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2024 / 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Queensland Cricket Association Limited covering the 148th year of cricket administration in Queensland will be held at QCHO at 6pm on Tuesday 16 September, 2025.

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FRONT COVER: Where heroes are made...
Nathan McSweeney inspiring young
Queenslanders through his feats for
the Heat.

BACK COVER: Field of dreams...
Woolworths Blast players walk on the Gabba
with WBBL Heat Spring Challenge squad
members Ruby Strange and Kira Holmes.

The victorious Queensland Men's
Indigenous team in Mackay.





ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Queensland Cricket acknowledges and pays respects to the Traditional Custodians of the land and waters encompassing the country where we are privileged to live, work, and play the great game of cricket on the land now known as Queensland.

We recognise and celebrate the spiritual and ongoing connection of the Traditional Owners to culture and Country and acknowledge all Elders past, present and emerging.

We commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation, so that together we may bring about equity and equality, fostered by strong and trusting relationships.

We shall cherish shared wisdom and grow with guidance as we walk together towards a reconciled country.



2024/25 CHAIR REPORT

KIRSTEN PIKE – Queensland Cricket Chair

Queensland Cricket is committed to making the future of cricket in the State as bright and as sustainable as possible.

This aspiration is reflective of the intent from most modern organisations to ensure longevity, and future-proof their business.

Queensland Cricket is no different and the 2024-25 reporting period encompassed some key outcomes towards improving our sustainability and increasing our organisational resilience.

As an organisation, we were tested again by severe weather and other natural disasters which continue to impact upon cricket within Queensland

Our responses to these challenges, as well as initiatives to improve sustainability are outlined in greater detail elsewhere in the report.

Queensland Cricket works diligently with government at all levels, and we are grateful in turn for the commitment shown to our sport by government.

With infrastructure a key element to how we develop the next generations of Bulls, Fire and Heat players, the support from government continues to enable us to be resilient and far-sighted as we plan for the future.

Decisions around the 2032 Olympics and Paralympics, particularly the commitment to a new stadium at Victoria Park, will provide the Board and Management of Queensland Cricket with new openings to improve our delivery of cricket in this State.



We welcomed the announcement by Cricket Australia Chair Mike Baird AO in the wake of the State Government handing down its 100 Day review findings, that Cricket Australia would commit to play the First Test of the summer at the new Brisbane Stadium post-2032.

Much work remains to be done between now and then, but the endorsement will hopefully provide another generation of Queenslanders with a tradition that reinforces their love for the game.

Queensland benefits from the variety of venues available to host cricket across a year. It is particularly important for our grassroots cricket community to have the opportunity to experience international and elite cricket firsthand.

The club formed in Airlie Beach in 2024 is an example of the strong growth of cricket in Mackay in recent years. That club's existence can be directly attributed to cricket staging regular WBBL games in the region, as well as Australia 'A' men's and women's games and men's and women's ODI matches featuring the likes of Australia, India, South Africa and New Zealand.

One of the highlights of the year was the privilege to witness Queenslanders representing Australia. Congratulations in particular to Georgia Voll.

Georgia won the Domestic Women's Player of the Year at the Australian Cricket Award in 2025 to cap off a memorable debut international summer where she made her Test, ODI and T20I debuts during the Women's Ashes whitewash. Well done as well to Grace Harris who played T20I games during the series.

In the men's space, Xavier Barlett, Usman Khawaja and Marnus Labuschagne all represented Australia with success across the summer, while a Queensland product in Matt Kuhnemann also made his return to the international scene.

The Board of Directors was again a stable and hard-working entity.

Elected Directors John Salter and Ian Healy were returned unopposed for a further three-year term at our Annual General Meeting in September 2024.

We bade farewell to appointed Director Mark Gray, who stepped off the Board following the AGM after his initial appointment in 2013.

Mark served with distinction as Chair of our Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee and our financial position was certainly strengthened in this time. His insights and wise counsel were of great assistance to the Board and as Chair, I appreciated his selfless approach.

The Queensland Cricket Nominations committee recommended that Juanita Maiden be appointed to the vacant independent Director's spot, and this was accepted.

It is the second time that Juanita has been a Queensland Cricket Director, after previously serving on the Board between 2019 and 2023. She is currently a Special Counsel with Mullins.

In June 2025, Director Kirby Short resigned her position on the Board.

Kirby, who joined the Board in September 2023, informed Directors in July that she would step down to take on a new role with another sporting organisation, subsequently joining Cricket Victoria in an executive role.

We acknowledged Kirby's insights and dedication during her time on the Board and wished her the best with her new employment.

As well as setting policy that guides and supports the day-to-day operations of Queensland Cricket, the Board makes a priority of formulating the medium to long-term direction of the game.

The issue of States' funding through Cricket Australia remains an area that Queensland Cricket is acutely invested in. Along with the other State and Territory Chairs, there has been much discussion on how best to arrive at a fair and equitable solution, even as Cricket Australia focuses on improving its overall balance sheet.



Whilst Queensland Cricket maintained or increased funding to its own affiliates in 2024-25, the ongoing issue on funding from the national body continues to be of the highest importance as we seek to fund our cricket aspirations in a sustainable manner.

With the current Queensland Cricket Strategic Plan entering its final year in 2025, the Board has taken a leading role to map the next decade as we look to our future strategy.

The development of the Ten-Year Vision has been led by a committee chaired by Director Grant Mitchell and supported by Directors John Salter and Bronwyn Atkinson. The Committee has established a significant stakeholder engagement program across the State to encourage feedback and ideas that will shape the future of the game.

Once finalised, the vision will be shared with all our members and stakeholders and then be used to shape the next Strategic Plan (2026 - 2030). This is an important and critical step for Queensland Cricket, and we thank everyone who has generously provided expertise and advice in the process.

As part of our ongoing engagement with our key stakeholders, our March 2025 Ordinary General Meeting featured a special resolution to approve BEARS (Bayside, Easts and Redlands) Junior Cricket Association for affiliate membership. During the meeting, members supported and supported the proposal to bring a special resolution on voting rights for the three Brisbane Metro-Junior Associations to the next QCA AGM in September 2025.

Even as we plan and prepare for what is to come, it is appropriate for me to congratulate Kev Maher for his enormous contribution to the health of cricket in the country. Kev stepped down as Queensland Country Cricket President during 2024-25 and we will miss his passion and dedication to regional cricket. Fortunately, his legacy will be lasting, and the incoming president Les Bennett and his committee will continue to drive the game forward.

On behalf of my fellow directors, we thank the committees appointed by the Board that did important work for us in the background in the past year.

These committees draw upon a mixture of directors, volunteers, club representatives, staff and other skilled individuals. They operate as vital instruments of review, enable strategic planning, and specialist insights that shape informed decision-making by the Board and Management.

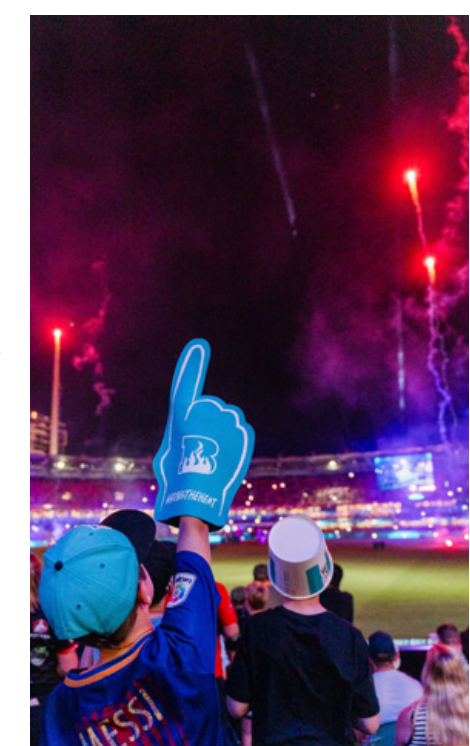
I congratulate the members of the Finance, Governance, Risk and Audit (FGAR) Committee, the Recruitment and Retention Committee, the Nominations Committee, the Foundation Committee, First Nations Cricket Advisory Committee, Conducts committee and their commissioners, Appeals Tribunal and Premier Cricket committee.

During the year, the Board was again pleased to have regular interactions with Brisbane-based Cricket Australia Director Greg Rowell. We thank him sincerely for his guidance and advice, and his on-going commitment to Australian Cricket.

Finally, the Board greatly appreciates the expertise, direction and commitment provided by our CEO Terry Svenson and his Executive Leadership Team, and Queensland Cricket staff members who each day deliver meaningful outcomes for cricket.

While this report details our operations for 2024-25, the second half of the coming season, in 2026, will coincide with the 150th anniversary of the founding of Queensland Cricket.

I look forward to working alongside our key stakeholders at all levels in the coming year as approach such an important milestone in our history and thank the dedicated members of our Board for their skills, passion and determination as we aspire to make cricket Queensland's leading sport.





2024/25 CEO REPORT

TERRY SVENSON – Queensland Cricket CEO

The 2024-25 year delivered a multitude of highlights as Queensland Cricket made significant progress towards promoting and growing the game to ensure all Queenslanders can play, participate and enjoy cricket.

There were strong on-field performances by our elite teams, participation numbers continued to grow, government and stakeholder support delivered much-needed infrastructure even as extreme weather events tested our resolve, and innovative thinking provided new revenue opportunities.

Certainty was delivered on the future of the Gabba, with Queensland Cricket collaborating with the Brisbane Lions to back the confirmation of a new Olympic Stadium at Victoria Park that bodes well for the future of sport and entertainment in the State post 2032.

We welcomed more top-level cricket to our venues, with Australia and Australia 'A' men and women's teams playing matches in regional centres, Brisbane and the Gold Coast.

Innovation was recognised with the successful launch of the Queensland Cricket Institute of Sport and Business, as the partnership with TAFE Queensland realised the first cohort of eager students at Allan Border Field.

Sustainability is increasingly important to our business, with a State-wide lens to be applied in the future in the wake of sound progress in the areas of energy conservation and generation at Allan Border Field, water conservation, and overall facility management and improvements at the Albion venue.



This year, our elite teams played in four domestic finals with the State youth teams also contesting four finals.

We celebrated sell-out crowds in the BBL at the Gabba and WBBL at Allan Border Field while there was strong representation in national teams.

It was rewarding for us to see more girls and boys playing cricket than last year as well as unlocking value through a string of partnerships to deliver improved playing and training facilities in all our communities throughout the State.

ORGANISATIONAL CAPABILITY

QC has embarked on the development of a Master Plan for Allan Border Field and has tasked the Chief Operating Officer with working through Sustainability planning and implementation for cricket in the State.

In the first instance, the focus on sustainability will target Allan Border Field and explore cost savings/efficiency gains within electricity/solar, water capture, and fuel usage/emission reductions. Ideally, we will encourage clubs and associations throughout the State to introduce their own sustainability initiatives in light of this action.

The Allan Border Field Master Plan aims to deliver improved facilities for fans, staff and players.

It would also assist with future commercial and revenue stream opportunities within the facility, which would undergo potential re-design in some areas to reach an expanded ground capacity of approximately 6000.

The final masterplan will provide a more accurate funding estimate for an upgraded facility which would in a position to play a role in the lead-up to the 2032 Olympics. More updates on this plan will be provided to members in 2025-26.

Elsewhere, an initiative that has come to life this year is Queensland Cricket's partnership with TAFE Queensland.

As well as providing QC with a new income stream, the Queensland Cricket Institute of Sport and Business will provide employment opportunities in cricket for graduates in the future.

The program offers a fully integrated pathway combining cricket education, sports management, and athlete development, with multiple study pathway options.

A highlight is the combination of a high school focused delivery, the two-year Brisbane Heat TAFE at School Program, and post-school one-year Diploma Program.

The TAFE at School program, exclusively hosted by Queensland Cricket, allows senior secondary students to participate one-day a week during their final two years of school.

Queensland Cricket's inaugural Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) reached its third and final year in 2024-25 with progress continuing to be made, including deliverables in each area:

1. Relationships
2. Respect
3. Opportunities

The RAP is championed internally by the RAP Working Group within Queensland Cricket and externally through regular meetings with the Queensland First Nations Cricket Advisory Committee. Planning has begun for Queensland Cricket's second RAP.

Another important aspect of Queensland Cricket is the development and growth of the Queensland Cricket Foundation (QCF). Its purpose is to make cricket more accessible, and all funds-raised go to the Foundation's 4 Key Pillars;

1. Indigenous Health & Well-Being
2. All-Inclusive, Female and Multicultural programs
3. Infrastructure and Facilities
4. Supporting Experiences for Disadvantaged youth.

Pleasingly in 2024-25, the QCF delivered its biggest investment to date with more than \$280,000 raised to make cricket more accessible for all Queenslanders.



There were some significant sums raised through the Brisbane Heat, with \$31,678 from the Heat's match-day 50-50 charity raffle, with benefactors including the KFC Youth Foundation, Sware, Juiced TV, and community cricket clubs.

The club's First Nations Round BBL fixture at the Gabba against the Hurricanes was part of the QC Foundation Giving Day. A total of \$32,680 was raised on the night to fund Indigenous cricket programs across Queensland.

A detailed breakdown of the Foundation's activities is available elsewhere in the Annual Report.

Similarly, we are indebted to the Peter Burge XI, and the ongoing generosity from its members. The Burge XI, founded to commemorate the great career of the late Peter Burge, has generated almost a million dollars in donations towards the Allan Border Field precinct.

FINANCIAL

Queensland Cricket was able to again return a modest surplus for the year. It achieved a surplus of \$664,112 in FY25, which includes a \$517,733 increase within the QC Future Fund. This means that there is an operating surplus of \$146,379 available to reinvest in the game.

The Directors considered several recommendations and chose a reinvestment of \$500,000 into the QC Future Fund & \$250,000 into a property unit trust. Both strategic options are designed to accelerate QC's income diversification and therefore overall financial sustainability.

The modest surplus was delivered regardless of the 0% funding increase from Cricket Australia in FY25. As mentioned in the Chair's report, discussions are continuing between Cricket Australia and the States and Territories on future funding agreements beyond the FY26-28.

The Queensland Cricket Future Fund completed its third year, and although not immune to market challenges, performed well. We will continue to make selective investments to build further financial sustainability.



INFRASTRUCTURE

As detailed in the Infrastructure section elsewhere in the report, much progress has been made around the State.

The year saw a concerted roll-out of the National Community Cricket Infrastructure Strategy with local government a particular focus for Queensland Cricket.

The strategy was launched in 2025 and uses facility data, population growth projections, participation data, and climate information to guide infrastructure investments.

Pleasingly, Councils have been keen to better understand their inclusion in the strategy and how they can collaboratively invest with QC to support the improvement and development of infrastructure in their local government area.

The National strategy is strengthened by the Queensland Cricket Infrastructure Strategy 2023-2028 that provides a clear framework and strategic priorities for cricket infrastructure across the State.

The Strategy provides overarching state-wide and Premier Cricket infrastructure priorities, as well as identifying priority projects across each of Queensland Cricket's twelve cricket regions.

This strategic approach is supported by the Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF) which provides for seed funding of approved projects aligned with both CA and QC strategies.

In total, the ACIF awarded \$1,113,661 directly to clubs across the year to invest in critical infrastructure. Project types applied for include lighting - nets and outfielders, inclusive change facilities, synthetic pitches - new and refurbishments, net complexes refurbishments, turf pitch extensions, field remediation, shade structures, solar and irrigation.

This investment generated a total project value of \$6.64 million. All projects are shovel ready projects with supporting funds in place, with the intent to deliver within the next 12 months.

Additionally, the Queensland Infrastructure team was quickly into action during the year when serious flooding affected Townsville and other North Queensland centres before Tropical Cyclone Alfred impacted southern Queensland in March.

Funding from all levels of Government helped with flood relief and recovery.

Queensland Cricket, through the QC Foundation, joined with the Queensland Government to deliver targeted relief to cricket clubs affected by severe weather events across the State.

COMMUNITY CRICKET

It is a highlight of the year to confirm that following a concerted effort, participation numbers rose across the State.

Such positive outcomes only came about due to the unstinting commitment of the many volunteers in our game, complemented by a dedicated Community Cricket team from Queensland Cricket.

The national cricket census for 2024-25 saw Queensland record an 11% statewide year-on-year growth in unique ID participation among 5-12-year-olds, reflecting strong participation at the grassroots level.

This growth highlights the success of both targeted efforts at attracting new participants to the game, as well as implementing strategies to retain those players through coach education and quality competitions.

Queensland also experienced 12% growth YOY in Junior Cricket overall whilst Senior Cricket remained flat, albeit with a small 1% increase on the prior year.

Women and girls' participation continues to flourish, with 20% of our 5-12-year-old participants being girls, representing an 8% growth on the previous year.

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CEO REPORT (CONT.)

TERRY SVENSON - Queensland Cricket CEO

ON-FIELD PERFORMANCE

Queensland's performances across the season reflected favorably on the hard work from our coaches, players and elite cricket staff

The women's program saw the Brisbane Heat reach the Finals of the inaugural T20 Spring Challenge, followed by the Final of the Weber Women's Big Bash League for the second season in a row.

The Queensland Fire finished on top of the Women's National Cricket League, hosting the Final against NSW at Allan Border Field

While trophies did not eventuate, their consistency is to be applauded.

The Spring Challenge provided an opportunity for players from outside the Heat contracted player list as well as from the KFC Queensland Premier Cricket competition, particularly the KFC T20 Max competition.

The WBBL saw the Heat celebrate some strong wins, and notable home ground performances. The staging of the Gabba Smash, the first stand-alone WBBL game at the Gabba, was welcomed by the players and featured excellent hometown support.

The Heat won seven of their 10 regular season games and overcame the Sydney Thunder in the Challenger Final to earn the right to take on the Melbourne Renegades at the MCG in the Final.

The Heat fought hard but were unable to overcome the Renegades which claimed their inaugural WBBL title. Heat captain Jess Jonassen was later named the Player of the WBBL after another highly consistent season.

The BBL saw the defending champions start brightly enough, with an understrength team winning its opening game against the Stars in the MCG.

However, unlike in previous seasons, the Heat battled to string wins together. Still, the congested nature of this season saw Brisbane among a host of teams in Finals contention right up until the last regular season game.

A loss to the Renegades at Marvel Stadium meant the Heat finished seventh.

The Queensland Bulls finished fourth in the Domestic One Day competition, after being in Finals contention in the last round of regular season games.

The Bulls capped off a resilient 2024-25 Sheffield Shield campaign by reaching the Final, a feat that marked a significant turnaround after some initial early season struggles.

Taking on the front-running Redbacks side, led by former Queensland Nathan McSweeney and coached by ex-Bull Ryan Harris, Queensland was hard-pressed from the outset.

Batting first, Queensland collapsed to 95 all out, with another former Bull Brendan Doggett wreaking havoc for South Australia, claiming 6-31 in the first innings.

South Australia responded with 271 despite an eye-catching effort from teenage paceman Callum Vidler (4-64 from 18 overs).

However, Queensland's second innings was a remarkable turnaround, posting 445, thanks to fighting knocks from Jack Clayton (100) and Jack Wildermuth (111) who produced his second ton in a row against South Australia.

Despite the recovery, South Australia chased down the target of 270 with four wickets in hand, sealing the Shield to end a lengthy time interval between titles.

The men's Second XI won three of their four games in the national Toyota 2nd XI competition. Queensland also welcomed the return of Women's 2nd XI cricket during the season.

The introduction of the Queensland Cricket Academy program in 2024-25 provided excellent opportunities for additional playing experience.

Our youth programs also produced similarly encouraging performances at all national championships, finishing with 22 wins and six losses across the four carnivals.

The Queensland Under-19 Female, Under-16 Female and Under-17 Male all finished second while the Under-19 Men finished third.

In youth cricket, Lucy Hamilton captained Australia at the ICC Under-19 World Cup in Malaysia where Lily Bassingthwaight also represented her country. Sandgate-Redcliffe batter Steve Hogan also toured India with the Australian Under-19 team.

Queensland Country Cricket enjoyed a fine campaign in the Barossa Valley in the Australian Country Championships with the Brahmans (men) and Brolgas (women) producing positive results.

The men finished third while the women narrowly missed out on the title in a hard-fought Final.

Finally, Mackay hosted the National Indigenous Cricket Championships for the first time in April, with Queensland winning the men's competition for the first time since 2013 and the Queensland women finishing as runners-up to first time winners WA.

Congratulations to Queensland men's captain Dylan McLachlan who was player of the final, while Queensland women's captain Christina Coulson was the player of the tournament and went onto captain the Australian Indigenous Women's team on their tour of Papua New Guinea.

ENTERTAINMENT

The BBL14 season saw record fan support at the Gabba, with the club setting a new membership record of 17,960, up from 14,379 in BBL13.

This helped translate into huge crowd numbers, with a total of 132,905 fans coming through the gates at the Gabba across five games at an average attendance of 26,581 per match, up from 24,353 in BBL14.

A total of 141,458 fans attended BBL and WBBL games this summer, a 7% increase from 2023-24.

This included two BBL sell outs, the first time the feat has been achieved in six seasons, plus a sold out WBBL semi-final at Allan Border Field.

The Big Bash League kept its position as Australia's most watched sporting competition on a per-game basis, enjoying a 20% year-on-year increase in viewership across Channel Seven and Foxtel.

The Heat's December 29 game against the Sydney Sixers at the Gabba was watched by an average of 1.09 million viewers, making it the club's highest-rating home and away game since BBL08.

Additionally, WBBL viewership was up 38% per game year-on-year with the competition the most-watched sporting league in Australia across Oct- Nov.

Heat fans were given a glimpse into the making of a BBL championship when 'Reignite: A Brisbane Heat Story' was released last November

The feature length documentary explores the lives and personalities of the Heat's players, and recounts highlights from the club's march to the BBL13 title.

Reignite's release included a 2-week national cinema run through Event Cinemas, free-to-air publication on Channel 7, while also being available to stream on 7Plus and YouTube. Reignite has reached 4.5 million fans across all channels.

The 2024-25 season also saw the Heat continue to entertain fans across all platforms while retaining the mantle as Australia's most-followed club on social media, with 210 million video views.

PARTNERSHIPS

The first year of our partnership with Principal Partner Queensland Country Bank and Major Partner Poolwerx was greatly valued by Queensland Cricket, with strong relationships established throughout our organisations.

