers, President of the Q.C.A. and his wife, officials from Norths, Valleys and University and fellow Umpires from the Toowoomba and Lockyer Associations. The Association invited Peter Meares to be our guest speaker and his wife Rhonda.

The evening was a very enjoyable one with the venue and food being excellent. In addition to the money raised by the Social Committee, funds were allocated from the General Account, so that the cost of tickets could be kept to a minimum.

Finally my thanks go out to everyone who gave me support behind the scenes during the 1991/92 season.

JOHN ROWE

BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND COACHING

The Board of Examination and Coaching has again been extremely active during the past season with seminars held in Rockhampton, Alexandra Headlands, Ipswich as well as 17 in Brisbane.

The seminar in Rockhampton for all Umpires in Queensland was attended by 71 Umpires representing 19 different Associations. It is pleasing that future seminars for country Umpires will be on a zonal basis and the Q.C.C.A. is to be thanked for their initiative and co-operation.

Our own live-in seminar held at Alexandra Headlands was successful but disappointing in that only one Umpire from Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade attended.

Coaching sessions were held at each General Meeting with a refresher examination held in January. As an off-shoot from the highly successful Recruitment and Development Officer's work with the newer Umpires, it is intended to expand these coaching sessions to include all members.

The support of the members in assisting the panel at the seminars and coaching sessions held at meetings was gratefully accepted.

Good luck to all in the 1992/93 season.

MEL JOHNSON

RECRUITMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

It is always rewarding to report the continued success of a concept which was introduced two seasons ago.

Eighteen new members joined our Association during 1991/92 and we retained a high percentage of those from the previous season. Membership increased to 78.

Progression of Umpires with less than two years experience to third Grade and in one case to Second Grade typifies the enthusiasm displayed by members which must surely encourage others to take advantage of the opportunities which exist.

Success is not achieved without dedication and a general and sincere desire to co-operate and learn from fellow Umpires.

Seminars were again a feature of our development programme attended regularly by First Class Umpires.

Our thanks to the Q.C.A. for their financial support and co-operation with media coverage.

I am now confident all Grades will enjoy two men in black and white officiating during 1992/93.

COL BERTWISTLE

OBSERVERS' REPORT

Unfortunately Peter Enright, through health reasons, could not fulfil his role as an Observer and this left the observations down a little on last year. Hurry back, Peter.

On the positive side, Observers found that the technical standard of Umpires had improved dramatically and hence the "no news is good news" cliché applied. Remember we can only help in the technical sense i.e. your positioning, head movement, stance etc. The concentration and application of laws is up to you.

It was pleasing to have so many Umpires call upon us for advice re: wet wickets etc. during the season. We see this advice and support as one of the main elements of the job.

MEL JOHNSON

PETER BURGE MEDAL

On the 8th April, 1992 the Queensland Cricket Umpires' Association and the Queensland Cricket Association jointly hosted the second Peter Burge Medal Presentation at the Dockside Parkroyal.

The Peter Burge Medal for the Best and Fairest Player in the First Grade competition for 1991/92 was won by Toombul Captain, Peter Clifford who hit more than 700 runs in the season and led his team to the Premiership.

The other top contenders for this award were Brett Henschell (Valleys), Scott Prestwidge (Wynnum-Manly), Shawn Flegler (University) and Mark Thompson (West).

Peter Burge was present to announce the winner and present the medal and perpetual trophy.

The winner of this award is determined by the votes given by Q.C.U.A. Umpires who each day cast up to 20 points per game with half of those points being allocated to the outstanding player of the day and up to 10 points being split among a maximum of three players. To the First Grade Umpires who allocated points, we express our gratitude.

This award is sponsored by the Sunday Mail and Dockside Parkroyal in conjunction with the Q.C.U.A. and the Q.C.A. The Queensland Cricket Umpires' Association wishes to thank the Sunday Mail for publicising the award through weekly reports on the points scored and the outstanding players in each game, the Dockside Parkroyal for providing the excellent venue and food etc. and to the Q.C.A. for their assistance and support in collating the points and organising the medal presentation.

QUEENSLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the Q.C.A. Ltd. was held on Tuesday the 13th August, 1991. This was an historic occasion because delegates were required to choose a 10 man Board to replace the 20 man Executive Committee. The Board is headed by Alan Pettigrew who now is in his fourth year as Association Chairman. Elected unopposed were Tom Veivers as Q.C.A. President, Brian Sully as Treasurer with Cam Battersby and Alan Pettigrew as our A.C.B. Representatives. The five remaining Board members elected were Gary Madsen, who was elected to represent the Country, Peter Easton, Noel Gorman, Damien Mullins and Brian Phelan.

Messrs. Burge, Maclean, Anstey, La Frantz, Mullins and Holland were re-elected unopposed as Vice Presidents. Messrs. Frei, Walters, Rice, Trimble and Gaskell are the State Selectors for 1991/92.

Former fast bowling great, Ray Lindwall was awarded Life Membership at the Annual General Meeting.

General Meetings of the Association were held on five occasions. Our delegate or his proxy attended all meetings as well as the Annual General Meeting.

In December, 1991, Mr. Norm McMahon O.A.M. passed away. Norm, a Life Member of the Q.C.A. had held the position of Q.C.A. Chairman and Delegate to the A.C.B. for many years. At the time of his death, he was Chairman of the Executive at Valleys Cricket Club, a position he had held for approximately 30 years. Mr. Norm McMahon's commitment to Queensland cricket will always be remembered.

The Q.C.A. continues to be very supportive of the Q.C.U.A. Prior to the commencement of the season, the Q.C.A. subsidised our seminars with \$1,000.00, and paid for all advertising used to recruit Umpires. At the conclusion of the season, we received from the Q.C.A., \$6,000.00 from Power Brewing sponsorship of Queensland cricket and a grant of \$1,000.00 to our Association. To assist with funding umpiring seminars throughout Queensland, the Q.C.A. has prepared a subsidy submission to the Queensland Government. Also the Q.C.A. continues to fund our Retirement Fund and reimburse Umpires who purchase new hats. This financial assistance is very much appreciated and sincere thanks are extended to the Q.C.A.

During the cricket season Q.C.U.A. members are allowed entry into the "outer" at the Gabba to watch any Shield games free of charge. Members of our Association have been invited to attend the Launch of the Cricket Season, the Q.C.A. Trophy Night where Mr. Tony McQuillan was presented with the Bob Spence Medal and the Sponsorship Dinner.

The Q.C.U.A. is most appreciative of the support and courteous assistance extended by Alan Pettigrew (Chairman), Cam Battersby (A.C.B. Delegate), Barry Richards (Chief Executive), Damien Mullins (our Board Member), Graham Dixon (General Manager) and all Q.C.A. staff to our Association. The excellent working relationship that exists between our two Associations has contributed to the strength of our Association.

BRISBANE GRADE COMMITTEE

The Brisbane District Grade Committee generally met on the last Tuesday of every month to discuss the general conduct and give rulings on matters associated with the control of Grade Cricket matches. The 1991/92 cricket season was the third year that the Queensland Cricket Umpires' Association has had representation on this Committee. Paul Polkinghorne was once again the Association's representative, raising the concerns and comments of the members.

The two important changes for the 1991/92 season were the introduction of the Under 16 and Metway Cup competitions.

The Lord Taverner's Under 16 competition was conducted on Sunday afternoons and introduced junior players to District Competition. These games allowed many of the Association's newer Umpires to gain additional on-field experience.

The Metway Cup competition was introduced as a pre-season one day competition to allow First Grade players one day match practice prior to the commencement of the F.A.I. Insurance Inter-State competition. It also gave country players the opportunity to show their ability, as every Club was asked to place a country player in their team.

Last season the Q.C.A. again showed their faith in the Association by approving the Grade Committee's recommendation to increase an Umpire's allowance for a district match to \$45.00 a day with a partner and \$55.00 a day without a partner and to \$50.00 a day for one day matches.

The new season may produce some interesting changes which include:

- * The expansion of the Lord's Taverners Under 16 competition to include teams from Cricket Associations within the South East corner of the State looks possible.
- * The introduction of a new judiciary system for handling the reporting of players is steadily becoming reality; and
- * The introduction of a minimum number of overs to be bowled for the day in lower Grades seems almost certain.

