




# ANNUAL REPORT

## 2020–21





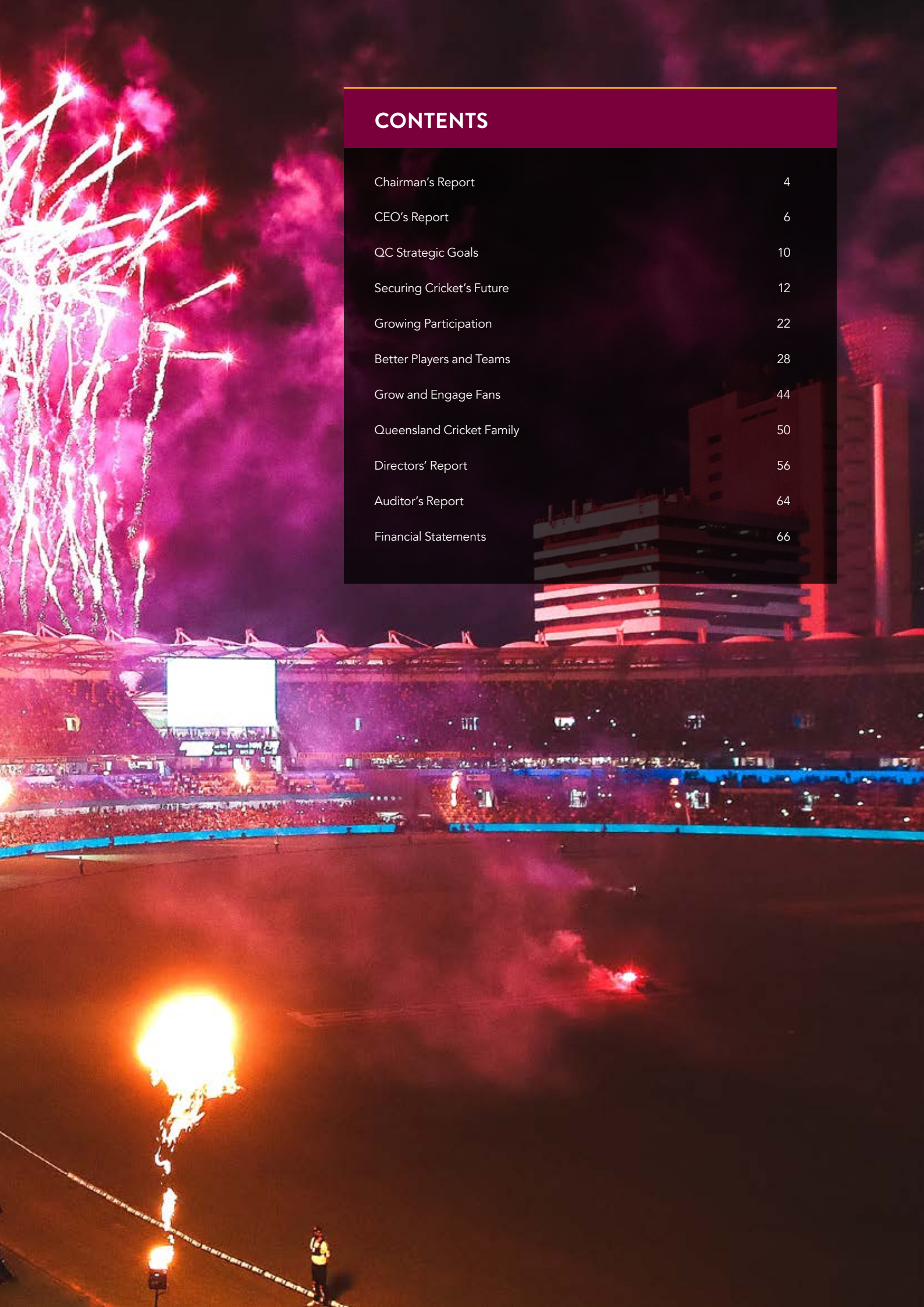
## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Queensland Cricket Association Limited covering the 145th year of cricket administration in Queensland will be held in the Century Room at 6pm on 14 September 2021.

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Front cover: The victorious Queensland Bulls and Queensland Fire teams.

Back cover: Girls cricket continues to flourish in Queensland.



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## CHAIR'S REPORT



**CHRIS SIMPSON**

Chair

Cricket in Queensland has good cause to reflect on how it has weathered storms, navigated tricky waters, battened down hatches and found safe harbours over the past 12 months.

Nautical allusions aside, Queensland Cricket has endeavored to keep to a steady course despite the upheavals created by the COVID-19 storm. The impacts so far of the global pandemic on our core business have been significant but also manageable.

The Board of Directors recognizes and acknowledges the enormous commitment to keeping the game vibrant during the past year, much of which has come through the steadfast efforts of volunteers in the heartland.

We again took regular Board meetings outside of Brisbane, being guests of Toowoomba Cricket. It is the Board's intentions to continue to seek opportunities to take meetings to regional centres each year.

The Board evaluation, undertaken in 2020-21 by Directors Australia, was an important exercise, designed to be developmental and constructive. It has helped to formulate strategy as well as provide a valuable governance tool.

The recommendations from the evaluation will help us to ensure we continue to lead and develop strategy that will see cricket grow and prosper in this State.

We continue to execute against our Strategic Plan 2017-2022, even as we ready ourselves to deliver our next set of guideposts and checkpoints for cricket's future in Queensland. Cricket Australia will also be embarking on the latest national strategic plan in the same timeframe, and we anticipate that there will be the opportunity for important collaboration.

Our Purpose, to Unite and Inspire Queensland Communities through Cricket, remains more important than ever. We remain committed to our three Strategic Priorities – Grow Participation, Better Players & Teams and Grow & Engage Fans.

Our five Focus Areas – Clubs & Volunteers, Infrastructure & Facilities, Organisational Effectiveness and Financial Stability, provided us with clear priorities during the year.

Relationships between Queensland Cricket and Cricket Australia remain strong. The past 12 months saw at times robust discussions between the two bodies over

funding. Our consistent stance was that the initial proposal last year by CA of a 25% reduction in funding to State bodies was too extreme.

The Board and Senior Management at QC took the decision to reduce our workforce in response to the uncertainty around the initial impact of the pandemic upon our business. This was a difficult decision to make, but one that we felt offered the best way forward, combined with a more realistic and equitable approach to funding from QC. While other State bodies had different challenges to manage, QC remained determined to maintain our commitments to cricket in the State.

Following extensive negotiations, both QC and CA were satisfied to reach an agreement to reduce Queensland's funding by 12.5%. Despite the cuts, funding to affiliates and infrastructure from QC remained unchanged in FY21. We will continue to present our position to CA with regards funding for 2021-22 and beyond.

Queensland Cricket was also involved in discussions on the future make-up of the Cricket Australia Board. We advocated that there was an ideal opportunity to refresh the Board with a future focus, including a review of the overall Australian Cricket funding model, and a unified stakeholder position to prioritize the delivery of the national cricket strategy. Our input has been acknowledged and reviewed and we eagerly await the national resolution to come.

### KEY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

While there has been much business conducted around the Board table, the Directors and I have been privileged to join in the celebrations from another rewarding and high-achieving year for Queensland.

I was privileged to confer Life Membership on one of Queensland's leading and long-serving volunteers at the 2019-20 Annual General Meeting. Mr Kevin Maher.

His lengthy list of contributions is listed elsewhere in the report and I commend them to you.

Our contributions from the grassroots continue to provide us with ample examples as to the shared sense of purpose we have and the solid connections that interlink the game.

Warehouse Cricket, originally formed to enable shift workers to have a playing outlet outside the accepted playing competitions



in what was then District cricket, celebrated its centenary in August 2021.

Despite COVID forcing the postponement of the planned celebrations, the health of community cricket is well demonstrated by the positive experience enjoyed by senior and junior players in Warehouse cricket. They managed to attract a record number of teams for their winter and will again have strong numbers for the coming summer.

We congratulate the hard-working committee and the army of volunteers it musters each year to prepare grounds and turf wickets, umpire senior and junior cricket, administer and deliver competitions and fixtures and generally devote themselves to ensuring so many get to enjoy community cricket in South-East Queensland.

It was with sadness that we recorded the passing of our 2019-20 Life Member, the late Brian Gaskell, who was a long-serving patron of Warehouse Cricket, among other cricket bodies. His service and achievements in our game are outlined elsewhere in this report.

The high-profile celebrations of the Queensland Bulls and Queensland Fire were enjoyed by many, with the dual national titles in the Sheffield Shield and Women's National Cricket League marking 2020-21 as a special one indeed in our history.

To see a capacity crowd in attendance during the Shield Final at Allan Border Field was heartening and the 'village green'

attraction of our headquarters was again amply illustrated, with fans lapping up the chance to be so close to the action.

The Fire's win, following on a year after women's cricket in Queensland celebrated 90 years of activity, had special resonance, as any maiden championship produces. They produced their best when it counted, and all involved deserve heartiest congratulations.

The victory came in the same season that another whole-hearted and selfless individual made the decision to step away from the game after riding the highs and lows in a remarkable career. Delissa Kimmence retired after representing Australia with distinction at the start of what was to be her final season and playing her usual reliable role as a key member of the Brisbane Heat in the WBBL.

It was a privilege to watch Delissa play for Australia, the Fire and the Heat. Her skills as a player were outstanding, and it was equally rewarding to see the way she carried herself away from the field.

She led by example through her generosity with sponsors, volunteers, fans and supporters, and her enthusiasm to promote the game to girls and women as an exceptional role model for the game. We sincerely wish her all the success for the future.

Even though the pandemic undid many of our plans for the WBBL and BBL seasons, Queensland did themselves and the competition proud with the hosting of

a string of games between the Gabba and Metricon Stadium. To see such an enthusiastic crowd at the Heat's semi-final was another firm reminder that the future of our game is hugely dependent on 'bringing families together' and providing them with an outstanding night of entertainment whenever they set foot at a Heat match.

I was gratified to have my term as Chair extended for a further 12 months at the last Annual General Meeting. My pledge to champion Queensland at the national level, and to work closely with my fellow Directors, to provide forward-thinking and well-planned strategy has not wavered.

With the focus now turning to the 2021-22 season as part of an Ashes year, it is timely to again acknowledge the unwavering support from our sponsors Great Southern Bank, Betta, Toyota, TMR, National Storage, XXXX and Village Roadshow, key backers such as the Bulls Masters and Burge XI and all levels of government throughout the year.

We look forward to continuing to work with all our Affiliates, clubs, volunteers, corporate and government partners over the next 12 months to realise our ambitions for cricket in Queensland.

## CEO'S REPORT



**TERRY SVENSON**  
Chief Executive Officer

Gratitude and a strong sense of shared achievement were the underlying sentiments surrounding 2020-21 as Queensland Cricket looked back on a summer like no other.

The period covered by this Annual Report encompassed the widespread uncertainty stemming from the global pandemic. Queensland Cricket, like the rest of Australian Cricket, confronted many challenges in that period.

The desire to deliver a strong cricket season was one that was shared by all levels of the game, from the grassroots volunteers through the playing and coaching staff and administration.

Staff, players, and volunteers all found themselves dealing with uncertainty and pressure, and so it is timely to again acknowledge the unwavering support from our partners CUA (which transformed into Great Southern Bank post-season), Betta Home Living, Toyota, TMR, National Storage, XXXX and Village Roadshow, key backers such as the Bulls Masters and Burge XI and all levels of government throughout the year.

Despite the uncertainty, our partners worked with us at every challenge to adapt, innovate and reimagine.

Queensland Cricket is grateful for the devotion shown by our volunteers to deliver competitions and run the game across the State under COVID-19 safe conditions.

The players, coaches and support staff at State and National level dealt with bio-secure 'bubbles' and 'hubs', quarantine requirements, sudden changes in training and playing requirements, time away from their nearest and dearest and the greater uncertainty that loomed large over much of the season.

Queensland Cricket is also thankful for the ongoing co-operation from the Queensland Government and Cricket Australia throughout the year in reaching satisfactory solutions to enable matches to be played in the State, and usually in front of crowds.

The BBL featured 12 matches in 18 days in South-East Queensland, with the Gabba and Metricon Stadium on the Gold Coast delivering exceptional outcomes for the competition. The Fourth and final Test of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy took place at the Gabba, and local supporters were rewarded with an exceptional finish to the series as India broke Australia's hitherto unbeaten streak at the venue. The thrilling win on the last day will long live on in memory.

## ON FIELD SUCCESS

The 2020-21 season was the longest Australian domestic and international summer in recent memory, and Queensland played a prominent role throughout the months between September and April.

Allan Border Field opened and closed the summer, with the international series between Australia and New Zealand in October providing a template for the games ahead. The Albion home of QC finished proceedings when the venue hosted the Marsh Sheffield Shield Final, delivering a resounding win for the Queensland Bulls to complete the summer.

There was a significant result for women's cricket, with the Queensland Fire breaking through to win the State's first Women's National Cricket League title. The Fire timed their run to perfection, defeating the front-running Victorian side in the Final in Melbourne.

The Ruth Preddy Cup, awarded to the winning national championship winners, was presented to Queensland for the first time in the 90-year history of the competition.

Appropriately, the Fire and Bulls were celebrated at the QC Awards Dinner at City Hall for winning national titles in the same season for the first time in the State's history. After cancelling last year's event at the start of the pandemic, bringing the Queensland Cricket community together again for our major awards, including the Premier Cricket dinner a few weeks later, provided everyone with a suitably high note to conclude the season.

I commend Adrian Coolwell, a much-respected Indigenous member of our cricketing community, for his Acknowledgement of Country at the dinner. There will be several exciting developments with regards Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander cricket in the coming year.

While the Bulls and Fire titles were obvious highlights, the Brisbane Heat provided encouraging efforts in both the WBBL and BBL competitions to each finish third despite challenging circumstances.

The WBBL Heat spent their entire six-week competition in a bio-secure Village in Sydney, and after a slow start, powered into the Finals off the back of a thrilling winning streak. Their run ultimately came to an end at the hands of eventual champions Sydney Thunder.

The BBL Heat team had to be agile in their planning and preparations, as the draw changed several times due to restrictions and border closures and openings.

The Heat hit their straps late in the competition and qualified to host a Final for the first time since 2016-17 – an achievement savoured by fans who turned out in numbers for the Eliminator clash against Adelaide Strikers at the Gabba.

The Heat returned to Canberra for the Knockout against a Thunder team that had become one of their staunchest rivals. The win there pitted them against Perth in the Challenger with the Scorchers ultimately prevailing. Two nights later, Perth lost to the Sydney Sixers in the final.

Australian representation was achieved by several Queenslanders, and congratulations go to Test players Marnus Labuschagne and Joe Burns and T20 International representative Mitch Swepson. The Australian Women's team featured Jess Jonassen, Beth Mooney and Delissa Kimmince who all played important roles in the side across the season.

Delissa made the decision to retire from cricket at the end of the season and her illustrious career was celebrated and recognised at the Awards dinner.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

The biggest infrastructure proposal in recent memory was unveiled when the Gabba was announced as the Queensland Government's location for its main \$1 billion Stadium with Brisbane and surrounding centres hosting the 2032 Olympic Games.

As one of the major stakeholders along with AFL and the Brisbane Lions, CA and QC were given insights into the proposal prior to its announcement.

Suffice to say, a new stadium is an exciting proposition for all sports, especially cricket. With the Cross River Rail station at Woolloongabba to deliver a new interconnected experience for supporters in the future, cricket will look to maximise the opportunities available to us as plans progress in the short and medium-term.

Closer to home, the final stage of the National Cricket Campus project got underway in July 2021 with the redevelopment of Allan Border Field and its surrounds.

The scope of works for the redeveloped venue will see the expansion of the main oval on the eastern side by 13 metres to bring it into line with ICC requirements for international cricket.

The revamped precinct will feature new lighting and improved drainage, terrace seating and the installation of an electric scoreboard.

The Queensland Fire squad begin their celebrations after winning the WNCL.



Middle: Mitch Swepson, Terry Svenson, Spots Minister Stirling Hinchliffe and Beth Mooney at the Gabba following the announcement of the international schedule for 2021-22.

Below: Adrian Coolwell delivers the Acknowledgement of Country at the Awards Dinner.

## CEO'S REPORT (cont.)

Elsewhere, significant infrastructure projects in the State were unveiled, and congratulations are extended to the clubs and associations, and their funding partners at government and sport level, for their investment in providing outstanding facilities for Queenslanders. The Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF) continues to provide vital 'seed' funding as well as significant contributions to projects as they reach fruition.

### AMONG THE DEVELOPMENTS:

- The Bill Phippen Oval revamp on the Gold Coast has been completed, with the Tier 2 venue officially opened just prior to the AGM
- Planning has started for Ipswich West Moreton Cricket Association's proposed lighting project for the Ivor Marsden complex, with our stated goal in the next 12 months to arrive at three Premier Cricket venues that are 'shovel-ready' for lighting upgrades as part of QC Premier Cricket Lighting Prospectus.
- The Chelmer Oval Masterplan Upgrade is underway, with the Queensland Government and Brisbane City Council to finalise funding agreements for the first stage of the work that includes new changing facilities to make the venue more female friendly for participants.
- Preliminary work has commenced for the proposed Meridan Plains / Caloundra Road Tier 2 Development on the Sunshine Coast with a view to a hand-over of a fully fitted Premier Cricket facility by mid-2024
- Design and planning work is underway for the Kendall Flats masterplan in Bundaberg, with Stage 1 set to include three re-developed ovals, change rooms and lighting

- The new \$20 million Great Barrier Reef Arena at Harrup Park in Mackay is at the detailed design stage
- The Griffiths Park development in Cairns has seen \$100K Australian Cricket Infrastructure Funding committed and secured for provision of new practice nets. The full project scope is being finalised by the Cairns Regional Council, with \$1M funds secured under the Queensland Government's Active Community Infrastructure program.
- Numerous upgrades of training nets, fields, and facilities throughout many clubs and associations throughout metropolitan, regional, and remote locations.

### PARTICIPATION

Queensland had a strong result in entry-level cricket numbers in the annual Australian Cricket National census for 2020-21, with more girls than ever signing on to play.

Queensland recorded a 25.9 percent increase in Woolworths Cricket Blast numbers, the entry level formats that continue to prove popular for girls and boys starting out in the game.

The number of girls registering to play again climbed in Queensland, making up a quarter of all Blast participants.

Queensland recorded the highest increase in Australia for the numbers of girls participating in Cricket Blast programs with an increase of 63% on 2019-20 registrations, with the influence of the successful WBBL Brisbane Heat and the Women's National Cricket League champion Queensland Fire team providing strong role models across the state.

Nationally, the rising popularity of cricket with girls continued with a 17.5% increase in girls registering for club and Woolworths Cricket Blast participation, aided by the success of Australia's World Champion Women's Team, The Next Innings program, and local initiatives such as Queensland Cricket's 'That's My Game' and ColourBlast programs.

However, the inevitable impact of the pandemic and the subsequent cancellation of many tournaments, competitions and leagues led to an overall year-on-year decline in registered participation of 24% across all cricket nationally from 710,000 to 539,000.

In Queensland, indoor cricket and organised schools-based competitions were hardest hit in the last year, while areas of concern have appeared in junior male cricket and other club-based competitions. Among the priorities in the year ahead will be a focus on regenerating areas of the game that were affected by the pandemic.

For the first time, the annual Census process also featured the inaugural National Player and Volunteer Survey. The Survey indicated volunteers had a strong satisfaction with their roles while 89% of players surveyed expressed satisfaction with their overall experience.

Such positive feedback will encourage QC to continue working diligently in those areas that help our clubs and volunteers keep the game at the heart of local communities.

### FINANCIAL POSITION

Queensland Cricket recorded a surplus of \$4.4 million in 2020-21. This amount will be utilised in a range of ways and I look forward to reporting on their progress in 2021-22.

Broadly, Queensland Cricket will:

- 1) establish a QC Future Fund with \$3.5 million earmarked to grow our asset base and resource our cricket aspirations,
- 2) Boost our investment in infrastructure with a \$100,000 QC Infrastructure Fund to complement the ACIF
- 3) Create a \$400,000 QC Grassroots Cricket Fund with a focus on growing participation

Queensland Cricket is conscious of the significant sacrifices and trials faced by all its stakeholders during the past year.

Staff, players, and volunteers all found themselves dealing with uncertainty and pressure, and so it is timely to again acknowledge the unwavering support from our partners CUA (which transformed into Great Southern Bank post-season), Betta Home Living, Toyota, TMR, National Storage, XXXX and Village Roadshow, key backers such as the Bulls Masters and Burge XI and all levels of government throughout the year.

We look forward to welcoming Alinta Energy to the QC sponsorship family in 2021-22, with the Bulls and Fire carrying their branding on their playing shirts for the summer, and a range of club and community cricket benefits to roll out in the months ahead.