We also welcomed Plantation Homes & WARD to our list of partners, which was further enhanced in mid-2025 with the addition of Royal Caribbean as our official Heat Membership and Holidays partner.

Queensland Cricket continues to work diligently and creatively alongside our partners as we look to extend our relationships further

We express our thanks to official sponsors National Storage, the Department of Transport and Main Roads, Toyota, Primo, Cross River Rail, KFC, Department of Justice, Coca Cola, Carlton United Breweries, Diageo, Bulls Masters, Kookaburra, Greg Chappell Cricket Centre, Masuri, Jimmy Rods Barbers, Brisbane Airport Corporation, Nova, Channel Seven, The Courier Mail , GOA, and SEN.

Queensland Cricket has committed to a partnership with the Bulls Masters over the next three years, with the Bulls Masters continuing to undertake coaching and development activities in regional Queensland as well as working with Queensland Cricket's Elite Cricket department and Premier Cricket clubs.

The renewal will see the partnership continue to deliver shared benefits since formally coming together for the first time in 2019.

We are grateful for the wonderful work that past Queensland players do under the auspices of the Bulls Masters organisation.

The partnership complements our day-to-day business in ensuring cricket is a sport for all, and having a strong, aligned relationship assists both bodies to make a real difference to helping our volunteers keep the grassroots flourishing.

Having the Bulls Masters members and our QC field staff working together is a wonderful resource for cricket to tap into.

Elsewhere, we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Cricket PNG during the year to assist with coaching and staff exchanges.

It will support the development of curatorial and coaching education programs, have provision of commercial, marketing and media strategies and offer cricket operation insights.

The MOU also covers a framework of future competitive matches and tour preparation opportunities for PNG teams in Queensland.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Our heartfelt thanks go to our cricket community, valued corporate partners and sponsors for your support and help in making the past summer of cricket such a notable and enjoyable one.

We are buoyed to report that our game and organisation continue to be innovative, ambitious and well-planned. Despite some ongoing challenges, we are confident in our ability to grow the game in Queensland, and we again look forward to working with each of you to secure that future in 2025-26.



The Bulls Masters extended their agreement with Queensland Cricket as Jimmy Maher and Terry Svenson welcomed the partnership.



The Bulls were gallant in their Sheffield Shield Final loss to South Australia.



Georgia Redmayne, Charli Knott and Georgia Voll with Julia Ward and Terry Svenson at the launch of Ward's partnership with Queensland Cricket.



ORGANISATION HIGHLIGHTS



RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN

The third and final year of Queensland Cricket's inaugural Reconciliation Action Plan took place in 2024-25.

As has been the case in the past two years, Queensland Cricket has been able to register notable progress in achieving the initiatives and actions outlined in the RAP.

The 'Innovate' RAP has encompassed a broad range of activities that have helped grow Indigenous cricket opportunities throughout the State.

There was encouraging progress made in each of the key organisational components, including deliverables in each area:

- Relationships
- Respect
- Opportunities
- Governance

The RAP is championed internally within Queensland Cricket by the RAP Working Group and externally through regular meetings with the Queensland First Nations Cricket Advisory Committee.

Initiatives that have been created or enhanced during the Reconciliation Plan that was launched in June 2023 include:

- The repurposing of the Eddie Gilbert Program to focus on entry level growth of cricket within First Nations communities, and delivery of this across the State, including successful visits to Cape York and Far North Queensland and the Torres Strait Islands in 2024-25.
- Delivering First Nations Woolworths Cricket Blast clinics
- Hosting First Nations Rounds within the KFC BBL and Weber WBBL that showcased Aboriginal and Torres Strait musicians and artists and provided fund-raising opportunities to assist the Queensland Cricket Foundation.
- The QCF funding initiatives designed to enhance Indigenous health and well-being, including support for community cricket events such as Team Indigenous Corporation's Stan Alberts Shield in Rockhampton and the Southwest Indigenous Network's Western Rivers Cup in Toowoomba,

- Premier Cricket First Nations rounds played annually
- Permanently naming the northern end of Allan Border Field as the 'Eddie Gilbert End' and welcoming family members to a launch event in 2023.
- Creation of a Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cricket scholarship scheme, with two players touring Sri Lanka in 2024-25
- Integration of First Nations artwork into State representative playing apparel
- Cultural awareness learning opportunities for QC staff including attendance at NRW and NAIDOC Week celebrations and events.
- Hosting the National Indigenous Cricket championships on Yuwibara country at Mackay in April 2025, with the Queensland men's team winning the National title for the first time since 2013 and the Queensland women's team finishing as runners-up.

With final reporting of the Innovate RAP being provided to Reconciliation Australia, Queensland Cricket will now turn to planning for its next Reconciliation Action Plan.





2022-2025 STRATEGY PLAN

Queensland Cricket's strategic plan is a comprehensive document outlining the future of the organisation.

Key to this are the vision, purpose and values outlined in the document.

The purpose is to promote and grow cricket ensuring all Queenslanders can play, participate and enjoy the game.

Our vision is to be Queensland's leading sport, with five key strategic pillars in place to support these aims:



GROW PARTICIPATION

With the current Strategic Plan due to conclude in 2025-26, plans are underway for the next phase of Queensland Cricket's overall strategic intent and action plans to accompany this vision.

During 2024-25, the Board of Directors approved the development of a Ten-Year Vision for the game in Queensland.

This will provide a longer-term vision to significantly grow the game of cricket, along with the infrastructure and facilities across the state.



BETTER TEAMS, PLAYERS & COACHES

It is critical that cricket maximises the opportunities presented by the 2032 Olympics and positions the game to leverage the significant growth of population to the State, as well as ensuring a legacy for the games.

The development of the Ten-Year Vision will be led by a committee chaired by Director Grant Mitchell and supported by Directors John Salter and Bronwyn Atkinson.

The Committee will establish a significant stakeholder engagement program across Queensland to encourage feedback and ideas that will shape the future of the game.



ENTERTAINMENT



ORGANISATIONAL CAPABILITY

Once finalised, the vision will be shared with all our members and stakeholders and will also help formulate the next Queensland Cricket Strategic Plan (2026 - 2030).

It will provide proposed targets for participation and the proposed infrastructure/facilities required across Queensland to achieve greater levels of participation to sustain the game across the State.



INFRASTRUCTURE & FACILITIES

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.



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



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 2024-25, Taverners Queensland supported the Under-17 Premier Cricket competition, the Michael Mainhardt T20 State Indigenous Challenge, as well as backing the Outside The Locker Room mental health partnership for Queensland Premier cricket clubs.



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.



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. The 2024-25 medal recipient was Callum Vidler.



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. The club also provides regular junior coaching clinics.



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.



QUEENSLAND CRICKET FOUNDATION

The Queensland Cricket Foundation delivered its biggest investment in making cricket more accessible for all Queenslanders in 2024-25.

The QCF was pleased to deliver its best year of giving since its inception, raising more than \$280,000 towards its four key pillars to make cricket more accessible and inclusive in Queensland.

Since 2022, the QCF has focussed on fund-raising to support:

- Indigenous Health and Well-being,
- All-Inclusive, Female, and Multicultural Programs,
- Infrastructure and Facilities, and
- Supporting Experiences for Disadvantaged Youth

The past 12 months featured on-going support of existing initiatives such as the QC Multicultural program, Eddie Gilbert Program, QC All-Abilities program and Jodie Purves Young Cricketer Development Scholarship.

With Queensland beset by severe weather events during 2024-25, flooding in Northern Queensland and damage caused by Tropical Cyclone Alfred resulted in relief and recovery grants for several clubs and associations around the State.

Queensland Cricket, through the QC Foundation, made available grants up to \$2000 to assist clubs and associations throughout Queensland to complement Queensland Government grants designed to help sports with their recovery.

The QCF also supported a range of community and cricket-related activities through donations and in-kind backing of \$15,620 during 2024-25.

Fund raising was achieved through QCF events, tax deductible donations and bequests, with such generous support raising valuable funds.

The 2024-25 cricket season saw a record amount of funds raised for charities and the Queensland Cricket Foundation.

A total of \$31,678 was raised via the Heat's match-day 50-50 charity raffle, with benefactors including the KFC Youth Foundation, QC Foundation, swara, Juiced TV, and community cricket clubs.

The Brisbane Heat's KFC BBL match against the Hobart Hurricanes at the Gabba last season coincided with the club's First Nations Round fixture and QC Foundation Giving Day.

A total of \$32,680 was raised on the night for the QC Foundation to fund Indigenous cricket programs across Queensland.

This enabled \$13,000 towards scholarships for young Indigenous players Jordan Bye and Corben Moodie to travel to Sri Lanka on a cricket tour, \$5000 to the Stan Alberts Shield, a major community-based cricket competition in Central Queensland and \$5000 to support Eddie Gilbert Cricket Blast programs and travel to Indigenous communities.

The QC All-Abilities program featured \$20,000 being contributed towards the cost of adaptive cricket programs and regional talent player support. The funding was directed the Sporting Wheelies adaptive cricket program and Alberton-Ormeau All Abilities program.

The QCF also backed several Multicultural Cricket initiatives, including the Multi-nation Cup and Harmony Shield.

With the backing of the Queensland Cricket Foundation, the 12th recipient of the \$2500 Jodie Purves Young Cricketer Development Scholarship was Childers product Catherine White, a fast bowler who plays for the Sunshine Coast Scorchers in the KFC Queensland Premier Cricket competition.

SPONSORSHIP





COMMERCIAL PARTNERS



Queensland Cricket is grateful for the strong backing from our commercial partners as they help support our purpose to promote and grow cricket across Queensland.

The level of commitment that our sponsors bring to cricket allows us to invest crucial funds back into our grassroots to run programs, build infrastructure, purchase equipment, and support volunteers.

New partners were welcomed into the QC family in 2024-25 where the on and off field success of the Brisbane Heat and Queensland Cricket's elite teams saw a growing community of fans engage strongly with our sponsors and their brands.

The off-field success of the Heat that saw sold out stadiums, record membership, major broadcast audience growth, community engagement and impact, and more fans reached on social media, meant Queensland Cricket has been able to deliver significant awareness and growth opportunities for our partners.

Brisbane Heat Principal Partner Queensland Country Bank celebrated its first year with Queensland Cricket, with high profile activities around the WBBL and BBL matches as well as delivering important benefits to community cricket initiatives in locations such as Stanthorpe and Cairns through its Good For Good Community scheme.

Poolwerx also acknowledged its first full year as Major Partner of the Heat, with creative integration into the Brisbane Heat's digital activities.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads continued to connect with cricket fans across the state while spreading the important message of road safety through initiatives such as the StreetSmarts Regional Tour, T20 Schools Challenge, Road Safety Cup and Brisbane Heat Innings Break Show.

National Storage and Toyota continued their existing partnerships to confirm their status as two of the longest standing sponsorships across the Big Bash Leagues.

The Brisbane Heat welcomed Plantation Homes as a sponsor for the first time, featuring on the Heat Men's pants, and were delighted to extend their initial one-year deal following the Big Bash.

The Plantation Homes partnership has a focus on grassroots and community cricket as presenting partner of the Brisbane Heat coaching clinics, while creating community impact opportunities through initiatives such as the House For Life auction that raises money for the Mater Little Miracles.

Civil construction firm Ward utilised their partnership with Queensland Cricket to enter the Queensland market, with the Sydney based

organisation focusing their efforts on growing the women's game. As part of a multi-year partnership, Ward featured on the front of the Queensland Fire jersey and the pants of the Heat WBBL team, while also sponsoring Queensland Cricket's Women's and Girls Conference and investing money into the Queensland Cricket Foundation to support girls cricket initiatives.

Another first-time presenting partner was the KFC Youth Foundation, which joined with the Brisbane Heat as the naming rights partner for the New Year's Bash game at the Gabba.

This amplified the existing long-term partnership between Queensland Cricket and KFC. KFC's connection to grassroots cricket continued through the ongoing support of the KFC T20 Max and KFC Queensland Premier Cricket competitions. T20 Max is widely regarded as one of cricket's leading T20 competitions under the BBL and WBBL, and we are thankful for KFC's support after backing the competition from its inception.

Iconic cricket retail brand Greg Chappell Cricket Centre joined Queensland Cricket as a partner for the first time, featuring on the Queensland Bulls, Fire and pathway teams. They were joined by Carlton United Breweries as Bulls apparel partners alongside the Department of Transport and Main Roads. QC is delighted to extend CUB's partnership for another two years from

2025-26 that will see Great Northern feature on the Bulls kit.

Queensland Cricket also extended key sponsorships ahead of the 2024-25 summer, with Toyota, KFC, Primo, Coca-Cola, Cross River Rail and Brisbane Airport Corporation all re-committing.

They joined Department of Justice (Forget the Bet), Jimmy Rods Barbers and Diageo across the Heat and Queensland Cricket.

The coming year will see Queensland Cricket welcome more new partners, with Royal Caribbean signing on as the Official Membership and Holiday Partner of the Heat, alongside Minor Hotels agreeing to become the preferred hotel partner of the Brisbane Heat and Queensland Cricket for the next three years, plus corporate travel partner Stage and Screen.

The Bulls Masters renewed their important community partnership with Queensland Cricket for a further three years.

Media partnerships with Nova, Channel 7, The Courier-Mail, SEN, and Goa were also welcomed in the reporting period.



INFRASTRUCTURE



The 2024-25 Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF) saw two rounds of funding applications assessed and finalised, with significant sums again allocated to improving vital cricket infrastructure around Queensland.

In total, there was \$1,113,661 of funding awarded to projects in Queensland, with the investment generating a total project value of \$6.64 million for a variety of infrastructure.

Through the ACIF, Queensland Cricket and Cricket Australia provide clubs, associations, schools, councils, and other cricket facility managers with the opportunity to apply for seed funding for cricket facility projects that are prioritised under the Queensland Cricket Infrastructure Strategy 2023-2028.

Amongst the 45 successful applicants, 24 were from regional Queensland, including Proserpine Junior Cricket Association (Proserpine Cricket Grounds, Proserpine), Bundaberg Cricket Association (Kendall Flat, Bundaberg), Cairns Cricket Association (Endeavour Park, Cairns) and Walkerston Cricket Club (McLennan Park, Walkerston).

Queensland Cricket's strategic priorities were progressed in the 2024-25 funding portion, through 'lighting up' cricket fields and training facilities across Queensland.

Included within these successful applicants for lighting upgrades were Goondiwindi Regional Council (Riddles Oval, Goondiwindi), Noosa Shire Council (Cooroy Sportsground, Cooroy and Mackay Cricket Association Inc (Harrup Park, Mackay).

Queensland Sub-Districts Cricket Association received a lighting upgrade to Class V (300lux) to Gibson Park North, as well as seed funding to deliver 300lux to the Southern Field.

With Toombul's home ground at Ken Mackay Oval benefitting from a major lighting upgrade last season, the Ipswich Hornets are now enjoying upgraded lighting at Baxter Oval through the Ipswich City Council.

This lighting project delivered Class III (750lux) to Baxter Oval at the Ivor Marsden Complex.

This council delivered project completed a long-term and strategic ACIF funding agreement,

reducing the total value of outstanding ACIF funding whilst delivering a great outcome for premier and community cricket.

Progress was also made towards the Women and Girls Action Plan for Australian Cricket, through the allocation of funding towards the refurbishment of the changerooms and amenities at Landsborough Sports Club (Landsborough Cricket Club) and Warehouse Cricket Association, for the construction of a new inclusive changeroom and amenities at Marchant Park.

Project types applied for include lighting - nets and outfield, inclusive change facilities, synthetic pitches - new and refurbishments, net complexes - refurbishments, turf pitch extensions, field remediation, shade structures, solar and irrigation.

Additionally, QC has benefited from actively engaging with local government to identify other opportunities that will produce community benefits aligned to cricket infrastructure.

For example, during 2024-25, the Brisbane City Council identified a grant of \$200,000 for Sandgate Redcliffe District Cricket Club to deliver a range of improvements at Deagon Sportsground.

Other examples of engagement that QC believes will be beneficial in the future include:

- A project proposal to the Department of Education Facilities team to deliver a new pitch at Wellington Point State School, as a pilot for the School Cricket Infrastructure Program. This has been determined as the next step by the Department to progress a partnership.
- Gabba Sporting Products have delivered the installation of the Hybrid Pitch at Wynnum Manly District Cricket Club. This is a collaboration between Brisbane City Council, Wynnum Manly DCC, CA & QC. Once fixtures commence on the pitch, qualitative and quantitative reporting will be carried out, to understand the future viability of the product.

Queensland Cricket will continue to work with government and community cricket partners to invest in the projects that capitalise on opportunities to improve facility provision and quality and reduce barriers to participation at all levels of cricket.





GROWING PARTICIPATION

PARTICIPATION

At the conclusion of the census period for the 2024-25 season, Queensland Cricket recorded an 11% statewide year-on-year growth in unique ID participation among 5-12-year-olds, reflecting strong participation at the grassroots level.

This growth highlights the success of both targeted efforts at attracting new participants to the game, as well as implementing strategies to retain those players through coach education and quality competitions.

Queensland also experienced 12% growth YOY in Junior Cricket overall whilst Senior Cricket remained flat with a small 1% increase on the prior year.

With planning now underway for the 2025/26 season, the focus will shift to building on this momentum by setting a new target of a further 15% year-on-year growth for total 5-12-year-old participation as well as a substantial increase of our market share for sports here in Queensland.

Highlights within this growth include 20% of our 5-12-year-old participants being girls.

This is an 8% growth on prior year. 37% of our overall 5-12-year-old participation is made up by participants from a South Asian background.

Queensland Cricket continues to advance its Women & Girls strategy with the introduction of two key initiatives in 2024-25 that were aimed at improving entry-level experiences and club engagement.

The newly launched W&G Clubhouse Cricket program provided fun, inclusive cricket experiences for girls aged 8-12, supporting retention and progression through the cricket pathway.

To complement this, the W&G Toolkit is being further developed to equip clubs with practical resources and promotional tools that foster inclusive environments and drive female participation.

In addition, Queensland Cricket continues to generate a dedicated portfolio of female-focused marketing content, including branded merchandise and video promotions, ensuring that our messaging and materials resonate with girls and women across all levels of the game.



Lilli Hamilton, who started playing junior girls' cricket in Toowoomba, made her Queensland Fire debut.



Catherine White, from the Isis Cricket Club in Childers, representing Queensland Country.

CRICKET IN SCHOOLS



The key period in schools in 2024-25 was the Term 2 Sporting School programs that saw 27 schools engage with us for a total of 1834 students participating in cricket.

This is an increase of 17% from Term 2, 2024 and a total of \$39,461 being spent by schools on cricket programs.

The new Big Bash Schools Challenge program has launched across the country with a free promotional window offered to schools.

Queensland had the largest number of schools take up this program with 59 schools registered for the program.

The number of Queensland Cricket Partner Schools has now reached 111 with schools across Queensland engaging with us more than ever through this initiative.

This partnership program ensures schools offer cricket in school through HPE curriculum time and schools must promote local club opportunities to their students.

The StreetSmarts T20 Secondary Schools Challenge was again delivered successfully with boys' and girls' teams from across the State coming together to participate, including representatives from Cairns, Townsville, Mackay, Rockhampton, Nanango, Kingaroy, South-East Queensland and across Metro regions.

COACH DEVELOPMENT



The Coach and Talent Specialist (CATS) group was highly engaged in community cricket in the 2024-25 season.

The CATS staff facilitated 104 Community Coach (Level 1) Courses across the state, with 629 total coaches, 22 Advanced Community Coach (Level 1.5) Courses across the state, with 162 coaches, and 249 direct coach support visits at clubs.

Staff also played a key role in Talent Identification at Queensland Junior Cricket Carnivals, working with zone stakeholders and coaches to ensure we uncover upcoming talent, despite some less than favourable weather during the various titles.

We also assisted individual club needs through tailored skill-based Masterclasses.

The Stage 2 carnivals in April also provided further mentorship opportunities for identified coaches from the community, getting to coach alongside CATS at these events.

The CATS have also facilitated both a Regional and Metro based Representative (Level 2) Coaching Course, with the regional course being run in Rockhampton.

COMPETITIONS

The Competition Administration team focused on consolidating roles and functions to enhance efficiency and support the onboarding of new associations during 2024-25.

This process aims to streamline administration, improve competition management, and ensure a smooth transition for new associations, strengthening the overall competition administration within community cricket.

ACTIVE INDUSTRY BASE FUND OVERVIEW

The Active Industry Base Fund, administered by the Queensland Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport, provides targeted financial support to strengthen the sport and recreation workforce across the State.

Queensland Cricket received \$150,000 through this fund to deliver a range of strategic initiatives aimed at enhancing coach development, improving competition systems, and fostering inclusive practices across the cricket community.

- Delivery of a Women and Girls Coach Mentoring Program, identifying two female coaches within each cricket region.
- Delivery of the Women and Girls in Cricket Conference.
- Delivery of face-to-face First Nations cultural awareness training for leadership and First Nations-facing roles.
- Delivery of coach accreditation programs:
 - Entry Level (12 programs)
 - Community Level (24 programs)
 - Advanced Community Level (12 programs)
 - Representative Level (2 programs)
- Development of program and competition management and support resources.
- Review and upgrade of current competition management systems to align with the implementation of professionally delivered competitions.

BRUCE DEEM TRIBUTE

Queensland Cricket bade a fond farewell to one of our longest-serving community cricket members during 2024-25, with Bruce Deem retiring.

Bruce has been a mainstay of the Community Cricket department for the past 17 years across the regions of Darling Downs and South West QLD, Central QLD, Mackay Whitsundays & Wide Bay.

Bruce started with QC in the role of Regional Cricket Manager on the Darling Downs in October 2008 and most recently has been the Coaching & Talent Specialist in Wide Bay.

Regardless of his titles, he has maintained a strong focus on getting more girls and boys playing the game as well as assisting the local clubs and associations.

A qualified umpire, he will continue to have close ties to the game and Queensland Cricket thanks and congratulates him for making such a significant contribution.

Bruce will stay involved in cricket locally with his local clubs. He is a qualified umpire and will have some more time to sharpen his skills.