The Umpires' Association has welcomed the opportunity to participate in the running of Q.C.A. Grade Cricket and our input has been well received. We look forward to continuing our involvement on this Committee.

PAUL POLKINGHORNE

CORRESPONDENTS' REPORT

At the conclusion of the 1991/92 season, 21 Umpires' or Cricket Associations throughout Queensland had become correspondents with our Association. We are pleased to welcome Innisfail and Lockyer Umpires' Associations both of which are newly formed Umpires' Associations this season.

In August, 1991, Rockhampton hosted the third annual Q.C.U.A. seminar for umpires throughout Queensland. In July, 1992, seminars will be held in Warwick, Maryborough, Rockhampton and Townsville with members of our Board of Examination and Coaching being asked to lecture at these seminars. One umpire from each of these four towns has been asked to co-ordinate their seminar.

The Q.C.U.A. was pleased to assist other Umpires' Associations with having their own badges made, the purchase of rule books, supplying and marking exam papers and answering any queries on the laws of cricket etc. During the 1991/92 season, in excess of 200 people passed their Umpires' exam.

The Q.C.U.A. sent out four newsletters in the 1991/92 year to keep umpires throughout Queensland informed of any law changes, happenings within Queensland cricket and the Q.C.U.A. and also to pass on any news from other Umpires' Associations in Queensland. The Q.C.U.A. was happy to receive news/information from a number of Umpires' Associations including the following:

Cairns Association is in the process of forming an Umpires' Association of which Peter McCulloch has been appointed Chairperson. Their membership totals 10 and they report that interest is growing all the time.

Gladstone Umpires' Association currently has seven members. History was created on the 23rd November, 1992 when all senior fixtures had umpires, with one "A" Grade match having two umpires.

Innisfail District Cricket Umpires' Association was officially formed in the 1991/92 season. To date 20 people have successfully passed the Q.C.U.A. exam of which 12 are members of this Association. Innisfail umpires are looking forward to officiating in the Intrastate U12 Carnival in January, 1993.

Rockhampton Cricket Umpires' Association reported the achievement of having two umpires standing at each of the First, Second and Third Grade cricket Finals as well as one umpire appointed to each of the four other consolation Finals.

The South Coast/West Moreton Umpires' Association was formed in March, 1992 with Bert Cox and Laurie Bradley elected as Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer respectively. One delegate from each of the Umpires' Associations in the Zone will form the Committee of this newly constructed body.

Sunshine Coast Cricket Umpires' Association had an active membership of 16 umpires, averaging 14 umpires in the field each Saturday. Most games from Division 1 to Division 4 had at least one umpire throughout the season. In the Preliminary and Grand Finals, all Grades from First to Sixth Division had two official umpires, which was greatly appreciated by all Clubs.

Mr. Finn McColm made a video on "Umpiring and the Laws of the Game" which has been received well. The Association conducted a seminar in Nambour for the local Junior Association with 30 people attending. Sunshine Coast are hoping some of these people will officiate in the senior games in the coming season.

We look forward to hearing from more Associations in the 1992/93 season.

During the season, umpires from Toowoomba, Beenleigh, Ipswich and Church Union attended some of our General Meetings. The Association was pleased to have members from Toowoomba and Lockyer Umpires' Associations attend our End of Season Dinner.

As in the previous season, the zones of Wide Bay/Burnett, Sunshine Coast, Western Downs, Eastern Downs, South Coast/West Moreton and Warehouse/Second Division entered teams in the Gabba Sporting Products Competition. For each game the zone was involved in, they allocated one umpire from that zone to officiate.

The Power's Bitter Shield Series was held at Cairns, Gladstone, Chinchilla, Moranbah and Maryborough. Umpires from the local Umpires' Association officiated in all of these matches.

All the Under Age Intrastate Carnivals were held in the country and country umpires officiated in all carnivals.

The Q.C.U.A. wishes all umpires and their respective Associations every success in the forthcoming season.

SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS APPOINTMENTSPOWER BREWING DISTRICT COMPETITION - SEMI-FINALS

<u>FIRST GRADE</u>	-	C. Bertwistle, R. Isherwood, P. Parker, M. Ralston
<u>SECOND GRADE</u>	-	M. Jay, M. Musch, N. Scholes, B. Turner
<u>THIRD GRADE</u>	-	M. Anderson, M. Hearn, A. Loynes, M. Wylie
<u>FOURTH GRADE</u>	-	B. Edmunds, P. McKenzie, D. Payne, J. Torpey
<u>FIFTH GRADE</u>	-	M. McShane, P. Pienaar, J. Rowe, B. Westphal
<u>U18 GRADE</u>	-	T. Abbott, B. Edwards, B. Pumfrey, G. Townsend

POWER BREWING DISTRICT COMPETITION - FINALS

<u>FIRST GRADE</u>	-	P. Parker, C. Timmins
<u>SECOND GRADE</u>	-	C. Bertwistle, A. McQuillan
<u>THIRD GRADE</u>	-	R. Isherwood/M. Wylie, M. Ralston
<u>FOURTH GRADE</u>	-	M. Jay, M. Musch
<u>FIFTH GRADE</u>	-	N. Scholes, B. Turner
<u>U18 GRADE</u>	-	M. Hearn, A. Loynes

GABBA SPORTING PRODUCTS/PLATYPUS ONE DAY COMPETITION

<u>PLATE FINAL</u>	-	M. Jay, M. Musch
<u>FINAL</u>	-	P. Parker, C. Timmins

U19 COMPETITION - FINAL

R. Isherwood, A. Loynes

THE LORD TAVERNERS U16 COMPETITION - FINAL

B. Edwards, M. Wylie

THE METWAY CUP SUPER LEAGUE FINAL

M. Jay, M. Ralston

FIRST CLASS MATCHES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

<u>COL BERTWISTLE</u>	Queensland v Western Australian (Shield) Queensland v West Indies (1 Day International)
<u>MICHAEL JAY</u>	Queensland v New South Wales (F.A.I. Cup) Queensland v West Indies (1 Day International) Queensland 2nd XI v Zimbabwe Queensland Colts v New South Wales Colts
<u>TONY McQUILLAN</u>	Queensland v Victoria (Shield) Queensland v Western Australia (Shield) Queensland v Tasmania (Shield) Queensland v West Indies (1 Day International)
<u>MERV MUSCH</u>	Queensland v West Indies (1 Day International) Queensland Colts v New South Wales Colts Queensland 2nd XI v A.I.S.
<u>PETER PARKER</u>	Queensland v New South Wales (Shield) Queensland v Victoria (F.A.I. Cup) Queensland v West Indies (1 Day International) Queensland 2nd XI v Zimbabwe Queensland 2nd XI v A.I.S.
<u>MICHAEL RALSTON</u>	Queensland v South Australia (Shield) Queensland v Victoria (F.A.I. Cup) Queensland v India (International) Queensland 2nd XI v Queensland Country
<u>COLIN TIMMINS</u>	Australia v India (World Series) Australia v West Indies (World Series) India v West Indies (World Series) Queensland v South Australia (Shield) Queensland v New South Wales (Shield) Queensland v Victoria (Shield) Queensland v Tasmania (Shield) Queensland v New South Wales (F.A.I. Cup) Queensland v India (International) Queensland v West Indies (1 Day International)
<u>BRIAN TURNER</u>	Queensland 2nd XI v Queensland Country