Despite the headwinds associated with COVID, we will work through what we encounter. There is much to anticipate in 2021-22. An Ashes campaign, Mackay and the Gold Coast welcoming the Australian women's team for their series against India, WBBL game in the same two venues, a Marsh Sheffield Shield game in Townsville, the re-opening of a redeveloped Allan Border Field and further development and growth in infrastructure, especially more lighting of grounds, to help drive participation for games to be played at a different day of week



Jimmy Peirson salutes.

and time of day (night) outside of traditional Saturday morning.

We will continue to work with all our Affiliates, clubs, volunteers, and government partners over the next 12 months to realise our ambitions for cricket in Queensland.



Left: Bulls captain Usman Khawaja celebrates a ton.

Far left: More girls than ever put their hands up to play cricket in 2020-21.

Below: The Gabba Troopers were on their feet during a pulsating Gabba Test.



## THE NEW QC LOGO

Queensland Cricket unveiled its latest corporate identity with the launch of a new logo in 2020-21 that integrates elements from the State's lengthy cricket history with a fresh, modern brandmark.

The logo will be progressively rolled out from this summer, with the Queensland team apparel carrying the new identifying State mark in the 2021-22 season.



**QUEENSLAND  
CRICKET**

The brandmark carries a nod to the formation of the original Queensland Cricket Association, bearing the date of its creation in 1876, as well as the original QCA script that appeared on the early baggy maroon playing caps.

The shield element draws from Cricket Australia's brand identity which it took on when the national body moved from its Australia Cricket Board corporate identity to Cricket Australia in 2003.

The new QCA logo is predominantly maroon and white.

Queensland Cricket CEO Terry Svenson noted the revamped logo followed widespread consultation within the Queensland Cricket community.

"We have spoken with representatives from our volunteer base, including community clubs, affiliates and associations, past and current male and female players and coaches, current and previous staff, sponsors and Directors about the direction we wished to take," he said.

"Overall we were looking to land on a logo and brand mark that was true to our identity to unite and inspire our communities, while acting as a source of passion, pride and inspiration for our staff and players when carrying the logo on their kit.

"There was an overwhelming sentiment to acknowledge the many great servants of the game who have preceded us, as well as a desire to look to the future with a fresh look and feel which is why we have landed on a modern version of the Queensland Cricket Association logo.

"There are exciting times ahead for cricket in Queensland, with the Allan Border Field redevelopment as part of the National Cricket Campus project getting underway shortly, an Ashes Test this summer, the potential of a new-look Gabba in the event of a possible 2032 Olympics, encouraging on-field success with our elite teams, and participation numbers in our clubs and schools across the State continuing to be in a very healthy space," he said.

"We will be embarking on our next Strategic Plan in 2023 and so the timing felt right to position Queensland Cricket's identity in this way as we approach the future," Svenson said.

## STRATEGIC AMBITION

# SECURING CRICKET'S FUTURE IN QUEENSLAND

Cricket participation in Queensland continues to grow, has improved facilities and is providing great experiences.

No matter where you live, no matter your background, gender or ability, anyone can have their say, anyone can have a go, anyone can enjoy the game, anyone can achieve their cricket dreams.

Queensland Cricket will have built the financial security to support these aspirations - no matter how big or small.

## STRATEGIC GOALS

GROW  
PARTICIPATION

BETTER PLAYERS  
AND TEAMS

GROW AND  
ENGAGE FANS

## FOCUS AREAS

CLUBS AND  
VOLUNTEERS

PARTNERSHIPS

FINANCIAL  
SUSTAINABILITY

INFRASTRUCTURE  
AND FACILITIES

ORGANISATIONAL  
EFFECTIVENESS



# SECURING CRICKET'S FUTURE



## SUPPORTERS

Queensland Cricket gratefully acknowledges the assistance and backing it enjoys from several organisations of like-minded cricket enthusiasts and supporters.

These groups directly support the growth of cricket across Queensland through performing important tasks within the wider community, as well as providing cricket with enviable role models in terms of their generosity and breadth of spirit.



### THE BULLS MASTERS

The group of past Queensland cricket greats which help foster and develop cricket and assist local charities throughout Queensland regional communities. They play regular matches around Queensland and provide coaching and community outreach at each venue. The Bulls Masters came on board as an official Queensland Cricket sponsor in 2018-19.



### THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKET SOCIETY (QUEENSLAND)

The ACSQ is an official associate of Queensland Cricket. Its goal is: to provide a convivial "cricket lover's" forum that promotes lasting friendships and a greater understanding of the cricketing world, past and present. It assists several charitable and cricket initiatives.



### PETER BURGE XI

We thank the commitment of the Peter Burge XI and its members:

Doug Barton

Peter Bell

Tony Coutts

Peter Evans

John Gowdie

Spencer Grammer

Graham Oldham

John Pearce

Richard Williams

Mick Power AM

Tim Prest

Peter Chisholm



### THE LORD'S TAVERNERS QUEENSLAND

The Queensland branch is part of a national network of cricket lovers who raise funds exclusively to help the young and disadvantaged achieve their sporting goals. This support includes cricket for the blind and visually impaired, cricket for those with a disability, cricket for the deaf and Indigenous cricket.

In 2020-21, QC was provided with a donation of \$10,000 from this esteemed group of cricket supporters, with the proceeds to benefit the Eddie Gilbert Program which focuses on supporting Indigenous cricket in Queensland



### THE WANDERERS QUEENSLAND

The Club encourages young people to play and enjoy the game of cricket. It plays mid-week matches each summer, mostly against schools in the state's south-east, and undertakes an annual 12-day playing and coaching tour of country centres.



### CARBINE CLUB

Originally formed in 1961 in Victoria as a loose collective of like-minded individuals with an interest in sport and good fellowship, it has grown into an international organisation that raises and distributes funds for the benefit of young athletes and organisations serving the community through sport. The Queensland branch was formed in 1981 and for more than a decade, has presented a rising young Queensland cricketer with the Bill Brown Medal on an annual basis.



### AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS' ASSOCIATION

The Australian Cricketers' Association (ACA) is the collective and representative voice of past and present male and female elite domestic and international cricketers in Australia. Via the ACA Past Player Game Development Program and the ACA Premier Cricket Program, ACA Members help identify, instruct and inspire talent through both the male and female pathways.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

Queensland Cricket pursued a strong and sustainable approach to infrastructure funding and partnerships in 2020-21.

The emphasis on short- and medium-term projects that addressed immediate needs was balanced with a focus on longer-term future growth requirements.

The availability of 'seed funding' to allow local clubs and associations to work on getting initiatives into government budget timelines, and 'shovel-ready' projects which featured significant funding from cricket were among the ways that QC addressed infrastructure delivery.

The funding of infrastructure is drawn from a range of stakeholders and sources. The Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund and

Queensland Cricket's annual Infrastructure budget is matched by direct support from all levels of government as well as other philanthropic endeavors and in-kind donations.

The ACIF is a joint initiative between Cricket Australia, Queensland Cricket, and the Australian Cricketers' Association, through its contribution via the Grassroots Cricket Fund, that allows cricket clubs and associations, schools and Councils to apply for funding to build and improve local cricket facilities and grounds

In 2020-21, more than \$3.4 million of cricket infrastructure projects featured in the latest round of approved ACIF funding for community cricket.

These included projects in Hervey Bay, Sunshine Coast, Kingaroy, Rockhampton, Mackay and the Gold Coast. It was notable that previously identified growth areas through the Queensland Cricket Infrastructure Strategy 2018-2028 received valuable funding to either start or complete much-needed projects.

The projects cover Queensland Cricket strategic imperatives like floodlighting of playing facilities, as well as new nets and practice facilities and refurbished playing surfaces.

The centrepiece of the past 12 months, and one that will continue to have a prominent aspect for the coming year, is the completion of the National Cricket Campus in Brisbane.

All smiles at the official opening of the first two stages of the National Cricket Campus at Northern Suburbs home at Shaw Road.



The Campus comprises three stages across the Shaw Road Redevelopment (Stages A & B) and the Allan Border Field Precinct Redevelopment (Stage C).

When completed in 2022, it will offer facilities that can be utilised by international, national, and state teams, pathway programs and community cricket clubs.

It also encompasses the Bupa National Cricket Centre at Albion which sits adjacent to Allan Border Field.

As Australian Cricket's leading national infrastructure project, the \$18.8 million project is supported by the Australian and Queensland Governments, Brisbane City Council, Cricket Australia, Queensland

Cricket and Northern Suburbs District Cricket Club.

Queensland construction firm Hutchinson Builders has been appointed as the principal contractor to complete Stage C after successfully delivering Stages A and B at Shaw Road.

The scope of works for the redeveloped Allan Border Field will see the expansion of the oval on the eastern side, while the revamped precinct will see new off-field facilities, improved drainage, terrace seating and the installation of an electric scoreboard.

The upgrade will include five new training pitches as part of the refurbishment of the

Ray Lindwall Oval as well as the expansion of the Allan Border Field centre block to include additional pitches.

As occurred at Shaw Road, there will be different soil types included in the training pitches and centre block to enable ground staff to prepare pitches that replicate conditions in other states and countries.

While Allan Border Field is under redevelopment until May 2022, the three fields and training pitches at Shaw Road will be employed to service playing and training requirements for Australia, Queensland, Premier and junior clubs.

A triple sod-turn acknowledging the contribution of all three levels of government at the beginning of the Allan Border Field redevelopment, the final stage of the NCC project.





## GABBA OLYMPIC REDEVELOPMENT

Queensland Cricket welcomed the announcement by the Queensland Government in 2021 that the Gabba would undergo a substantial redevelopment to become the main stadium venue for the 2032 Olympic Games.

QC has identified the great benefits of a redeveloped Gabba and the knowledge that cricket's heritage and particular requirements will be considered in the process to deliver a legacy from the Games is important.

Just as the 2000 Olympics bestowed upon Australian cricket the dual legacies of Stadium Australia and the Sydney Showground – both of which became international cricket venues – the 2032

Brisbane Games will equip the Gabba with state-of-the-art facilities to rival any stadium in the world.

Terry Svenson, Queensland Cricket's CEO, said the redevelopment of the Gabba was a once-in-a-generation opportunity that would benefit cricket fans and players alike.

"A Brisbane Olympics will be a landmark, generational event and to know the Queensland Government has identified the Gabba as playing a lead role in this is very exciting," Svenson said.

"There is also the potential for other spin-offs from an Olympic Games that cricket will be well placed to benefit from in the future."

Previously known as the Brisbane Cricket Ground, the Gabba was earmarked for upgrade because:

- It is already well-used for AFL, cricket and other events
- Is existing infrastructure already connected to the SEQ busway network
- Is centrally located and
- Will have its own Cross River Rail station already under construction connected to the stadium.

A potential upgrade would increase capacity to around 50,000.



## VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

The unstinting efforts of volunteers around Queensland was never better demonstrated than during the past 12 months., with cricket indebted to their work in keeping people playing the game in Queensland.

Despite the challenges, volunteers continued to give their time so that others could enjoy cricket.

The numbers of boys and girls, men and women who made the choice to play cricket in 2020-21 made for encouraging reading for Queensland Cricket.

The delivery of Cricket Australia programs across the State was successfully achieved through the hard work of QC staff and the unstinting and passionate commitment of the game's volunteers.

It was noteworthy that the popular Woolworths Cricket Blast entry level program continues to drive positive outcomes for cricket.

In 2020-21, as well as their usual dedication in keeping the game's heartland in solid shape, Queensland volunteers took on the added responsibility of keeping cricket going during COVID-19.

The Queensland Cricket Volunteer Recognition Program, known widely as Kaspas's Crew, again celebrated the work of individuals who were representative of the wider volunteering community.

The Volunteer of the Year for 2020-21 was Andrew Short from the Charleville & District Cricket Association.

He fills a multitude of roles, including Senior and Junior President of Charleville & District Cricket Association, as well as being a Junior coach for the association and a hands-on volunteer who umpires and sets up each weekend for the various junior competitions and games.

Additionally, he is a delegate to the South West Country Zone and also finds time to be a South West Country School Selector for the District, which is the most western association of Darling Downs & South West Cricket.

He travels widely in the role and noted that in one of the busiest windows of the season, travelled 6300kms in the space of 7 weeks.

He and other members of Kaspas's Crew were celebrated at the Queensland Cricket Awards Dinner at City Hall.

### 2020-21 VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR – KASPA'S CREW

Darrin Neumann	Dan O'Connor
Nick Egan	Dillon West
Steve Casey	Joel Bock
Martin Bristow	Tony Potts
Andrew Short	



**2020-21**  
**QC VOLUNTEER**  
**OF THE YEAR:**  
**ANDREW SHORT**  
(Charleville Cricket Assoc)

## CHARITY PARTNERS

While COVID-19 made face to face interactions harder to accomplish, the ability of the Brisbane Heat and our charity partners Ovarian Cancer Australia to transition online proved a winner.

The Heat's digital team worked closely with OCA to achieve awareness and raise much-needed funds during the 2020-21 season.

The annual Teal Heels charity gala event was unable to take place due to constraints brought on by the pandemic, but an online jersey auction plus member and fan donations saw the Heat donate \$16,433 at the end of the season.

Brisbane Heat players in the rebel Women's Big Bash League and KFC Big Bash League displayed their zeal for teal by wearing teal ribbons on the playing apparel during some matches in their respective competitions this summer.

Both teams also supported Teal Ribbon Day – an annual day of awareness and support for Australians living with ovarian cancer.

WBBL Brisbane Heat wicket-keeper Georgia Redmayne provided a message of support through the club's social media channels.

Redmayne, a doctor, said events like Teal Ribbon Day were vital in raising awareness of the disease, which is the deadliest female cancer in Australia.

Queensland Cricket CEO Terry Svenson said the Heat continued to make a difference to the lives of Australian women by championing the goals of Ovarian Cancer Australia and raising vital funds for treatment, research, and support.

"Ovarian Cancer Australia has been a great partner of Queensland Cricket and the Brisbane Heat for a number of years and we're proud to make our contribution to a day like Teal Ribbon Day that helps put the spotlight on ovarian cancer symptoms and awareness," he said.

"We are pleased for the Brisbane Heat and QC to again be able to raise much-needed funds and awareness for the many Australian women living with ovarian cancer."

As well as the jersey auction, Queensland Cricket have participated in several community and club fund-raising events in regional Queensland.



**OVARIAN**  
**CANCER**  
**AUSTRALIA**

Ovarian cancer is the deadliest female cancer in Australia with a low 46% survival rate.

The Brisbane Heat club have been proud partners with Ovarian Cancer Australia since 2014 and will continue in 2021-22, with a Teal Heels event planned in Mackay when the Weber Women's Big Bash League round is hosted at Great Barrier Reef Arena in November 2021.

## QC SPONSORSHIP 2020-21



Great Southern  
Bank



## COMMERCIAL PARTNERS

Queensland Cricket and our sponsors demonstrated the true definition of partnership like never before when it came to managing the 2020-21 commercial landscape, taking place amidst a global pandemic that resulted in significantly altered and everchanging business conditions.

The year coincided with the 10th anniversary season of the Brisbane Heat, a milestone that enabled our partners and fans to bind together and share a collective goal.

The ability to pivot from traditional plans was a highlight, as Queensland Cricket created new digital initiatives, fan experiences and delivered full WBBL and BBL Brisbane Heat seasons as they continued as market leaders in bringing families together and delivering outstanding fan experiences.

Queensland Cricket remains committed to building productive and successful partnerships based on trust and mutual benefit and will continue to engage closely with all our commercial and corporate partners.



## 2020-2021 HIGHLIGHTS

Long-term partners Betta Home Living renewed its sponsorship for a further three years. The renewal meant that Betta became the longest-serving club major sponsor in the history of the BBL, joining the Heat as Major Partner in BBL102.

Betta were prominently visible on the player apparel when the Heat won the BBL title that year, and as part of the 'One Club, Two Teams' strategy, were on the shirts of the reigning champion WBBL Brisbane Heat team for both of their back-to-back title wins in 2018 and 2019.

Another long-term partner, Toyota, strengthened their presence when they capitalised on a unique opportunity for the 2020-21 season as a sleeve sponsor for the Heat teams in the WBBL and BBL competitions.

KFC, which has also been a stalwart supporter of Queensland Cricket at a grassroots level for more than a decade, renewed their agreement for a further year. Their KFC Local Matters competition gave fans the chance to win \$1,500 for their local cricket club as well as a signed Brisbane Heat jersey and KFC for themselves and 10 friends or teammates.

Cross River Rail (CRR) partnered with the Heat for the second year after initially signing

on as sponsors in BBL109 to undertake a community consultation project aimed at gaining public feedback on the planned Woolloongabba train station fan precinct and station to stadium connection.

Heat fans and members were given the opportunity to provide feedback on the precinct that is due to be completed in 2024 which will significantly improve matchday travel times and the match-day experience for cricket supporters.

Kookaburra also renewed their partnership for a further three years with Queensland Cricket, which included naming rights for the One Day and T20 competitions in the Brisbane Premier Competition as well as supplying Kookaburra cricket balls.

The impact of the pandemic, including lockdowns and restriction of movements, meant a change to usual practices and plans which Queensland Cricket, the Brisbane Heat and our partners would employ across a regular season.

A quick transition followed, with the business focus going towards increasing relevant digital engagement across all partners from April 2020. As a result, the Brisbane Heat had the most Facebook interactions of any sporting club in Oceania in April and May in 2020.



As the 2020-21 season approached, several Brisbane Heat produced integrated video content campaigns were successfully rolled out, featuring effective collaborations between the Heat and its partners.

Among the outcomes was the creation of the Brisbane Heat All Stars, incorporating CUA, Betta, Toyota, National Storage and VRT, which proved highly effective.

The Heat digital and creative team also once again combined with Betta to produce its successful 'Home of the Heat' campaign, CUA delivered coaching videos to 'Train Like The Heat' while Toyota and TMR had bespoke campaigns created for the summer.

The annual Regional Tour featuring QC staff and players took place between Mackay and September last year, courtesy of the partnership with TMR Streetsmarts that emphasised important road safety messaging.

Finally, principal partners CUA rebranded to Great Southern Bank on 1 June 2021. This was a momentous occasion for the organisation, and the Brisbane Heat and Queensland Cricket celebrated the occasion with them as we wrapped up the fifth year of the partnership.



As a result, the Heat will sport a bold new outlook as they go for greatness in the coming 2021-22 cricket season.

Prominent in the team's updated Nike livery will be the new principal partner logo on the front of the KFC Big Bash League BBL and Women's Big Bash League teams playing apparel in the wake of the launch of Great Southern Bank.

Despite COVID and the restrictions that shadowed the summer, partners were afforded significant coverage at match and in broadcast as the WBBL and BBL seasons were held in full.

The switch to a 'hub' environment saw south-east Queensland host 11 BBL matches during the competition, with 111,665 fans attending Heat matches at the Gabba and Gold Coast and a further 11,643 fans attending non-Heat games.

The Heat's progress to the Finals also resonated with viewers at home, with an average 920,000 viewers watching the Heat's broadcast per game.

Across all measures on social media, the Heat emerged from the 2020-21 season as the most followed club in Ocean on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Tik Tok and You Tube, the fourth season in a row this has been achieved.

Queensland Cricket remains closely aligned with all our partners where we will continue to work together for mutual growth in 2021-22 and beyond.

Queensland Cricket sincerely thanks all our partners and corporate supporters, both for their steadfast backing in a challenging environment and also their willingness to work collaboratively and successfully to achieve rewarding results.

# GROWING PARTICIPATION



## PARTICIPATION

Queensland achieved a strong result in entry-level cricket numbers in the 2020-21 Australian Cricket National census, with more girls than ever signing on to play.

Queensland Cricket recorded a 25.9 percent increase in Woolworths Cricket Blast numbers, the entry level formats that continue to prove popular for girls and boys starting out in the game.

The number of girls registering to play again climbed in Queensland, making up a quarter of all Blast participants.

Queensland recorded the highest increase in Australia for the numbers of girls participating in Cricket Blast programs with an increase of 63% on 2019-20 registrations, with the influence of the successful WBBL Brisbane Heat and the Women's National Cricket League champion Queensland Fire team providing strong role models across the state.

Nationally, the rising popularity of cricket with girls continued with a 17.5% increase in girls registering for club and Woolworths Cricket Blast participation, aided by the success of Australia's World Champion Women's Team, The Next Innings program, and local initiatives such as Queensland Cricket's 'That's My Game' and ColourBlast programs.

The inevitable impact of the pandemic and the subsequent cancellation of many tournaments, competitions and leagues led to an overall year-on-year decline in registered participation of 24% across all cricket nationally from 710,000 to 539,000.

In Queensland, indoor cricket and organised schools-based competitions were hardest hit in the last year, while areas of concern have appeared in junior male cricket and other club-based competitions. Among the priorities in the year ahead will be a focus on regenerating areas of the game that were affected by the pandemic.

The Census only includes formal participants in organised competitions and programs. It does not include participants in cricket activities which do not meet a minimum program requirement of four weeks/games duration.

For the first time, the annual Census process also featured the inaugural National Player and Volunteer Survey.