2024/25
**VOLUNTEERS
OF THE YEAR**
KASPA'S CREW

Mischa Grummitt
(North Queensland)

Henry Winters
(Far North Queensland)

Tony Walsh
(Central Queensland)

Mike Hope
(Mackay Whitsundays)

Matt Finch
(Bayside, East & Redlands)

Paul Wruck
(Sunshine Coast)

Stacey Morris
(Darling Downs)

Anneka Lickiss
(Gold Coast)

Danny Shepperson
(Wide Bay)

Dan Moyle
(Brisbane North)

Vinay Bhat
(South East Queensland)

Frank Henry
(Met South West)



VOLUNTEERS

Queensland Cricket formally recognised the outstanding work of the volunteers who provide so much energy and commitment to the game when they made their annual Volunteer of the Year awards in 2024-25

The volunteers operate under the banner of Kaspas Crew, the Queensland Cricket Volunteer Recognition program, which strode purposefully into its 22nd year.

With Michael Kasproicz on hand, the 12 volunteers from each respective zone or association were celebrated at the annual Queensland Cricket Awards Dinner in April 2025.

The Gala featured the announcement that the Queensland Cricket Volunteer of the Year for 2025 was Mischa Grummitt from the Mt Isa Cricket Club.

Before Mischa Grummitt there had been no junior cricket in Mt Isa. There were cricket pitches and fields, but no volunteer base to support it, with official junior cricket fixtures a thing of the past.

After attending a Queensland Cricket 'come-and-try' Woolworths Blast event with his children in

2023, the Mt Isa firefighter approached QC and asked how he might go about giving junior cricket new life in the north-west of the State.

He quickly established a connection with the Barkly Highway State School as a host venue and began the process of starting the Mt Isa Junior Cricket Association in 2023-24. The response was huge. The 40 spots in the initial Woolworths Cricket Blast program sold out in days.

Buoyed by this success, Mischa aimed higher in 2024-25, creating a Junior Cricket pathway for kids off the back of the previous season's Blast program.

Their Cricket Blast program had 29 new registrations, while 42 kids turned out for Junior Cricket, with participants coming from far and wide to join in at Mt Isa.

He also led the push for funding to upgrade the state school's cricket nets, and along with a committed group of volunteers laid the cement, built the nets and glued the astroturf to create a safe and practical environment for the growing and of young cricketers.



COMMUNITY CRICKET AWARDS 2024/25

2024/25

CRICKET CLUB OF THE YEAR



YARALLA CC

2024/25

ASSOCIATION OF THE YEAR



ROCKHAMPTON CC

2024/25

YOUNG LEADER OF THE YEAR



#1
NATIONAL
WINNER

HENRY LAND

2024/25

COACH OF THE YEAR



BEDE BOUZAID - GLADSTONE

2024/25

MATCH OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR



JOHN FITZGERALD - TOOWOOMBA

2024/25

CRICKET BLAST COORDINATOR OF THE YEAR



TIM CLOSE - BOWEN

2024/25

JUNIOR INITIATIVE AWARD



GBR RAYS KINDY CRICKET PROGRAM
MACKAY CRICKET ASSOCIATION

2024/25

WOMEN & GIRLS INITIATIVE AWARD



MACKAY CRICKET ASSOCIATION'S
KOMATSU LADIES T20 SMASH

2024/25

INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY AWARD



CAPRICORN COAST CC

2024/25

CELEBRATING CRICKET IN SCHOOLS AWARD



#1
NATIONAL
WINNER

ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE,
CAIRNS

2024/25

FACILITY PROJECT AWARD



SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL SPORTS
COMPLEX

2024/25

INDOOR FACILITY OF THE YEAR



ROCKHAMPTON
SPORTS ARENA

ROCKHAMPTON INDOOR CENTRE

2024/25

PARTNERSHIP OF THE YEAR



QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE &
WATERFORD WEST STATE SCHOOL

2024/25

MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY AWARD



BONOGIN VALLEY BULLS + OCEAN
ROAD MAGAZINE



INCLUSION

The 2024-25 National Cricket Inclusion Championships was held for the third consecutive year at Marchant Park in Brisbane in January.

Queensland was represented by 54 players across four teams.

The teams featured Cricketers with an Intellectual Disability (Mixed), Blind Low Vision (Mixed), Deaf, Hard of Hearing (Men), and Deaf, Hard of Hearing (Women).

The Deaf Hard of Hearing (Men) reached the grand final but fell short against Victoria which won by eight wickets.

The Intellectual Disability team and Blind Low Vision team both made it to the semi-finals but were defeated by South Australia, while the Deaf Hard of Hearing (Women) finished second in the round-robin.

The tournament was a fantastic showcase of cricket's inclusivity, reinforcing the sport's commitment to providing opportunities for all and highlighting the importance of accessible pathways for athletes of all abilities.

Queensland Cricket's commitment to inclusivity took a significant step forward in October 2024 as the Queensland Blind Cricket Association (QBCA) launched its inaugural Woolworths Cricket Blast program this season.

The program is designed to introduce young vision-impaired participants to the game of cricket, aligning with Cricket Australia's national entry-level initiative.

While QBCA has previously run junior programs, this new chapter is made possible through



Kryna Crump with Australian players Alex Carey and Nathan Lyon at the National inclusion championships in Brisbane. She was Queensland's first female player in the state's Intellectual Disability (ID) side.



Eliza Flynn from Queensland Cricket with participants in the Wheelchair Cricket event in conjunction with the Sporting Wheelies.

additional funding from the Woolworths Cricket Fund.

The funding will allow the association to expand its reach and offer a structured pathway for young players to experience the game in a supportive and accessible environment.

Members of Queensland's Blind cricket team, including current Australian captains Matthew McCarthy and Julie Neumann, also travelled to Townsville for a "Have a Go" community day alongside Vision Australia during 2024-25.

MULTICULTURAL

Queensland Cricket's commitment to fostering diversity was highlighted in 2024-25 with the completion of the second Multinational Challengers Trophy, a key initiative of the ongoing Multicultural Action Plan.

The tournament saw Team Pakistan, backed by the Pakistan Australian Cultural Association, claim their second consecutive title in a thrilling final against newcomers Team Afghanistan.

The event, hosted by Cricket Ipswich, was a celebration of both sport and multiculturalism, underscoring the growing engagement between Queensland Cricket and South Asian communities.

Afghanistan, participating in their first tournament, batted first and posted an impressive 136 after 20 overs, thanks to standout performances from opener Samim Ehsan (31), Tameem Ahmad (23* not out), and a late surge from Nasrat Hashimi (24).

The Pakistani bowlers, led by Zaki Abro's outstanding 3/16, managed to keep the Afghan batting line-up in check despite the strong start.

Pakistan's chase saw contributions from middle-order batsmen Hassan Nawaz (40) and Bilal Shah (24), setting up a nail-biting finish.

Despite a late flurry of wickets, Zaki Abro, batting 10* not out, calmly guided Pakistan to victory, hitting a boundary for four with three balls to spare.

Queensland Cricket signed Memorandums of Understanding (MoU's) with key multicultural community groups, including the Pakistan Australian Cultural Association, Afghan Warriors Cricket Club, Queensland Nepalese Cricket Association, the Bangladesh Association in Brisbane, Brisbane Maratha Warriors Cricket Club and the Queensland Kannadigas Cultural & Sports Society Inc.

Elements within the MoU's include embedding the Woolworths Cricket Blast program into community group offerings, transitioning grassroots competitions to utilise the PlayHQ competition management system, and providing accreditation training for coaches and umpires.



These initiatives aim to further integrate multicultural communities into the Queensland Cricket ecosystem.

An exciting initiative that was tested in 2024-25 was a social format created by Cricket Australia.

The Smash Series Multicultural Tapeball pilot is designed to attract and retain diverse participant groups through fast-paced, inclusive, and easy-to-deliver cricket experiences.

Queensland Cricket has piloted this format with two successful tapeball competitions, showcasing its potential to engage multicultural communities and junior participants.

The first event, the Rising Stars Junior Tapeball Smash was held at South Brisbane District Cricket Club, featured eight teams and saw boys and girls competing side-by-side in a spirited Under-13 tournament.

The second event, the Mackay Multicultural Tapeball Smash, brought together six teams representing various multicultural communities in a full-day tournament at Great Barrier Reef Arena.

These pilots have demonstrated strong community interest, cultural relevance, and the potential for Smash Series Cricket to become a scalable product in 2025-26 that supports Queensland Cricket's strategic goals around inclusion, participation growth, and regional engagement.



Georgia Voll celebrates her maiden ODI century.

BETTER PLAYERS, COACHES & TEAMS

2024/25 QLD TEAM STANDINGS

BRISBANE HEAT - 7TH
BBL|14

BRISBANE HEAT - 2ND
WBBL|10

QUEENSLAND FIRE - 2ND
WNCL

QUEENSLAND BULLS - 4TH
ONE DAY CUP

QUEENSLAND BULLS - 2ND
SHEFFIELD SHIELD

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES

MEN

Xavier Bartlett (Gold Coast)

Usman Khawaja (Valley)

Marnus Labuschagne (Redlands)

WOMEN

Grace Harris (West's)

Georgia Voll (Sandgate-Redcliffe)



CRICKET
AUSTRALIA



Charli Knott in action for Australia 'A'.

HIGHLIGHTS

Australian representation from Queenslanders was noteworthy across 2024-25.

In the men's space, Xavier Bartlett, Usman Khawaja and Marnus Labuschagne all represented Australia with success across the summer.

Khawaja saved his best for the end of season tour of Sri Lanka, where his maiden double century in the First Test in Galle saw him join Queensland and Australian legend Allan Border as the only players to have scored Test centuries in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Khawaja's mighty knock of 232 saw him join Sir Donald Bradman as the only Australians to achieve this feat after the age of 38, while it was the first double century for an Australian batter in Sri Lanka.

The innings included a 266-run partnership with Steve Smith and a 146-run partnership with Josh Inglis.

In the women's game, Georgia Voll was a clear stand-out, as she joined Grace Harris as regular selections in the Australian Women's team set-up.

Voll, who won the Domestic Women's Player of the Year at the Australian Cricket Awards, made her Test, ODI and T20I debuts during the Women's Ashes whitewash, while Harris played T20I games during the series.

Voll shone brightly in the early stages of her international career, scoring a maiden century off just 84 balls against India at her home ground of Allan Border Field in just her second ODI.

Charli Knott earned timely recognition with her inclusion in the Australian team as an injury replacement for the T20 tour of New Zealand at the end of the season.

Australia 'A' also served as a popular proving ground for Queensland players, with National Selection Panels opting to test several players in different formats under the 'A' team banner across the 12 months of the reporting period.

The women's representation saw Charli Knott, Grace Parsons, Nic Hancock, Sianna Ginger, Courtney Sippel and Voll play for Australia 'A'.

In the men, Australia 'A' opportunities came in season and out of season, with Xavier Bartlett, Jimmy Peirson, Mark Steketee, Michael Neser, Matt Renshaw and Zanden Jeh, who was selected out of Queensland Premier Cricket, all enjoying the chance to play competitive series against international opposition.

In youth cricket, Lucy Hamilton captained Australia at the ICC Under-19 World Cup in Malaysia where Lily Bassingthwaighe also represented her country.

Young Sandgate-Redcliffe batter Steve Hogan also toured India with the Australian Under-19 team, scoring a century in the opening One Day game of the tour.



2024/25 OLD BULLS SQUAD

Xavier Bartlett (Gold Coast)
Usman Khawaja (Valley)
Marnus Labuschagne (Redlands)
Max Bryant (Valley)
Hugo Burdon (Gold Coast)
Jack Clayton (University of Qld)
Liam Guthrie (Wynnum-Manly)
Lachlan Hearne (Toombul)
Angus Lovell (University of Qld)
Ben McDermott (Gold Coast)
Michael Naser (Gold Coast)
Jimmy Pierson (Redlands)
Matthew Renshaw (Toombul)
Gurinder Sandhu (South Brisbane)
Jack Sinfield (Redlands)
Mark Steketee (Valley)
Connor Sully (Norths)
Mitch Swepson (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Bryce Street (University of Qld)
Callum Vidler (Valley) NEW
Hugh Weibgen (Valley) NEW
Jack Wildermuth (Valley)

ROOKIES:
Tom Whitney (West)
Lachy Aitken (Gold Coast)
Jem Ryan (Ipswich)
Tom Straker (Valley)



BULLS 2024/25 SEASON WRAP

The Queensland Bulls 2024-25 season is best described as a corner turned, and bold steps taken towards success.

Queensland took significant strides as a group after a disappointing 2023-24 season campaign in both first class and List A competitions.

The Bulls capped off a resilient 2024-25 Sheffield Shield campaign by reaching the Final, a feat that marked a significant turnaround after some initial early season struggles.

Finishing second on the ladder, the Bulls secured their place in the decider with a gritty draw against the Final hosts South Australia in the last regular season game of the season, earning crucial bonus points thanks to centuries from Jimmy Pierson and Jack Wildermuth.

This performance edged out rivals Victoria and NSW, which had also been in contention for the second spot.

Despite the best efforts of Cricket Australia and the SACA to play the Final at the Adelaide Oval, the decider was held at Karen Rolton Oval when ground sharing arrangements with the AFL proved impossible to lock in.

Taking on the front-running Redbacks side, led by former Queensland Nathan McSweeney and coached by ex-Bull Ryan Harris, Queensland was hard-pressed from the outset.

Batting first, Queensland collapsed to 95 all out, with another former Bull Brendan Doggett wreaking havoc for South Australia, claiming 6-31 in the first innings.

South Australia responded with 271 despite an eye-catching effort from teenage paceman Callum Vidler (4-64 from 18 overs).

However, Queensland's second innings was a remarkable turnaround, posting 445, thanks to fighting knocks from Jack Clayton (100) and Wildermuth (111) who produced his second ton in a row against South Australia.

Despite the recovery, South Australia chased down the target of 270 with four wickets in hand, sealing the Shield to end a lengthy time interval between titles.

Queensland's best performed players across the first-class season included their leading runs-scorer Jack Clayton (687 runs at 45.80), Pierson (627 runs at 41.80) and Ben McDermott (572 runs at 33.64). Pleasingly, there were nine centuries scored by the Bulls batting group, including a maiden Shield ton by Angus Lovell (146no).

Despite suffering a hamstring injury while playing for Australia A that sidelined him midway through the season, Michael Naser produced a string of telling performances that propelled the Bulls into the Shield Final.

He made an impact in each of the seven Shield games he played, finishing as the equal leading wicket-taker alongside Mark Steketee with 31 wickets at 20.90, including 21 in his last five games.

In the One Day Cup, Queensland finished fourth in a tightly packed table that saw them one win away from making the Final.

A no-result and two losses to open the season appeared to offer slim pickings for the Bulls in their quest for the newly-named Dean Jones Cup, but a fine win against South Australia prior to the BBL break, followed by back to back wins over Tasmania and NSW post Big Bash certainly marked a positive campaign.

Left-hander Matt Renshaw was a white-ball stand-out for the Bulls, hitting 305 runs at 50.83, while Lachlan Hearne (277 at 46.16), Wildermuth, Pierson and Usman Khawaja all delivered key performances with the bat.

Leg-spinner Mitch Swepson claimed 10 wickets to lead the way with the ball.

With a strong foundation and promising talent, the Bulls will look to build on this campaign and aim for continued positive outcomes in the 2025-26 season.



Matthew Renshaw



Michael Naser



Lachlan Hearne



2024/25 OLD FIRE SQUAD

Grace Harris (Wests)
Jess Jonassen (Valley)
Lily Bassingthwaighe (Wests)
Bonnie Berry (Sunshine Coast)
Lucinda Burke (Valley)
Sianna Ginger (Valley)
Lucy Hamilton (Sunshine Coast)
Nicola Hancock (University of Qld)
Laura Harris (University of Qld)
Kira Holmes (Valley)
Charli Knott (University of Qld)
Grace Parsons (Wests)
Georgia Redmayne (Wests)
Courtney Sippel (Wests)
Georgia Voll (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Lauren Winfield-Hill (UK)
Mikayla Wrigley (Sunshine Coast)



Lucy Hamilton



The Fire celebrate a wicket.



Georgia Redmayne

FIRE 2024/25 SEASON WRAP

The Queensland Fire delivered a strong and consistent campaign in the 2024-25 Women's National Cricket League, finishing the regular season atop the ladder and earning the right to host the Final at Allan Border Field.

Their WNCL season was marked by dominant performances, particularly from rising star Charli Knott, who led the Fire with 556 runs at an average of 54.54 and was subsequently included in Australia's squad that toured New Zealand at the end of the season.

As well as captaining Australia 'A', it was the first time Knott had been named in the National squad, joining fellow Queenslanders Grace Harris and breakout international star Georgia Voll for the three T20 Internationals against the White Ferns.

Knott's contributions included back-to-back innings of 87* and 62 against Victoria, as well as her maiden WNCL century (110) against South Australia at the Adelaide Oval.

She was also named the Fire Player of the Year in the wake of her best all-round season in the WNCL, with her total of 556 the most runs hit by a Queenslander in a single season.

She is only the second Fire player to pass the 500-run mark, after Georgia Redmayne, who finished with 546 runs at 45.50. The Fire keeper/batter also claimed 17 dismissals, with 15 catches and two stumpings.

Grace Harris also played a key role during the season, including a memorable century (140 off 78 balls) against defending champions Tasmania that lifted the Fire into top spot on the ladder.

The Fire's batting was a dominant factor across the season. Their effort in successfully chasing down Victoria's total of 5-295 to cruise to 3-299 with 10.3 overs remaining.

It was Queensland's highest run chase, eclipsing their previous best of 250 last year against Tasmania.

It followed two earlier strong team batting efforts against South Australia when the Fire put on 7-327 and 5-312 against the Scorpions at the Adelaide Oval.

Against Victoria, returning Australian player Georgia Voll went agonisingly close to a century in her first game back for Queensland since making her national T20, ODI and Test debut during the Ashes whitewash of England. She hit 94 from 75 balls.

Captain Jess Jonassen finished as Queensland's leading wicket-taker with 20 wickets at 19.80 while pace bowler Nicola Hancock had 18 dismissals.

Despite their regular season dominance, the Fire fell short in the final, losing to New South Wales, which claimed the Ruth Preddy Cup.

The match, held under lights at Allan Border Field, saw NSW outplay Queensland in key moments to secure the championship, despite a defiant innings from captain Georgia Redmayne who top-scored with 97 before luck turned against her and the home side.

Redmayne was at the non-striker's end when Nicola Hancock smashed Lauren Cheatle's delivery straight back at the bowler. Cheatle dropped the return catch, but the ball deflected off her hands and onto the stumps, catching a stunned Redmayne well out of her crease.

Despite her heroics, the Fire was dismissed 21 runs short of their target of 215, missing a chance to add the State's second WNCL title to the ledger.

There were promising signs from the likes of leg-spinner Grace Parsons, all-rounder Sianna Ginger and left-arm pace bowler Lucy Hamilton.

The Fire's season, though ending in heartbreak, reaffirmed their status as one of the premier teams in Australian domestic women's cricket.

Rising talents Lucy Bourke, Lilli Hamilton, Lily Bassingthwaighe and Mikayla Wrigley all made their debuts for Queensland during the summer.

With a strong core of players and promising talent emerging, Queensland will be eager to build on this campaign and aim for redemption in the 2025-26 season.



Lily Bassingthwaighe



2024/25 BBL|14 SQUAD

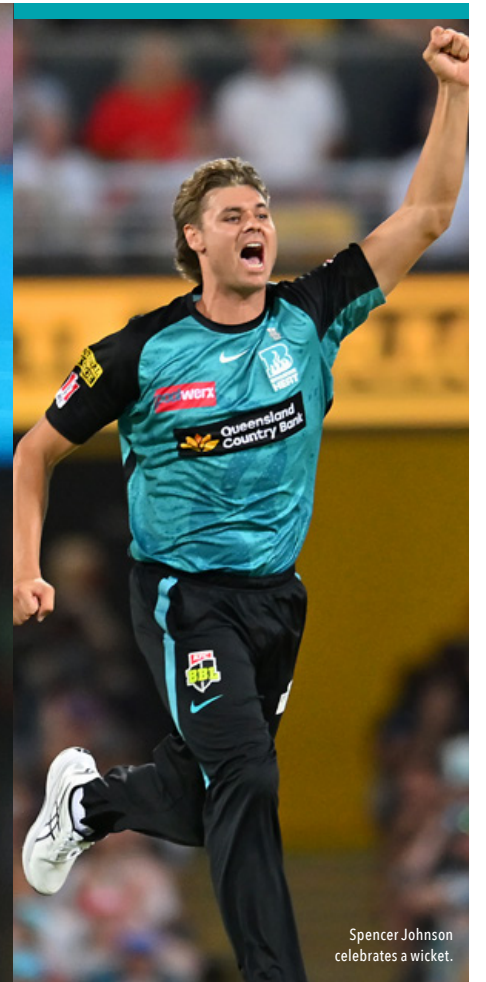
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Max Bryant
Daniel Drew (LRP)
Spencer Johnson
Usman Khawaja
Matthew Kuhnemann
Marnus Labuschagne
Nathan McSweeney
Colin Munro (NZ)
Michael Naser
Jimmy Peirson
Will Prestwidge
Matthew Renshaw
Mitchell Swepson
Tom Straker (LRP)
Callum Vidler
Paul Walter (Eng)
Tom Whitney (LRP)
Jack Wildermuth
Jack Wood



Matthew Renshaw in action for the Heat.



Tom Alsop and Marnus Labuschagne



Spencer Johnson celebrates a wicket.



Usman Khawaja



Xavier Bartlett celebrates a wicket.

HEAT BBL|14 SEASON WRAP

A season of contrasts for the Brisbane Heat in the KFC Big Bash League, with the smooth sailing of their BBL|13 championship summer replaced by choppy waters in BBL|14.

Unlike the previous season when the essential playing group line-up barely changed, the Heat's 2024-25 campaign was punctuated by injuries and disruption, with as many as nine players from their first-choice XI missing games due to injury and international selection.

After using the same six bowlers during their entire BBL|13 championship campaign, the Heat's depth was tested immensely in BBL|14 with star quicks Michael Naser (hamstring) and Spencer Johnson (foot) injured to start the season.

Injuries to their international recruits Colin Munro, Tom Alsop and Paul Walters meant the Heat's continuity was reduced to a game-by-game basis.

The team had three captains during the season, with Usman Khawaja, Munro and Mitch Swepson all taking charge during the competition.

After winning their first two matches with an understrength side, the Heat only managed one win for the rest of the season as they dropped to second last in the standings.