SEASON 1991/92 - ANALYSIS OF MATCH APPOINTMENTS

NAME	1	2	3	4	5	U18	METWAY GSP	U19	U16
T. ABBOTT			11			$\frac{1}{2}$			
M. ANDERSON		12					2	5	1
T. ARTUSO			4	2	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$			3
M. BARTON			9			1			
K. BEASLEY			4 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\frac{1}{2}$				1
S. BEIN					2	6 $\frac{1}{2}$			
C. BERTWISTLE	10		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$			8		
C. BROWN				1	7	3			
D. CARTER				$\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	3			
T. CLAPHAM					4				
B. EDMUNDS		11	$\frac{1}{2}$					2	1
B. EDWARDS			11			$\frac{1}{2}$		2	10
A. FILES					3	7			
S. FORSTER				8	1				
M. HEARN	9	3					6	4	
G. HOLDWAY			5						
J. HOLZNAGEL				7	3	2			
R. HOWARD				11					
R. ISHERWOOD	9	3					5	3	
M. JAY	12						7		
J. JOHNSON			2						2
W. JOHNSTON				2 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3			1 $\frac{1}{2}$
R. KELLY				4	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	5			
P. LATIMER	1	10					1		
T. LAYCOCK					8	3			5
P. LINDSAY			2 $\frac{1}{2}$	6		1			
A. LOYNES	5	7					4	4	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
A. MCCARTHY					8	2 $\frac{1}{2}$			2
P. MCKENZIE		11	1				1	5	1
R. McNAMEE				1	1	6 $\frac{1}{2}$			
A. McQUILLAN	10	$\frac{1}{2}$			$\frac{1}{2}$		9		
M. McSHANE			3	5		1		1	2
M. MUSCH	9		2				6		

NAME	1	2	3	4	5	U18	METWAY GSP	U19	U16
A. NELSON						1			
D. NUNN					4	2			1
P. PARKER	10					$\frac{1}{2}$	8		
A. PAULSEN	4	4						1	
S. PAXINOS				5	1	1			
A. PAYNE			1	9		2		2	8
D. PAYNE		12					2	5	
P. PIENAAR			11			1		3	8
J. PLANINIC				9	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$			1
P. POLKINGHORNE		$6\frac{1}{2}$	3			$\frac{1}{2}$	1	3	1
B. PUMFREY			11						3
M. RALSTON	9	1				$\frac{1}{2}$	8		
M. ROBINSON				$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$			
P. ROGERSON					3	2			
J. ROWE		4	$6\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$				4	6
N. SCHOLES	12						6	2	
M. SHAW				$10\frac{1}{2}$	1				
C. SKIPPER					10	1			2
B. SMITH			1	$6\frac{1}{2}$		1			2
R. STANLEY					$6\frac{1}{2}$	4			
J. STRAUSS		4	1						
A. THOMPSON			3	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$		1	5
C. THOMPSON			11						5
C. TIMMINS	7		$\frac{1}{2}$				6		
J. TORPEY		5	$5\frac{1}{2}$						1
G. TOWNSEND			5	2	3	1			4
B. TURNER	$8\frac{1}{2}$				$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	6	1	
R. WEBB				1	5	4			
B. WESTPHAL		9						2	
P. WHETSTONE				9		2			5
M. WHITBY	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$					2		
M. WYLIE		12					1	4	8
G. ZIMMER			3	3	$3\frac{1}{2}$	1			

* This analysis does not include any Semi-Finals or Finals of Q.C.A. Saturday Fixtures. This information is shown elsewhere.

IN APPRECIATION

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

* Mr. Alan Pettigrew - Q.C.A. Chairman, Mr. Barry Richards, Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Graham Dixon - Q.C.A. General Manager, the Q.C.A. Board, the Brisbane Grade Committee and all members of the Q.C.A. staff.

* Power Brewing for their very generous sponsorship of our Association.

* The Queensland Cricketers' Club for allowing the Executive Committee to hold its meetings in the Club, for providing drinks for our meetings and for displaying the Bob Spence and Peter Burge trophies.

* The Brisbane Cricket Ground Trust for allowing the Association to hold its General Meetings in the Players' Dining Room.

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* Sunday Mail for sponsoring the Peter Burge medal.

* Mr. Graham Dixon for being a guest speaker at our weekend seminar.

* The Rockhampton Umpires' Association for hosting the Q.C.U.A. seminar prior to the 1991/92 season.

* Members of the Board of Examination and Coaching, Social Committee, Grade Allocation Panel, Umpires' Advisor, Umpires' Observers, Recruitment and Development Officer, Statistician, First Class Panel member, Q.C.A. Delegate, and Grade Committee representative for the time and effort given over the past year.

* All members who have supported the Association through the year.

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee.

C. TIMMINS - President

N. GROUT - Secretary