The Survey indicated volunteers had a strong satisfaction with their roles (+30 Net Promoter Score) while 89% of players surveyed expressed satisfaction with their overall experience.

The 2020-21 Australian Cricket Census is the 20th annual audit of Australian cricket



participation. The Census has become an important measure for Community Cricket, setting targets and monitoring successes and trends for the long-term enhancement of Australian cricket.

The Census is compiled by the Community Cricket department at Cricket Australia and each State and Territory Cricket Association, and an independent validation of the process and results is conducted by Street Ryan Consulting.

Participation growth was complemented by an emphasis on Coach Education during 2020-21.

There were more than 170 club visits delivered by QC Coach & Talent Specialists, with visits coinciding with Junior club training to enable our staff to act as coaching mentors.

Queensland has 570 Community Coaches Accredited (Level 1) while 134 Community Coaches have attended QC delivered 'Master Classes'. There are now 40 Representative Coach Accredited (Level 2's).



## INDIGENOUS CRICKET

Queensland Cricket was able to broaden the pathway for Indigenous cricketers in nine regional centres in the State during 2020-21.

QC partnered with the South West Indigenous Network (SWIN) to deliver Deadly Cricket programs in Charleville, Cherbourg, Chinchilla, Cunnamulla, Goondiwindi, Roma, St George, Surat, and Toowoomba as well as identify further local playing opportunities.

QC also supported SWIN in planning for the Western Rivers Cup Indigenous Cricket Carnival.

The partnership represents a significant addition to other Indigenous cricket initiatives supported by Queensland Cricket.

Tim Klaas, Vice Chairperson of SWIN, welcomed the formal announcement of the partnership when it was announced in September 2020.

"SWIN is proud to work with Queensland Cricket to strengthen the pathway for Indigenous cricketers and deliver place-based culturally appropriate programs that combine the sport-specific capabilities of a state sporting organization with the regional expertise and connection of SWIN as a leader in Indigenous sport," he said.

"This partnership is a landmark moment for Indigenous sport in Queensland and represents a significant opportunity to rapidly grow Indigenous participation in Cricket in the region."

Deadly Cricket is aimed at Indigenous children and young people with a goal of improving equity of opportunities by delivery of physical activity, education and employment in remote and regional communities.

The program forms part of Queensland Cricket's Active Industry Fund partnership.

Queensland Cricket will start the 2021-22 season with a refreshed Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Cricket Advisory Council (QATSICAC). Jason Smith, who is Queensland's representative on Cricket Australia's National Indigenous Committee, will be co-chair along with QC CEO Terry Svenson.

Members of the Committee include Mikayla Hinkley (QC Player), Peter Jackson, Adrian Coolwell, Michael Prien, Nev Paulsen, Jason Smith, and Terry Svenson.

**DEADLY CRICKET**  
CHARLEVILLE | CUNNAMULLA | ROMA | ST GEORGE | SURAT

**FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**ROWDEN PARK ST GEORGE**

**9am - 1pm**  
Woolworths Cricket Blast  
Junior Blasters: 6yrs to 9yrs  
Master Blasters: 10yrs to 12yrs

**4:00pm - 5:00pm**  
Woolworths Blast coach education session

**5:00pm - 7:00pm**  
Community Session  
(skills, fielding drills & Cricket game)

**FREE EVENT**  
**REGISTER HERE | ST GEORGE**  
[www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-detail?id=12623](http://www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-detail?id=12623)

[WWW.SWIN.ORG.AU](http://WWW.SWIN.ORG.AU)

SWIN QLD



## SPORT FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

A host of outstanding contributors to Community Cricket in the State was again celebrated by Queensland Cricket as part of Cricket Australia's 2020-21 A Sport For All awards.

Forming part of this week's National Volunteer Week, with a theme of Recognise. Reconnect. Reimagine,

Queensland Cricket had one national finalist acknowledged from the list of State winners at the virtual national presentation awards event in May 2021.

The 10 categories recognize outstanding achievements and contributions to community sport in Queensland, which is largely carried out by its volunteers.

Southern Districts Magpies from Toowoomba was a Finalist in the Inclusion and Diversity Initiative of the Year for their efforts in running a successful "All-Abilities" program to allow anyone with a disability to come and learn the basics of cricket.

2020-21

QUEENSLAND CRICKET  
'A SPORT FOR ALL AWARDS'



**MATCH OFFICIAL  
OF THE YEAR**

DAVID STAINES  
(SEQ)

**COMMUNITY  
COACH OF THE  
YEAR**

JOEL BOCK  
(MACKAY WHITSUNDAYS)

**CLUB OF  
THE YEAR**

WALKERSTON  
CRICKET CLUB  
(MACKAY WHITSUNDAYS)

**YOUNG  
COMMUNITY  
LEADER**

CALLAN  
SUNDERLAND  
(NQ)

**WOMEN AND GIRLS  
INITIATIVE**

VALLEYS DISTRICT  
CRICKET CLUB  
COLOUR BLAS  
(BN)

**TECHNOLOGY &  
MEDIA INITIATIVE**

CRICKET IPSWICH  
(SEQ)

**INCLUSION AND  
DIVERSITY INITIATIVE  
OF THE YEAR**

STHN DISTRICTS  
MAGPIES CC  
(DDSWQ)

**CRICKET IN  
SCHOOLS**

ROB HILLIER  
(WEST MORETON  
ANGLICAN COLLEGE, SEQ)

**INDOOR FACILITY  
OF THE YEAR**

SUNSHINE COAST  
INDOOR SPORTS  
(SUNSHINE COAST)

**COMMUNITY  
PARTNERSHIP**

REDLANDS SHARKS  
& REDLANDS  
SPECIAL SCHOOL  
(BEARS)

**JUNIOR CRICKET  
INITIATIVE OF THE  
YEAR**

METROPOLITAN  
SOUTH WEST  
(MSW)

**ASSOCIATION OF  
THE YEAR**

CRICKET GOLD  
COAST  
(GOLD COAST)

## COMMUNITY CRICKET AWARDS



Community Coach of the Year,  
Joel Bock from Moranbah.

### COMMUNITY MATCH OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

An umpire or match official (such as a scorer) who leads by example in championing safe, fair and enjoyable cricket for all.

#### David Staines

David has been an incredible assistance to both country umpires and Queensland Cricket in 2020-21 by taking a lead role in helping manage country Regional Umpire Coordinators and providing a link into QC Umpires and Scorers Association (QCUSA).

### COMMUNITY COACH OF THE YEAR

A coach who exemplifies coaching The Australian Way. Someone who has gone out of their way to make sure that participants are supported to develop both their skills and a lifelong love of cricket.

#### Joel Bock

Joel is the President and Head Coach of Moranbah Junior Cricket. He is a Primary School PE Teacher, who steered Moranbah cricket back onto the pitch by forming a fresh new committee and delivering a fun, skilled and supportive season for the Junior Cricketers of Moranbah including Junior and Master Blasters programs.

### CLUB OF THE YEAR

A community cricket club that actively creates welcoming environments and seeks to create sustainable participation and growth through good governance, volunteer support and inclusive on field programs.

#### Walkerston Cricket Club

2020-21 has seen Walkerston Cricket Club, who are part of the Mackay Cricket Association, thrive off the back of six years of hard work laying a foundation for success. The club has invested over \$180,000 into facility upgrades (half club raised and half grants). This investment includes the addition of a pavilion to the clubhouse, new training nets, new lighting, new synthetic centre wicket, and a refurbished amenities block. All the work carried out by volunteers, has culminated in the club winning both senior and junior club championships last season in the Mackay Cricket Competition, a first for the club.

### YOUNG COMMUNITY LEADER

A young person, under the age of 25 who positively impacts those around them through their off-field leadership in volunteering

#### Callan Sunderland

Callan, hailing from the Home Hill Cricket Association, coaches local representative players including leading a pre-season program as well as continuing to provide face to face coaching during the season for players and teams. He also led a charity cricket event in Home Hill known as 'Bash for Brain Cancer' fundraiser.

### WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE

This award looks to celebrate the outstanding delivery of female based experiences by finding clever or innovative ways to engage and grow their program.

#### Valley District Cricket Club Colour Blast Girls Camp

The Valleys District Cricket Club hosted an all-girls event during the summer holidays as a fun and unique way to recruit new girls to the club's Cricket Blast and Junior programs. The day featured colour blast cricket, design-a-jersey, yoga session, Qld Fire player appearances, water games, inflatables, food, and cricket activities suitable for all levels and abilities. Over 30 girls came along and the club received incredibly positive feedback from both the girls and their parents.

### TECHNOLOGY & MEDIA INITIATIVE

An individual, club or association who has used technology to create a connection to its members, whether by reducing volunteer time, connecting members through social media or enhancing participant experience.

#### Cricket Ipswich

Cricket Ipswich is a newly formed Association, with Ipswich Hornets and Ipswich West Moreton Cricket Association amalgamating recently. The Association identified last season that they needed a more effective strategy to recruit younger players (Junior Blasters) to the local clubs. Andrew Tazelaar, a former local Ipswich player who has a business in Social Media (Binnacle Training), was engaged to set up a social media campaign. This saw approximately 120 kids sign up to local club Cricket Blast programs across January and February.

### INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR

This award looks to acknowledge the outstanding delivery of diverse and inclusive experiences by finding clever and innovative ways to engage and grow their offering.

#### Southern Districts Magpies CC

The Southern Districts Magpies CC ran an "All-Abilities" program to allow anyone with a disability to come and learn the basics of the sport, via the exceptional services of Matthew & Maddelyn Hansson, who are passionate and dedicated to providing inclusion opportunities to the community. Both work in the disability sector, but Disability and inclusion is more than a job to them. Matt has been a below knee amputee since 2017 and has fought adversity himself, but he still today is able to play for his beloved Magpies in the senior competition. Matt and Maddy also have a nephew with Cerebral Palsy, which adds to their passion in which they live and breathe inclusion and diversity.

\*This nomination was recognised as a finalist for the Cricket Australia Community Cricket Awards.



## CRICKET IN SCHOOLS

A school, ambassador or initiative that celebrates the connection between School, student and the broader cricket community.

### Rob Hillier (West Moreton Anglican College)

Rob, a former player, has been a keen driver for Cricket and created a full cricketing pathway at the school for Prep to Grade 12. This included School HPE programs, School Cups, StreetSmarts T20 Challenge and widespread participation in the TAS Cricket Competitions. He has also developed the 'Eaglets' program which has resulted in many primary school students playing senior cricket for the college and then heading out to play local club cricket in Ipswich.

## INDOOR FACILITY OF THE YEAR

An Indoor facility that embraces the connection with the community and cricket to provide the best program experience to its participants.

### Sunshine Coast Indoor Sports

Sunshine Coast Indoor Sports owners Matt and Nikki Antrobus proactively sourced information and support from Queensland Cricket to deliver an indoor Cricket Blast Entry Level Program, to set up a relationship with local clubs & community.

## JUNIOR CRICKET INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR

This award looks to acknowledge the outstanding delivery of junior cricket experiences by finding clever and innovative ways to engage and grow their junior offering with a focus on education, fun and social connection.

### Metropolitan South West

In season 2020-21, the MSW committee introduced a T20 stage 3 competition, where kids could be involved in something that looks and feels different. The committee wanted to have a key attraction for this format and so decided to use coloured clothing and a pink ball.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

This award recognises outstanding leadership and support in building community-based partnerships that provide positive outcomes to the Cricket community. (E.g. Local Government, multiple sporting clubs, community not for profit groups etc)

### Redlands Sharks & Redlands Special School

The Redlands Sharks Cricket Club & Redland District Special School have worked together to deliver a combination of programs for the students at the school. After the partnership first started in 2019 to assist with the training of RDSS students to compete in a local Life Stream competition, Redland Sharks President Nick Egan and Secretary/Registrar Joy Brewster (alongside QC staff and Redland-Victoria Point Sharks Sporting Club Development Officers) organised and delivered two coaching programs to over 60 children in 2021.

## ASSOCIATION OF THE YEAR

A cricket Association that actively works to create a sustainable competition that provides opportunities for everyone to have the chance to play cricket.

### Cricket Gold Coast

Cricket Gold Coast have had an exceptional season in terms of growth and development. Starting with the association run Woolworths Master Blaster program, which now has 43 teams playing across the coast each Friday night under lights. This competition feeds into the under 11s program, which has grown so rapidly that field shortage has become an issue. Junior Cricket has seen a solid retention rate and further growth through new competitions, such as the Under 17 program, which splits into three divisions. This allows players to experience playing on turf at a younger age and increase retention of players who would otherwise struggle against the stronger competitors.



Top: Nick Egan from Redlands Sharks

Bottom: Matt Hansson from Southern Districts Magpies in Toowoomba

# BETTER PLAYERS AND TEAMS



## AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

Against a backdrop that was easily the most challenging faced by Australia's male and female cricketers in recent times, the 2020-21 cricket season delivered some truly memorable moments.

Queensland played a leading role in the delivery of the start of the summer, with Brisbane's Allan Border Field hosting the New Zealand Women in their October ODI and T20I series against Australia. Played under strict bio-secure conditions, it was the first time that 'bubbles' and 'hubs' were mentioned in the same context as runs and wickets.

Australia won the three ODIs to claim the Rose Bowl, with Queensland allrounder Jess Jonassen the team's leading wicket-taker with eight. Australia also won the T20I series with a 2-1 result, with allrounder Delissa Kimmince taking six wickets at 10.33 in what turned out to be the Queenslander's farewell international appearances.

The Border-Gavaskar Trophy was eagerly anticipated, and once a degree of shuffling had taken place amidst lockdowns, border closures and general uneasiness in the wake of COVID-19, Australia and India did not disappoint.

A compelling series came down to the wire, with India breaching the formerly impregnable redoubt of the Gabba to clinch an exceptional win on the last day of the fourth and final Test for a 2-1 series result.

A first day century to local hero Marnus Labuschagne, his fifth career Test ton, had the fans celebrating, but India had the last laugh with a remarkable final day batting effort from Rishabh Pant whose 89 not out steered the visitors to a memorable three-wicket win to end Australia's unbeaten record at the venue.

Labuschagne finished as the leading run-scorer in the series with 426 runs at 53.25 while Joe Burns played the opening two Tests, hitting the winning runs in the First Test in Adelaide.

Leg-spinner Mitch Swepson played T20 Internationals during the summer and winter 2021 series against the West Indies and Bangladesh. He and Bulls paceman Michael Naser spent much of the summer as a squad player with Australia.

Burns, Naser and Swepson joined Queensland teammates Jack Wildermuth and Mark Steketee for a pair of matches

against India for Australia 'A', with Steketee taking 5-37 in the first game and Wildermuth hitting 111 in the second first class match.

Representation of Queenslanders in national line-ups remained steady, although there will be a sense of 'What If' in the wake of the cancelled tour of South Africa scheduled for February which saw Naser. Swepson and Steketee included in the Test squad.

Beth Mooney earned noteworthy individual recognition during the year, receiving the Belinda Clark Medal for the first time and the Australian T20 International player of the year at the Australian Cricket Awards in February.

Mooney, who alongside Jonassen continued her strong international form during Australia's victorious limited overs tour of New Zealand in March and April, was also named Wisden's 2020 Women's Cricketer of the Year.

It was the first time she had received the award and joined Meg Lanning and Ellyse Perry as Australians to have claimed the honour.

### 2020-21 HOW OUR TEAMS FARED

#### QUEENSLAND BULLS

Marsh Sheffield Shield: 1st  
Marsh One Day Cup: 3rd

#### QUEENSLAND FIRE

WNCL: 1st

#### BRISBANE HEAT

WBBL: 3rd  
BBL: 3rd

Due to COVID-19, no other national championships were conducted in the 2020-21 season.

#### AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES

MEN	WOMEN
Marnus Labuschagne	Beth Mooney
Joe Burns	Jess Jonassen
Mitchell Swepson	Delissa Kimmince

#### 2020-21 QUEENSLAND DEBUTANTS

QLD FIRE - WNCL	QLD BULLS - SHEFFIELD SHIELD	ONE DAY CUP
Courtney Sippel	Matthew Kuhnemann	James Bazley
Lilly Mills	James Bazley	
Ellie Johnston		

#### 2020-21 BRISBANE HEAT DEBUTANTS

WBBL I 06	BBL I 10
Nicola Hancock	Xavier Bartlett
Nadine de Klerk	Jack Wood
Georgia Redmayne	Morne Morkel
Charli Knott	Joe Denly
Georgia Voll	Lewis Gregory
	Dan Lawrence
	Tom Cooper
	James Bazley



## THE BULLS SQUAD 2020-21

Joe Burns (Norths)  
 Marnus Labuschagne (Redlands)  
 Xavier Bartlett (Gold Coast)  
 Max Bryant (Gold Coast)  
 Brendan Doggett (Wests)  
 Blake Edwards (Wests)  
 Sam Heazlett (Redlands)  
 Usman Khawaja (Valley)  
 Matthew Kuhnemann (Gold Coast)  
 Nathan McSweeney (Norths)  
 Michael Naser (Gold Coast)  
 Lachlan Pfeffer (Valley)  
 Jimmy Peirson (Redlands)  
 Matt Renshaw (Toombul)  
 Billy Stanlake (South Brisbane)  
 Mark Steketee (Valley)  
 Bryce Street (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Mitch Swepson (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Jack Wildermuth (Valley)  
 Jack Wood (Ipswich/Logan)  
 Corey Hunter (Wynnum-Manly)  
 Jack Clayton (University of Qld)  
 Benji Floros (Wynnum-Manly)  
 Matthew Willans (University of Qld)  
 Connor Sully (Norths)



## BULLS SEASON WRAP

The 2020-21 season was one to remember on so many levels, but especially if you were a follower of the Queensland Bulls.

It was the longest in recent memory, with adjustments due to the pandemic meaning it started in September and finished in late April, with the Bulls hosting the Marsh Sheffield Shield Fina against NSW at Allan Border Field.

Queensland completed an historic summer for the State with an outright victory by an innings and 33 runs with more than 10,000 jubilant fans attending the four days of the decider at the venue, the last game it hosted before undergoing an extensive redevelopment.

It was the ninth first class title for the Bulls, and the third time they have claimed the Shield at Allan Border Field.

It meant that for the first time, the State claimed both men's and women's domestic titles in the same season. The Bulls victory came a month after the Queensland Fire won the Ruth Preddy Cup for the first time ever with their WNCL Final victory over Victoria.

The season was played in two distinct segments.

The Bulls were the stand-out team in the first half of the Shield competition when all teams were 'hubbed' in Adelaide.

The conditions in Adelaide brought leg-spinner Mitch Swepson to the fore, with Queensland winning two of their three games (and losing the third match by one wicket).

The team went into the BBL hiatus on top of the ladder and despite having two games washed out in Brisbane's big wet before Easter, were able to earn the right to host the Shield Final.

In the limited over arena, Queensland was well in the hunt for the Marsh One Day Cup Final, ultimately tipped out by WA, and finished third, with NSW taking out the Final.

Queensland produced a number of telling individual efforts with the white ball, with career best returns for left-arm spinner Matt Kuhnemann (4-37) and paceman Billy Stanlake (4-24).

Kuhnemann finished as the leading wicket-taker with 10 scalps at 15.70 while captain Usman Khawaja scored 174 at 43.50 in his four innings in the limited overs environment.

In the first class arena, Swepson finished as the team's leading wicket-taker in the Shield



(and second highest overall) with 32 wickets including a career best 10-171 in the thrilling one wicket loss to NSW in Adelaide. His efforts came in spite of a late season injury.

Australian batsman Marnus Labuschagne dominated when it counted for the Bulls, with his outstanding effort in the Final a highlight. His magnificent 192 in the decider saw him finish with 821 runs in Shield cricket including four centuries and an average of 82.10,

Labuschagne scored runs in the Adelaide hub in the first half of the season and then came back from Tests and BBL commitments to pick right back up again for the remaining Shield games.

He finished as a multiple winner at the annual Queensland Cricket Awards dinner, with his superb summer earning him his first Ian Healy Trophy as the overall best Queensland Bulls player as well as the Sheffield Shield Player of the Year.

Matt Renshaw was also impressed in the first class season, producing 500 runs at 62.50 with a highest score of 168.

Queensland's batting overall was strong, with 12 centuries scored by seven individual

batsmen. There were several stand-out innings, with Test batsman Joe Burns producing an epic 171 against Tasmania in Hobart, while allrounder Michael Nesar hammered 121 for his maiden first class ton against the Tigers in Adelaide.

While Swepson led the charge with the ball, Queensland's pace battery performed resolutely. The quicks were consistently impressive – Brendan Doggett (22 at 26.81), first season star Xavier Bartlett (19 at 31.31) and allrounder Jack Wildermuth (18 at 20.83) all produced match-winning efforts.

Nesar, who was on the national selectors' radar across the summer, showed his class with the best individual bowling figures of the Shield Final with 5-27 in the first innings. He finished with 18 wickets at 24.33 to again be a mainstay of the attack.