There were some bright spots however, with Matthew Renshaw and Max Bryant enhancing their reputations as genuine T20 impact batters.

Their effort against the Sydney Thunder at the Gabba was a case in point as they combined for a stirring run-chase to bring up the team's third victory of the season.

Chasing 174, the Heat were 3-53 at the halfway 10-over mark but the pair helped the Heat surge to victory with a 108-run partnership. Renshaw finished 48 not out while Bryant delivered an imperious 72 from 35 balls.

Renshaw finished as the team's leading runs-scorer with 280 at 35.00 and a strike-rate of 169.69.

Test batter Marnus Labuschagne provided an eye-catching cameo in the only game he played for the Heat, crunching 77 from 44 balls against the eventual champions Hobart at the Gabba.

The Heat's bowling was less dominant than the previous year, with Johnson claiming 13 wickets at 17.76 with an economy rate of 8.25.

Wicketkeeper-batter Tom Alsop finished his first season in the BBL strongly after overcoming a quad injury with scores of 39 against the Hurricanes

and 42 not out against the Renegades. Fellow Englishman Tom Banton (39 runs at 13) returned to the Heat for three games while Alsop was injured.

The Heat also activated South Australian Daniel Drew and pacemen Tom Whitney and Tom Straker as Local Replacement Players during the competition, with Drew and Whitney making their Heat debuts.

Despite the trials and tribulations, the Heat were a mathematical chance of finishing fourth right up until the last game, when a fine team batting performance against the Melbourne Renegades was overshadowed by a Jake Fraser-McGurk special of 95.

Brisbane did have some joy in the post-season, awarded the coveted number one draft pick in the International Player Draft which they used to draft Pakistan superstar Shaheen Shah Afridi.



2024/25 WBBL|10 SQUAD

Jess Jonassen (c)
Lily Basingthwaighe (LRP)
Bonnie Berry
Lucy Bourke
Sianna Ginger
Lucy Hamilton
Nicola Hancock
Grace Harris
Laura Harris
Nadine de Klerk (SA)
Charli Knott
Shikha Pandey (India)
Grace Parsons
Georgia Redmayne
Jemimah Rodrigues (India)
Ruby Strange (LRP)
Lauren Winfield-Hill (Eng - IRP)
Mikayla Wrigley



HEAT WBBL|10 SEASON WRAP

The 2024-25 Weber Women's Big Bash League finished as almost a carbon-copy of the previous season for the WBBL Brisbane Heat.

For the second season in a row, the Heat finished as runners-up with the Melbourne Renegades taking over the role of vanquisher from the Adelaide Strikers.

A winning streak of six games in a row saw the Heat hit the Final at the MCG with plenty of momentum and, but for an untimely weather break, had their chance to clinch the club's third title.

Despite the best efforts of Heat captain and joint player of the tournament Jess Jonassen, who finished 44no, the trophy was claimed for the first time by the Renegades.

Jonassen, who will start her 11th season with the Heat as the all-time leading wicket-taker in the Big Bash with 179 wickets, finished WBBL|10 with 17 wickets and 218 runs.

As well as Jonassen, the Heat's batting output was well spread between Grace Harris (277 runs), Jemimah Rodrigues (267 runs) and Georgia Redmayne (228 runs).

Redmayne led the way in the Challenger Final, hitting 50 off 41 against the Thunder as Brisbane made light work of their chase to win by nine wickets.

Rising stars Lucy Hamilton and Grace Parsons again showcased their skills, with 18-year-old Hamilton finishing the tournament with 12 wickets in seven games, including a League-leading economy rate of 5.00.

Hamilton claimed the equal-second best figures in the competition's 10-year history, with her 5-8 helping the Heat bowl the Melbourne Stars out for 138 at Sydney's Drummoyne Oval.

The Australian Under-19 captain also became the first Heat bowler in history to take a five-wicket haul in the WBBL.

Parsons, in her first season, also took 12 wickets with a fine showing in the Challenger Final where she claimed 3-10.

Pace bowlers Nicola Hancock and Shikha Pandey also took 12 wickets each, with Pandey subsequently included in the official WBBL Team of the Tournament.

T20 SPRING CHALLENGE

Cricket Australia introduced a second tier T20 competition in 2024-25, designed to provide additional T20 exposure for players ahead of the WBBL.

The eight Big Bash clubs as well as the Australia Capital Territory competed in the tournament that was staged in Adelaide and Sydney.

The Brisbane squad finished runners-up, losing to Hobart Hurricanes in the Final.

T20 SPRING CHALLENGE SQUAD

Georgia Redmayne (Wests, wk) (c)
Charli Knott (University of Qld) (v-c)
Lily Basingthwaite (Wests)
Lucy Bourke (Valley)
Sianna Ginger (Valley)
Lilli Hamilton (Wests)
Lucy Hamilton (Sunshine Coast)
Nic Hancock (University of Qld)
Laura Harris (University of Qld)
Kira Holmes (Valley, wk)
Ruby Strange (Wests)
Mikayla Wrigley (Sunshine Coast, wk)
Coach: Mark Sorell



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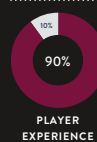


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WOMENS 2ND
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PINK BALL MATCH



FACILITIES

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MATCHES PLAYED
UNDER LIGHTS

13
MATCHES PLAYED
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FIELD



BRYCE
STREET

PETER BURGE MEDALLIST
(UNIVERSITY OF QLD)

DARCEY
JOHNSON

KATH SMITH MEDALLIST
(SANDGATE-REDCLIFFE)

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UPDATE

A first-time winner and history-making triumph by another
has highlighted the major individual awards at the 2024-25
KFC Queensland Premier Cricket Awards Gala.

Sandgate-Redcliffe all-rounder Darcey Johnson claimed her first Kath Smith Medal, finishing six points clear of teammate Tess Cooper as her performances across the Katherine Rayment Shield one-day and T20 formats and KFC T20 Max competition secured her the major women's award.

University of Queensland opener Bryce Street joined rare company as a dual winner of the Peter Burge Medal, adding to his 2022-23 award.

Street, a Queensland Bulls squad member, joins former Australian player Adam Dale (1993-94 and 195-96) and ex-Bulls all-rounder Aaron Nye (2002-03 and 2006-07) as dual winners of the Peter Burge Medal.

Street finished more than 20 points ahead of Northern Suburbs paceman Sam Neale, with the left-hander's summer headlined by his immense batting performances.

Averaging 50 across all formats, he hit three centuries and four half centuries en route to his season aggregate of 806 runs.

Street's three centuries was the equal most in the competition, joined by his fellow UQ and Bulls opener Angus Lovell.

In addition to his outstanding batting, Street proved a more than handy performer with the ball, taking 15 wickets at an average of 17.

Johnson, 20, was ultra-consistent across all formats for Sandgate-Redcliffe, taking the most wickets in the Katherine Rayment Shield. Her haul of 32 wickets at an average of just 12.91 placed her seven ahead of the next most prolific wicket-taker.

She also hit 349 runs, with her efforts in the white ball formats, including outstanding fielding skills, underlining her potential.

The former Queensland youth player finished the season in the Queensland Women's 2nd XI, playing two matches.

She was also awarded the Loretta Moore Trophy for the most improved Under-21 Female Player, while Toombul quick Tom Balkin received the Bob Spence Trophy for the most improved Under-21 Male Player.

Balkin played for Queensland in the Toyota Second XI competition during the season and was named in the Bulls squad for their One Day Cup game against NSW during the summer.

Other major individual awards presented included the Bob Spence Medal for Premier Cricket Umpire of the Year to Ben Farrell, Clem Jones Trophy for Volunteer of the Year to Peter Murphy (Sandgate-Redcliffe) and STA Curator of the year to Craig Jesberg (Redlands).

Angus Lovell after claiming player of the match in the Kookaburra One Day Final.



Darcey Johnson and Loretta Moore.



2024/25
TEAMS OF
THE YEAR

BULLS MASTERS
MEN'S FIRST GRADE
TWO DAY COMPETITION:

Bryce Street (University of Queensland)
Addy Grewal (Toombul)
Angus Lovell (University of Queensland)
Aryan Jain (South Brisbane)
Harry Wood (Ipswich)
Preston White (Toombul)
Brandon Faber (South Brisbane)
Brad Munro (Gold Coast)
Sam Neale (Northern Suburbs)
Angus Tolhurst (Western Suburbs)
Chad Soper (Sunshine Coast)
Coach Ash Holznagel (Northern Suburbs)

KATHERINE RAYMONT SHIELD
WOMEN'S FIRST GRADE ONE DAY
COMPETITION:

Tess Cooper (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Mikayla Wrigley (Sunshine Coast)
Georgie Boyce (Sunshine Coast)
Sianna Ginger (Valley)
Darcey Johnson (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Tara Wheeler (University of Queensland)
Rachel Priest (Sunshine Coast)
Mia Croucamp (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Catherine White (Sunshine Coast)
Amreen Kahlon (Wynnum-Manly)
Peyton Meredith (Sunshine Coast)
Coach: Darren Sonter (Western Suburbs)



MEN'S PREMIER CRICKET

The victorious Northern Suburbs team after taking out the Cam Battersby Cup.

Norths claimed the Bulls Masters Men's Two Day Competition for the second consecutive season after defeating the Sunshine Coast Scorchers to take out the Cam Battersby Cup for 2024-25.

After winning on first innings across the first weekend of the final, Norths were in the box seat coming into the last weekend of play for the year.

Heavy rain saw no play on Saturday, leaving the Scorchers a mighty task to set a target and dismiss Norths before stumps.

Returning to play 3/42 in their second innings, the Scorchers were in essence 3/14 when accounting for Norths first innings lead.

Despite their batting team's best efforts, a tight bowling display and tricky early morning wicket saw it hard to score.

The early loss of week one century-maker Tom Engelbrecht (7 off 19) was not the start the Sunshine Coast were hoping for. Runs were hard to come by, and despite strong efforts from Ben Gear (34 off 60), Curtis McAllister (27 off 69) and Nick Fletcher (18 off 48), the confidence and consistency of the Norths bowling unit proved too strong.

An early wicket to tall left armer Marcus Bean (4/56) sparked his confidence and saw him take 4 of the first 5 wickets for the day.

Following Bean's momentum, Blake Maher (4/37) came back into the action and added a further pair of wickets to his tally from the previous week. The Scorchers finished all out 152, leaving Norths 124 to win outright.

Norths openers set about a conservative approach with no real pressure on them to win the match. With plenty of time left in the afternoon and batting firepower to come, Zac Perren (15 off 50) and Mitch Doolan (60* off 83) saw through the new ball and passed 40 before the first wicket fell. Young gun Alex Procopis (39 off 49) then joined Doolan as they both picked up the scoring rate and raced towards the target.

With only 12 runs needed for victory, Blake Maher (12* off 2) wasted no time in finishing the job. Maher belted two massive sixes before pumping his fists to the sky to signal victory. Maher's symbolic pose was fitting of his immense performance which was recognised with the Andy Bichel Medal for player of the match.

The win is now Norths' second consecutive two-day premiership, placing them in rare company as back-to-back champions. Only three sides have won consecutive premierships since 1980, and interestingly each side went on to win a third. They are Wynnum-Manly (1980/81-1982/83), Sandgate-Redcliffe (1997/98-1999/00) and University of Queensland (2018/19-2020/21).

Remarkably, Norths only won one match on first innings all two day season. However, they managed two second innings wins which provided a massive boost in points late in the season. In fact, they only entered the top four after the second last round and sat in the bottom half of the ladder for almost all the summer.

Norths scored the least number of runs across the competition and didn't have a single batter score a century throughout the red ball season. They also had the third most amount of runs scored against them, leaving their runs scored for/against at -826, the second worst across all teams.

However, outliers do exist, and not statistics are not always going to be right. That's the beauty of sport.



University of Queensland after claiming the Kookaburra One Day competition.

On Sunday, Norths became the first side to win the premiership from 4th position on the ladder since MyCricket records began 20 years ago. Additionally, they are only the third side to win from outside the top two. The other two sides are Norths (2023-24) and Valley (2013-14).

Norths will have a simple goal for the 2025-26 season, with the chance to join their own First Grade group of 1970/71-1972/73 as threepeat champions.

GRAND FINAL

Sunshine Coast 258 (T Engelbrecht 101; S Neale 4-36) and 152 (B Gear 34; B Maher 4-37, M Bean 4-56) lost to Northern Suburbs 286 (B Maher 67; Z Perren 40; C Soper 4-75) and 2-126 (M Doolan 60no).

The lower grade competition Premiership winners were:

2nd Grade: Souths

3rd Grade: Wests

4th Grade: Souths

5th Grade: Wests

6th Grade: Valley

The Kookaburra Cup One Day competition saw neighbours University of Queensland and Western Suburbs clash in the Final of the John McNoulty Cup.

Queensland Bulls opener Angus Lovell was the star of the Final, awarded the Jimmy Maher Medal as player of the match.

Lovell top-scored with 131 runs and picked up two wickets with the ball.

Lovell and Max Clayton (76) were batting stars as UQ scored 7-312.

Wests did their level best, with Australian Under-19 batter Tom Campbell hitting 63 and all-rounder Steve McGiffin adding 54 runs to go with his 4-60. But they were ultimately dismissed for 240 with Donal Whyte taking 3-25.



Gold Coast all-rounder Callum Taylor



South Brisbane spinner Zanden Jeh

Western Suburbs celebrate their win in the Katherine Raymont Shield.



WOMEN'S PREMIER CRICKET

New champions were crowned in the 2024-25 Katherine Raymont Shield and Jodie Purves Shield.

The season deciders included stellar performances from both winning sides from the First and Second grade competitions respectively.

In a highly anticipated match up, Sandgate-Redcliffe took on Western Suburbs at Trevor Hohns Field in the one-day format Final for the Katherine Raymont Shield.

The Gators won the first battle of the day – the toss and elected to bat. On just the second ball of the match, young Wests all-rounder Lily Bassingthwaighe dismissed star batter Georgia Voll.

Coming off mass runs in the WPL, Voll was certainly a valuable wicket to secure early.

Walking to the crease at just 2/6, Meagan Dixon (44 off 81) was able to get Sandgate back on track in the runs department.

Dixon has played an important role for Sandgate as a senior player, most notably hitting 64 runs earlier in the summer.

With the endless fall of wickets, it was certainly a challenge to build a partnership. Teenage spinners Lilli Hamilton and Ayaka Stafford once again were clinical with the ball taking 2 wickets each at under 3 per over. A backend 40 off 82 for

Charlotte Lutz was vital in guiding Sandgate to 9-169.

Coming up against a full-strength Western Suburbs side was always going to be a challenge, especially as Georgia Redmayne began striking the ball.

The captain made an effortless 86* off 95 in a stirring display for her side. Coming off 97 in the WNCL final just two weeks earlier, it was no surprise the left-hander's form continued for Wests.

Ruby Strange (62* off 66) also played an important role forming a 119-run partnership with Redmayne. In just the 33rd over, the total of 169 was chased with ease as Western Suburbs secured the Katherine Raymont Shield for the 2024-25 season.

In second grade, Northern Suburbs took the unorthodox approach in finals cricket, sending University of Queensland in to bat first. Being gifted with one of the fastest outfielders in Queensland – Ian Healy oval, this decision was certainly a surprise.

UQ started off strongly as opener Hayley Campbell bashed 22 off 27 deliveries. A fine display of pace bowling from Shalean Turner (3/22) ended Campbell's innings.

The most influential display of batting came from Bree Craven crunching 41 off 43 deliveries. A quick flurry of wickets followed as the Bookworms lost 6-37 to end the innings with a total of 124.

Taylor Hamblin got Norths off to a flying start as the powerful batter struck 40 (57). The opener finished the season with 521 runs claiming the second position for the competition.

Losing their first wicket with 72 runs on the board, Northern Suburbs were just moments away from victory before an unforeseen collapse began.

Following Hamblin's dismissal, Norths lost 3-22 and certainly looked uneasy.

Consistent with the ball across the entire season, Kyrna Crump finished with figures of 2/13 off 7 overs. The Toowoomba product has taken 56 wickets this summer with 29 being in the Jodie Purves Shield.

Norths continued to slowly score runs although wickets continued to fall. At 5-119, Olivia Clark made a late comeback taking 2 wickets in an over. As each run became vital, with just 3 wickets remaining Norths were able to chase the total.

In an exciting final that came down to the wire, Northern Suburbs claimed the 2024-25 Jodie Purves Shield.



Northern Suburbs took out the Jodie Purves Shield.



University of Queensland claimed back-to-back Katherine Raymont T20 Shield titles with a win over Sunshine Coast.



KFC T20 MAX

2024/25 SEASON WRAP



The KFC T20 Max again delivered in spades, with the 2024-25 season featuring household stars, emerging talents, and plenty of club legends, all in search of the same goal – taking home the trophy.

Valley, newly-resplendent in pink, were this year's winners of the men's KFC T20 Max while University of Queensland took out the women's KFC T20 Max title.

Heading into the final weekend, Redlands, Norths, Sandgate-Redcliffe, and Valley all finished with 5 wins and 2 losses and were one win clear of fifth place. In the first semi-final, first-placed Redlands took on Valley at Allan Border Field.

Winning the toss and bowling first, Valley took the three huge wickets of Sam Heazlett (4 off 4), Marnus Labuschagne (4 off 3), and Daniel Drew (1 off 3), all in the first three overs.

Valley's mixture of experience and exceptional emerging talent allowed them to hold momentum and never let Redlands into the match.

When Jimmy Peirson (26 off 31) was dismissed in the 12th over, leaving Redlands 5-63, the match was all but won for Valley.

Dismissing Redlands for 103, Valley's top five batters – Usman Khawaja (28 off 25), Max Bryant (21 off 20), Hugh Weibgen (39 off 31), Jake Weatherald (12* off 13), and Dylan McLachlan (4* off 6) – saw them home with 3/107 off 15.5 overs.

It was an eerily similar story at Ian Healy Oval, with Sandgate-Redcliffe sending home team Norths into bat.

Muhammad Irfan (1/29) bowled Sam Neale (4 off 4) in the first over, and the Gators never looked back.

While Heat star Mitch Swepson led the side, it was emerging leg-spinner Lakshdeep Singh who stole the show. Singh took 5-15, ripping through Norths' batting order, dismissed all out for 98.

The competition's top run scorer, Jake Winter (34 off 17) then did too much damage early, Sandgate winning with 5 wickets remaining.

In the Final at Allan Border Field, Valley won the toss and sent Sandgate-Redcliffe in to bat.

Hard-fought innings from wicket-keeper Jet Liebke (34 off 21), captain Mitch Swepson (17* off 9) and Muhammad Irfan (18* off 9) saw the Gators post 7-138.

Despite missing in-form all-rounder Jack Wildermuth for the finals with a back complaint, experienced Valley pace bowler Benji Floros (3/9) proved too hard to handle. Floros' swing, bounce and excellent variety of change-up deliveries being near impossible to score from. Young left-armer Charlie Thomas (2-28) also showed he will be a player to watch for Valley.

Fans at Allan Border Field were then treated to one of the finest batting performances of the entire tournament.

Brisbane Heat and Queensland Bulls batter Max Bryant (91 off 42) was at his brutal best as he decimated the Sandgate attack.

His brute force counteracted the seemingly two-paced wicket, the large crowd enjoying his 7 sixes and 8 fours. Usman Khawaja (33* off 25) facilitated Bryant's flow perfectly from the other end, with Valley chasing the runs at 1/140 off only 11.1 overs

In the women's T20 Max, there were sixes, runs, and centuries, interstate players leading their teams to victory and The University of Queensland bringing home yet another piece of silverware.

Having been the top run scorer throughout the competition, Ellyse Villani did not disappoint in the semi-final between Wynnum-Manly and Sandgate-Redcliffe.

Although unable to bring home the win, Villani (59 off 32) was the sole run scorer in Wynnum's first innings score of 9-131.

It meant she comfortably finished at the top of the runs-scorers list, peeling off two centuries on the way to 544 runs for the tournament.

KFC T20 MAX MEN'S TEAM OF THE TOURNAMENT

Jake Winter (Sandgate-Redcliffe)

Will Bosisto (Western Suburbs)

Scott Palombo (Northern Suburbs)

Lachlan Hearne (Toombul)

Hugh Weibgen (Valley)

Jimmy Peirson (Redlands)

James Bazley (Redlands)

Cameron Boyce (Valley)

Lakshdeep Singh (Sandgate-Redcliffe)

Mitchell Buckley (Sandgate-Redcliffe)

Charlie Thomas (Valley)

Coach. Andrew Gode (Valley)

KFC T20 MAX WOMEN'S TEAM OF THE TOURNAMENT

Elyse Villani (Wynnum-Manly)

Emma Jackson (UQ)

Maddie Penna (UQ)

Mathilda Carmichael (Western Suburbs)

Tabatha Saville (Ipswich)

Nicola Carey (Wynnum-Manly)

Ellie Johnston (Wynnum-Manly)

Jemma Barsby (Sandgate-Redcliffe)

Lucy Hamilton (Sunshine Coast)

Molly Penfold (Sandgate-Redcliffe)

Meg McCartney (Valley)

Coach. Anthony Clarke (UQ)

The second innings saw the opening partnership of Georgia Voll and interstate player, Katie Mack get their team off to a strong start. They both ensured an easy win for Sandgate, sailing to victory in only 16 overs.

Top of the table finishers, the University of Queensland automatically qualified for the grand final against Sandgate-Redcliffe, with the decider under lights at Allan Border Field.

UQ lost the toss and were sent into bowl first, with Sandgate putting on 174 guided by Voll's 61 (34).

UQ were behind the eight-ball in their chase, needing 116 from the final 10 overs, until a player of the match effort from interstate star, Maddie Penna as the Gators attack battled the dew and the onslaught from the Adelaide Strikers star.

Penna hit a huge 111* off 53 to guide UQ to the title. Her knock included 6 massive sixes and 15 fours taking Penna to the second top run scorer of the competition.

She and Tara Wheeler (28no) were unconquered at the end, with more than an over to spare.

The players of the tournament for the men's and women's competitions were front-running batters Jake Winter (Sandgate-Redcliffe) and Elyse Villani (Wynnum-Manly), who finished as the leading runs-scorers of their respective competitions.

And while both teams of the tournament were dotted with WBBL and BBL contracted players, it was exciting to see home-grown success stories named, including teenage Gators leg-spinner Lakshdeep Singh and Valley left-arm pace bowler Charlie Thomas and Queensland Country pace bowler Meghan McCartney (Valley) and hard-hitting University of Queensland batter Emma Jackson.