Allrounder James Bazley and Kuhnemann made their first class debuts for the Bulls while Bazley enjoyed a breakthrough year where he also made his one-day debut for Queensland and KFC Big Bash League debut for the Brisbane Heat.

## QLD BULLS AWARDS

Ian Healy Trophy

**Marnus Labuschagne**

Marsh Sheffield Shield

Player of the Year

**Marnus Labuschagne**

Marsh One Day Cup

Player of the Year

**Billy Stanlake**

Queensland Bulls

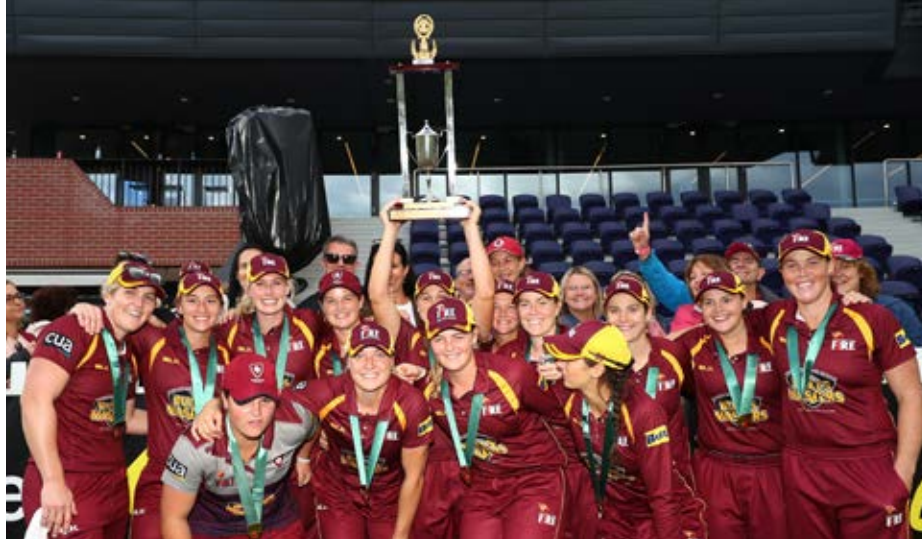
Player's Player

**Mitch Swepson**



## THE FIRE SQUAD 2020-21

Jess Jonassen (University of Qld)  
 Delissa Kimmince (Gold Coast)  
 Beth Mooney (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Grace Harris (Wests)  
 Laura Harris (University of Qld)  
 Georgia Redmayne (Gold Coast)  
 Mikayla Hinkley (Valley)  
 Charli Knott (Valley)  
 Tess Cooper (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Georgia Voll (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Georgia Prestwidge (Valley)  
 Holly Ferling (Wests)  
 Courtney Sippel (Wests)  
 Meagan Dixon (Wests)  
 Lilly Mills (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Caitlin Mair (Sandgate-Redcliffe)  
 Ellie Johnston (Ipswich/Logan)



## FIRE SEASON WRAP

History was made in 2020-21 when Queensland won the Ruth Preddy Cup and was crowned national champions for the first time.

The Cup has been awarded annually to the champion women's State since the inception of the Women's National Cricket League in 1996-97, and prior to that under the old national championship model.

The Fire broke through with a comprehensive 112 run win over competition front-runners Victoria at the CitiPower Centre in Melbourne, dominating with bat and ball.

Stand-in captain Georgia Redmayne carried her bat for an unbeaten 134 not out as the team amassed 8-317, the second time they had taken a batting score past 300 in the season.

Queensland's attack, led by spinners Grace Harris (4-35) and second-gamer Lilly Mills (3-36) as well young seamer Courtney Sippel (3-44), silenced the passionate Junction Oval crowd as they dismissed the home side for 205.

The breakthrough title came after Queensland had finished as runners-up on five previous occasions.

It was Queensland's second ever trophy, with the 2013-14 WT20 title their only national championship win since they began competing on the national stage in the 1930s.

The victory was even more remarkable with the team having to undergo emergency COVID tests last night and then return negative results before being able to start the game the day.

Results were received by 7am, with the team heading to the ground only to have the starting time delayed due to morning rain.

Victoria won the toss and sent the visitors in, but the Fire got away to an ideal start when play finally started with Year 12 student Georgia Voll hitting 34 from 39 balls.

Player of the match Redmayne proved to be the rock once again for Queensland, making up for the absence of national players in regular captain Jess Jonassen and batting star Beth Mooney.

Her match, and season, was exceptional. She claimed four dismissals with the gloves on top of her unbeaten ton, which was her second century of the season and also included two scores in the 90s.

She finished the season with 531 runs at 132.75.

As well as Redmayne, middle order bat Mikayla Hinkley was impressive, producing her top score of the season with a run-a-ball 53 that came at a crucial part of the innings.

While bad weather affected the team's early season progress, when the sun came out, the Fire shone.

The produced two big wins over the defending champions WA, one of which included Queensland's highest individual score, 164 to the remarkable Mooney, who was also celebrated on the national stage with her maiden Belinda Clark Medal in 2020-21

Mooney was officially crowned Australia's best women's cricketer from the past 12 months at the Australian Cricket Awards, finishing with dual honours having already taken out the T20 Player of the Year gong.

Her efforts for the Fire were eye-catching, especially the remarkable win over WA at Allan Border Field, their second in three days and one replete with career, team and State records.

Queensland amassed 4-368 from their 50 overs, passing the previous record of 6-351 set against Tasmania back in 2013-14 which featured a record score at the time by Queensland legend Jodie Purves.

Mooney's 163 saw her eclipse teammate Grace Harris's previous record by one as





she and fellow keeper/batter Georgia Redmayne (whose 121 was a career highest score and her first century for the Fire) combined to deliver Queensland's highest ever partnership in the WNCL.

Their stand of 259 in just 24 overs wiped out the old mark of 202 set by two more maroon legends in Melissa Bulow and Julia Price against NSW at Allan Border Field in 2006.

WNCL records on the day were:

- Queensland's highest WNCL total
- Fourth highest total in WNCL history
- Highest partnership for Qld
- Highest partnership for any team vs WA
- Fourth highest partnership in WNCL history
- Sixth 250+ partnership (all teams) in WNCL history
- Mooney's highest List A score
- Mooney's 163 the highest score by a Queenslander in WNCL
- Mooney's 163 the sixth highest score in WNCL history

With Mooney and Fire captain Jess Jonassen on international duties for the run to the Final, Redmayne filled in admirably, taking over as captain and 'keeper and providing the run-scoring impetus the team wished for at the top of the order.

Fittingly she was the Fire Player of the Year, with two scores of 90 and two unbeaten centuries to finish as the competition's second leading runs-scorer with 531 at a remarkable average of 132.75. She also had 11 catches and two stumpings as a fielder and wicket-keeper. It was the Australia A representative's best season to date.

Queensland had a number of players make their maiden appearances for the Fire, including Courtney Sippel, Lilly Mills and Ellie Johnston.



## QLD FIRE AWARDS

Queensland Fire  
Player of the Year  
**Georgia Redmayne**

Queensland Fire  
Player's Player  
**Georgia Redmayne**

Belinda Clark Medalist  
**Beth Mooney**

Australian T20  
Player of the Year  
**Beth Mooney**





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Jess Jonassen (c)  
Maddy Green (INT)  
Nicola Hancock  
Grace Harris  
Mikayla Hinkley  
Amelia Kerr (INT)  
Nadine de Klerk (INT)  
Delissa Kimmince  
Laura Kimmince  
Charli Knott  
Lilly Mills  
Georgia Prestwidge  
Georgia Redmayne  
Courtney Sippel  
Georgia Voll

## AWARDS

Brisbane Heat WBBL  
Most Valuable Player

Amelia Kerr



## BRISBANE HEAT WBBL SEASON WRAP

The Brisbane Heat entered the Rebel Women's Big Bash League chasing history, seeking a third consecutive title after their stirring victories in WBBLI04 and WBBLI05.

The Sydney Sixers had missed their pursuit of three straight titles two years earlier when the Heat won a final that will long stay in the minds of their supporters.

But this chase for history in WBBLI06 was to be attempted without some of the Heat's familiar faces.

In the off-season, captain Kirby Short retired, top-order rock Beth Mooney – the player of the WBBL final in the previous two seasons – departed for the Perth Scorchers while former Heat MVP Sammy Jo Johnson headed for the Sydney Thunder.

Australia A representatives Georgia Redmayne and Nicola Hancock and South African Nadine de Klerk were welcomed to the Heat under the leadership of captain Jess Jonassen and coach Ashley Noffke.

This was a season like none before. WBBLI06 season began with all teams entering a Covid-19 bio-secure hub in Sydney which became their base for the season.

And this Heat campaign looked as different on the field as off it.

An opening seven-wicket win over the Perth Scorchers was underpinned by Grace Harris's outstanding 53 runs off 37 balls. She did that with a black eye following a run-in with a golf simulator in the WBBL village.

While her condition improved, the Heat's health plummeted. Rain prevented results in their next two matches before a four-game losing streak prompted critics to suggest the Heat's three-peat ambitions were over.

But this team, despite the challenges of living away from home and without the support of home fans, could never be counted out.

The fightback began in style in the Heat's eighth match as New Zealand wrist spinner Amelia Kerr (4-20 from four overs) reduced the Sydney Thunder to 9-111 after their 20 overs. The Heat reached the target with 27 balls to spare as Redmayne's unbeaten 59 from 45 ignited the defending champion's quest.

That began a remarkable seven-match winning streak that catapulted the Heat into second place on the ladder.



Laura Kimmince scorched through the winning streak in a season haul of 177 runs at a strike-rate of 205.81. Redmayne (357 runs at 118.60 strike-rate) topped the Heat's run-scoring list from Harris (246 at 95.71) and Jonassen (231 at 111.05).

Jonassen and Kerr shared the leading wicket-taker title with 17 each while Harris (13) and Hancock (11) were among six Heat bowlers to keep their economy-rate below 7.

The Heat were pitted against the Thunder at North Sydney Oval in the qualifier for the final.

The Heat sent the Thunder into bat and de Klerk helped to strangle the innings with figures of 2-11 from three overs before a late surge pushed the completed total to 6-143.

Redmayne, de Klerk and Jonassen – supported by another slashing innings from Laura Kimmince – delivered the Heat to a promising position with 64 runs required from 52 balls with seven wickets in hand.

However, a collapse of six wickets for 12 runs ended the Heat's WBBLI06 campaign and its quest for three consecutive titles as the Thunder won by 12 runs. Two days later, the

Thunder defeated Melbourne Stars by seven wickets in the final.

WBBLI06 had plenty of bright moments for the Heat as competition was played in a stand-alone format for the second time.

Despite the challenges of Covid-19, television ratings were again strong for the WBBL as overseas marquee players complemented the high-profile Australians. Channel 7 and Foxtel showed a record number of matches while all games were broadcast live via Kayo and cricket.com.au.

The Heat showed the promise of their youth as Brisbane State High School students Georgia Voll and Charli Knott featured in most matches.

Jonassen was chosen for the Australian women's tour of New Zealand in March after a visit by the Indian team was postponed due to Covid challenges.

The retirement of international allrounder Delissa Kimmince, a foundation player for the WBBL Heat, came at the end of the summer and her immense contribution to cricket in the State was gratefully acknowledged at the 2020-21 Queensland Cricket Awards dinner.



## BBL | 10 SQUAD 2020-21

Chris Lynn (c)  
 Mujeeb Ur Rahman (INT)  
 Marnus Labuschagne  
 Lewis Gregory (INT)  
 Tom Banton (INT, withdrew)  
 Sam Heazlett  
 Matthew Kuhnemann  
 Jack Wildermuth  
 Jimmy Peirson  
 Mark Steketee  
 Mitchell Swepson  
 Matthew Willans (withdrew)  
 Joe Burns  
 Max Bryant  
 Morne Morkel  
 James Bazley  
 Tom Cooper  
 Ben Laughlin  
 Dan Lawrence (INT)  
 Joe Denly (INT)  
 Xavier Bartlett  
 Jack Wood  
 Connor Sully  
 Jackson Sinfield  
 Lachy Pfeffer  
 Simon Milenko

## AWARDS

Brisbane Heat BBL  
 Most Valuable Player

Chris Lynn



## BRISBANE HEAT BBL SEASON WRAP

Brisbane Heat saved the best for last in 2020-21 as their BBL10 fortunes took a turn treasured by their loyal fans.

The Heat stumbled out of the blocks, losing their first two matches to continue a disappointing trend that ruined their BBL109 campaign in the previous summer.

They had also missed out on explosive English batsman Tom Banton, who withdrew from the Heat's season as COVID quarantine concerns continued to disrupt international cricket travel.

The Heat's problems continued when captain Chris Lynn injured his hamstring in the warm-up for the third match and was ruled out for several weeks. A few hours later, the Heat were heading for their third consecutive loss at 8-68, needing 83 from 40 balls to defeat the Adelaide Strikers.

Enter Jimmy Peirson for an innings that almost delivered the unthinkable. Peirson smashed an unbeaten 69 from 36 balls and, while the Heat lost by two runs, a seed was planted for a stirring Brisbane BBL10 fightback.

The Heat would win four of their next five matches with Peirson taking over the captaincy, igniting their season in time for Lynn to return and for Marnus Labuschagne and Mitchell Swepson to add invaluable contributions.

Labuschagne and Swepson each played six games and their wrist-spin proved devastating in patches for the Heat as they continued to edge their way up the BBL ladder.

COVID-19 forced changes to the traditional home-and-away format, leaving the Heat in Canberra to meet Melbourne Renegades for their 10th match of the season.

The Heat restricted the Renegades to 6-149 before unleashing a run chase that enabled their fans to relax as Lynn's half-century from a relatively sedate 40 balls and Joe Burns' unbeaten cameo of 31 from 15 balls secured victory with eight balls to spare.

But those same fans were lamenting another Heat wobble as they lost their next two games. That left a daunting prospect – defeat the Renegades and the Scorchers on the road in the last two matches of the Heat's season was over.

The Heat flipped the script of previous seasons, crushing the Renegades with a Labuschagne masterclass before an epic six-run win over the Scorchers.

The Heat qualified to the finals for the first time since 2016-17 – an achievement savoured by fans who turned out in numbers for the Eliminator clash against Adelaide Strikers at the Gabba.

Labuschagne and Swepson combined for figures of 5-36 from seven overs before Peirson's 47 from 44 balls provided the steady hand in a run chase realised with seven balls to spare.

The Heat returned to Canberra for the Knockout against a Thunder team that had become one of their staunchest rivals. Sam Heazlett had his best BBL night with a booming 74 not out from 49 balls in the Heat's seven-wicket win.

The Heat's run ended when they fell to the Scorchers by 49 runs in the Challenger. Two nights later, the Scorchers lost to the Sydney Sixers in the final.

The Heat's third-place finish was a triumph considering the bleakness of those early



December days and the team's reputation for missing the finals in recent seasons.

Coach Darren Lehmann unlocked the key to a team that continued to be among the most popular in the BBL according to television ratings. Lehmann experimented with the X-factor substitution more than any other coach while also tinkering with the batting order.

Queensland hosted eight games at the Gabba and the Gold Coast's Metricon Stadium, which also hosted four non-Heat BBL matches.

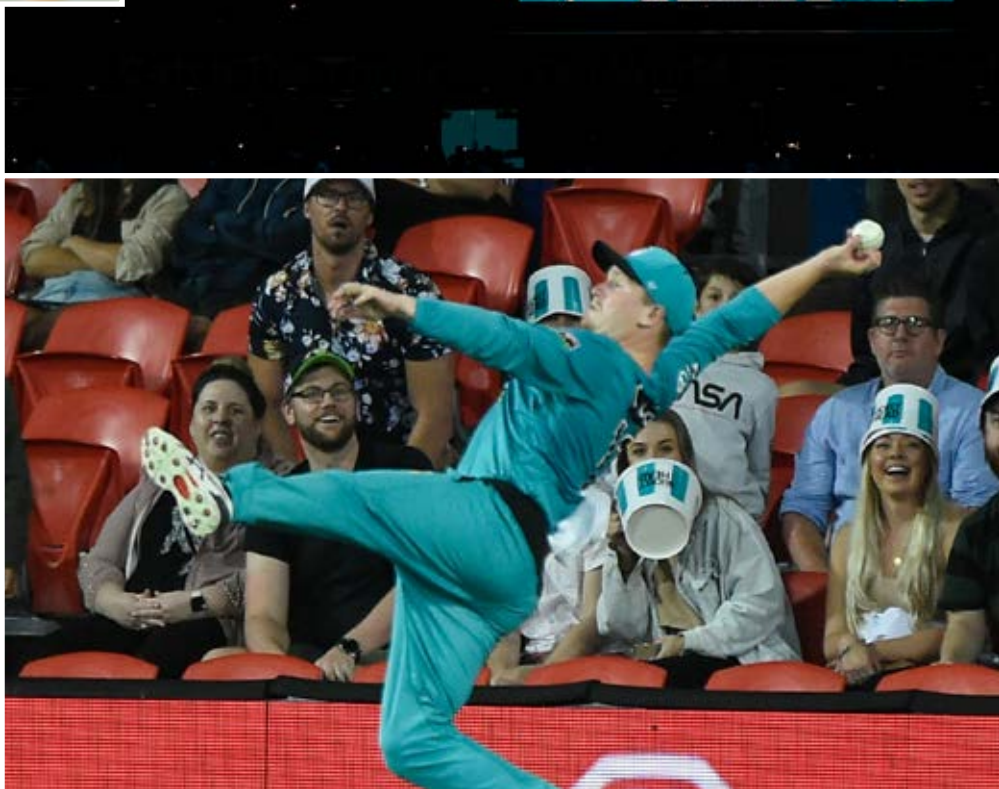
Lynn again topped the Heat's run-scoring list with 458 runs at an average of 35.23 and a thumping strike-rate of 154.72 from his 13 matches. Lynn's boundary-hitting was again astonishing, racking up 39 fours and 26 sixes.

Peirson (324 runs / 46.28 average / 126.56 strike-rate), Max Bryant (302 / 21.57 / 127.42) and Englishman Joe Denly (223 / 18.58 / 107.72) joined Lynn on the batting leaderboard.

Mark Steketee was ever reliable for the Heat with the ball. The paceman played 16 matches, claiming 24 wickets including a best of 4-33.

Spin proved a potent weapon for the Heat with import Mujeeb Ur Rahman, Swepson and Labuschagne sharing 33 wickets with their wrist spin. Mujeeb took 14 wickets at an economy rate of just 6.26 from eight matches before he returned to international duty.

Jack Wildermuth (13 wickets at an economy rate of 7.42) and Xavier Bartlett (12 wickets / 8.00) were among a group of Heat players with important returns.



## PREMIER CRICKET WOMEN

The strong growth of women's and girls' cricket in Queensland was clearly illustrated in the Sci-Fleet Motors Queensland Premier Cricket competition in 2020-21.

Premier Cricket continues to capture the growth and development of the female game, with Northern Suburbs becoming the 11th side in the Jodie Fields Shield 2nd Grade competition and the Katherine Raymont Shield first grade welcoming two new teams in the past two seasons.

And what a debut it was for the Sunshine Coast Scorchers, winning the Katherine Raymont Shield in their first season in the top grade after consecutive Jodie Fields Shield premierships.

The premiership win was even more noteworthy, with the side taking six rounds to record its first win after a tie in just their second match. They set sail for the Final by winning five matches in a row to make the semi-finals where they defeated competition heavyweights Wests.

The victory over the Gold Coast Dolphins at Bill Phippen Oval at Robina made it three titles in three years for the youthful Scorchers squad.

Bundaberg teen Lucy Hamilton showed why she is regarded as a star of the future with a match-winning knock of 57 not out as the Scorchers chased down the Dolphins total of 9-178 which was underpinned by 41 from WBBL Brisbane Heat and Queensland Fire star Georgia Redmayne.

Sunshine Coast had been wavering in the chase with the score at 4-108 before Hamilton and Grace Collins (27) combined to take charge as they finished with 5-181 from 42 overs to comfortably claim the title.

Hamilton, who received the Julia Price Medal as the player of the final, was among a host of promising teenagers in the Sunshine Coast team.

Wicket-keeper Mikayla Wrigley, off-spinner Ruby Orchard, allrounder Tarah Staines, batters Taylor Stumer, Grace Collins, and Charlotte Lutz and allrounder Zoe Valencic all played in the Queensland Under-17 State Challenge in January on the Sunshine Coast.

Hamilton, Staines, who claimed 2-6 in the Final, and Stumer all play cricket in Bundaberg while Collins plays her junior cricket in Maryborough.

Hamilton finished with 443 runs at 29.53 and 22 wickets at 17.73.

The Sunshine Coast squad was coached

by experienced Scorchers paceman Ashley Renouf, a Queensland 2nd XI and Queensland Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander representative player. Renouf was subsequently selected as the Coach of the Year at the annual Premier Cricket awards night at the end of the season.

The Scorchers were captained by 18-year-old allrounder Clodagh Ryall, a Queensland Women's Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander representative player.