YOUTH CRICKET UPDATE

2024/25 QUEENSLAND UNDER 16 FEMALE TEAM

- Abbie Trevethan** (Western Suburbs)
Amy Evison (Gold Coast)
Astrid Muniandy (Wynnum-Manly)
Ayaka Stafford (Western Suburbs)
Brooke Morrish (Norths Townsville)
Chelsea Sonter (Western Suburbs)
Jessica Chemin (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Lauren Patterson (Gold Coast)
Madhumika Dinesh (Western Suburbs)
Matisse Easton (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Peyton Meredith (Sunshine Coast)
Rebecca Storrs (Western Suburbs)
Sophia Velic (Sandgate-Redcliffe)

2024/25 QUEENSLAND UNDER 17 MALE TEAM

- Blake Armstrong** (Uni of QLD)
Dushyant Thaman (South Brisbane)
Eli Brain (Northern Suburbs)
Harry Langdon (Uni of QLD)
Hayden Hamilton (Wynnum-Manly)
Lakshdeep Singh (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Rhys Johnston (Ipswich)
Ryan Atley (Western Suburbs)
Sam Gassman (Rockhampton)
Sohaana Sharma (Western Suburbs)
Steven Hogan (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Theo Tsingos (Northern Suburbs)
Theodore Bacalakis (Uni of QLD)
Thomas Town (Sunshine Coast)
Coaches: **Gavin Fitness and Andrew Gode**



Queensland’s elite youth pathways produced exciting signs for the future in 2024-25, with a string of top three finishes on the National stage.

The Queensland Under-17 men, Under-19 women and Under-16 women all finished as runners-up while the Under-19 men finished third after going through the round stages undefeated in what was a fiercely competitive tournament.

National selection was again consistent, with selections for several players in Australian youth squads and matches.

The Queensland Under-17 men’s team was runners-up in the National U17 titles in Tasmania, defeated by NSW Metro in the Final in Launceston.

Queensland came into the decider off a strong semi-final win over NSW Country and pushed hard to restrict NSW Metro to 7-210.

Queensland was 1-90 at one point and with captain Steven Hogan (72) underpinning the chase, hopes were high.

But a remarkable spell from NSW captain Yash Deshmukh (6-21) put paid to the promise as Queensland was dismissed for 151.

Hogan finished as the leading runs-scorer in the tournament, with 382 runs at an average of 76.4 for the week including a highest score of 92no and was named the Player of the Tournament.

He and fellow Queensland batter Blake Armstrong were named in the Team of the Tournament.

Hogan toured India with the Australian Under-19 team in October 2024, scoring a One Day century.

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The Queensland Under-19 women’s team were strong throughout the national titles in Perth, leading the competition following the T20 leg, and then surging to the finals when the one-day games took place.

With spots available in the Australian Under-19 Women’s World Cup for the tournament in Malaysia in January 2025, several Queenslanders were in the frame for selection in the wake of their performances.

Batter Lucy Bourke had scores of 36, 34, 27 and 53 not out in the short format before producing 32, 17 and 68 in the one dayers. Fellow top order batter Grace Collins was similarly impressive, with 78no, 49no and 68 as her high points.

The team’s bowlers were also on the ball, with leg-spinner Amreen Kahlon and off-spinners Lilli Hamilton and Ruby Orchard particularly effective.

Kahlon took 3-12 against Western Australia, 4-18 against New South Wales Country in the semi-final and 3-12 against Victoria. Hamilton finished with

14 wickets at 8.92 and her spell in the Final against NSW Metro was eye-catching, with 2-33 from 10 overs and was named in the Team of the Tournament.

All-rounders Lily Bassingthwaighte and Mahli Rea each had match-defining efforts with bat and ball while wicket-keeper Chelsea Sonter finished the tournament with seven catches and six stumpings to be the leader for fielding dismissals.

Bassingthwaighte and Lucy Hamilton, who had starred for the WBBL Brisbane Heat during the season, were named in the World Cup squad, with Hamilton appointed as captain. Australia lost to South Africa in the semi-final with India taking out the title.

Lilli Hamilton, Chelsea Sonter and leg-spinner Ayaka Stafford were among the 26 underage players who were chosen for the Lanning vs. Perry Series at the National Cricket Campus in Brisbane at the end of the season.

The Queensland Under-16 girls’ team was similarly impactful at their national tournament in Ballarat, winning through to the Final only to miss out at the hands of NSW Metro.

Queensland got better the deeper they went into the tournament, with strong bowling efforts from spinners Ayaka Stafford and Peyton Meredith.

Meredith, from the Sunshine Coast, claimed 16 wickets at 5.56 to be the only maroon selected in the Team of the Tournament.

2024/25 QUEENSLAND UNDER 19 FEMALE TEAM

- Amreen Kahlon** (Wynnum-Manly)
Catherine White (Isis Cricket Club / Sunshine Coast Scorchers)
Chelsea Sonter (Western Suburbs)
Eve Mollee (Wynnum-Manly)
Grace Collins (Maryborough District / Wynnum-Manly)
Lilli Hamilton (Western Suburbs)
Lily Bassingthwaighte (Western Suburbs)
Lucinda Bourke (Valley)
Lucy Hamilton (Brothers Bundaberg / Sunshine Coast Scorchers)
Mahli Rea (Sunshine Coast Scorchers)
Mia Croucamp (Sandgate-Redcliffe)
Ruby Orchard (Sunshine Coast Scorchers)
Trinity Doyle (Western Suburbs)
Coach: **Sam Ward**

2024/25 QUEENSLAND UNDER 19 MALE TEAM

- Jack Balkin** (Toombul)
Aidan Firman (Norths, Cairns)
Jayden Draper (Valley)
Bailey Garnham (Gold Coast)
Steven Hogan (Sandgate-Redcliffe) (c)
Saxon Jeh (South Brisbane)
Charlie Lachmund (Ipswich)
Brayden Meegama (University of Qld)
Seth McGinty (Cairns Rovers)
Tighe Morris (Valley)
Alexander Procopis (Northern Suburbs)
Ben Ramsbotham (Townsville Western Suburbs)
Callum Vidler (Valley)
Luke Wegner (South Brisbane)
Coach: **Greg Moller**

INDIGENOUS
CRICKET
UPDATE

2025
QUEENSLAND ABORIGINAL
& TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER
WOMEN’S SQUAD

- Christina Coulson – Kaurareg (Valley DCC)
- Clodagh Ryall – Kaurareg (Wynnum-Manly DCC)
- Dharmini Chauhan – Wiradjuri (Mackay CC)
- Grace Abdy – Waanyi Ganggalida (Valley DCC)
- Tamika Hansen – Iman (Norths, Cairns)
- Lucy Neumann – Ngyiampaa (Gold Coast DCC)
- Jessica Martin –Wiradjuri (Mackay CC)
- Grace Warcon – South Sea Islander (Mackay CC)
- Tracee Williamson – Kaurareg (Sarina Cricket)
- Carys Underwood – Kaomu (Sunshine Coast DCC)
- Tameika Wilson – Dharug (Toombul DCC)
- Juliette Wenitong – Kabi Kabi (Norths, Cairns)

COACH: Brad Stout
TEAM MANAGER: Tamika Hansen
QC Staff: Nicola Browne



The Queensland men’s Indigenous cricket team saved the best until last in Mackay, winning their first National title since 2013, as Queenslanders were recognised in the teams of the tournament.

The men’s team was the last hope for Queensland teams this season, with a flurry of second place finishes across the summer leaving victory celebrations distinctly muted for the State.

But a magnificent captain's knock by Dylan McLachlan ensured the Queensland ledger for the season had its championship to celebrate, with the State's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander players defeating their NSW counterparts by seven wickets in a tense Final at Great Barrier Reef Arena on Yuwi county in Mackay.

After earlier watching the Queensland Indigenous Women join the likes of the Queensland Bulls, Queensland Fire and WBBL Brisbane Heat finish as runners-up after qualifying in style for a Final, the Men's decider provided an ideal way to conclude on a high note.

It was the seventh time that Queensland had won the men’s National Indigenous Cricket Championship.

McLachlan top-scored with 73 not out from 60 balls as he and local hero Cody Filewood (27 from 33 balls) produced the match defining partnership.

NSW overcame the early loss of captain Brendan Smith (4) to young Sandgate-Redcliffe quick Jacob Turner with fellow stalwart Pat Rosser (50) anchoring their innings before a hamstring injury forced him from the field.

McLachlan marshalled his slow bowlers superbly, ensuring NSW could not surge their scoring rate in the final overs as they were held to 6-122.

Left-arm spinner Noah Vojinow (2-20), teenage Toowoomba off-spinner Banjo Seaniger (1-17) and Pioneer Valley’s Filewood (1-22) all kept their four over spells tight.

Queensland lost the dangerous opening pair of Brad Radford (1) and young gun Cruz Baker (15) before McLachlan and Darcy Graham (8) started the rebuild.

Graham’s run out brought Filewood to the crease and he proved a willing foil for his captain, hitting the Maroons only six in the innings when the gallant Rosser, hobbling in to bowl two overs of spin, over-pitched.

Filewood eventually fell to a similar fate to his NSW rival, suffering a quadriceps injury in the final overs that forced him from the field. But with Vojinow running freely, McLachlan found the boundary twice in the 19th over to set up the win.

McLachlan, who played for the Queensland Academy and in the Toyota 2nd XI this season after previously making his debut for the Bulls the previous summer, enjoyed his return to the National Indigenous Championships in its new Mackay home after a lengthy period held in Alice Springs.

Earlier, ex-Queensland player Mikayla Hinkley proved the difference for her new team WA, with a similarly decisive batting effort to set up their first ever NICC women's title.



Hinkley, who had previously played for NSW and Queensland in the Imparja Cup, hit 71 from 44 balls as the WBBL player led from the front.

WA had 6-164 from their 20 overs, despite a fine effort by left-arm spinner Clodagh Ryall with the Wynnum-Manly player taking 3-34 from her four overs.

Queensland could not find the early partnership they needed in the power play, eventually being dismissed for 92 as they struggled to match the rising run-rate. Grace Abdy top-scored with 27.

Queensland captain Christina Coulson was named female player of the tournament, leading from the front to score 148 runs and take four wickets. She was one of six Queenslanders named in the women’s team of the tournament.

After wet weather played havoc with the early part of the titles, forcing matches to be played in the T10 format in order to catch up, the Finals were played in glorious sunshine at the Harrup Park complex.

Queensland women Christina Coulson, Clodagh Ryall, Grace Abdy and Dharmini Chauhan were later named in the National Indigenous women's squad.

Coulson was named captain of the Australian side that competed in the inaugural PacificAus Sports Cricket Invitational, which was held in Port Moresby.

The Invitational involved the Australian Women’s Indigenous team alongside teams from Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu and Samoa.

The T20 tournament was supported through the Australian Government’s PacificAus Sports program, which creates opportunities for Pacific athletes, coaches, officials and administrators to access high performance training and elite competition.

The Invitational was played in Papua New Guinea as part of the celebration of the nation’s 50th anniversary of independence.

2025
QUEENSLAND ABORIGINAL
& TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER
MEN’S SQUAD

- Cruz Baker – Dharug (Northern Suburbs DCC)
- Jake Coolwell – Mununjhali, Gooreng Gooreng, Ghungalu (Toombul DCC)
- Zak Patel – Tommeginne (Gold Coast DCC)
- Dylan McLachlan – Kamilaroi (Valley DCC)
- Darcy Graham – Ganagalidda (Western Suburbs DCC)
- Noah Vojinow – Wiradjuri (Northern Suburbs DCC)
- Jacob Turner – MbarBarram (Sandgate-Redcliffe DCC)
- Jamison Allan – Barkinjii & Maliangaapa (Toombul DCC)
- Matty Dalton – Ngemba (Queens CC Gold Coast)
- Banjo Seaniger – Dharug (Caloundra CC)
- Brad Radford – Barada Barna (Wynnum-Manly)
- Cody Filewood –Yuwibara (Pioneer Valley / Mackay)
- Jaecob Prien – Juru & Bindal (Wests Townsville)
- COACH: Michael Prien
ASSISTANT COACH: Barry Weare
TEAM MANAGER: Dylan Blackman
QC Staff: Joel Bock

FULL LIST OF NICC 2025
AWARD WINNERS

- Women’s Player of the Series – Christina Coulson
- Men’s Player of the Series – Brock Larence
- Women’s Player of the Finals – Mikayla Hinkley
- Men’s Player of the Finals – Dylan McLachlan
- Women’s Fielding Award – Lucy Neumann
- Men’s Fielding Award – Brayden DeVries
- Women’s Most Wickets – Elsie Simpson
- Men’s Most Wickets – Eli Sheean
- Women’s Most Runs – Mikayla Hinkley
- Men’s Most Runs – Brock Larence
- Women’s Spirit of Cricket Award – Victoria
- Men’s Spirit of Cricket Award – Northern Territory



The Far North Fusion took out the Bulls Masters Country Challenge at the Gabba.

COUNTRY CRICKET UPDATE

Queensland Country Cricket again stood tall in 2024-25, providing highly competitive representative cricket as well as managing an expanding pathway to provide more opportunities to regional communities.

The pinnacle of its representative calendar is the Toyota Australian Country Cricket Championships.

The titles are staged annually in major regional centres, with the Barossa Valley in South Australia providing hosting rights in January 2025.

Both the Queensland Country Men's team (Brahmans) and the Queensland Country Women's team (Brolgas) performed positively across the tournament.

The Brahmans finished third overall and the Brolgas were runners-up after losing a tightly contested final.

A highlight for the Queensland Men's team was the opportunity to play at the Adelaide Oval against SACA country for the inaugural Maher/Ravenscroft Shield, which Queensland won.

At the end of the tournament, three players from the Queensland women's team (Tara Staines, Catherine White, and Taylor Stumer) and one from the men's team (Joshua Nelson) received Australian Country Honours.

The tournament also featured a special honour bestowed on a Queensland Country stalwart, with all-rounder Sean Fitzsimmons inducted into the Australian Country Cricket Hall of Fame.

Originally from Tamworth, Fitzsimmons moved to the Gold Coast with his family as a teenager, with his cricket prowess quickly evident. He played grade cricket with the Gold Coast Dolphins as a 15-year-old in 1993-94, and two years later made his first grade debut for the Dolphins.

Switching to Broadbeach CC in the Gold Coast competition, he became a fixture in the South Queensland cricket team.

He was first selected for Queensland Country for the 2005-06 titles, scoring the first of his centuries at Rockingham in his second game against NSW Country attack lead by a future New South Wales and Western Australian Sheffield Player in Burt Cockley (now a Strength and Conditioning coach with Queensland Cricket).

Fitzsimmons played a record 13 seasons for Queensland Country, winning four titles with the Brahmans and being selected for Australian Country on eight occasions.

Other highlights in the 2024-25 Queensland Country season included the Far North Fusion winning the Bulls Masters Country Challenge at the Gabba, defeating the CQ Seamers who were all out for 135 chasing 172 for victory.

Jake Roach was the player of the final with 2-17 from three overs and a score of 34 (31).

The annual XXXX Cup open men's trophy match was won comfortably by South Queensland which overcame North Queensland while in the Open Women - Jonassen-Kimmince Shield, North Queensland was victorious over South Queensland in an exciting finish.

The Bulls Masters Under-16 Country Challenge was won by North Queensland Monsoons which overcame Mackay Whitsunday Nitros.

The Under-16 Maher-Love Cup was played in Brisbane with the Country South team victorious over Country North.

The Under-18 Ron Bushby Shield was played at Highfields in Toowoomba with Country North the victors in the tournament.

The Under 15 State Girls Challenge was played at Redlands in Brisbane where Country South played Country North for the inaugural Hamilton-Ginger Shield, named after rising Queensland stars Lucy Hamilton (Bundaberg) and Sianna Ginger (Townsville).

Finally, Queensland Cricket announced that the two major individual awards presented to Country players at the annual Awards Gala Dinner would be renamed in 2024-25.



Jamie-Lee Strang in action for the Brolgas.



Travis Busch lets fly for the Brahmans.



Outgoing QCCA president Kev Maher and Carl Rackemann at the Queensland Cricket Awards Gala.

The Jess Jonassen Trophy for female country player of the year acknowledges the outstanding contribution of the Queensland and Australian all-rounder who started her career in Rockhampton

The Carl Rackemann Trophy for male country player of the year acknowledges the outstanding contribution of the Queensland and Australian fast bowler who started his career in Kingaroy.

The inaugural trophies were presented at the 2024-25 QC Awards Gala to Tarah Staines and Josh Nelson.



Lucy Hamilton with the captains of SQCC U15, Peyton Meredith and NQCA U15, Summer Christopher.

2024/25 QLD COUNTRY TEAMS

2023-24 QUEENSLAND COUNTRY BRAHMANS

Matthew Wilkins (NQ)
Joshua Nelson (SQ)
Jeff Case (NQ)
Sam Lowry (c) (NQ)
Claye Beams (SQ)
Joe McGahan (NQ)
Marcus Berryman (NQ)
Jake Roach (NQ)
Lachlan Ford (NQ)
Aidan Watterson (SQ)
Steven Graham (SQ)
Sam Yabsley (SQ)
Travis Busch (NQ)
Logan Whitfield (NQ)
Coach: Jason Wells
Manager: Sam Winton
QC Mentor: Tony Hampson

2024/25 QUEENSLAND COUNTRY BROLGAS

Taylah Schutt (c) (NQ)
Emma Jackson (SQ)
Tarah Staines (SQ)
Elisha Holdsworth (NQ)
Olivia Winter (SQ)
Meghan McCartney (NQ)
Taylor Stumer (SQ)
Grace Abdy (NQ)
Catherine White (SQ)
Mahli Rea (NQ)
Abbey Harvey (NQ)
Jaimie-Lee Strang (SQ)
Meg Mettam (SQ)
Kiana Dunn (NQ)
Coach: Simon Gills
Manager: Fay Neubecker
QC Mentor: Bruce Deem

2024/25
QUEENSLAND
CRICKET AWARDS

AWARD WINNERS

IAN HEALY TROPHY
Michael Nesar

JODIE PURVES TROPHY
Charli Knott

PIKE-MAHER MEDAL
Jack Wildermuth

QUEENSLAND FIRE
PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Charli Knott

MARSH SHEFFIELD SHIELD
PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Michael Nesar

MARSH ONE DAY CUP
PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Lachlan Hearne

ANDREW SYMONDS MEDAL
(BULLS PLAYERS' PLAYER)
Jimmy Peirson

QUEENSLAND FIRE
PLAYERS' PLAYER
Nicola Hancock

BRISBANE HEAT
WBBL MVP
Jess Jonassen

BRISBANE HEAT
BBL MVP
Nathan McSweeney

QLD COUNTRY PLAYER OF THE YEAR
(CARL RACKEMANN AWARD)
Josh Nelson

QLD COUNTRY PLAYER OF THE YEAR
(JESS JONASSEN AWARD)
Tarah Staines

MATCH OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR
Riki Wessels

QUEENSLAND CRICKET
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
Mischa Grummitt (Mt Isa Cricket)

GRAHAM DIXON AWARD
FOR STAFF ACHIEVEMENT
Eliza Flynn

Queensland Cricket colossus Michael Nesar won the Ian Healy Trophy for a record fifth time, while rising Australian Cricket star Charli Knott claimed back-to-back Jodie Purves Trophies.



The big individual winners at the 2024-25 Queensland Cricket Gala Awards Dinner at The Star Brisbane were no strangers to taking out the main player honours.

Nesar became the first person to win five Ian Healy Trophies as the best Queensland Bulls player, as well as taking out the Sheffield Shield Player of the Year award.

Knott was rewarded for a record season for the Queensland Fire and another impressive summer for the WBBL Brisbane Heat as she played key roles in getting both teams into their respective Finals.

She was also named the Fire Player of the Year in the wake of her best all-round season in the WNCL this summer, with her haul of 542 the most runs hit by a Queenslander in a single season.

She is only the second Fire player to pass the 500-run mark, after Georgia Redmayne, while her breakthrough first WNCL hundred came against South Australia at the Adelaide Oval.

With the ball she was again the model of consistency, taking 12 wickets. Fittingly, she was called into the Australian squad for the first time for the T20 International series win over New Zealand last month.

Despite suffering a hamstring injury while playing for Australia A that sidelined him midway through the season, Nesar produced a string of telling performances that propelled the Bulls into last week's Sheffield Shield Final.

He made an impact in each of the seven Shield games he played, finishing as the equal leading wicket-taker alongside Mark Steketee with 31 wickets at 20.90, including 21 in his last five games.

Fire and Heat captain Jess Jonassen also enjoyed the spotlight, claiming the WBBL Heat MVP award and being on hand for the first presentation of the newly-named Jess Jonassen Award for the Queensland Country Women's Player of the Year, won by Monto's Tarah Staines.

Jonassen, who will start her 11th season with the Heat as the all-time leading wicket-taker in the Big Bash with 179 wickets, was also the joint WBBL player of the tournament alongside Ellyse Perry from the Sixers.

Jonassen finished WBBL|10 with 17 wickets and 218 runs, which included an unbeaten 44 in the decider won by the Melbourne Renegades at the MCG.

Just as Jonassen was recognised with an award celebrating country cricket, the men's award was also renamed in honour of one of the finest Queensland players to emerge from the bush.

The inaugural Carl Rackemann Award for the Queensland Country Men's Player of the Year was presented to Gold Coast batter Josh Nelson, an Australian Country selection earlier this year.

Elsewhere, rising Bulls left-hander Lachlan Hearne was the Bulls One Day player with the former Australian Under-19 batter and ex-NSW product catching the eye in the white ball format.

Hearne, 24, made his Shield and One Day debuts for the Bulls this season, finishing as Queensland's second leading runs-scorer in the one-dayers, including his maiden List A century.

Wicket-keeper Jimmy Peirson won the Andrew Symonds Medal as the Bulls Players' Player for the second year in a row while pace bowler Nicola Hancock earned the Fire Players' Player award for the first time.

First-season Test selection Nathan McSweeney was the BBL Heat MVP, adding to his list of impressive achievements in a career that promises to deliver more highlights in the future.

Bulls and Heat all-rounder Jack Wildermuth was awarded the Pike-Maher Medal for his coaching and mentoring efforts for Valley at Premier Club and Junior Cricket level.

The Pike-Maher Medal is named in honour of former Queensland and Australian players Kirsten Pike and Jimmy Maher and presented to a Queensland male or female player who has played a major role in creating a positive difference in their communities through charitable and community contributions.



ENTERTAINMENT



The Brisbane Heat has delivered a successive season of off-field growth and success.

While the Heat's hopes of going back-to-back in the BBL ended with a loss to the Melbourne Renegades in the last regular season match, ultimately finishing seventh on the ladder, the club enjoyed continued sustained support from members and fans.

The BBL14 season saw record fan support at the Gabba, with the club setting a new membership record of 17,960, up from 14,379 in BBL13.

This helped translate into huge crowd numbers, with a total of 132,905 fans coming through the gates at the Gabba across five games at an average attendance of 26,581 per match, up from 24,353 in BBL14.

A total of 141,458 fans attended BBL and WBBL games this summer, a 7% increase from 2023-24.

This included two BBL sell outs, the first time the feat has been achieved in six seasons, plus a sold out WBBL semi-final at Allan Border Field. The Heat sold the most WBBL tickets in the competition in 2024-25.

The Big Bash League kept its position as Australia's most watched sporting competition on a per-game basis, enjoying a 20% year-on-year increase in viewership across Channel Seven and Foxtel.

The Heat's December 29 game against the Sydney Sixers at the Gabba was watched by an average of 1.09 million viewers, making it the club's highest-rating home and away game since BBL08.

Additionally, WBBL viewership was up 38% per game year-on-year with the competition the most-watched sporting league in Australia across October – November.

Heat fans were given a glimpse into the making of a BBL championship when 'Reignite: A Brisbane Heat Story' was released last November.

Reignite charts the story of the Heat's rise from perennial entertainers in the early years of the Big Bash, to rock bottom after finishing equal last in BBL11, to champions in BBL13.

The feature length documentary explores the lives and personalities of the Heat's players, and recounts highlights from the club's march to the BBL title.

Reignite's release included a 2-week national cinema run through Event Cinemas, free-to-air publication on Channel 7, while also being available to stream on 7Plus and YouTube. Reignite has so far reached 4.5 million fans across all channels.

The 2024-25 season also saw the Heat continue to entertain fans across all platforms while retaining the mantle as Australia's most-followed club on social media, with 210 million video views.

The season saw more money directly raised for charities and the Queensland Cricket Foundation. A total of \$31,678 was raised via the Heat's match-day 50-50 charity raffle, with benefactors including the KFC Youth Foundation, QC Foundation, Sware, Juiced TV, and community cricket clubs.

The match against the Hobart Hurricanes coincided with the club's First Nations Round fixture and QC Foundation Giving Day. A total of \$32,680 was raised on the night for the QC Foundation to fund Indigenous cricket programs across Queensland.

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS 2024/25

SOCIAL MEDIA



8 YEARS IN A ROW
THE MOST FOLLOWED SPORTING CLUB IN OCEANIA      

210 MILLION

© SOCIAL MEDIA VIDEO VIEWS

BROADCAST

↑24% YOY **↑21% YOY**



*BBL14 STATS



ATTENDANCE

↑7.1% YOY

WBBL & BBL HOME ATTENDANCE

↑9.1% YOY

GABBA BBL CROWDS

26,581 AVERAGE
15.57% ABOVE BBL AVERAGE
30,833 BIGGEST BBL CROWD (6 YEAR RECORD)

2X SOLD OUT

BBL GAMES
(THE GABBA)

1X SOLD OUT

WBBL GAME
(ALLAN BORDER FIELD)



MEDIA



522 M+

MEDIA REACH
(PRINT, ONLINE, TV, RADIO)

REIGNITE
A BRISBANE HEAT STORY

LAUNCHED IN CINEMAS & ACROSS AUSTRALIA

*REACHED 4.5 MILLION FANS
(EXCLUDING 7PLUS STREAMING)



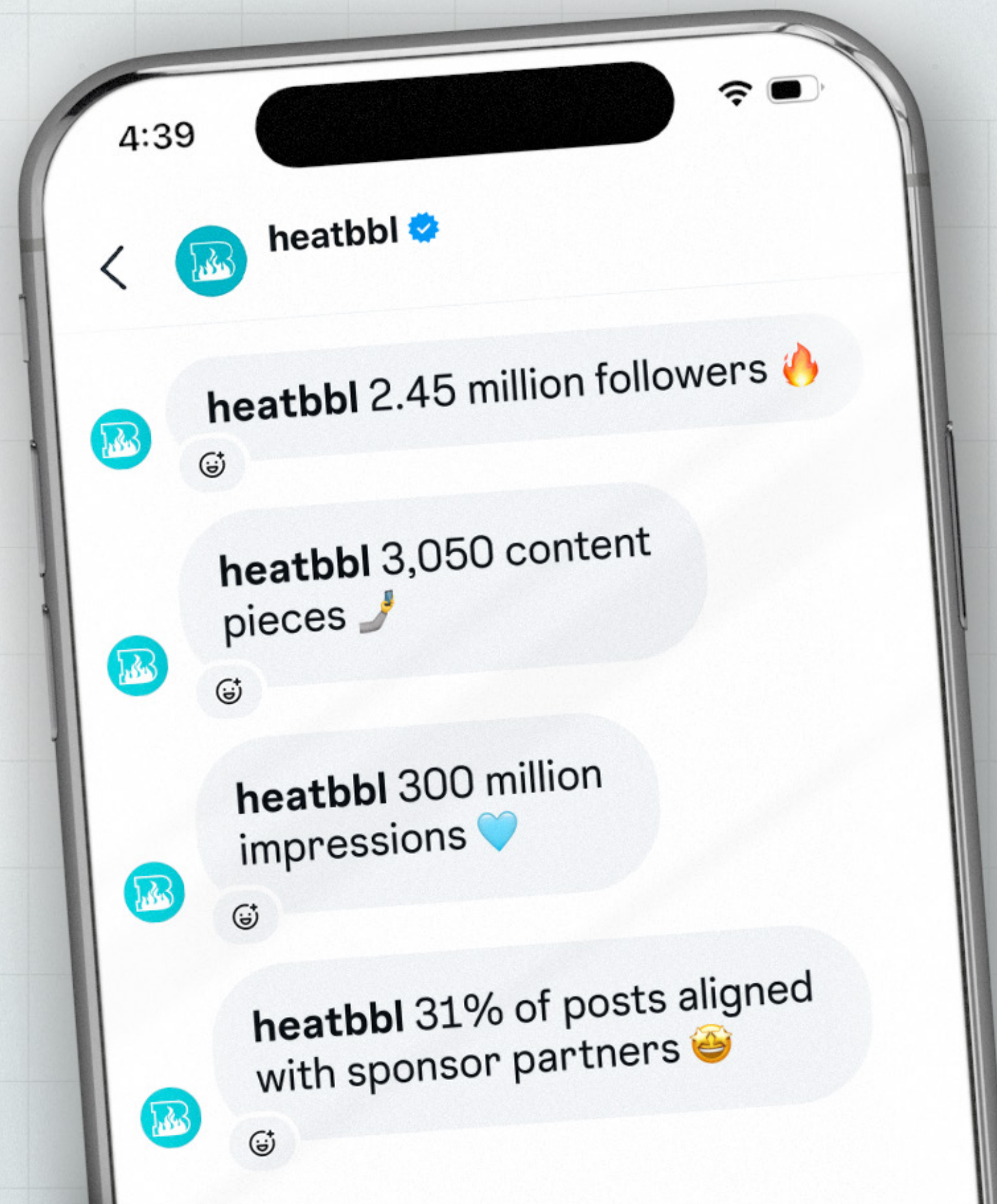
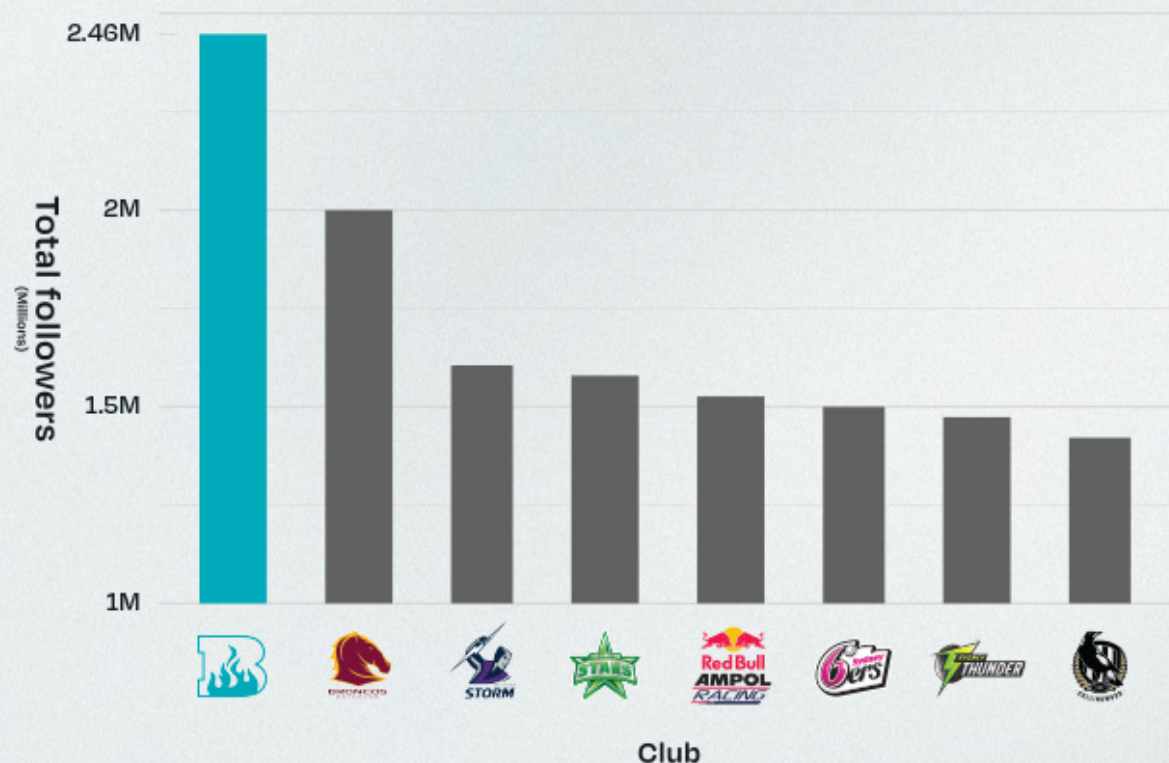
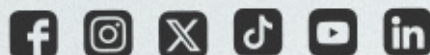
↑23.8% YOY
17,960
MEMBERS CLUB RECORD

2024/25

OUR DIGITAL AUDIENCE



8 YEARS IN A ROW
THE MOST FOLLOWED SPORTING CLUB IN OCEANIA



BRISBANE HEAT OVERVIEW



WBBL10 SUMMARY

NO. 2 MOST WATCHED

WOMEN'S SPORTS LEAGUE
(PER GAME BASIS)

MOST WATCHED AUS COMPETITION

ACROSS OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

HIGHEST PAID

FEMALE DOMESTIC ATHLETES

SECOND CONSECUTIVE FINAL



BBL14 SUMMARY

NO. 1 MOST WATCHED

MEN'S SPORTS LEAGUE
(PER GAME BASIS)

↑9.1% ATTENDANCE

26,581 CROWD AVERAGE

15.57% ABOVE BBL AVERAGE

764,136 AVERAGE TV AUDIENCE

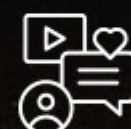
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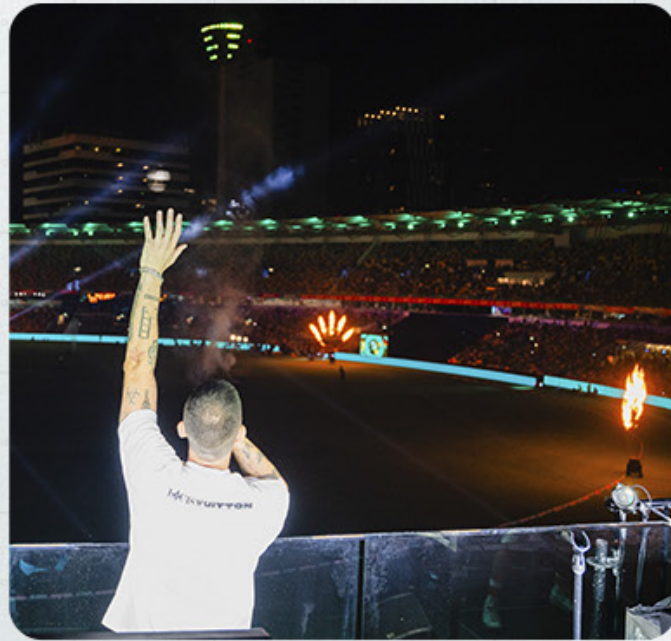
162K+ VIEWERSHIP



4.5 MILLION TOTAL
MEDIA REACH



WORLD CLASS EVENTS





QUEENSLAND CRICKET FAMILY

CLUB, DIVISION OR ASSOCIATION

- > Cricket Ipswich 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
- > 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

KEN DIXON AWARDED LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Queensland Cricket has celebrated the significant efforts of its volunteers with conferral of Life Membership upon one of the game's long-term grassroots contributors.

Sandgate-Redcliffe stalwart Ken Dixon was announced at the 2023-24 QC Annual General Meeting as its latest Life Member, honouring his active involvement in the game for more than 50 years.

He was presented with his Life Member's badge by Chair Kirsten Pike, the former Australian pace bowler who he helped bring to Sandgate-Redcliffe as a prospective player when she was a teenager living on the Sunshine Coast.

Dixon is the second member of the family to be made a Life Member of Queensland following his late brother Graham in 2013.

He started his playing career with Sandgate-Redcliffe in 1967 and joined the Sandgate-Redcliffe executive committee in 1973.

He was elected assistant secretary in 1982 and then became club secretary in 1991, a role he filled with dedication until stepping down in 2023.

Sandgate-Redcliffe recognised Ken with life membership in 1984, and he received an OAM in 2017 for his services to the game.

He was club coach between 1993 and 2003 winning four first grade premierships and was a leading contributor to Sandgate-Redcliffe starting their women's cricket program with a team entering first grade in 1995-96.

He was also instrumental in working with the local cricket community to form the Sandgate-Redcliffe Junior Cricket club in 1991.

Dixon has been renowned for his skill in talent ID and development over the years.

As well as working in Youth and Indigenous team selections, he was a member of Queensland Cricket's State Selection Panel for more than a decade.

He joined the panel in 2003 before finishing his tenure in 2020 with wins in four Sheffield Shield's (Pura Cup) and four One Day Cup victories.

He also contributed extensively to Premier Cricket as a long-serving member of the Queensland Cricket Grade Cricket committee.

Dixon said he was humbled to be honoured in such a fashion.

"I look back at the names who have received Life Membership and am still a bit stunned that I have the chance to join them tonight," he said.

"I have so many good memories from the game, and I look forward to continuing to be involved in whatever capacity I can."

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





G Down 1908	NJ Plaisted 1945	R Littledike 1985
BR Bale 1908	TE Williams 1946	RD Harris 1986
R Doran 1908	PJ Frawley 1947	AC Battersby AM 1987
WB Slade 1909	PM Hornibrook 1948	RP Easton OAM 1988
TMW McWilliam 1909	CF Moroney 1949	PJ Burge AM 1989
GM Colledge 1909	GE Lax 1950	WEP Harris 1990
J Allen 1911	VC Schaefer 1951	RR Lindwall 1991
SC Whittred 1911	TJ Burge 1952	WA Brown OAM 1992
WT Evans 1911	FP Malone 1953	JJ McLaughlin OAM 1996
AE Oxenham 1912	BH Shaw 1954	SC Trimble MBE 1997
WJ Lewis 1913	WJ Scott 1956	JA Maclean MBE 1998
Col The Hon JFG Foxton 1913	QF Rice 1957	RT Pascoe 1999
T Muir 1913	R McGhee 1958	RG Archer AM 2000
EJ Beard 1919	MJ Whalley 1959	JN McKnulty AM 2001
MF McCaffrey 1919	LDA England 1960	GJ Madsen OAM 2002
WH Carvasso 1919	IH Townsend 1962	TV Hohns OAM 2003
RA Alexander 1920	NT McMahon 1963	SG Law OAM 2004
WH Henley 1920	CO Apps 1964	TR Veivers 2005
JN Horton 1921	KLM Mossop 1965	DG Mullins SC 2006
GW Ward 1922	CL Saunders 1966	P Stathis 2007
HTA Wetzig 1922	TS Redgrave 1967	L Moore 2008
MJ Hartigan 1923	C Jones AO 1968	B Phelan OAM 2009
JS Hutcheon 1923	JG Cooke 1969	AR Border AO 2010
CL Mossop 1925	EA Toovey MBE OAM 1970	MW Johnson 2011
AE Wyeth 1925	EC LaFrantz MBE 1971	CG Rackemann 2012
RA Alton 1926	R Spence 1972	G J Dixon 2013
WJ Fehlberg 1926	RG Teske 1973	LD Cooper 2014
JP Orr 1927	GI Hornsby BEM 1974	IA Healy AO 2015
LPD O'Connor 1928	RA Young 1975	KG Raymont 2017
FC Thompson 1929	KD Mackay MBE 1976	N Grout 2018
JRD Mahoney 1930	AC Pettigrew 1977	B Gaskell 2019
RK Oxenham 1934	OD Driscoll 1978	K Maher OAM 2020
JH Holdworth 1935	VW Holland 1979	P Evans 2021
PJ Carter 1936	CR Richards 1980	M Kasprowicz 2022
LL Gill 1937	HR Tanner 1981	J Maher 2023
TM Barber 1938	BS McCahon 1982	K Dixon OAM 2024
JW Hoelscher 1940	CE Anstey OAM 1983	
JT Bale 1942	PJ Mullins OAM 1984	

IN MEMORIAM

GRAHAM WHYTE

Queensland Cricket was saddened at the passing of former Queensland all-rounder and noted coaching identity Graham Whyte during the year.

Whyte, 72, passed away in January, 2025 after a long illness.

A right-handed bat and right-arm off-spinner, Whyte played 44 first class matches and nine one-day games for Queensland in a career that spanned a decade.

He represented his State between 1974-75 and 1984-85, playing in Sheffield Shield and Gillette Cup finals during that period.

Whyte scored 1033 runs for Queensland, with a highest score of 93. He had five half centuries with his higher scores inevitably coming as part of important lower order partnerships for Queensland.

He claimed 73 first class wickets, both as the sole slow bowler in the side or in partnership with the likes of Malcolm Francke.

He first came to prominence for Norths, earning selection in the Queensland Colts team, often a pre-cursor to higher honours with Queensland.

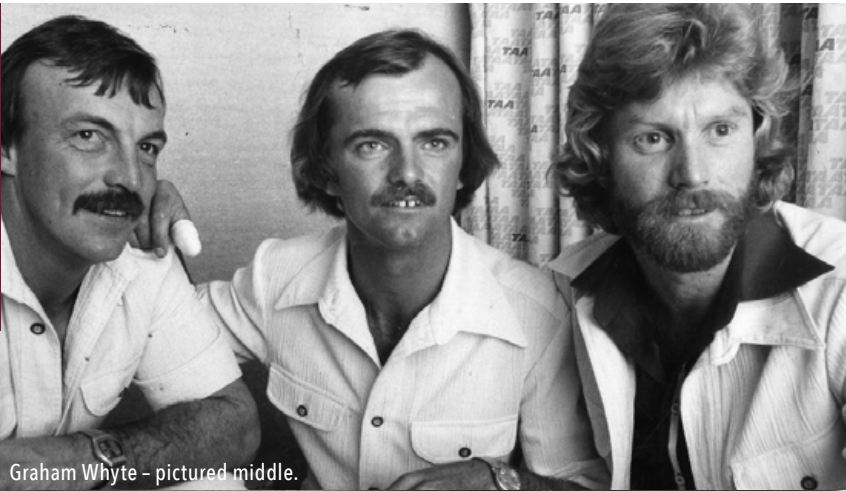
He made his first class debut at the Gabba against the touring Marylebone Cricket Club team on the 1974-75 Ashes tour, taking three wickets.

The 1976-77 summer saw him take 14 wickets at 35, with a career best 6-65 against WA. He followed that with an ever better effort the following season in 1977-78, taking 25 wickets at 32.48.

With Australia's depth heavily challenged by the advent of World Series Cricket, Whyte was canvassed as a potential slow bowling choice for the new-look Test line-up.

He was considered an unlucky omission from the West Indies tour in 1978 when his clever variety was regarded as a good fit for the West Indian pitches.

The following summer saw his bowling returns dip and did not play first class cricket from March 1979 to October 1983.



Graham Whyte – pictured middle.



Graham Whyte – pictured above second from right in the back row.

He was recalled to the Queensland side in October 1983 and went on to take 20 wickets at 40.80 that summer.

Whyte played in the 1983-84 Shield final where Queensland travelled to Perth with high hopes only to lose to the home side by four wickets in a high-quality match.

Whyte passed 1000 career runs in the game and took 3-28 in the second innings.

He played two more first class games in 1984-85 as well as three one-day games against the touring West Indian and Sri Lankan teams.

He captain-coached the Colts team in the Queensland Premier Cricket first grade competition and his post-playing days saw him become a highly regarded coach around the State.

He was part of the Palm Beach-Currumbin club and coached Gold Coast representative teams for several seasons, while he was a regular and well-known mentor to many young players from the Far North Queensland area, including Queensland regular and later West Indian Test player Brendan Nash.

Queensland Cricket CEO Terry Svenson said Whyte had made a valuable contribution to cricket throughout the State.

“On behalf of the wider cricket community, we express our condolences to his family and friends. He was a fine player, a generous coach, hard-working volunteer and a firm supporter of the game,” Svenson said.

Queensland Country Cricket President Kev Maher, a former teammate and close friend, paid tribute to Whyte's work as a coach in regional Queensland over more than a decade.

“He was very well thought of and certainly exposed talented young players in the regions to the best coaching techniques that enabled them to flourish in their careers,” he said. “Far North Queensland was just one of the many centres that benefitted greatly from his insights and skills.”