University of Queensland celebrated their maiden Jodie Fields Shield title, defeating Ipswich/Logan Hornets in their Final while Western Suburbs showed their future was bright with their second Paul Pink Shield title in the fourth year of the youth development competition.

Western Suburbs continued their dominance in the T20 format claiming back-to-back titles in a Finals weekend which was dominated by Grace Harris and Annie Wikman.

Harris was exceptional, hitting centuries in both the semi-final and final as well as taking vital wickets in the decider against Gold Coast.

The WBBL Heat and Queensland Fire allrounder scored a blazing 144 off just 64 balls in the semi against Sandgate-Redcliffe, eclipsing a similarly impressive innings by Queensland and Australian star Beth Mooney who responded with 121 not out from 59 balls as the Gators tried valiantly to chase down Wests' total of 5-233.

In the end, Sandgate-Redcliffe finished on 5-205.

Harris was again in damaging form in the Final, crunching 136 from 71 balls as Wests piled on 3-210. The allrounder locked in the result with the ball, taking 3-9 as the Dolphins were held to 9-112, with 50 of those runs coming from the bat of Georgia Redmayne.

Harris fittingly claimed the Melissa Bulow Award winner for player of the final.

There were several stand-out individual performances across the summer, including:

- Most Runs, Georgia Voll (Sandgate-Redcliffe), 911 runs
- Most Wickets, Ashleigh Sims (Western Suburbs), 42 wickets
- Batting Average, Grace Harris (Western Suburbs), 111.43
- Bowling Average, Ruby Orchard (Sunshine Coast), 24 wickets at 10.75



Sims set a new benchmark for women's premier cricket with her haul of 42 wickets.

The Wests spinner eclipsed the previous single season record for wickets taken in the Katherine Raymont Shield in regular season fixtures.

The previous record was 35, which was set by former Queensland Fire seamer Cindy Kross in 1997-98 when playing for Easts/Redlands.

Sims went on to be awarded the Loretta Moore Trophy as the Most Improved 21 & Under player, Female.

The individual highlight of the season was the awarding of the Kath Smith Medal to Ipswich/Logan's Ruth Johnston, a first-time winner of the award.

It capped off a memorable summer for teenager Johnston, who joined her cousin Ellie in the Queensland Fire squad for the latter stages of the team's successful Women's National Cricket League campaign.



A product of Dalby and Toowoomba junior cricket, she was the leading runs-scorer for the Ipswich/Logan Hornets this season and finished with 865 runs at 43.25 in all formats in the Katherine Raymont Shield competition.

A hard-hitting top order bat who also bowls off-spin, Johnston was a Queensland Under-18 representative last year.

She was the 2017-18 recipient of the Jodie Fields Young Cricketer Development Scholarship, awarded annually by the former Queensland and Australian captain to young female cricketers to develop their playing careers and further their education.

It is the second time a Hornets player has taken out the Kath Smith Medal, with former Queensland Fire allrounder Jude Coleman successful in 2012-13.

## KATHERINE RAYMONT SHIELD TEAM OF THE YEAR

1. Grace Harris Western Suburbs DCC
  2. Georgia Redmayne (WK) Gold Coast DCC
  3. Georgia Voll Sandgate-Redcliffe DCC
  4. Ellie Johnston (C) Ipswich Hornets CC
  5. Ruth Johnston Ipswich Hornets CC
  6. Chelsea Gan Wynnum-Manly/Redlands
  7. Tara Wheeler Gold Coast DCC
  8. Grace Parsons Gold Coast DCC
  9. Holly Ferling Western Suburbs DCC
  10. Charlotte Briggs Sunshine Coast CC
  11. Ashleigh Sims Western Suburbs DCC
  12. Roxanne Thomson Gold Coast DCC
- Coach: Ashley Renouf Sunshine Coast CC



## PREMIER CRICKET MEN

Just over 12 months on from the abrupt finish to the 2019-20 Sci-Fleet Motors Queensland Premier Cricket Finals campaign, University of Queensland took the chance to etch their names in the record books by joining the small group of teams to win three consecutive First Grade premierships.

With University hosting Northern Suburbs in the season decider at WEP Harris Oval, at one stage it looked as if rain would ultimately determine the outcome of the game, with much of the first weekend impacted by the weather.

University resumed at 2-64 on the second weekend and with no threat of rain, soon found themselves in strife at 6-123 as Norths sniffed the chance to get back into the game.

Instead, a pair of remarkable batting efforts turned the game on its head as University romped to a total of 370 courtesy of an eighth wicket stand of 184.

Maiden first grade centuries to Queensland Under-19 allrounder Will Sanders and recently promoted James Grady delivered a stirring fightback, despite bowling heroics from Queensland Bulls pace bowler Connor Sully and his State teammate Nathan McSweeney.

Sanders finished with 100 from 113 balls, and Grady, whose highest score in the season prior to his call-up was 93 in Alan Pettigrew Shield, finished 104 not out. Sully took 4-80 from 28 overs and McSweeney nabbed 3-88 from 43 overs.

An early wicket to evergreen paceman Scott Walter put Norths on the back foot from the outset. The Vikings were eventually dismissed for 180, with former Bulls player Michael Philipson wrapping up the result with 5-29 from 11 overs.

In recognition of his maiden First Grade century and multiple partnerships with the lower order, Grady received the Andrew Bichel Award for player of the final.

Earlier in the season, Premier Cricket was treated to one of the highest profile matches in recent memory with Redlands taking on Northern Suburbs in the Kookaburra One Day Final for the John McNulty Cup, with current Australian Test players Marnus Labuschagne and Joe Burns turning out for their respective sides.

In a high-scoring encounter Redlands prevailed, with quality batting performances across both teams.

The Vikings batted first with Burns (55), fellow opener Josh Brown (48), McSweeney (115) and Tom Healy (68) lifting them to 6-323 at Allan Border Field. Despite the early wickets



of Labuschagne and his Bulls teammate Jimmy Peirson, Simon Milenko and Sam Heazlett got Redlands away to a flying start to the chase.

When Milenko fell for 82, experienced wicket-keeper Leigh Drennan joined in with an amazing partnership with Heazlett to see the Tigers over the line.

Drennan finished with 93 not out from 91 balls while Heazlett was unconquered with a mighty 137 not out that also won him the Jimmy Maher Award for player of the Final.

In the Kookaburra Twenty20 Final, Toombul and Gold Coast squared off in a see-sawing and nail-biting contest at Allan Border Field.

Toombul made 6-160 after batting first, with lower order contributions from Tom Rowley (46) and Chris Knight (32no) helping their side to a competitive total.

Allrounder Josh Kann was impressive with 2-11 from his four overs for the Dolphins while Hugo Burdon snapped up 2-22 with his wrist-spin.

In reply, Gold Coast got off to a terrible start, being reduced to 4-31 as Knight display the type of bowling form that saw him finish as the leading wicket-taker in formats for the season.

Knight claimed all four wickets on the way to 4-23 before the Dolphins regrouped through Scott Palombo (41), Jack Hargreaves (32) and Liam Hope-Shackley (37no). The game came down to the wire, with the Dolphins winning with seven wickets down and four balls left.

For his outstanding efforts with both bat and ball, the Andrew Symonds Award for player of the final was awarded to Toombul's Knight.

Individually, there many noteworthy performances across the summer in Bulls Masters First Grade.

The early rounds of the Kookaburra One Day competition featured a flurry of runs, with a highlight being the all-time highest one-day

score achieved by Queensland back-up wicket-keeper Lachy Pfeffer for Valley.

In the second-round game against Wynnum-Manly on and excellent batting strip at Bill Albury Oval, Pfeffer went on a run-scoring spree, hitting 216 from 141 balls including 18 fours and 14 sixes, as Valley soared to 7-428 from their 50 overs.

Also, it is hard to forget the two weekends of the Kookaburra T20 competition, when Brisbane Heat star Chris Lynn scored three centuries in four T20 games for Toombul.

Souths left-hander Aryan Jain topped the run-scoring aggregate in the two-day competition with 740 while McSweeney claimed the averages with 705 run at 88.00.

Evergreen left-armer Scott Walter claimed the most wickets in the two-day competition with 32 while former Queensland quick Luke Feldman made his presence felt to claim the averages with 21 scalps at 11.76,

Lower grade Premierships again featured hard-fought encounters. Northern Suburbs achieved a clean sweep to claim Men's Second Grade premierships – overall, One Day, T20 and Two Day.

The other titles were:

- Third Grade: Northern Suburbs (One Day) & Gold Coast (Two Day)
- Fourth Grade: Northern Suburbs (One Day) & Redlands (Two Day)
- Fifth Grade: Valley (One Day) & Northern Suburbs (Two Day)
- Sixth Grade: South Brisbane (One Day) & Redlands (Two Day)

At youth level, Ipswich claimed the Lord's Taverners Lew Cooper Trophy in a low-scoring thriller at Allan Border Field, defeating Toombul.

The 2020-21 season also saw the return of the Under-19 One Day competition, with Toombul taking out the title by defeating



the Gold Coast. At the other end of the spectrum, Sandgate-Redcliffe won the Over-40s title.

The annual Premier Cricket Awards dinner was able to be staged as a live event and a host of awards presented and contributions acknowledged.

The Peter Burge Medal was won by Nathan McSweeney, with his consistency across all formats making him a deserving winner.

McSweeney, who made his first-class debut for Queensland in 2018-19, broke a 20-year drought for his club after proving a dominant force for the Vikings. He amassed 1175 runs at 65.83 in all formats including Finals

He scored four centuries and four half centuries as well as taking 40 wickets with his off-spin.

The 22-year-old became the first Norths player to win the Peter Burge Medal since 1998-99, when former Bulls and South Australian allrounder Mick Miller took out the award.

The eye-catching efforts of Josh Kann across the season saw him awarded the Bob Spence Trophy as the most improved 21 & under player, Male.

Other awards presented were:

- STA Most Improved Groundsman Award - Darren Martin (Western Suburbs)
- STA First Grade Wicket & Ground - Bill Albury Oval (Wynnum-Manly)
- STA Groundsman Award - Chris Hepburn (Redlands)

Umpires

- Bob Spence Medal - Ross Howard

Bruce Oxenford Medal - Donovan Koch

The Coach of the Year was Ken Healy from Northern Suburbs which featured in two First Grade Grand Finals, dominated Second Grade and contested multiple Two Day and One Day premierships down the grades, as well as the overall Club Championship.



## BULLS MASTERS FIRST GRADE TEAM OF THE YEAR

1. Aryan Jain South Brisbane DCC
  2. Max Bryant Gold Coast DCC
  3. Nathan McSweeney (C) Northern Suburbs DCC
  4. Sam Heazlett Redlands Tigers CC
  5. Sam Truloff Western Suburbs DCC
  6. Nathan Rabnott Wynnum-Manly DCC
  7. Lachlan Pfeffer (WK) Valley DCC
  8. Simon Milenko Redlands Tigers CC
  9. Chris Knight Toombul DCC
  10. Scott Walter University of Queensland CC
  11. Don Whyte Valley DCC
  12. Sean Lutter Ipswich Hornets CC
- Coach Ken Healy Northern Suburbs DCC



## AWARDS DINNER



Middle Row (Left to right) Fire coach Ashley Noffke with Queensland player of the year Georgia Redmayne. Ian Healy presents the trophy named in his honour to the Queensland player of the year Marnus Labuschagne. Delissa Kimmince's career was celebrated on the night. Michael Kasprowitz with the Volunteer of the Year Andrew Short. Marsh One Day Cup player of the year Billy Stanlake with Wade Seccombe.

Top Row (Left to right) Kirby Short congratulated by CEO Terry Svenson. The Sheffield Shield and Ruth Preddy Cup on display. Sheffield Shield player of the year Marnus Labuschagne with Bulls coach Wade Seccombe. Queensland's Players' Player Mitch Swepson and Bulls Masters' Managing Director Jimmy Maher.



Bottom Row (Left to right) Queensland's latest inductee into the Women's Hall of Fame Jodie Purves with Queensland Vice-Chair Kirsten Pike. The championship Bulls and Fire squads assemble on stage at the Queensland Cricket Awards Dinner.

# ENGAGE FANS



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# ATTENDANCE



520,000

FANS ATTENDED BBL 10 MATCHES



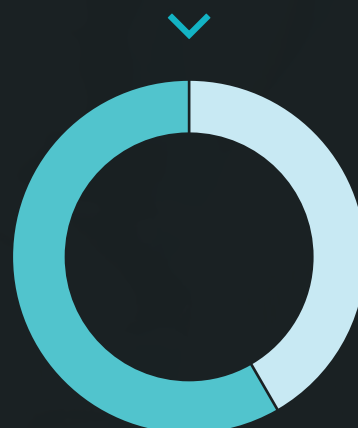
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FANS ATTENDED BRISBANE HEAT  
MATCHES AT THE GABBA & GOLD COAST



11,643

FANS ATTENDED 4 NON BRISBANE  
HEAT MATCHES ON THE GOLD COAST



■ 42% FEMALE ■ 58% MALE

(SOURCE: FUTURES)



LOOK AT THIS AMAZING FIREWORK SHOW THAT THE HEAT PUT ON. THEY REALLY BRING THE ENTERTAINMENT TO THE GAME AND IT'S GREAT FOR YOUNG FAMILIES. THEIR SHOW AT THE GABBA IS WORLD CLASS AND EVERY TEAM SHOULD STRIVE FOR THIS.

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# BROADCAST

THE WBBL IS **THE 4TH MOST WATCHED LEAGUE** IN AUSTRALIA

(SOURCE: FUTURES)



## 15.4M

TV HOURS VIEWED

Viewing hours for the competition has doubled since WBBL's inception

## 202K

AVERAGE AUDIENCE FOR THE LEAGUE

THE BBL IS **THE MOST WATCHED LEAGUE** IN AUSTRALIA

(SOURCE: FUTURES)

BRISBANE HEAT IS AUSTRALIA'S **THIRD MOST WATCHED** SPORTING CLUB IN 2020/21

(SOURCE: FUTURES)

## 927K+

AVERAGE VIEWERS PER GAME

(Including streaming)

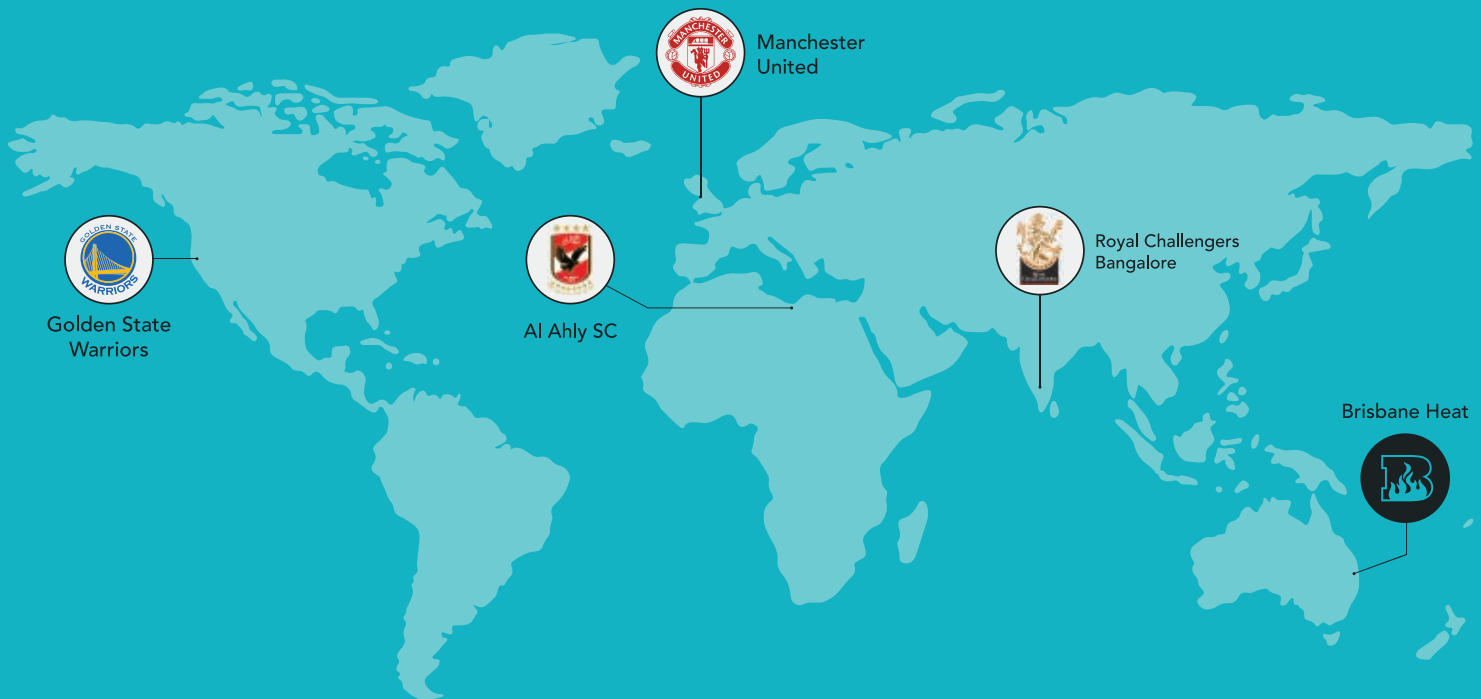
1M+ people tuned into Brisbane Heat finals

## +36%

INCREASE IN HOURS VIEWED

The fastest growth rate of any BBL club this season

# CONTENT LEADERS: THE MOST POPULAR TEAM ON SOCIAL MEDIA IN JANUARY 2021 IN OCEANIA

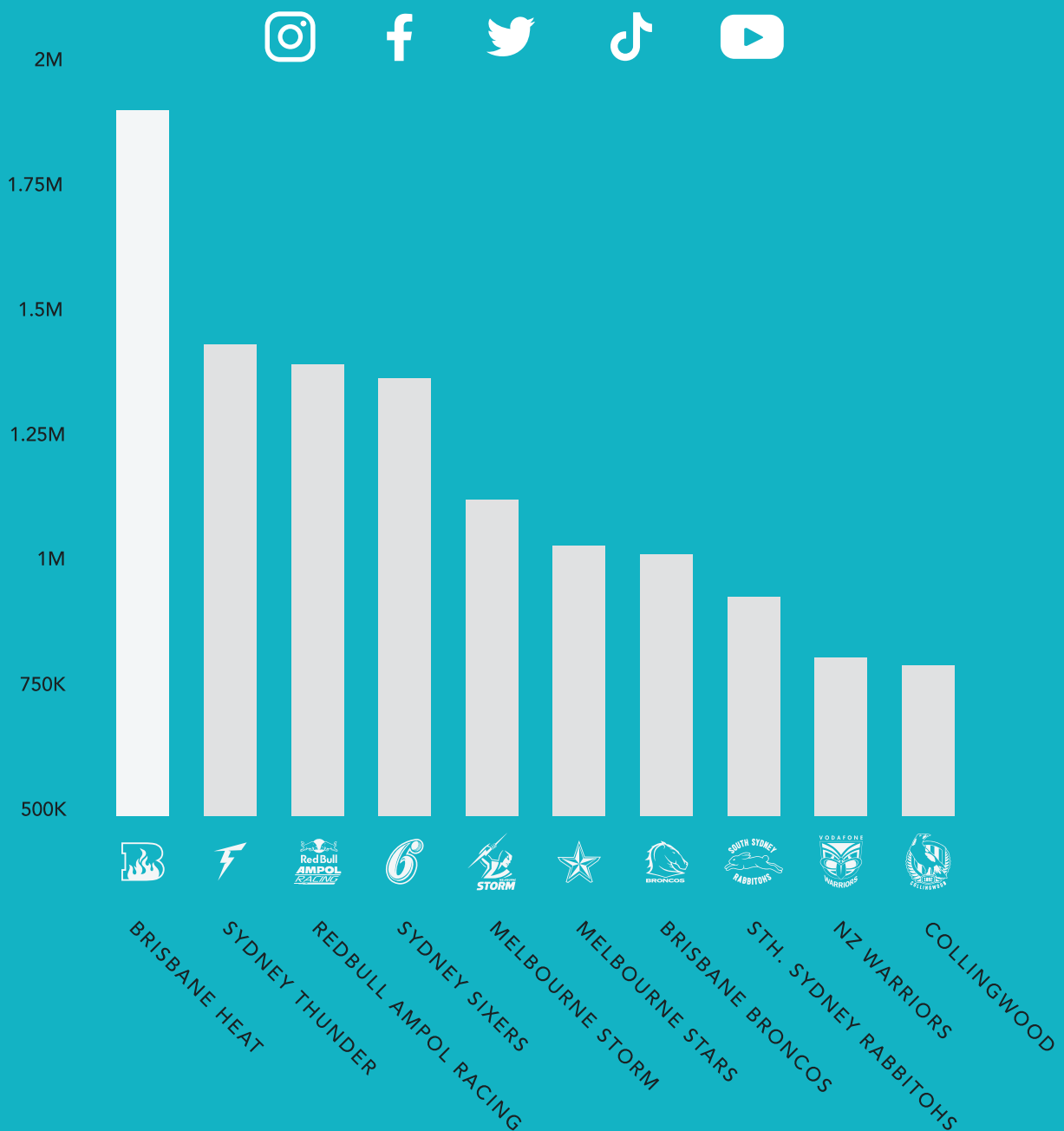


(SOURCE: DEPORTES & FINANZAS SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYTICS)



# BRISBANE HEAT IS THE MOST FOLLOWED SPORTING CLUB ON SOCIAL MEDIA IN OCEANIA

(4 YEARS IN A ROW)



# QUEENSLAND CRICKET FAMILY



## CLUB, DIVISION OR ASSOCIATION

- > Ipswich Logan Cricket Association Inc
- > Gold Coast Cricket District Cricket Club
- > Northern Suburbs District Cricket Club Inc
- > Redlands Cricket Inc
- > Sandgate-Redcliffe District Cricket Club Inc
- > South Brisbane District Cricket Club Inc
- > Sunshine Coast Cricket Association Inc
- > Toombul District Cricket Club Inc
- > University of Queensland Cricket Club Inc
- > Valley District Cricket Club Inc
- > Western Suburbs District Cricket Club Inc
- > Cricket Far North Inc
- > Wynnum-Manly District Cricket Club Inc
- > Queensland Country Cricket Association Incorporated
- > Queensland Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association Inc
- > Queensland Junior Cricket Inc
- > Queensland Sub Districts Cricket Association Inc
- > Warehouse Cricket Association Queensland Inc
- > Churches Cricket Association of Queensland Inc
- > North Queensland Cricket Association Inc
- > Mackay-Whitsunday Cricket Inc
- > Central Queensland Cricket Inc
- > Wide Bay Cricket Inc
- > Darling Downs and South West Queensland Cricket Inc
- > South East Queensland Cricket Inc
- > Queensland Veterans' Cricket

## KEY MAHER AWARDED LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Queensland Country cricket identity Kev Maher was a welcome and popular choice as Queensland Cricket's latest Life Member, acknowledging an on-going contribution to the game that stretches back more than 50 years.

Maher, the uncle of former Queensland Bulls captain Jimmy and current president of Queensland Country Cricket, has been actively involved in the game as a player, coach, selector, team manager, volunteer and administrator for more than half a century.

A lengthy playing career, spread between Far North Queensland and Brisbane from 1967-68 to 1988-89, saw him represent Queensland Country and play first grade in Brisbane for QCA Colts, Wynnum-Manly and Norths.

Queensland Cricket Chairman Chris Simpson congratulated Maher for the breadth and depth of his contribution to the game at the 2020 AGM.

"As president of Queensland Country Cricket, he is innovative and tireless in his efforts to elevate cricket at all levels, whether at entry level or for senior representative competitions," he told delegates.

"At a more local level, his advocacy for Cairns, and willingness to attract and collaborate with stakeholders at all levels, has resulted in Test matches, State cricket, WBBL and other high-level cricket being contested in Far North Queensland."

"Likewise, the delivery of valuable and much-needed infrastructure in regional Queensland will be an on-going legacy of his ability to work closely with other levels of the game and government to ensure great outcomes for cricket."

"In recent times, his shrewd counsel has been of great assistance to the Board in his role with the QC Nominations Committee, the Finance sub-committee and most recently with his appointment to the State Cricket Committee."

"The Maher family has given enormously to the game, and as one who enjoyed the company of his nephews, Jimmy in particular, it gives me great pleasure on behalf of the Board and wider QC community, to confer Life membership on Kev as fitting recognition of his passion and dedication," Simpson said.

## ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Queensland Cricket Scorers' Association Inc.

Queensland Deaf Cricket Association

Australian Cricket Society (Queensland) Inc.

Queensland Blind Cricket Association Inc.

Queensland Primary Schools' Cricket Association

The Associated Schools Inc. (TAS)

Queensland Secondary School Cricket

The Great Public Schools' (GPS) Association of Queensland Inc.

The Lord's Taverners (Australia) QLD Incorporated

Wanderers (Q) Club Inc

Queensland Police Cricket Association Inc

Queensland Seniors Cricket Inc





QUEENSLAND  
CRICKET

# LIFE MEMBERS

G Down 1908  
BR Bale 1908  
R Doran 1908  
WB Slade 1909  
TMW McWilliam 1909  
GM Colledge 1909  
J Allen 1911  
SC Whittred 1911  
WT Evans 1911  
AE Oxenham 1912  
WJ Lewis 1913  
Col The Hon JFG Foxton 1913  
T Muir 1913  
EJ Beard 1919  
MF McCaffrey 1919  
WH Carvasso 1919  
RA Alexander 1920  
WH Henley 1920  
JN Horton 1921  
GW Ward 1922  
HTA Wetzig 1922  
MJ Hartigan 1923  
JS Hutcheon 1923  
CL Mossop 1925  
AE Wyeth 1925  
RA Alton 1926  
WJ Fehlberg 1926  
JP Orr 1927  
LPD O'Connor 1928  
FC Thompson 1929  
JRD Mahoney 1930  
RK Oxenham 1934  
JH Holdworth 1935  
PJ Carter 1936  
LL Gill 1937  
TM Barber 1938  
JW Hoelscher 1940

JT Bale 1942  
NJ Plaisted 1945  
TE Williams 1946  
PJ Frawley 1947  
PM Hornibrook 1948  
CF Moroney 1949  
GE Lax 1950  
VC Schaefer 1951  
TJ Burge 1952  
FP Malone 1953  
BH Shaw 1954  
WJ Scott 1956  
QF Rice 1957  
R McGhee 1958  
MJ Whalley 1959  
LDA England 1960  
IH Townsend 1962  
NT McMahon 1963  
CO Apps 1964  
KLM Mossop 1965  
CL Saunders 1966  
TS Redgrave 1967  
C Jones AO 1968  
JG Cooke 1969  
EA Toovey MBE OAM 1970  
EC LaFrantz MBE 1971  
R Spence 1972  
RG Teske 1973  
GI Hornsby BEM 1974  
RA Young 1975  
KD Mackay MBE 1976  
AC Pettigrew 1977  
OD Driscoll 1978  
VW Holland 1979  
CR Richards 1980  
HR Tanner 1981  
BS McCahon 1982

CE Anstey OAM 1983  
PJ Mullins OAM 1984  
R Littledike 1985  
RD Harris 1986  
AC Battersby AM 1987  
RP Easton OAM 1988  
PJ Burge AM 1989  
WEP Harris 1990  
RR Lindwall 1991  
WA Brown OAM 1992  
JJ McLaughlin OAM 1996  
SC Trimble MBE 1997  
JA Maclean MBE 1998  
RT Pascoe 1999  
RG Archer AM 2000  
JN McKnulty AM 2001  
GJ Madsen OAM 2002  
TV Hohns OAM 2003  
SG Law OAM 2004  
TR Veivers 2005  
DG Mullins SC 2006  
P Stathis 2007  
L Moore 2008  
B Phelan OAM 2009  
AR Border AO 2010  
MW Johnson 2011  
CG Rackemann 2012  
G J Dixon 2013  
LD Cooper 2014  
IA Healy AO 2015  
KG Rayment 2017  
N Grout 2018  
B Gaskell 2019  
Kev Maher 2020



## IN MEMORIAM

### BRIAN GASKELL

Queensland Cricket has paid tribute to 2019-20 Life Member Brian Gaskell, a long-time cricket administrator, volunteer, businessman, coach and player, who passed away in September 2020 aged 87.

He was awarded Life Membership of Queensland Cricket in September 2019 after a lifetime of contribution to cricket in Queensland across a variety of roles and organisations.

Queensland Cricket Chairman Chris Simpson paid tribute to Gaskell.

"On behalf of Queensland Cricket, I express our deepest sympathies to his extended family, many of whom continue to have strong ties to cricket," he said.

"Brian lived and breathed cricket his entire life. From his playing, coaching, and volunteering days through to his time in

business, cricket was his life, and we are extremely grateful for the passion and enthusiasm he provided.

"People like Brian help make cricket special, and there will be countless teammates, players, volunteers and administrators who enjoyed a positive experience with him who will mourn his passing," Simpson said.

Gaskell's lengthy service to the game is highlighted by a senior playing career that saw him represent Eastern Suburbs in Brisbane's First Grade competition as well as turning out for a Queensland XI against New South Wales Far North Coast in April 1961.

He later coached the Queensland Cricket Association Colts team for five years and served as State Director of Coaching and Examiner of Coaches.

However, it is Gaskell's service to the game off the field for which he is perhaps best recognised. His volunteer roles included three decades of service each with Queensland Country Cricket, Queensland Cricket Umpires Association and Warehouse Cricket Association, of which he was Patron.

In business, Gaskell was a key early figure in the Queensland Cricketers' Club where his tenure included a stint as president in the 1980's, while in 1978 he founded Gabba Sporting Products, a business that now boasts an international reputation of excellence in the manufacturing of sporting infrastructure and equipment.

He was a staunch Rotarian as well, serving in a range of committee roles with the Rotary Club of Woolloongabba where the Gabba Sporting Products company originated.

His strong ties to cricket in Queensland encompassed his son Mark Gaskell, son-in-law Wayne Broad and grandson Ryan Broad all representing Queensland in first class and one day cricket.

### JACK LIHOU

A tall leg-spinner, he made his Queensland debut from the Toombul club, although in Grade cricket circles, he was indelibly associated with the Sandgate-Redcliffe club.

Lihou made his first-class debut against Victoria in 1955-66 at the St Kilda Ground, where he dismissed Test players Neil Harvey and Sam Loxton, and went onto play 26 matches for Queensland in a career that spanned almost a decade, finishing in the 1964-65 season.

He played 24 Sheffield Shield and two tour games against the West Indies on their 1960-61 tour (where one of his dismissals was the great Sir Garfield Sobers) and Pakistan in 1964-65.

He took 50 wickets, achieving his milestone in what turned out to be his last Sheffield Shield game for Queensland when he played against NSW during 1964-65 at the SCG.

Born in Sandgate, he initially played with the Toombul-Sandgate club from 1948, and played in the Toombul A grade team where he earned his first State cap.

When Sandgate-Redcliffe formed, he became the No.1 cap in the club's history after it made its First Grade debut in 1961-62, turning out for the top team until 1968 and taking 201 wickets. He missed the game so much, he briefly returned to play again in the 1976-77 season, mainly in Second Grade, but was promoted to First Grade in that season.

Lihou was a long-time committee member of the club and was responsible for ground maintenance for many years. Fittingly, the Jack Lihou Oval is part of the club's Deagon complex.

He planned and supervised the construction of the club's first night practice wicket. He was always willing to help other Club members, especially all the spin bowlers and was an inspiration to his team and a great help to the youth within the Club.

He became a Life Member of the club in 1968.

He passed away on 6 January 2021 at the age of 90.





## DUNCAN PEGG MP

Queensland Cricket was deeply saddened at the passing of Duncan Pegg MP during 2021.

As a founding Co-Chair of Queensland Parliamentary Friends of Cricket, Duncan was a passionate supporter of the game and the role it plays in uniting and inspiring communities.

Duncan's dedication to his own community was commendable and his legacy will be lasting.

Cricket representatives, including CEO Terry Svenson, attended a memorial service for him at the Gabba, with Queensland captain Usman Khawaja providing one of his playing tops to rest upon the coffin.

His love of cricket stemmed from early visits as a child with his parents to the Gabba.

On behalf of the Board and all at Queensland Cricket, we thank Duncan for his contribution to the game and express our sincere condolences to his friends and family.

## VALE

Queensland Cricket lost two of its long-serving and dedicated volunteers during the year.

Central Queensland farewelled **Graeme Smith**, better known as 'Smithy', when he passed away in May 2021.

Originally tied to Rockhampton Cricket, he was the inaugural treasurer of the Central Queensland Cricket Inc body that formed in 2003 to administer senior and junior cricket in the region. It was a role he filled until his passing.

But as is the case with many volunteers, there was more than one role that required his attention. As a senior Board member, he helped set-up the selection process for all CQ teams, scheduled regular training camps, travelled away with the CQ Senior teams to the North Queensland Championships, sometimes as a Team manager, and was also a CQ Delegate to the North Queensland Cricket Alliance and the Queensland Cricket.

He often filled the role as a CQ Senior selector over the years and he was also a NQ Selector.

His other major role in cricket over the years was as an Umpire, where he was a respected official at both Club and Representative levels, regularly standing in the North Queensland Championships.

In addition to what he did for CQ Cricket, he had a huge involvement in Rockhampton Cricket for a much longer period.

He was well known for helping with the preparation of the grounds and the wickets at the Rockhampton Cricket grounds, especially for the many hours that he would sit on the roller preparing the wickets.

For his service and commitment to cricket, Graeme was awarded a Service to Cricket award by Queensland Cricket in 2020, an honour that all agreed was richly deserved.

The Gold Coast and South-East Queensland region bade farewell to **Les Ferguson** in July 2021.

A Life Member with the Palm Beach-Currumbin Club and Cricket Gold Coast, he was a highly regarded junior coach who provided many hundreds of boys and girls with a positive and lasting introduction to the game. He was also a long-standing club volunteer.

A former primary school teacher, he and his wife Eunice were heavily involved in their local community, also volunteering with Palm Beach Currumbin Australian Rules club

He was 76.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd  
Directors' report  
30 June 2021

The Directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd ("QC") and the entity it controlled at the end of, or during, the year ended 30 June 2021. Throughout the report, the consolidated entity is referred to as the Group.

## Directors

The following persons were Directors of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report:

C Simpson  
KE Pike  
TW Frankling  
BW Jansen  
AM Gray  
JA Salter  
I Healy AO  
J Dooley  
J Maiden

## Nature of operations and principal activities

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd is a not-for-profit association and any surplus income or property must be applied to promote its principal activities.

The Group's principal activities are the promotion, development and governance of cricket at all levels, from grassroots to elite, in Queensland.

The Group is a member of the national body, Cricket Australia (CA) and works closely with CA and its officers in the development of strategies to improve the delivery of cricket programs.

Given the geographical distances in regional Queensland, the Group's resources are strategically located to support community cricket and talent pathways across the state, working closely with the various regional associations and clubs.

In recent years the Group has focused greater emphasis in building participation in the game for women, girls and all diversity groups.

The Group has also focused upon building the support and engagement with fans through the Brisbane Heat. This has delivered improved revenue incomes through sponsorship and ticket sales, but also delivered great player support in taking the game throughout the state.

## Review of operations

The profit for the year amounted to \$4,412,473 (2020: \$798,913).

The impact of COVID-19 restrictions continued throughout the year and had influence upon both financial and operational performances. Heightened biosecurity arrangements and funding reductions certainly impacted the number of elite competitions during the year including the cancellation of all pathway programs and competitions.

COVID-19 also put additional pressure on community cricket to ensure COVID-19 safe plans were put in place to support the continuation of local competitions across all levels of cricket.

The schedule and timing of both Men's and Women's national competitions were also impacted and fortunately the players and coaches responded positively to ensure games at the elite level continued. The Board was delighted with the success of both the Queensland Bulls and the Queensland Fire teams winning both National competitions.

#### Review of operations (continued)

As indicated in last year's report, given COVID-19 created uncertainty of future funding from both CA and other critical sources, to safeguard the future resilience and sustainability of the organisation, the Board decided to implement a restructure of the organisation resulting in a reduction of the QC workforce of 29% or 32 full time equivalent positions. The Board would like to express its appreciation to those employees who left the organisation for their valuable contributions and to those who remain for their sterling efforts in maintaining operations through difficult circumstances.

During the year we were able to finalise an agreement with Cricket Australia to accept a smaller reduction in guaranteed funding (a 12.5% reduction rather than the proposed 25% reduction at the beginning of the year). The Board is appreciative of the support of the sponsors and the efforts of the executive and staff in ensuring our sponsors remained strong, loyal and supportive during the season.

It was amazing that we were able to deliver a full WBBL and BBL season for the fans, although the schedule and biosecurity arrangements needed close observation and attention at all times. Both teams made the finals and achieved third place in both competitions. Thanks again to the players and coaches for their support and understanding during the ever-changing season.

The Board is very appreciative of the significant steps the Leadership team and staff took, to keep staff and players safe during the year and to mitigate the impact on the organisation. The level of co-operation and support at all levels of the organisation was something special, given the enormous uncertainty during the year.

As COVID-19 restrictions progressively eased during the year, the Board continued to ensure meetings were held in regional centres. The November meeting was held on the Gold Coast and the February meeting in Toowoomba. This allowed members and community cricket stakeholders to meet with the Board and provide insights and feedback into the game locally. The strategy of regional visits has been extremely well received and will continue next financial year, subject to COVID-19 restrictions.

The Board held 15 meetings during the year with a number held electronically only and others a combination of both in person and electronic. The AGM was successfully handled in a COVID-19 safe, in person, arrangement supported by electronic attendees.

At the September 2020 AGM, Directors Chris Simpson and John Salter were reappointed as elected Board Members for a further three year term, and in December the Nomination Committee recommended the reappointment of appointed Director Jon Dooley for a three year term.

During the year, Queensland nominated CA Director Michael Kasproicz resigned from the CA Board. We take this opportunity to recognise the enormous contribution Michael made to Australian Cricket in this role as CA Director since his appointment in 2011. Given the vacancy, the Board considered a range of possible nominees to fill the vacancy and ultimately Greg Rowell, former President of Western Suburbs District Cricket Club, was appointed to the CA Board in June.

Director Ian Healy advised the Board of his potential conflict of interest given his shareholder investment in the Australian Premier League, the Brisbane Premier League (BPL) and as a part owner of one of the new BPL franchises. The Board noted the potential conflict and put in place appropriate governance arrangements to manage the conflict.

The Board undertook a Board Evaluation Program during the year, which was managed by Directors Australia and provided valuable insights and recommendations for the continuous enhancement of QC's governance and performance. The Board has established an Implementation Plan which includes the nomination of a Director to own and manage the implementation of each recommendation and for regular review of the implementation progress.

Beside the Finance, Governance, Risk and Audit (FGAR) Committee, the Board operated two further Committees to oversight and to advise the Board. Those Committees included the State Cricket Committee and the Brisbane Heat Committee.

#### Review of operations (continued)

Finally, the Board recognised the need to commence a review of the current Articles and Memorandum of Association of the Queensland Cricket Association, to bring it in line with modern day Constitutions and to ensure compliance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and AICD governance principles. The review will be assisted by the Association's Legal adviser Mullins Lawyers and a draft will be shared with members for feedback prior to finalising any new MOA (Constitution), a key principle being no change to existing voting rights.

#### Strategic plan and direction

The Board continued to monitor the organisation's performance based upon the organisation's five-year (2017-2022) strategic plan which continued the focus of the organisation on the purpose - to unite and inspire Queensland communities through cricket.

The Plan provides three key strategic priorities:

- Grow participation;
- Better players and teams; and
- Grow and engage fans

The Plan also identifies the five key focus areas:

- Clubs and volunteers;
- Infrastructure and facilities;
- Organisational effectiveness;
- Partnerships; and
- Financial sustainability

Five Must Achieve Projects:

- Agree how cricket in Queensland is played and administered and fund accordingly. **(Project Footprint)**
- A 10-year plan to establish income producing assets and commence implementation. **(Project Ignite)**
- Commence key infrastructure projects; Stage A of the National Cricket Campus; Premier Cricket Sports Lighting Project; and top 10 Community Cricket Priorities in QCIS 2018 - 2028. **(Project Build)**
- Ensure accurate data and analytics are being used to inform decision making and resource allocation on initiatives that grow participation, support players and grow fans. **(Project Insights)**
- Increase QC's organisational effectiveness through productivity and utilisation improvement measures. **(Project Achieve)**

The progress of results achieved from these specific priority projects has been very encouraging, with the Board noting the early successes achieved.

- Successful completion of the Stage A and B of the National Cricket Campus at Shaw Road.
- Appointment of the contractor to undertake the Stage C program for the redevelopment of AB Field.
- Continued growth of projects and investment funded through the Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF). The ACIF funded \$599,760 in 23 projects across the state with a total project spend of \$4,370,000.
- Identified a range of potential investment opportunities for QC to diversify income streams over the mid-long term.
- Profit Share/Partnership with Queensland Cricketers Club for the management of event and catering services at AB Field and beyond.
- As part of Project Ignite, the Board has decided to establish a Future Fund, with an initial capital contribution of \$3,500,000. Planning is well advanced for implementation of the Fund in the first half of FY22.

The Board and Executive will be meeting in the new financial year to commence the review of the QC Strategic Plan and to ensure the relevance, priorities, possible changes to the plan and to ensure our resources and priorities are appropriately channelled to maximise the business outcomes for the organisation.

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

There have been no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group during the year.

**Event since the end of the financial year**

On 28 June 2021, Cricket Australia requested Queensland Cricket to remit \$2,250,000 for the National Cricket Campus Project. This was paid on 8 July 2021 out of the National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2021 that has significantly affected the Group's operations, results or state of affairs, or may do so in future years.