“Graham's coaching was a benefit to the game through Queensland, and we are saddened to lose such a generous and insightful person who was a good friend to many in our sport.”

DIRECTOR'S
REPORT

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd
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Review of operations and activities

The surplus for the year amounted to \$664,112 (2024: \$968,451), which incorporates an amount of \$517,733 representing gains from the QCA Future Fund. Excluding this amount which is not available for general use, the net operating surplus for the year was \$146,379.

Strategic Risk and Opportunities

One of the key strategic risks identified by the Board with potential significant impact on Queensland Cricket Association's (QCA) income, was the future availability of the Gabba in the lead up to the 2032 Brisbane Olympic Games. The Board received regular briefings from the executive on the progress of discussions and planning underway to mitigate the strategic risk of the potential early loss of the facility.

The challenge confronting the organisation, was the loss of the Gabba for at least 5 years without a readily available alternative venue to play International and Big Bash Cricket. Such an outcome would have put the income for both Cricket Australia (CA) and Queensland Cricket (QC) under significant stress.

The Board supported the decision to work closely with the Gabba co-tenant the AFL/Brisbane Lions, to prepare a joint proposal to the 100-day Infrastructure and Venue Committee for a new stadium to be built at Victoria Park and the Gabba to be retained until after the 2032 Brisbane Olympics.

The Queensland Government supported the recommendation of a new 60,000-seat stadium to be built at Victoria Park and we will work closely to ensure that cricket's needs will be accommodated in the planning process.

As cricket will be introduced back into the Olympics at the LA 2028 games, we expect a final decision on its inclusion in the 2032 Games within the next 24 months.

This will allow cricket to continue at the Gabba until the gold medal match and then to relocate to the new stadium for International and Brisbane Heat matches post Olympics.

The Board recognised the efforts of CEO Terry Svenson, the COO Liam Hibbert and all other staff involved, with their significant efforts and contribution in the development of the strategy and plans for a new stadium and championing the ideas with the new State Government.

Given the significant opportunities of hosting the 2032 Olympic Games in Queensland, along with the high chance of cricket being included as a sport within the games, the Board approved the development of a Ten-Year Vision for the game in Queensland. This will provide a longer-term vision to significantly grow the game of cricket, along with the infrastructure and facilities across the state.

It is critical that cricket maximises the opportunities presented by the 2032 Olympics and positions the game to leverage the significant growth of population to the State, as well as ensuring a lasting legacy for the games.

The development of the Ten-Year Vision will be led by a committee chaired by Director Grant Mitchell and supported by Directors John Salter and Bronwyn Atkinson. The Committee will establish a significant stakeholder engagement program across the state to encourage feedback and ideas that will shape the future of the game in the state.

Once finalised, the vision will be shared with all our members and stakeholders and will also shape the next QC Strategic Plan (2026 - 2030) and provide proposed targets for participation and the proposed infrastructure/facilities required across the state to achieve greater levels of participation to sustain the game across the state.

The Board also supported the need for an AB Field Masterplan to be prepared to help facilitate future commercial property opportunities with the facility and to provide a plan for the potential redesigning of the ground to allow greater seating density to over 10,000. The final masterplan would provide a more accurate funding estimate for an upgraded facility to host pre-games and Olympic Cricket venue for training and playing.

Elite Cricket

The Board welcomed the opportunity to meet with the new Head Coaches for both the Men (Johan Botha) and Women (Mark Sorrell) programs, prior to the commencement of the season to hear their proposed strategies and direction to improve the overall performance for the 24/25 season.

There were several high points to celebrate in FY25, with Queensland teams finishing near the top in most competitions.

The women's program featured a Brisbane Heat-branded development squad reach the final of the inaugural T20 Spring Challenge.

The Queensland Fire finished on top of the Women's National Cricket League, hosting the final against NSW at Allan Border Field.

The WBBL saw the Heat celebrate some strong wins, and notable home ground performances. The staging of the Gabba Smash, the first stand-alone WBBL game at the Gabba, was welcomed by the players and featured excellent hometown support.

The Heat won seven of their 10 regular season games and overcame the Sydney Thunder in the Challenger Final to earn the right to take on the Melbourne Renegades at the MCG in the final.

The Heat fought hard but were unable to overcome the Renegades which claimed their inaugural WBBL title. Heat captain Jess Jonassen was later named the Player of the WBBL after another highly consistent season.

While trophies did not eventuate, the consistency of the Queensland women is to be applauded. Georgia Voll, who won the Domestic Women's Player of the Year at the Australian Cricket Award, made her Test, ODI and T20I debuts during the Women's Ashes whitewash, while Grace Harris played T20I games during the series.

The BBL saw the defending champions start brightly enough, with an understrength team winning its opening game against the Stars in the MCG.

However, unlike in previous seasons, the Heat battled to string wins together. Still, the congested nature of this season saw the Heat among a host of teams in finals contention right up until the last regular season game. A loss to the Renegades at Marvel Stadium meant the Heat finished seventh.

The Queensland Bulls finished fourth in the Domestic One Day competition, after being in finals contention in the last round of regular season games.

In the Sheffield Shield, Queensland finished runners-up to South Australia in the final after almost completing a remarkable turnaround from wooden-spooners to champions in a single season.

The men's Second XI won three of their four games in the national Toyota 2nd XI competition. Queensland also welcomed the return of Women's 2nd XI cricket during the season.

Our youth programs also produced similarly encouraging performances at all national championships, finishing with 22 wins and six losses across the four carnivals.

The Queensland Under-19 Female, Under-16 Female and Under-17 Male squads all finished second while the Under-19 Men finished third.

Australian representation was noteworthy across 2024-25.

In the men's space, Xavier Barlett, Usman Khawaja and Marnus Labuschagne all represented Australia with success across the summer.

In youth cricket, Lucy Hamilton captained Australia at the ICC Under-19 World Cup in Malaysia where Lilly Bassingthwaighte also represented her country. Young Sandgate-Redcliffe batter Steve Hogan also toured India with the Australian Under-19 team.

Queensland Country enjoyed a fine campaign in the Barossa Valley in the Australian Championships with the Brahmans (men) and Brolgas (women) producing positive results.

The men finished third while the women narrowly missed out on the title in a hard-fought Final.

Mackay hosted the National Indigenous Cricket Championships for the first time with Queensland winning the men's competition for the first time since 2013 and the Queensland women finishing as runners-up to first time winners WA.

QC Academy

Elite Cricket launched the QC Academy to provide specialist skill training across all Elite Cricket programs, supporting the development of high performing Premier players and deliver coaching support statewide. The reallocation of existing funding saw a ≈\$300k Premier Cricket investment focused on specialist coaching, playing opportunities and coach development.

The Academy is driven by its 4 pillars: Coach Development, Polish the Platinum, Future Proof and Close the Gap. Each pillar drives selection for the Academy Squad and the games it plays during the season. The Academy also provided 10 days of elite standard cricket, stretching and developing Premier cricketers across multiple formats.

A match between a QC Academy side and a QC Premier Cricket XI featured a three-day game played at Wynnum-Manly's Bill Albury Oval. The game provided the opportunity for Premier Grade Players to be tested over three days to understand the physical and mental demands of longer format cricket and was welcomed by all.

Premier Cricket

Queensland Cricket continues to grow strategic investment in Premier Clubs, agreeing to a two-year funding agreement in line with CA funding commitments. This Board approved a \$208,000 FY25 uplift, principally focused on supporting each Club fund a full-time administrator.

The T20 Max continues to grow and provide a pathway to Brisbane Heat and W/BBL. Seven Queenslanders received a W/BBL contract for the first time in 2024/25.

Community Cricket and Statewide Participation

The Board recognised the need to continue efforts to grow the game particularly at the junior level and were delighted with the improved participation levels achieved by the Community Cricket team across the state during FY25. At the conclusion of the census period for the 2024/25 season, Queensland Cricket recorded an 11% statewide year-on-year growth in unique ID participation among 5-12-year-olds, reflecting strong participation at the grassroots level.

This growth highlights the success of both targeted efforts at attracting new participants to the game, as well as implementing strategies to retain those players through coach education and quality competitions. Queensland also experienced 12% growth YOY in Junior Cricket overall whilst Senior Cricket remained flat with a small 1% increase on the prior year.

With planning now underway for the 2025/26 season, the focus will shift to building on this momentum by setting a new target of a further 15% year-on-year growth for total 5-12-year-old participation as well as a substantial increase of our market share for sports here in Queensland.

Highlights within this growth include 20% of our 5-12-year-old participants being girls. This is an 8% growth on prior year. 37% of our overall 5-12-year-old participation is made up by participants from a South Asian background.

Infrastructure and Facilities

The Board recognises the need to grow investment into infrastructure and facilities to ensure the future growth of cricket in Queensland. An important provider of funding is the Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF) which provides for seed funding of approved projects aligned with both CA and QC strategies. The second round for season 2024/25 closed on 10 April 2025. Applications have been reviewed and assessed against budget allocation, with a review panel with CA being conducted on the 27 May 2025. In total, \$1,113,661 of ACIF has now been awarded directly to clubs across the year to invest in critical infrastructure.

Project types applied for include lighting - nets and outfielders, inclusive change facilities, synthetic pitches - new and refurbishments, net complexes - refurbishments, turf pitch extensions, field remediation, shade structures, solar and irrigation. This investment generates a total project value of \$6.64 million. All projects from this round are shovel ready projects with supporting funds in place, with the intent to deliver within the next 12 months. Outcomes were communicated to applicants prior to 30 June 2025, after funding agreements were finalised.

National Community Cricket Infrastructure Strategy

Given the need for alignment across all levels of government to secure matching funding and support, presentation of the National Community Cricket Infrastructure Strategy has commenced with local councils. Councils have been eager to understand their inclusion in the strategy and how they can collaboratively invest with QC to support the improvement and development of infrastructure in their local government area.

Commercial and Marketing

The Board recognised the significant achievements in off-field performance, with the Brisbane Heat and QC continuing to receive strong support from commercial partners, who play a critical role in the growth and development of cricket.

We were proud to welcome Queensland Country Bank and Poolwerx as Principal and Major Partners of the Brisbane Heat ahead of the 2024-25 season, along with new sponsors in Ward and Plantation Homes. The success of QC's commercial portfolio is driven by the growth of the Women's Big Bash League and Big Bash League competitions.

The Heat welcomed an average of 26,581 fans to BBL games at the Gabba last summer, indicating a 9.1% increase in attendance, while also setting a new club membership record of 17,960. The WBBL and BBL enjoyed national growth, with TV numbers increasing across the country. WBBL|10 was the most-watched season on record, while the Heat's BBL broadcast audience grew by 21% on Fox and 24% on Seven.

The Queensland Cricket Foundation continues to play a role in funding new initiatives that makes cricket more accessible. Highlights include the funding of a trip to remote locations in Far North Queensland as part of the Eddie Gilbert program, donations to major Indigenous cricket carnivals - the Stan Alberts Shield and South West Indigenous Network's Western Rivers Cup, the funding of the Jodie Purves Scholarship for a female cricketer from regional Queensland, and partnering with charities including Swara, Sporting Wheelies, and Juiced TV to deliver community impact projects.

Board Meetings

The Board held seven meetings during the year along with the two member meetings (AGM in September and OGM in March).

The Board also included a number of key presentations from key stakeholders during the year, including the coaches overview in August and the ACT Cricket Chair Greg Boorer in December to outline his proposal on the entry of a commercially sustainable new franchise from the ACT in both the BBL and WBBL T20 competitions.

With the resignation of Director Mark Gray from the Board in September 2024, the QCA Nominations Committee commenced the search for a replacement Appointed Director. Following the process, the Committee recommended to the QCA Board the re-appointment of former director, Juanita Maiden as Appointed Director effective December 2024. Juanita had previously served on the Board from 2019-2023 when she resigned from the Board to join the Stadiums Queensland Board.

At the June 2025 meeting, the Chair advised the Board on the resignation of Elected Director Kirby Short effective 30 June 2025, following her appointment with Cricket Victoria. The Chair thanked Kirby for her insights and dedication during her time on the Board and her contribution to the organisation as a player and competition winning captain. The Board wished Kirby all the best as she takes on her new role.

The Board also agreed to schedule a regional visit to Wide Bay Region (Bundaberg) in September 2025.

Members’ Meetings (AGM & OGM)

The 148th QCA AGM was held on the evening of 17 September 2024 in person and with arrangements for electronic attendance. During the meeting members bestowed life membership to Ken Dixon who has served a long and distinguished association with both Sandgate-Redcliffe Cricket Club and Queensland Cricket as a player, coach, administrator and volunteer. Ken is the second member of the Dixon family to receive QC Life Membership following his late brother Graham whose valuable service was so recognised in 2013.

During the meeting, QCA Deputy Chair Ian Healy AO and Director John Salter were re-elected by members for a further three-year term. Members also voted for Kevin Maher (QCCA) and Brendon Gibson (SBDCC) as member representatives on the QCA Nominations Committee.

The QCA Chair Kirsten Pike and CEO Terry Svenson provided members’ an overview of the past twelve months, thanking members for their significant contribution and hard work along with the enormous contribution and efforts of the many volunteers who give so freely of their time and energy to deliver and grow the game across Queensland.

Members were also provided an update from CA Director Greg Rowell and QCCA Chair Kevin Maher.

The QCA Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) was held as an online meeting on the evening of 25 March 2025. During the meeting members supported the special resolution to approve BEARS (Bayside, Easts and Redlands) Junior Cricket Association affiliate membership and supported the proposal to bring a special resolution on voting rights for the three Brisbane Metro-Junior Associations to the next QCA AGM in September 2025.

The Chair recognised the contribution and significant efforts of departing Director and Chair of the FGAR Committee Mark Gray, following his ten-year service on the QCA Board. Mark was a major contributor to the efforts in rebuilding the strength of the QCA Balance Sheet during his time as Chair of the Committee.

Board Committees

The Board continued to support a number of Committees to provide the Board and the organisation with greater skills, experience and oversight. Following the resignation of Director Mark Gray in September 2024, the Board appointed Director, Jon Dooley as the new Chair of the QCA Finance, Governance, Risk and Audit (FGAR) Committee from October 2024.

In accordance with the responsibilities of its charter, the FGAR Committee continued to provide the Board with valuable oversight of the key strategic, financial, risk and governance issues confronting the business. The Committee also provided advice on management of the QCA Future Fund investment through Morgan Stanley. During the year, the Committee was saddened by the resignation of external member John Keating who had served the Committee for the past 4 years. In March 2025 the Committee appointed a new external member, Samantha Miller to the Committee for her first meeting on 28 April 2025. The two QCA Directors who serve on the Committee are Jon Dooley (Chair) and Darren Frakes (member).

The Board received regular updates from the Chair of the Recruitment and Retention Committee, Ian Healy AO, on the progress of player retention and recruitment strategies and actions across both the Men’s and Women’s program. QCA Chair Kirsten Pike also served as a member of the Committee.

The QCA Nominations Committee consisting of QC Chair Kirsten Pike and QCA Director Grant Mitchell, along with Affiliate Members elected at the September 2024 AGM of Brendan Gibson (SBDCC) and Kevin Maher (QCCC). An Interim Independent Chair of the Committee, Katie Simpson from Directors Australia was appointed following the support of the QCA Nominations Committee and the QCA Board.

The Committee were tasked with recommending a replacement appointed director following the departure of Mark Gray, and following a process lead by the Interim Chair and supported by the Committee it recommended to the QCA Board the re-appointment of Juanita Maiden for a new three-year term effective December 2024. The Board approved the appointment via a flying minute on 24 November 2024.

The Board approved the establishment of the Ten-Year Vision Development Committee with Director Grant Mitchell to chair the committee supported by Committee members Directors John Salter and Bronwyn Atkinson. The Board approved the terms of reference for the Committee at the December 2024 meeting.

The QC Foundation committee was disbanded during the year, given it had served its purpose in establishing the Foundation during its early days. The responsibility was transferred back to the executive to continue the good work in raising additional funds to grow and support the game in Queensland. The Board is kept informed on the activities and results generated by the QC Foundation through both the CEO and the GM Commercial and Marketing.

The Board recognised the quality and the significant work that has been undertaken by the executive with the support of the First Nations Cricket Advisory Committee and the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) including the actions undertaken during FY25.

During the year, Queensland nominated Cricket Australia Director, Greg Rowell attended both the AGM and OGM to brief members on key matters on CA’s radar and answering members questions. The Board welcomed the opportunity to also keep Greg informed on Queensland Cricket matters.

The Board considered a range of key matters during the year including;

- Approved the re-nomination of Greg Rowell as the Queensland representative on the CA Board.
- Approved the re-appointment of Kirsten Pike as Chair and Ian Healy AO as Deputy Chair.
- Approved the appointment of Director Jon Dooley as the Chair of the QCA FGAR Committee.
- Approved the members of the Ten-Year Development Committee with Director Grant Mitchell to act as Chair.
- Approved eleven Conduct Commissioners and added two new members to the Conducts Committee.
- Approved Director Kirby Short to be the QCA Board representative on the Premier Cricket Committee.
- Approved the Terms of Reference of the Ten-Year Vision Development Committee.
- Reviewed and updated the Directors Register of Interest.
- Supported a new third-party contract agreement for curatorial services for Shaw Rd, with agreement from both CA and NSDCC.
- Continued support of funding for Infrastructure investment in conjunction with the Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF).
- Noted the progress of the QC Future Investment fund through funds managers, Morgan Stanley.
- Supported the success of the Premier Cricket T20 Max competition to bolster player performance in the short form game and the proposed initiatives for the fourth season.
- Supported a strengthening of the Integrity overview and process across the state.
- Supported the development of an Allan Border Field Masterplan.
- Recognised the contribution of Conducts Commissioner Kevin Kelso for his significant contribution to the game over twenty years, following his decision to retire from his position.

Strategic plan and direction

During the year, the Board and executive reviewed the progress made during the current 2022 - 2025 Strategic Plan. Noting the current development of the Ten-Year Vision it was decided to extend the current plan for one further year. The Board approved the proposed priority actions and success metrics for FY26 at the June 2025 Board meeting. The key focus continues to be on:

Success Metrics

- Participation Growth - Highest registered Club participation growth (Cricket Blast participants).
- Better Teams, Players and Coaches - Australia's leading elite cricket system.
- Financial Sustainability - Grow new and existing revenue to fund cricket aspirations.
- Staff Engagement - Continuous reflection and improvement.
- Infrastructure - Deliver State Infrastructure Plan.

The key elements of the plan include:

Our Vision

To be Queensland's leading sport

Our Purpose

To promote and grow cricket ensuring all Queenslanders can play, participate and enjoy the game.

The Plan provides five key strategic priorities:

- Sustainable Participation Growth
- Develop great cricketers and coaches, successful teams and even better people
- Inspire Queenslanders to play, participate and enjoy the game
- Build a proactive, authentic and financially sustainable organisation to lead Queensland's Cricketing Community
- Deliver a statewide infrastructure and facility network supporting growth and elite cricket

The Plan also articulates the four key Values:

- We Care
- We Lead
- We Deliver
- We Innovate.

The Directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd ("QCA") and the entity it controlled at the end of, or during, the year ended 30 June 2025. 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, unless otherwise stated:

KE Pike
I Healy AO
JA Salter
AM Gray * (resigned 30 September 2024)
J Dooley *
D Frakes
J Maiden (appointed 1 December 2024)
B Atkinson *
K Short (resigned 30 June 2025)
G Mitchell

The QCA Board consists of six elected members and three members who are appointed directors on the recommendation of the QCA Nominations Committee and approved by the Board. The appointed directors are identified above by an asterisk*.

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 and increasing the focus and investment in the improved infrastructure and facilities for the game in Queensland.

The Group has also focused upon building the support and engagement with fans through the W/BBL franchise operating as Brisbane Heat. This has delivered improved revenue incomes through sponsorship and ticket sales and also has helped grow the game throughout the state.

Review of operations

The surplus for the year amounted to \$664,112 (2024: \$968,451), which incorporates an amount of \$517,733 representing gains from the QCA Future Fund. Excluding this amount which is not available for general use, the net operating surplus for the year was \$146,379.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

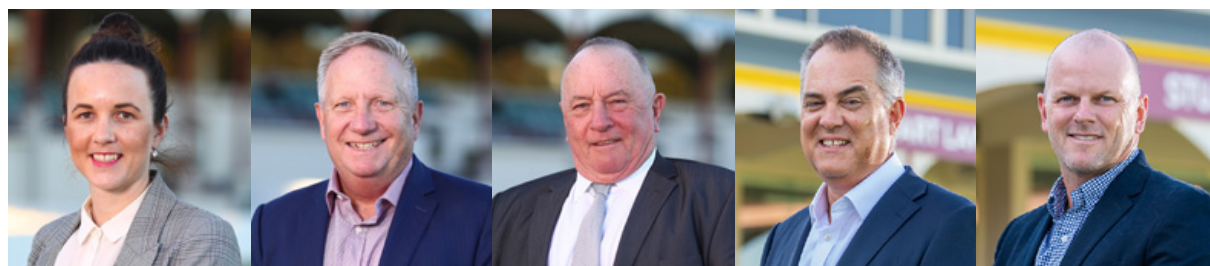
There have been no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group during the year.

Event since the end of the financial year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2025 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.



Queensland Cricket Board Members
(L-R): Kirsten Pike, Ian Healy, John Salter, Jon Dooley, Darren Frakes



Queensland Cricket Board Members (cont.)
(L-R): Bronwyn Atkinson, Kirby Short, Grant Mitchell, Juanita Maiden

Information on Directors

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

Kirsten Pike GAICD - Chair (Elected Director)

Kirsten Pike was elected to the Board in September 2017 and appointed Deputy Chair in July 2019. Following the resignation of Chris Simpson from the Board, Ms Pike was appointed Chair of the QCA Board at a Special Board meeting following the 2023 AGM. Ms Pike has a Bachelor of Laws and a Diploma of Legal Practice from Queensland University of Technology and 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 QCA Nominations Committee and the QCA Recruitment and Retention Committee of the Board.

Ian Healy AO - Deputy Chair (Elected Director)

Mr Healy was appointed as Director to the Board in July 2019 initially to cover a casual vacancy and was appointed as an Elected Director at the September 2019 AGM and reappointed again in September 2021. He 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 founder of Century Cricket, providing playing opportunities for amateur players. He is Chairman of the Recruitment and Retention Committee of the Board and the honorary Chair of Brisbane Heat. Mr Healy was appointed by the Board as Deputy Chair at the 10 October 2023 meeting and was awarded Life Member of Queensland Cricket Association in 2015.