**Environmental regulation**

The Group is not affected by any significant environmental regulation in respect of its operations.

## Information on Directors

The Board consists of six elected Directors and three appointed Directors.

### Chris Simpson - Chair

Mr Simpson was elected to the Board in September 2017 and was reappointed in 2020 for a further three year term. He has a Masters in Finance from the London Business School and an MBA from Queensland University of Technology. He is currently Managing Director of investment firm, Cultivate Agri Partnerships. Mr Simpson is a former Queensland Bulls player and Captain, retiring in 2011. Mr Simpson is also Chair of the State Cricket Committee and an ex-officio member of the Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee of the Board.

### Kirsten Pike - Deputy Chair

Ms Pike was elected to the Board in September 2017 and has a Bachelor of Laws and a Diploma of Legal Practice from Queensland University of Technology. She is a partner in the Real Estate team at Thomson Geer. Ms Pike is a former Queensland Fire and Australian medium-fast bowler, retiring in 2014. Ms Pike is a member of the Brisbane Heat Committee of the Board.

### Tom Frankling FAICD

Mr Frankling was elected to the Board in November 2011 and has been heavily involved in cricket as a player and as a coach in North Queensland. He has a Master of Education in Leadership and Management and is Deputy Principal at Thuringowa State High School. Mr Frankling is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

### Barry Jansen

Mr Jansen was elected to the Board in August 2011 and was re-elected at the September 2019 AGM. He was President of Mackay Cricket from 1986 until 2011. He has been Chairman of the Harrup Park Country Club since 1998, the North Queensland Cricket President from 2004 and Queensland Country Vice-President for the same period. Mr Jansen is a Life Member of Norths Mackay, Mackay Cricket, North Queensland Cricket and Queensland Country Cricket and is Chairman of Magpies Crusaders NPL Football Club.

### Mark Gray FAICD

Mr Gray was appointed to the Board in December 2014 and reappointed in February 2019. He is a Company Director with extensive experience in both the corporate and government sectors. He is a former Chief Executive Officer of Queensland Treasury, the Queensland Competition Authority and the Queensland Independent Commission of Audit and has also held senior executive roles with Macquarie Group and BDO. Mr Gray is Chairman of the Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee. He holds an Honorary Doctorate from Griffith University, as well as a Bachelor of Economics (First Class Honours) from the University of Queensland.

### John Salter

Mr Salter was appointed to the Board in March 2017 and was reappointed in 2020 for a further three year term. He is a Director of Accord HR, a specialised human resources and industrial relations consultancy. He is a Fellow of the Australian Human Resources Institute and has held senior management and advocacy roles within employer associations and private sector corporations. Mr Salter played grade cricket in Brisbane with the Eastern Suburbs club for 27 seasons, captaining its first grade side in the 1980's. He is also a former chair of the QC Grades Committee and was awarded Life Membership of the Easts/Redlands Cricket Club in 1989. A resident of the Gold Coast he is still active as a player in Veteran's cricket and a junior coach. Mr Salter is also a member of the Premier Grade Committee.

### Ian Healy AO

Mr Healy was appointed to the Board in July 2019 initially to cover a casual vacancy and was appointed as a Director at the September 2019 AGM. Ian has a storied career as a player, commentator, administrator and a successful businessman. He represented Queensland from 1986-1999, represented Australia from 1988 to 1999, Channel Nine Cricket commentator from 1999-2019. Held the position of Chair of the Australian Cricketer's Association from 2001-2005 and Chairman of the Bulls Masters from 2010 onwards. Mr Healy is a founding shareholder of the Australian Premier League and Brisbane Premier League, which is a new amateur competition providing 800 extra playing opportunities for players. Ian is Chairman of the Brisbane Heat Committee and a member of the State Cricket Committee.

### Jonathan Dooley FAICD

Mr Dooley was appointed as an Independent Director to the Board in December 2019 following a long-standing association with cricket as a player, coach and President of Western Suburbs District Cricket Club. Between July 2013 and December 2019, Mr Dooley was an Independent Member of the Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee. Mr Dooley is co-founder of Vincents and is currently their Executive Chair. He is also Chair of QInsure Limited and Chair of the Compliance Committee of Ord Minnett Management Limited.

#### Information on Directors (continued)

##### Juanita Maiden GAICD

Ms Maiden was appointed Independent Director to the Board in December 2019 and has a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Queensland. She is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and is a Senior Associate at Murdoch Lawyers. Ms Maiden is currently Chairperson of the AFL Queensland Tribunal and holds Board roles with South East Queensland Rugby League and Trinity Anglican School Council (Cairns). She has held previous positions as CEO of Cairns Taipans and Director at Events Cairns.

##### Chief Executive Officer

##### Mr Terry Svenson

Mr Svenson was appointed Acting Chief Executive Officer at Queensland Cricket in June 2019 and was confirmed as Chief Executive Officer by the Board in August 2019.

##### Company secretary

Mr Ian Mitchell was appointed to the role of Company Secretary in August 2019.

##### Directors' remuneration

The total amount paid to Directors for the year ended 30 June 2021 was nil (2020: nil).

##### Queensland nominee on the Cricket Australia Board

Mr Michael Kasproicz resigned as the Queensland representative Independent Director on the Cricket Australia Board in July 2020.

Mr Greg Rowell was nominated as the Queensland representative Independent Director in early 2021 and was appointed by CA in June 2021 for a three-year term.

##### Meetings of directors

The number of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors held during the year ended 30 June 2021, and the number of meetings attended by each Director were:



Queensland Cricket Board Members  
 (Top L-R): Chris Simpson (Chair), Kirsten Pike (Deputy Chair), Tom Franklin, Barry Jansen, Juanita Maiden  
 (Bottom L-R): Mark Gray, John Salter, Ian Healy, Jon Dooley, Ian Mitchell

**Meetings of directors (continued)**

<b>Director</b>	<b>Full meetings of directors</b>	
	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>	<b>Number of meetings eligible to attend</b>
C Simpson (Chair)	15	15
K Pike (Deputy Chair)	15	15
TW Frankling	14	15
BW Jansen	15	15
AM Gray	14	15
JA Salter	14	15
J Dooley	15	15
I Healy AO	13	15
J Maiden	15	15

During the year ended 30 June 2021 the Board were required to schedule 5 additional Special Board meetings to address a range of items including the National Redress Scheme, the NCC - AB Field redevelopment tender, the Brisbane Premier League and CA Board Nominations.

During the year ended 30 June 2021, the following Board appointed Committees have been in operation:

- Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee;
- Brisbane Heat Committee;
- State Cricket Committee; and
- Nominations Committee.

During the year ended 30 June 2021, the following non-Board appointed Committees have been in operation:

- Premier Cricket Committee;
- Conducts, Racial and Religious Committee;
- Appeals Committee;
- Indoor Cricket Advisory Committee; and
- Indigenous Cricket Advisory Committee.

**Contributions on winding up of the Company**

No option to acquire shares in the Group has been granted to any person. No shares have been issued during the financial year or since the end thereof by virtue of the exercise of any options. There are no unissued shares under option at the date of this report.

In the event of the Queensland Cricket Association Ltd being wound up, ordinary members are required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each.

**Insurance of officers and indemnities**

*(a) Insurance of officers*

During the financial year, Queensland Cricket Association Ltd paid a premium of \$15,287 to insure the Directors and Secretaries of the Group.

The liabilities insured are legal costs that may be incurred in defending civil or criminal proceedings that may be brought against the officers in their capacity as officers of entities in the Group, and any other payments arising from liabilities incurred by the officers in connection with such proceedings. This does not include such liabilities that arise from conduct involving a wilful breach of duty by the officers or the improper use by the officers of their position or of information to gain advantage for themselves or someone else or to cause detriment to the Group. It is not possible to apportion the premium between amounts relating to the insurance against legal costs and those relating to other liabilities.

**Insurance of officers and indemnities (continued)**

*(b) Indemnity of auditors*

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd has agreed to indemnify its auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, to the extent permitted by law, against any claim by a third party arising from Queensland Cricket Association Ltd's breach of their agreement. The indemnity stipulates that Queensland Cricket Association Ltd will meet the full amount of any such liabilities including a reasonable amount of legal costs.

**Proceedings on behalf of the Group**

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001* for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Group, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the Group is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Group for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the Group with leave of the Court under section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

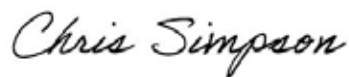
**Auditor's independence declaration**

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 8.

**Rounding of amounts**

The Group is of a kind referred to in ASIC Legislative Instrument 2016/191, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the directors' report. Amounts in the directors' report have been rounded off in accordance with the instrument to the nearest dollar.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of Directors.



C Simpson  
Chair

Brisbane  
12 August 2021

## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENT DECLARATION



### *Auditor's Independence Declaration*

As lead auditor for the audit of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2021, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

This declaration is in respect of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd and the entity it controlled during the period.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Woodbridge'.

Ben Woodbridge  
Partner  
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# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd  
Corporate governance statement  
30 June 2021

## Corporate governance statement

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd is a public company limited by guarantee, incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001*. The ultimate responsibility for the governance of the Company rests with the Board of Directors. This Governance Statement outlines how the Board meets that responsibility.

During the year, the Board continued to access the Board Charter and Guidelines through the Board Manual via the Diligent Portal Resource Centre. The Charter and Guidelines provides the Board the governance framework for how the Board operates. It details the main corporate governance practices and key policies in place for the organisation and to which the Board collectively and the Directors individually are committed.

The Charter and Guidelines are an important section of the Queensland Cricket Board Manual, and provides an important framework, governance and reference for the effective operations of the Board and the organisation as a whole. As a top-level process, the Charter:

- Defines the Board's role and responsibilities, composition, structure and the overall governance principles and practices that apply to the Board and the organisation;
- Contains relevant operational details concerning the manner of how the Board operates, including meetings, establishment of committees and key policies which the Board are required to oversight for the effective and efficient operation of the Board and the Executive;
- Encourages the Board to focus on how they can continuously improve their governance processes for the benefit of the organisation;
- Provides a forum for discussing 'hard-to-mention' governance issues; and
- Serves as a team development vehicle for both the Board and the senior management team, helping to clarify roles and expectations.

The Board supports a regular review of the Board Charter and Guidelines to ensure that the document is current and raises the directors' awareness of the organisation's overall policy framework. The next review will be undertaken in October 2021.

The Board also undertook a full Board Evaluation Program undertaken by Directors Australia. The report provided recommendations to the Board for continuous improvement of Board process and governance. The Board has allocated a Board owner of each of the recommendations and accepted the Implementation plan.

Any new Directors are provided a Board Induction program and Directors have been encouraged to undertake the AICD Company Directors course for their individual development.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## Queensland Cricket Association Ltd

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### Annual report - 30 June 2021

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This financial report is the consolidated financial report of the consolidated entity consisting of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd and its subsidiary. A list of subsidiaries is included in note 19. The financial report is presented in the Australian dollar (\$).

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Queensland Cricket Association Ltd's wholly owned entity, Brisbane Heat Pty Ltd, is an Australian proprietary company, limited by shares. The Group's registered office and principal place of business is:

1 Greg Chappell Street,  
Albion, Queensland, 4010.

A description of the nature of the consolidated entity's operations and its principal activities is included in the directors' report on page 1, which is not part of this financial report.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 12 August 2021. The Directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial report.

**Queensland Cricket Association Ltd**  
**Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Revenue</b>	2	<b>30,500,992</b>	33,025,292
<b>Other income</b>	3	<b>5,447,512</b>	3,671,509
<b>Expenses</b>			
Net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, plant and equipment		3,813	(14,236)
Employee benefits expense		(17,174,302)	(19,588,124)
State cricket match expenses		(3,897,667)	(3,656,915)
Grants to associated bodies		(3,291,837)	(2,388,051)
Travel expenses		(837,855)	(1,866,629)
Plant and equipment related expenses		(1,795,060)	(2,210,600)
Awards, promotion and advertising expenses		(1,212,220)	(1,863,484)
Consultants expense		(1,270,817)	(1,508,937)
Field and facilities expenses		(789,696)	(1,312,725)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	7, 8	(589,976)	(643,734)
Catering and corporate hospitality expenses		(197,770)	(368,560)
Finance expenses		(61,632)	(46,020)
Other expenses		(421,012)	(429,873)
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>(31,536,031)</b>	<b>(35,897,888)</b>
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<b>4,412,473</b>	798,913
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax</b>		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>4,412,473</b>	798,913

**Queensland Cricket Association Ltd**  
**Consolidated balance sheet**  
**As at 30 June 2021**

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	17,043,713	11,424,851
Trade and other receivables	5	462,338	227,770
Inventories	6	32,919	24,203
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>17,538,970</b>	<b>11,676,824</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	7	5,446,155	5,743,101
Right-of-use assets	8	827,608	901,218
Intangible assets	9	3,454,626	3,632,110
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>9,728,389</b>	<b>10,276,429</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>27,267,359</b>	<b>21,953,253</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	10	4,455,314	4,220,518
Borrowings	11	2,264,182	28,365
Lease liabilities	8	250,772	142,621
Provisions	12	1,196,174	845,961
Employee benefit obligations	13	537,591	382,065
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>8,704,033</b>	<b>5,619,530</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings	11	-	2,264,182
Lease liabilities	8	619,551	834,655
Provisions	12	337,575	43,678
Employee benefit obligations	13	96,408	93,889
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>1,053,534</b>	<b>3,236,404</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>9,757,567</b>	<b>8,855,934</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>17,509,792</b>	<b>13,097,319</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Reserves	14(a)	2,264,527	2,368,418
Retained earnings	14(b)	15,245,265	10,728,901
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>17,509,792</b>	<b>13,097,319</b>

**Queensland Cricket Association Ltd**  
**Consolidated statement of changes in equity**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	<b>Reserves</b> <b>\$</b>	<b>Retained earnings</b> <b>\$</b>	<b>Total</b> <b>\$</b>
<b>Balance at 1 July 2019</b>	2,243,469	10,054,937	12,298,406
Profit for the year	-	798,913	798,913
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>798,913</b>	<b>798,913</b>
Transfer between reserves and retained earnings	124,949	(124,949)	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2020</b>	<b>2,368,418</b>	<b>10,728,901</b>	<b>13,097,319</b>
 <b>Balance at 1 July 2020</b>	 2,368,418	 10,728,901	 13,097,319
Profit for the year	-	4,412,473	4,412,473
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,412,473</b>	<b>4,412,473</b>
Transfer between reserves and retained earnings	(103,891)	103,891	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2021</b>	<b>2,264,527</b>	<b>15,245,265</b>	<b>17,509,792</b>

**Queensland Cricket Association Ltd**  
**Consolidated statement of cash flows**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	2021	2020
Notes	\$	\$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Receipts from customers and grants	35,907,463	37,360,136
Payments to suppliers and employees	<u>(25,436,836)</u>	<u>(30,069,596)</u>
	10,470,627	7,290,540
Payments to members	(2,177,664)	(1,799,432)
Net goods and services tax paid	(2,348,584)	(2,339,868)
Interest received	87,038	144,463
Interest paid	<u>(61,632)</u>	<u>(46,020)</u>
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	24(a) <b>5,969,785</b>	3,249,683
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(219,690)	(130,258)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	<u>4,085</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net cash (outflow) from investing activities</b>	<b>(215,605)</b>	<b>(130,258)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from borrowings	-	2,221,635
Repayment of borrowings	(28,365)	-
Principal elements of lease payments	<u>(106,953)</u>	<u>(340,199)</u>
<b>Net cash (outflow) inflow from financing activities</b>	<b>(135,318)</b>	<b>1,881,436</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>5,618,862</b>	<b>5,000,861</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	<u>11,424,851</u>	<u>6,423,990</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	4 <b>17,043,713</b>	11,424,851

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies

This note provides a list of all significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this consolidated financial report. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated. The financial report is for the Group consisting of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd and its wholly owned subsidiary, Brisbane Heat Pty Ltd.

### (a) Basis of preparation

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Corporations Act 2001*. Queensland Cricket Association Ltd is a not-for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial report.

#### (i) Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements

The consolidated financial report of the Group complies with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

#### (ii) Historical cost convention

The financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis.

#### (iii) New and amended standards adopted by the Group

The Group has applied the following standards and amendments for the first time in their annual reporting period commencing 1 July 2020:

- AASB 2018-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Definition of Material [AASB 101 and AASB 108]
- AASB 2018-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Definition of a Business [AASB 3]
- AASB 2019-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Disclosure of the Effect of New IFRS Standards Not Yet issued in Australia [AASB 1054]
- Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting and AASB 2019-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - References to the Conceptual Framework.

The adoption of these amendments did not have any impact on the current year or any prior year and is not likely to affect future years.

#### (iv) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2021 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Group. The Group's assessment of the impact of these new standards and interpretations is set out below.

AASB 1060 *General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* - this standard will require the Group to apply the disclosures set out in AASB 1060. As the Group already prepares general purpose financial statements (Tier 2) there will be no impact on the recognition and measurement of amounts recognised in the financial statements.

There are no other standards that are not yet effective and that would be expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting years and on foreseeable future transactions.

#### (v) Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial report requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies.

## **1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(b) Rounding of amounts**

The Group is of a kind referred to in ASIC Legislative Instrument 2016/191, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the financial report. Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off in accordance with that Instrument to the nearest dollar.

### **(c) Principles of consolidation and equity accounting**

The consolidated financial report incorporates the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd ('Company' or 'parent entity') as at 30 June 2021 and the results of the subsidiary for the year then ended. Queensland Cricket Association Ltd and its subsidiary, together, are referred to in this financial report as the Group or the consolidated entity.

#### *(i) Subsidiaries*

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity where the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the transferred asset. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

### **(d) Foreign currency translation**

#### *(i) Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial report are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The consolidated financial report is presented in Australian dollars (\$), which is Queensland Cricket Association Ltd's functional and presentation currency.

### **(e) Revenue recognition**

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised by reference to each distinct performance obligation in the contract with the customer. Revenue from contracts with customers is measured at its transaction price, being the amount of consideration which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, net of goods and service tax, returns, rebates and discounts. Transaction price is allocated to each performance obligation on the basis of the relative standalone selling prices of each distinct good or services promised in the contract. Depending on the substance of the contract, revenue is recognised when the performance obligation is satisfied, which may be at a point in time or over time.

The Group recognises other revenue when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and specific criteria have been met for each of the Group's activities. The Group bases its estimates on historical results, taking into consideration the type of customer, the type of transaction and the specifics of each arrangement.

#### *Big Bash League Commercial Arrangements*

In relation to the 2020/21 Big Bash Season (BBL 10), an agreement specific to BBL 10 was reached between the State Associations and Cricket Australia for the staging and delivery of the season in response to the COVID-19 situation in Australia. Regular season and the finals match involving the Brisbane Heat that were held in Queensland were treated in accordance with the accounting policy detailed in this policy note which did not change the accounting treatment from prior periods. Associated match costs were recognised in their respective expense categories.

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### (e) Revenue recognition (continued)

#### *Big Bash League Commercial Arrangements (continued)*

Neutral matches, (not involving the Brisbane Heat) held in Queensland (all held at Metricon Stadium) were settled in accordance with the venue hire agreement with the venue operator on a net basis taking into consideration ticket sales and associated costs. The final net amounts paid to the venue operator during the season for neutral matches are presented in state cricket match expenses in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

The State Associations and Cricket Australia negotiated an equalisation arrangement where the BBL 10 season overall net financial results would be shared equally between the parties. In Queensland Cricket's case, this resulted in a net payment to other State Associations and Cricket Australia and is presented in state cricket match expenses in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

### (f) Government grants

Where grant income arises from an agreement which is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations then the revenue is recognised when control of each performance obligations is satisfied, in accordance with AASB15. The performance obligations are varied based on the agreement. Payment terms vary depending on the terms of the grant, cash is received upfront for some grants and on the achievement of certain payment milestones for others. Each performance obligation is considered to ensure that the revenue recognition reflects the transfer of control and within grant agreements there may be some performance obligations where control transfers at a point in time and others which have continuous transfer of control over the life of the contract. Where control is transferred over time, generally the input methods being either costs or time incurred are deemed to be the most appropriate methods to reflect the transfer of benefit.

Assets arising from grants in the scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at the assets fair value when the asset is received or over the construction period. The Group considers whether there are any related liability or equity items associated with the asset which are recognised in accordance with the relevant accounting standard. Once the assets and liabilities have been recognised then income is recognised for any remaining asset value at the time that the asset is received.

### (g) Income tax

The consolidated entity is exempt from the payment of income tax under the provisions of section 50-45 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

### (h) Leases

The Group leases various equipment and vehicles. Rental contracts are typically made for fixed periods of one year to 5 years, but may have extension options as described below. The Group leases the Allan Border Precinct at Albion, which is leased from the Brisbane City Council (BCC) for a 20 year term from 1 April 2017 with a 20 year option thereafter.

Contracts may contain both lease and non-lease components. The Group allocates the consideration in the contract to the lease and non-lease components based on their relative stand-alone prices. However, for leases of real estate for which the Group is a lessee, it has elected not to separate lease and non-lease components and instead accounts for these as a single lease component.

Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor. Leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

Leases are recognised as a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability at the date at which the leased asset is available for use by the Group.

Assets and liabilities arising from a lease are initially measured on a present value basis. Lease liabilities include the net present value of the following lease payments:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable,

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### (h) Leases (continued)

- variable lease payment that are based on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date,
- amounts expected to be payable by the Group under residual value guarantees,
- the exercise price of a purchase option if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise that option, and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising that option.

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability.

The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. If that rate cannot be readily determined, which is generally the case for leases in the Group, the lessee's incremental borrowing rate is used, being the rate that the individual lessee would have to pay to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment with similar terms, security and conditions.

To determine the incremental borrowing rate, the Group:

- where possible, uses recent third-party financing received by the individual lessee as a starting point, adjusted to reflect changes in financing conditions since third party financing was received,
- makes adjustments specific to the lease, eg term and security.

The Group is exposed to potential future increases in variable lease payments based on an index or rate, which are not included in the lease liability until they take effect. When adjustments to lease payments based on an index or rate take effect, the lease liability is reassessed and adjusted against the right-of-use asset.

Lease payments are allocated between principal and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising the following:

- the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability,
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received,
- any initial direct costs, and
- restoration costs.

Right-of-use assets are generally depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis. If the Group is reasonably certain to exercise a purchase option, the right-of-use asset is depreciated over the underlying asset's useful life.

Payments associated with short-term leases of equipment and vehicles and all leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less.

#### *Extension and termination options*

Extension and termination options are included in a number of property and equipment leases across the Group. These are used to maximise operational flexibility in terms of managing the assets used in the Group's operations. The majority of extension and termination options held are exercisable only by the Group and not by the respective lessor.

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### (i) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

### (j) Impairment of assets

Intangible assets are tested annually for impairment, or more frequently, if events or changes in circumstances indicate that they might be impaired. Other assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting year.

### (k) Trade receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. They are generally due for settlement within 30 days and are therefore all classified as current. Trade receivables are recognised initially at the amount of consideration that is unconditional unless they contain significant financing components, when they are recognised at fair value.

The Group holds the trade receivables with the objective of collecting the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Due to the short-term nature of trade and other receivables, their carrying amount is considered to be the same as their fair value.

The Group applies the AASB 9 simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables.

### (l) Inventories

Inventories held for distribution are measured at the lower of cost or net realisable value. The cost of inventories acquired at no cost, or for nominal consideration, is the current replacement cost as at the date of acquisition.

### (m) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the reporting year in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line and diminishing value methods to allocate their cost, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives or, in the case of leasehold improvements and certain leased plant and equipment, the shorter lease term as follows:

• Leasehold improvements	4.3%
• Plant and equipment	6.7% - 33%
• Motor vehicles	22.5%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting year.

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### (m) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (note 1(j)).

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in profit or loss.

### (n) Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost and subsequently measured at cost less amortisation and any impairment. The method and useful lives of finite life intangibles are reviewed annually. Changes in the expected pattern of consumption or useful life are accounted for prospectively by changing the amortisation method or period.

#### *Right to access National Cricket Centre facilities*

Under the conditions of a Queensland Government Grant, Queensland Cricket made a contribution to the National Cricket Centre construction costs of \$5,000,000 and raised an Intangible Asset, representing its Right to Access the National Cricket Centre. This right facilitates Queensland Cricket's use of the National Cricket Centre for a minimum of 2 days a week at commercial rates until the value of the Asset is extinguished. Accordingly, this Intangible Asset has a finite life. The National Cricket Centre opened on 12 November 2013.

The amortisation method used reflects the pattern in which the asset's future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by the consolidated entity (i.e. the amortisation charge reflects the access and usage charges per year).

### (o) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Trade and other payables are presented as current liabilities unless payment is not due within 12 months from the reporting date. They are recognised initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### (p) Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in profit or loss over the year of the borrowings using the effective interest method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the year of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting year.

### (q) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Provisions are measured at the present value of management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting year. The discount rate used to determine the present value is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### (r) Employee benefits

#### (i) Short-term obligations

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits and accumulating sick leave that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liabilities for wages and salaries are presented as accruals in the consolidated balance sheet. The liabilities for annual leave are presented as current employee benefit obligations in the consolidated balance sheet.

#### (ii) Other long-term employee benefit obligations

The liabilities for long service leave and annual leave are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. They are therefore measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period of corporate bonds with terms and currencies that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Remeasurements as a result of experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in profit or loss.

The obligations are presented as current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet if the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

#### (iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated before the normal retirement date, or when an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The Group recognises termination benefits at the earlier of the following dates: (a) when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits; and (b) when the entity recognises costs for a restructuring that is within the scope of AASB 137 and involves the payment of termination benefits. In the case of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy, the termination benefits are measured based on the number of employees expected to accept the offer. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period are discounted to present value.

### (s) Reserves

Reserves are created from retained earnings and are set aside for specific purposes. Two current reserves exist, being for the future maintenance of the Allan Border Precinct and the National Cricket Campus Masterplan. The movement in reserves each year represents either amounts set aside or money expended. Reserves are held in cash at bank (note 4) but the use of this cash is restricted and can only be expended on approval from the Board.

### (t) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case, it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other receivables or payables in the consolidated balance sheet.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the taxation authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

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## 2 Revenue from contracts with customers

The Group derives revenue from the transfer of services over time as follows:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Revenue from Cricket Australia	23,496,399	24,611,057
Revenue from cricket matches	3,346,514	4,419,186
Sponsorship	3,658,079	3,995,049
	<u>30,500,992</u>	<u>33,025,292</u>

## 3 Other income

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Rental income	91,250	48,625
Donations - Peter Burge Foundation	116,337	114,000
Interest income	87,038	144,463
Registrations	137,502	152,627
State Government grants	774,025	250,975
Tournament fees and levies	102,769	441,980
Miscellaneous recoveries	1,770,556	1,261,416
Other grants	1,894,524	566,699
Other income	473,511	690,724
	<u>5,447,512</u>	<u>3,671,509</u>

## 4 Cash and cash equivalents

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Cash at bank	9,547,843	236,673
Deposits at call and investment account	7,495,870	11,188,178
	<u>17,043,713</u>	<u>11,424,851</u>

### (a) Restricted cash

The cash and cash equivalents balances include amounts which are held as restricted reserves. These deposits are subject to restrictions and are, therefore, not available for general use by the Group, as follows:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
QCA Foundation unused balance	13,617	11,280
Peter Burge unused grant	366,257	252,257
National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve	4,250,000	4,250,000
Allan Border Asset Maintenance Reserve	264,527	368,418
Total restricted cash	<u>4,894,401</u>	<u>4,881,955</u>

National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve is represented by \$2,250,000 from Cricket Australia and \$2,000,000 from Queensland Cricket.

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**5 Trade and other receivables**

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Current assets</b>		
Trade receivables	408,916	172,206
Loss allowance	<u>(32,289)</u>	<u>(36,847)</u>
	376,627	135,359
 Other receivables	 21,036	 3,693
Prepayments	<u>64,675</u>	<u>88,718</u>
	462,338	227,770

**6 Inventories**

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cricket material on hand - at cost	<u>32,919</u>	<u>24,203</u>

**7 Property, plant and equipment**

	Plant and equipment \$	Motor vehicles \$	Leasehold improvements \$	Total \$
<b>Non-current</b>				
<b>At 1 July 2019</b>				
Cost	2,306,447	1,493,395	12,854,328	16,654,170
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,226,153)</u>	<u>(564,307)</u>	<u>(8,036,716)</u>	<u>(9,827,176)</u>
Net book amount	1,080,294	929,088	4,817,612	6,826,994
 <b>Year ended 30 June 2020</b>				
Opening net book amount	1,080,294	929,088	4,817,612	6,826,994
Adjustment for change in accounting policy	-	(626,551)	-	(626,551)
Additions	130,258	-	-	130,258
Disposals	(14,236)	-	-	(14,236)
Depreciation charge	<u>(232,362)</u>	<u>(68,071)</u>	<u>(272,931)</u>	<u>(573,364)</u>
Closing net book amount	963,954	234,466	4,544,681	5,743,101
 <b>At 30 June 2020</b>				
Cost	2,094,457	567,757	12,854,328	15,516,542
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,130,503)</u>	<u>(333,291)</u>	<u>(8,309,647)</u>	<u>(9,773,441)</u>
Net book amount	963,954	234,466	4,544,681	5,743,101

## 7 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

	Plant and equipment \$	Motor vehicles \$	Leasehold improvements \$	Total \$
<b>Year ended 30 June 2021</b>				
Opening net book amount	963,954	234,466	4,544,681	5,743,101
Additions	219,690	-	-	219,690
Disposals	(270)	-	-	(270)
Depreciation charge	(191,063)	(52,755)	(272,548)	(516,366)
Closing net book amount	992,311	181,711	4,272,133	5,446,155
<b>At 30 June 2021</b>				
Cost	2,305,086	567,757	12,854,328	15,727,171
Accumulated depreciation	(1,312,775)	(386,046)	(8,582,195)	(10,281,016)
Net book amount	992,311	181,711	4,272,133	5,446,155

## 8 Leases

### (a) Amounts recognised in the balance sheet

The consolidated balance sheet shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Right-of-use assets</b>		
Properties	298,612	306,965
Equipment	528,996	594,253
	<b>827,608</b>	<b>901,218</b>
<b>Lease liabilities</b>		
Current	250,772	142,621
Non-current	619,551	834,655
	<b>870,323</b>	<b>977,276</b>

Additions to the right-of-use assets during the 2021 financial year were \$nil (2020: \$38,131).

### (b) Amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets</b>			
Properties		8,353	8,184
Equipment		65,257	62,186
		<b>73,610</b>	<b>70,370</b>

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## 9 Intangible assets

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Right to access to National Cricket Centre facilities</b>		
Opening balance	3,632,110	3,885,593
Amortisation (National Cricket Centre usage for the year)	(177,484)	(253,483)
Closing balance	<u>3,454,626</u>	<u>3,632,110</u>

Queensland Cricket (QC) received a Queensland Government grant of \$5,000,000 for the construction of Cricket Australia's National Cricket Centre in a previous reporting period. The National Cricket Centre opened on 12 November 2013. A condition of the grant is that QC has a right to access the National Cricket Centre facilities until the \$5,000,000 has been fully extinguished. As at 30 June 2021, QC had used \$1,545,374 (2020: \$1,367,890) of the grant.

## 10 Trade and other payables

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Trade payables and accruals	3,087,629	3,179,177
Goods and services tax payable	271,206	244,913
Deferred income	1,010,176	710,125
Other payables	86,303	86,303
	<u>4,455,314</u>	<u>4,220,518</u>

### (a) Deferred income

Deferred income includes sponsorships and grant funding received where the performance obligations contained within the contracts have not been met at reporting date.

## 11 Borrowings

	2021 Current \$	Non- current \$	Total \$	2020 Current \$	Non- current \$	Total \$
<i>Unsecured</i>						
Other loans	14,182	-	14,182	28,365	14,182	42,547
Loans from Cricket Australia	2,250,000	-	2,250,000	-	2,250,000	2,250,000
Total unsecured borrowings	<u>2,264,182</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,264,182</u>	<u>28,365</u>	<u>2,264,182</u>	<u>2,292,547</u>

During the year ended 30 June 2020, Cricket Australia transferred \$2,250,000 to Queensland Cricket for the National Cricket Campus Project to be held in a separate bank account and called on by Cricket Australia for costs relating to the project. This amount is tied to \$2,000,000 Queensland Cricket contribution. The combined amounts are disclosed as the National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve in note 4(a).

On 28 June 2021, Cricket Australia requested Queensland Cricket to remit \$2,250,000 for the National Cricket Campus Project. This was paid on 8 July 2021 out of the National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve.

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## 12 Provisions

	Current \$	2021 Non- current \$	Total \$	Current \$	2020 Non- current \$	Total \$
Player payments provision	565,912	-	565,912	338,125	-	338,125
Grants to affiliates and community cricket provision	630,262	300,000	930,262	507,836	-	507,836
JP Maher Bursary provision	-	12,660	12,660	-	12,660	12,660
ACR surcharge provision	-	24,915	24,915	-	31,018	31,018
	<b>1,196,174</b>	<b>337,575</b>	<b>1,533,749</b>	<b>845,961</b>	<b>43,678</b>	<b>889,639</b>

All movements in provisions have been recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

## 13 Employee benefit obligations

	Current \$	2021 Non- current \$	Total \$	Current \$	2020 Non- current \$	Total \$
Leave obligations	537,591	96,408	633,999	382,065	93,889	475,954

## 14 Reserves and retained earnings

### (a) Reserves

	2021 \$	2020 \$
National Cricket Campus Masterplan reserve	2,000,000	2,000,000
Allan Border Asset Maintenance reserve	264,527	368,418
	<b>2,264,527</b>	<b>2,368,418</b>

### Movements:

#### National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve

Opening balance	2,000,000	1,856,629
Reimbursement	-	143,371
Balance 30 June	<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>

#### Allan Border Asset Maintenance Reserve

Opening balance	368,418	386,840
Facility expenses	(103,891)	(18,422)
Balance 30 June	<b>264,527</b>	<b>368,418</b>

## 14 Reserves and retained earnings (continued)

### (a) Reserves (continued)

#### (i) Nature and purpose of other reserves

##### *National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve*

This reserve was created in November 2016. This reserve is Queensland Cricket's contribution to the \$18 million National Cricket Campus Masterplan. Queensland Cricket allocated National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve funds have been unused during the year ended 30 June 2021. It is anticipated these funds will be drawn down during the year ending 30 June 2022, when the project commences.

##### *Allan Border Asset Maintenance Reserve*

This reserve was established in June 2016 for funding future maintenance of the Allan Border Precinct.

### (b) Retained earnings

Movements in retained earnings were as follows:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Balance 1 July	10,728,901	10,054,937
Profit for the year	4,412,473	798,913
Transfer between reserves and retained earnings	103,891	(124,949)
Balance 30 June	<u>15,245,265</u>	<u>10,728,901</u>

## 15 Remuneration of auditors

During the year, the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor and its related practices:

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	2021 \$	2020 \$
Audit of financial statements	52,000	53,000
Other non-assurance services	5,500	30,981
	<u>57,500</u>	<u>83,981</u>

## 16 Contingent liabilities and assets

### (a) Contingent liabilities

The Group had contingent liabilities at 30 June 2021 in respect of contributions to the player payment pool.

The Group, along with the other State Associations, is responsible for Australian Cricket Revenue (ACR) reporting to Cricket Australia (CA) whereby revenue earned by the Group over and above the agreed year ended 30 June 2021 budget baseline figure during the five-year period to 30 June 2022 will attract a 27.5% surcharge payable to the Player Payment Pool held by CA. The surcharge, if any, is the difference between Actual ACR and Baseline ACR over the five-year period to 30 June 2022.

Any surcharge payable is likely to be due to CA after 30 June 2022. As at the date of this report, a draft ACR for the year ended 30 June 2021 has been submitted to CA which concludes that ACR contingent liability has not been triggered for the year ended 30 June 2021. A liability of \$24,915 was triggered during the year ended 30 June 2020.

## 16 Contingent liabilities and assets (continued)

### (b) Contingent assets

The Group had no contingent assets at 30 June 2021 (2020: nil).

## 17 Contingent rentals

Contingent rentals relate to a facilities usage charge to Cricket Australia for its use of Allan Border Precinct. Only the base rental is disclosed in the commitments receivable, as the facilities usage charge cannot be reliably estimated and, consequently, has been disclosed as contingent rental.

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Future minimum payments in respect of contracted lease revenues according to the time they elapse and the expected date of receipt, receivable:		
Within one year	56,667	148,371
Later than one year but not later than five years	554,213	611,468
Later than five years	1,367,094	1,526,007
	<u>1,977,974</u>	<u>2,285,846</u>
	2021 \$	2020 \$
Contingent rentals recognised as revenue	<u>82,500</u>	66,000

## 18 Related party transactions

### (a) Subsidiaries

Interests in subsidiaries are set out in note 19(a).

### (b) Key management personnel compensation

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Key management personnel compensation	<u>970,815</u>	1,234,789

The Directors of Queensland Cricket were reimbursed \$38,097 for general expenses during the year ended 30 June 2021 and this amount is included in the above.

### (c) Transactions with other related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Distributions to members *	<u>2,177,664</u>	1,799,432

## 18 Related party transactions (continued)

### (c) Transactions with other related parties (continued)

\* In accordance with Queensland Cricket's By Laws, payments are made to members to assist with their costs. The level of distributions made to members reflect funding of activities undertaken by members in delivering cricket in Queensland. Queensland Cricket undertook transactions with each of the members during the year in the normal course of business.

### (d) Outstanding balances arising from distributions

The following balances are outstanding at the end of the reporting year in relation to transactions with related parties:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Current payables		
Amounts payable to members at balance date	<u>830,261</u>	<u>401,236</u>

## 19 Interests in other entities

### (a) Material subsidiaries

The Group's principal subsidiary at 30 June 2021 is Brisbane Heat Pty Ltd. Unless otherwise stated, it has share capital consisting solely of ordinary shares that are held directly by the Company and the proportion of ownership interests held equals the voting rights held by the Company. The country of incorporation or registration is also their principal place of business.

Name of entity	Place of business/ country of incorporation	Ownership interest held by the group	
		2021 %	2020 %
Brisbane Heat Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100

## 20 Members liability

The Company is limited by guarantee. The Constitution of the Company limits the liability of members to the sum of \$10 in the event of the Company being wound up.

## 21 Arthur Dibdin Memorial Fund

The Arthur Dibdin Memorial Fund is included in the balance of Members Funds but is not available to be used for the benefit of members. The fund had a balance of \$500 as at 30 June 2021 (2020: \$500).

## 22 Economic dependency

The Group is economically dependent upon Cricket Australia in respect to grants received.

## 23 Events occurring after the reporting period

On 28 June 2021, Cricket Australia requested Queensland Cricket to remit \$2,250,000 for the National Cricket Campus Project. This was paid on 8 July 2021 out of the National Cricket Campus Masterplan Reserve.

No other matter or circumstance has occurred subsequent to year end that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Group, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Group or economic entity in subsequent financial years.

## 24 Cash flow information

### (a) Reconciliation of profit after income tax to net cash inflow from operating activities

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Profit for the year	4,412,473	798,913
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortisation	589,976	643,734
Net (gain)/loss on sale of non-current assets	(3,813)	14,236
National Cricket Centre facility usage	177,484	253,483
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(234,568)	963,089
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(8,716)	4,366
Increase in trade and other payables	84,956	749,661
Increase/(decrease) in other operating liabilities	951,993	(177,799)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	<u>5,969,785</u>	<u>3,249,683</u>

### (b) Non-cash investing and financing activities

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Acquisition of plant and equipment by means of leases	<u>-</u>	<u>38,131</u>

## 25 Parent entity financial information

### (a) Summary financial information

The individual financial report for the parent entity, Queensland Cricket Association Ltd, shows the following aggregate amounts:

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Balance sheet</b>		
Current assets	17,444,044	11,646,072
Non-current assets	9,728,389	10,276,430
Total assets	<u>27,172,433</u>	<u>21,922,502</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		
Current liabilities	8,609,106	5,588,677
Non-current liabilities	3,114,779	4,963,801
	<u>11,723,885</u>	<u>10,552,478</u>
 Net assets	 <u>15,448,548</u>	 <u>11,370,024</u>
 <i>Shareholders' equity</i>		
Reserves	2,264,527	2,368,418
Retained earnings	13,184,021	9,001,606
	<u>15,448,548</u>	<u>11,370,024</u>
 <b>Profit/(loss) for the year</b>	 <u>4,078,522</u>	 <u>(928,382)</u>
 <b>Total comprehensive income/(loss)</b>	 <u>4,078,522</u>	 <u>(928,382)</u>

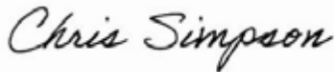
## DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd  
Directors' declaration  
30 June 2021

In the Directors' opinion:

- (a) The financial report and notes set out on pages 10 to 31 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) Complying with Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements, and
  - (ii) Giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date, and
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Group will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.



C Simpson  
Chair

Brisbane  
12 August 2021

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



## *Independent auditor's report*

To the members of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd

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### *Our opinion*

In our opinion:

The accompanying financial report of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd (the Company) and its controlled entity (together the Group) is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its financial performance for the year then ended
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

### ***What we have audited***

The Group financial report comprises:

- the consolidated balance sheet as at 30 June 2021
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year then ended
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year then ended
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which include significant accounting policies and other explanatory information
- the directors' declaration.

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### *Basis for opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### ***Independence***

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.



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### *Other information*

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2021, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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### *Responsibilities of the directors for the financial report*

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the ability of the Group to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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### *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:  
[http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_responsibilities/ar3.pdf](http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar3.pdf). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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