Mark Gray FAICD (Appointed Director - resigned 30 September 2024)

Mr Gray was appointed as an Appointed Director to the Board in December 2014, reappointed in February 2019 and reappointed again in January 2022. Mr Gray was Chairman of the QCA Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee until his resignation. He is a well-respected Company Director and currently Chair of Data#3 Limited and Sugar Terminals Limited. He also served on other Non-Executive Director roles in government and community 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. He holds an Honorary Doctorate from Griffith University, as well as a Bachelor of Economics (First Class Honors) from the University of Queensland.

John Salter (Elected Director)

Mr Salter was elected as a Director to the Board in March 2017 and was reappointed in 2020 and 2023. In 2024, he was re-elected for a further three-year term. Mr Salter holds AICD sporting organization accreditation, is a Fellow of the Australian Human Resources Institute and prior to retirement, held senior management and advocacy roles within employer associations and private sector corporations. He played grade cricket in Brisbane with the Eastern Suburbs club for 27 seasons, captaining its first-grade side in the 1980's, serving as its President and as a former chair of the QC Grades Committee. He was awarded Life Membership of the Easts/Redlands Cricket Club in 1989. He currently chairs the national meat industry vocational education advisory committee and is a former Director of the Souths Logan Rugby League club. A resident of the Gold Coast, he is still active in cricket as a local umpire and seniors player. Mr Salter was previously the Board appointee to QC's Premier Cricket Committee and is currently a member of the Ten-Year Vision Development Committee.

Jonathan Dooley FAICD (Appointed Director)

Mr Dooley was appointed as an Appointed Director to the Board in December 2019 and reappointed in December 2023, 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, he was an Independent Member of the Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee. Mr Dooley is co-founder of Vincents, a Financial and Economic Advisory firm and is currently their Executive Chair. He is also Chair of ART Life Insurance Limited and a Director of Redkite (a National Children's Cancer Charity). Mr Dooley was appointed as Chair of the QC FGAR Committee in September 2024 following the resignation of Mark Gray.

Darren Frakes (Elected Director)

Mr Frakes was elected to the QCA Board at the 2022 AGM. He has been extensively involved in cricket throughout his life-as a player, coach, and administrator-including playing grade cricket in Brisbane for Northern Suburbs. From 2016 to 2022, he served as Treasurer of the Qld Country Cricket Association. Mr Frakes has had a long-standing career in the banking and finance sector. He was formerly an Owner Manager of a Bank of Queensland branch and is now the Owner and Director of Alta Finance, a mortgage brokering business based in Townsville. He is currently a member of the QCA FGAR (Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk) Committee.

Information on Directors (continued)

Bronwyn Atkinson GAICD (Appointed Director)

Ms Atkinson was appointed to the Board in September 2023. Previously she was a member of the QCA Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk (FGAR) Committee from September 2022 until January 2025. Holding a Master of Laws, Ms Atkinson is currently working as a project manager and has significant experience in project delivery and governance. She was instrumental in introducing the girls' program at the University of Queensland Cricket Club and is actively engaged in coaching junior teams. She is a member of the QC Ten-Year Vision Development Committee.

Kirby Short GAICD (Elected Director - Resigned 30 June 2025)

Ms Short captained Queensland during a career that spanned from 2005 to 2020 and led the WBBL Brisbane Heat to back-to-back championships. Holding a Master of Education (Leadership/Management), she has been a school teacher, deputy principal and principal and more recently, executive coach and corporate consultant in leadership and high performance. In conjunction with commentary for Channel 7 and FOX Sports, she has worked as an athlete leadership mentor and consultant for the Queensland Women's State of Origin team, Queensland Firebirds and Lawn Bowls Australia. Ms Short was a member of the QC Ten-Year Vision Development Committee and the Premier Cricket Committee.

Grant Mitchell GAICD (Elected Director)

A long serving stalwart of Valley District Cricket club where he was awarded Life Membership in 2014, Mr Mitchell joined the Board in September 2023. From Gladstone originally, he was a Premier Grade player with Wynnum-Manly and Valley and has coached men's and women's cricket at Premier and junior level. He is the owner/director of Reliance Precision Australia which operates in the aerospace, space, defence, medical and scientific industries. He is a member of the QCA Nominations Committee and Chair of the QC Ten-Year Vision Development Committee.

Juanita Maiden GAICD (Appointed Director - Appointed December 2024)

Ms Maiden was initially appointed as an Appointed Director to the QCA Board in December 2019. She resigned from the Board in July 2023 when appointed to the Board of Stadiums Queensland. Following her resignation from the Stadiums Queensland Board, Ms Maiden was re-appointed to the QCA Board in December 2024 following the recommendation of the QCA Nominations Committee to the Board. She 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 Special Counsel in the sports law team at Mullins Lawyers. Ms Maiden is currently Deputy Chairperson of the International Rugby League Judiciary and Chairperson of the AFL Queensland Appeals Tribunal. Along with her Board experience she was previously the first female appointed as the CEO of a National Basketball League Club in Australia.

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 2025 was nil (2024: nil).

Queensland nominee on the Cricket Australia Board

Mr Greg Rowell was nominated as the Queensland representative Independent Director in early 2021 and was appointed by CA 17 October 2024 for a second three-year term. Mr Rowell attended both the QCA AGM and OGM's during the financial year.

Meetings of directors

The number of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors held during the year ended 30 June 2025, and the number of meetings attended by each Director were:

Director	Full meetings of directors	
	Number of meetings attended	Number of meetings eligible to attend
K Pike (Chair)	9	9
I Healy AO (Deputy Chair)	8	9
JA Salter	8	9
AM Gray	4	4
J Dooley	9	9
D Frakes	9	9
B Atkinson	9	9
K Short	9	9
G Mitchell	9	9
J Maiden	5	5

During the year ended 30 June 2025, the Board held 7 Board full meetings as well as the AGM on 17 September 2024 and the OGM on 19 March 2025.

At the time of reporting the following Committees are operating under the auspices of the QC Board:

- Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk Committee;
- Recruitment and Retention Committee;
- Nominations Committee; and
- Ten-Year Vision Development Committee.

During the year ended 30 June 2025, the following operational Committees have been in operation:

- Premier Cricket Committee;
- Conducts Committee;
- Appeals Tribunal; and
- First Nations 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 willful 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 13.

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 the Directors.



KE Pike
Chair

Brisbane
1 August 2025

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 2025, 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 entities it controlled during the period.

Darren Jenns
Partner
PricewaterhouseCoopers

Brisbane
1 August 2025

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd
Corporate governance statement
30 June 2025

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. It was updated to reflect the change in the QCA Constitution and approved by the Board at the December 2022 meeting.

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.

In line with the Constitution the Board has an established Finance, Governance, Audit and Risk (FGAR) Committee who meet at least five times a year and has oversight of the organisations governance.

During the year all new Directors undertook a comprehensive QCA Induction as well as attended a Cricket Australia Induction for all new State directors.

At present the Board includes four members who have successfully undertaken the AICD Company Directors Graduate program.

Directors have been encouraged to undertake the AICD Company Directors course for their individual development.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 20. 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 subsidiary, 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 review of operations and activities on page 1 and in the directors' report on page 8, both of which are not part of this financial report.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 1 August 2025. 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 2025

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Revenue	2	37,308,561	36,943,792
Other income	3	6,394,466	6,088,925
Expenses			
Other gains/(losses) – net	4	312,801	266,114
Employee benefits expense		(25,550,400)	(24,317,728)
State cricket match expenses		(3,869,355)	(3,803,255)
Grants to associated bodies		(3,580,707)	(3,333,826)
Travel expenses		(1,980,513)	(1,713,324)
Plant and equipment related expenses		(1,942,012)	(2,577,449)
Awards, promotion and advertising expenses		(1,435,036)	(1,601,699)
Consultants expense		(1,099,083)	(1,342,485)
Field and facilities expenses		(1,568,224)	(1,330,249)
Depreciation expense	9, 10	(821,131)	(745,958)
Catering and corporate hospitality expenses		(324,653)	(395,032)
Finance expenses		(78,354)	(37,712)
Other expenses		(1,102,248)	(1,131,663)
Total expenses		(43,038,915)	(42,064,266)
Profit for the year		664,112	968,451
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		664,112	968,451

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd Consolidated balance sheet As at 30 June 2025			
	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	12,098,502	10,969,479
Trade and other receivables	6	677,716	1,865,372
Inventories	7	49,254	34,446
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	5,849,504	5,007,599
Total current assets		18,674,976	17,876,896
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	9	5,921,344	6,410,081
Right-of-use assets	10	1,515,295	1,012,815
Intangible assets	11	2,031,807	2,513,179
Total non-current assets		9,468,446	9,936,075
Total assets		28,143,422	27,812,971
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	12	4,077,869	5,441,901
Lease liabilities	10	319,118	141,944
Provisions	13	475,444	488,350
Employee benefit obligations	14	924,748	764,576
Total current liabilities		5,797,179	6,836,771
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	10	1,015,438	662,075
Provisions	13	497,212	158,474
Employee benefit obligations	14	145,756	131,926
Total non-current liabilities		1,658,406	952,475
Total liabilities		7,455,585	7,789,246
Net assets		20,687,837	20,023,725
EQUITY			
Reserves	15(a)	234,946	238,986
Retained earnings	15(b)	20,452,891	19,784,739
Total equity		20,687,837	20,023,725

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd Consolidated statement of changes in equity For the year ended 30 June 2025			
	Reserves \$	Retained earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	240,250	18,815,024	19,055,274
Profit for the year	-	968,451	968,451
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	968,451	968,451
Transfer between reserves and retained earnings	(1,264)	1,264	-
Balance at 30 June 2024	238,986	19,784,739	20,023,725
Balance at 1 July 2024	238,986	19,784,739	20,023,725
Profit for the year	-	664,112	664,112
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	664,112	664,112
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:			
Transfer between reserves and retained earnings	(4,040)	4,040	-
Balance at 30 June 2025	234,946	20,452,891	20,687,837

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd
Consolidated statement of cash flows
For the year ended 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
Notes	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from customers and grants	43,992,375	41,383,774
Payments to suppliers and employees	(36,203,448)	(35,341,099)
	7,788,927	6,042,675
Payments to members	(3,467,128)	(2,922,394)
Net goods and services tax paid	(3,072,035)	(2,710,422)
Interest received	555,736	508,686
Interest paid	(78,354)	(37,712)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	1,727,146	880,833
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(62,636)	(167,756)
Payments for investments	(1,632,985)	(1,223,284)
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets and investments	1,103,881	54,545
Dividends from investments	235,319	182,482
Net cash (outflow) from investing activities	(356,421)	(1,154,013)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Principal elements of lease payments	(241,702)	(97,603)
Net cash (outflow) from financing activities	(241,702)	(97,603)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,129,023	(370,783)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	10,969,479	11,340,262
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	5 12,098,502	10,969,479

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd
Notes to the consolidated financial statements
30 June 2025

1 Summary of material accounting policies

This note provides a list of all material 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 - Simplified Disclosure Requirements

The consolidated financial report of the Group complies with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures 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) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative information has been reclassified and repositioned for consistency with current year disclosures.

(iv) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards, amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2025 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Group. These standards, amendments or interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods 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.

(vi) 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.

(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 the instrument to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, 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 2025 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 the subsidiary have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(d) 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.

(e) 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.

(f) 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*.

(g) 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.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Leases (continued)

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,
- 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 material accounting policies (continued)

(h) 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.

(i) Impairment of non-financial 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.

(j) 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.

(k) 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.

(l) Investments and other financial assets

(i) Classification

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through OCI or through profit or loss), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or OCI. For investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading, this will depend on whether the Group has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

(ii) Measurement

Equity instruments

The Group subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value. Where the Group's management has elected to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in OCI, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss following the derecognition of the investment. Dividends from such investments continue to be recognised in profit or loss as other income when the Group's right to receive payments is established.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(l) Investments and other financial assets (continued)

(ii) Measurement (continued)

Equity instruments (continued)

Changes in the fair value of financial assets at FVPL are recognised in other gains/(losses) in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as applicable. Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) on equity investments measured at FVOCI are not reported separately from other changes in fair value.

(iii) Impairment

The Group assesses on a forward-looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its debt instruments carried at amortised cost and FVOCI. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

For trade receivables, the Group applies the simplified approach permitted by AASB 9, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables, see note 1(j) for further details.

(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.

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(i)).

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).

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(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.

(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.

1 Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(r) Employee benefits (continued)

(iii) Post-employment obligations

The Group pays contributions to publicly or privately administered defined contribution superannuation plans on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expense when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

(iv) 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 terminations 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 5) 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.

(u) Parent entity financial information

The financial information for the parent entity, Queensland Cricket Association Ltd, disclosed in note 25 has been prepared on the same basis as the consolidated financial report, except as set out below.

(i) Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost in the financial report of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd.

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2 Revenue from contracts with customers

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

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Revenue from Cricket Australia	28,751,533	29,534,745
Revenue from cricket matches	4,525,591	3,523,405
Sponsorship	4,031,437	3,885,642
	<u>37,308,561</u>	<u>36,943,792</u>

3 Other income

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Rental income	21,399	76,212
Dividends	235,319	182,482
Donations	201,651	173,466
Interest income	555,736	508,686
Registrations	265,756	154,006
State Government grants	191,400	175,000
Tournament fees and levies	55,002	44,718
Miscellaneous recoveries	2,161,276	2,994,733
Other grants	1,820,437	922,958
Other income	886,490	856,664
	<u>6,394,466</u>	<u>6,088,925</u>

4 Other gains/(losses)

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and right-of use assets	-	(18,683)
Net fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	278,255	289,682
Net gain/(loss) on sale of available-for-sale financial assets	34,546	(4,885)
	<u>312,801</u>	<u>266,114</u>

5 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash at bank	4,037,995	5,969,479
Deposits at call and investment account	8,060,507	5,000,000
	<u>12,098,502</u>	<u>10,969,479</u>

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5 Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

(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:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
QCA Foundation unused balance	82,323	72,128
Peter Burge unused grant	864,339	744,219
Allan Border Asset Maintenance Reserve	234,946	238,986
Total restricted cash	<u>1,181,608</u>	<u>1,055,333</u>

6 Trade receivables

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current assets		
Trade receivables	509,792	786,294
Loss allowance	(4,773)	(12,989)
	<u>505,019</u>	<u>773,305</u>
Other receivables	-	703,315
Prepayments	172,697	388,752
	<u>677,716</u>	<u>1,865,372</u>

7 Inventories

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current assets		
Cricket material on hand - at cost	49,254	34,446

8 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets mandatorily measured at FVPL include the following:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current assets		
Managed funds	5,849,504	5,007,599

The managed fund portfolio holds a variety of investments which generate a return based on income from those investments and changes in the market value of the investments. The Group's investment portfolio can be redeemed on an at call basis at the market value of the investment at the date of redemption less certain fees and charges.

8 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

(a) Amounts recognised in profit or loss

During the year, the following gains/(losses) were recognised in profit or loss:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Fair value gains on investments at FVPL recognised in other gains/(losses) (see note 4)	278,255	289,682

9 Property, plant and equipment

	Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles	Leasehold improvements	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Non-current				
At 1 July 2023				
Cost	2,495,694	548,702	14,857,393	17,901,789
Accumulated depreciation	(1,472,494)	(446,467)	(9,173,829)	(11,092,790)
Net book amount	1,023,200	102,235	5,683,564	6,808,999
Year ended 30 June 2024				
Opening net book amount	1,023,200	102,235	5,683,564	6,808,999
Additions	97,593	-	70,163	167,756
Depreciation charge	(169,504)	(48,212)	(348,958)	(566,674)
Closing net book amount	951,289	54,023	5,404,769	6,410,081
At 30 June 2024				
Cost	2,593,286	548,702	14,927,556	18,069,544
Accumulated depreciation	(1,641,997)	(494,679)	(9,522,787)	(11,659,463)
Net book amount	951,289	54,023	5,404,769	6,410,081
Year ended 30 June 2025				
Opening net book amount	951,289	54,023	5,404,769	6,410,081
Additions	36,709	-	25,927	62,636
Depreciation charge	(171,702)	(19,031)	(360,640)	(551,373)
Closing net book amount	816,296	34,992	5,070,056	5,921,344
At 30 June 2025				
Cost	2,629,994	548,702	14,953,483	18,132,179
Accumulated depreciation	(1,813,698)	(513,710)	(9,883,427)	(12,210,835)
Net book amount	816,296	34,992	5,070,056	5,921,344

10 Leases

(a) Amounts recognised in the consolidated balance sheet

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

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Right-of-use assets		
Properties	311,032	311,416
Equipment	1,204,263	701,399
	1,515,295	1,012,815
Lease liabilities		
Current	319,118	141,944
Non-current	1,015,438	662,075
	1,334,556	804,019

Future lease payments in relation to lease liabilities as at year end are as follows:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Within one year	379,727	141,951
Later than one year but not later than five years	839,243	424,718
Later than five years	515,448	520,320
	1,734,418	1,086,989

Additions to the right-of-use assets during the 2025 financial year were \$772,238 (2024: \$506,969) and disposals during the year were \$nil (2024: \$73,228).

(b) Amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

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

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets		
Properties	9,865	9,262
Equipment	259,893	170,022
	269,758	179,284
Interest expense (included in finance cost)	71,823	23,838

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11 Intangible assets

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Right to access to National Cricket Centre facilities		
Opening balance	2,513,179	2,847,756
Amortisation (National Cricket Centre usage for the year)	(481,372)	(334,577)
Closing balance	2,031,807	2,513,179

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 2025, QC had used \$2,968,193 (2024: \$2,486,821) of the grant.

12 Trade and other payables

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current liabilities		
Trade payables and accruals	3,799,904	5,160,197
Goods and services tax payable	138,198	242,522
Deferred income	139,767	39,182
	4,077,869	5,441,901

(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.

13 Provisions

	Current \$	2025 Non- current \$	Total \$	Current \$	2024 Non- current \$	Total \$
Player payments provision	162,618	-	162,618	-	-	-
Grants to affiliates and community cricket provision	312,826	-	312,826	488,350	-	488,350
JP Maher Bursary provision	-	12,660	12,660	-	12,660	12,660
ACR surcharge provision	-	484,552	484,552	-	145,814	145,814
	475,444	497,212	972,656	488,350	158,474	646,824

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

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14 Employee benefit obligations

	Current \$	2025 Non- current \$	Total \$	Current \$	2024 Non- current \$	Total \$
Leave obligations	924,748	145,756	1,070,504	764,576	131,926	896,502

Leave obligations

The leave obligations cover the Group's liabilities for long service leave and annual leave which are classified as either other long-term benefits or short-term benefits, as explained in note 1(r).

15 Reserves and retained earnings

(a) Reserves

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Allan Border Asset Maintenance reserve	234,946	238,986
	2025 \$	2024 \$

Movements:

<i>Allan Border Asset Maintenance Reserve</i>		
Opening balance	238,986	240,250
Facility expenses	(4,040)	(1,264)
Balance 30 June	234,946	238,986

(i) Nature and purpose of other reserves

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:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance 1 July	19,784,739	18,815,024
Profit for the year	664,112	968,451
Transfer between reserves and retained earnings	4,040	1,264
Balance 30 June	20,452,891	19,784,739

16 Remuneration of auditors

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

PricewaterhouseCoopers

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Audit of financial statements	56,175	53,500
Other non-assurance services	13,716	12,900
	69,891	66,400

17 Contingent liabilities and assets

(a) Contingent liabilities

The Group had no contingent liabilities at 30 June 2025 (2024: nil).

(b) Contingent assets

The Group had no contingent assets at 30 June 2025 (2024: nil).

18 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.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
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	172,030	198,318
Later than one year but not later than five years	546,517	463,068
Later than five years	936,121	1,116,898
	1,654,668	1,778,284

19 Related party transactions

(a) Subsidiaries

Interests in subsidiaries are set out in note 20.

(b) Key management personnel compensation

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Key management personnel compensation	1,483,351	1,338,030

The Directors of Queensland Cricket were reimbursed \$52,500 (2024: \$52,500) for general expenses and this amount is included in the above.

19 Related party transactions (continued)

(c) Transactions with other related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Distributions to members *	3,467,128	2,922,394

* 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:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current payables		
Amounts payable to members at balance date	298,826	485,350

20 Interests in other entities

The consolidated financial report incorporates the assets, liabilities and results of the following principal subsidiary in accordance with the accounting policy described in note 1(c):

Name of entity	Place of business/ country of incorporation	Ownership interest held by the group 2025 %	2024 %
Brisbane Heat Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100

21 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.

22 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 2025 (2024: \$500).

23 Economic dependency

The Group is economically dependent upon Cricket Australia in respect to grants received. The funding agreement with Cricket Australia is in place until 30 June 2026.

24 Events occurring after the reporting period

No 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.

25 Parent entity financial information

The financial information for the parent is the same as the consolidated financial report balance sheet and statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, as the subsidiary is not a trading entity.

Name of entity	Type of entity	% of share capital	Country of incorporation	Australian resident or foreign resident
Queensland Cricket Association Ltd	Body corporate	n/a	Australia	Australian #
Brisbane Heat Pty Ltd	Body corporate	100	Australia	Australian #

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

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

Queensland Cricket Association Ltd
Directors' declaration
30 June 2025

In the Directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial report and notes set out on pages 15 to 35 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards - General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures, 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 2025 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, and
- (c) the consolidated entity disclosure statement on page 36 is true and correct.

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



KE Pike
Chair

Brisbane
1 August 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



Independent auditor's report

To the members of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd

Our opinion

In our opinion:

The accompanying financial report of Queensland Cricket Association Ltd (the Company) and its controlled entities (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 2025 and of its financial performance for the year then ended
- b. complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

What we have audited

The financial report comprises:

- the consolidated balance sheet as at 30 June 2025
- 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, including material accounting policy information and other explanatory information
- the consolidated entity disclosure statement as at 30 June 2025
- the directors' declaration.

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.

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 2025, 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 through our opinion on the financial report.

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.

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the *Corporations Act 2001*, including giving a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that 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.



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: https://auasb.gov.au/media/apzlwnoy/ar3_2024.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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All the right moves . . .the Gabba lit up as the WBBL Heat made a triumphant return to the venue.

