

# **Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc.**



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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES**

**ASSOCIATION ( BRISBANE) INC.**

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2002**

(Attendances at Management Committee Meetings)

PRESIDENT	Peter Gofton (15)
VICE-PRESIDENT	Peter Smith (14)
SECRETARY	Tim Matthews (15)
TREASURER	Mark Logan (12)
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	
	Peter Backstrom (13)
	Laurie Monaghan (6)
	Terry O'Connor (10)
	Michael Petrie (15)
	Andrew Russell (13)
	Bryce Titcume (12)
EX OFFICIO MEMBERS (QRU)	
	Michael Backstrom (13)
	Cole Barrett (8)



## President's Report

My previous report highlighted that the year under review would witness considerable change and development for rugby in South East Queensland. And so it has. The Brisbane competition underwent significant changes with the introduction of Premier Rugby, the reorganisation of Community Rugby and the continued growth in Junior Club Rugby. All these factors combined to present new challenges and opportunities for our members both on and off the field and resulted in larger workloads being placed on referees and coaches. First Grade and Colts I fixtures having regularly appointed touch judges, number 4 and 5 being appointed to Premier Rugby and the increase in the number of School and Junior Club games all presented the Association with serious manpower resourcing issues. Referee coaches also had increased workloads with more matches being committed to video and the requirement to produce written reports on a timely basis. These increased calls on our resources could not have been met had it not been for a greater willingness for all members to avail themselves of the opportunities presented at training and development nights with a greater turnout of members wanting to improve their fitness and rugby knowledge. These factors were largely responsible for the quantum leap in performance of the refereeing team.

Administratively the Association concluded the year in good shape both organisationally and financially. Accepting advice from our auditor the Association's financial year now concludes 30<sup>th</sup> June and membership expires on 31<sup>st</sup> December of each calendar year. Notwithstanding the small inconvenience that this places on cash flow for this year I am pleased to report that the Association is in a sound financial position. Membership numbers although static have been bolstered by significant new additions that have the potential to provide the Association with good long service over the coming years. In addition the Management Committee has secured the Association's future for at least the next three years. As a result of these factors I am confident that future Management Committees will be very well positioned to continue, at a minimum, the current level of support for appointments, coaching, training and ongoing referee education and accreditation.

Our organisation could not survive without sponsors as a majority of our working income is derived from these sources. We are indebted to Ian Elcock and Tony Jones from Precision Eyewear for their continued support throughout the year as our major sponsor. Their support over the last three years has been of inestimable value for which the Association is very thankful. Of no less importance was the support given by Liza Devlin and the staff of Paddington Physiotherapy who supported referees with their professional advice and hands on help. Aretha and Geoff Acton from Dixon Homes supported our referee coaches and training squad who are now easily recognised by their distinctive clothing. Once again the Coopers Plains Dental Surgery team of George Cocolas, Mark Logan and Jonathon Cichero supplied red and yellow cards in a distinctive wallet as well as our own water bottle carrying the Association's logo. The Association thanks all our sponsors for their continuing support.

The Queensland Rugby Union has been very supportive of our Association throughout the year and I sincerely thank Jeff Miller, Gaven Head, Roger Plastow and Rod Cousins. They all gave unstintingly of their time and provided support and expert advice when required. Without this level of support by the QRU via the Brisbane Rugby Committee (BRC) and Brisbane Junior Competition Committee in framing workable fixture timetables the Association would have been unable to provide officials for all fixtures. A special thank you is extended to Cole Barrett, the QRU Referee Accreditation and Development Manager, who helped organise the pre-season development day, ran the bulk of the development night programmes, wrote countless coaching reports for our members as well as providing a wealth of expert up to date information on accreditation and coaching matters. Another special vote of thanks is also extended to Michael Backstrom, the Referee Administrator, without whose cheerful help appointments, pullouts, member correspondence and a host of other administrative matters would not have progressed in the timely and professional manner they did.

The strength of our Association is in part reflected in the achievements of our referees and coaches at the State, National and International level. Andrew Cole, Scott Young and Ian Scotney were again active in the Test and Super 12 arena and Greg Hinton was a regular on the Super 12 appointments list. Terry O'Connor, Cole Barrett, Ian Scotney, Geoff Acton, Darren Rees, Greg Cuthbert, Paul Marks, Michael Jennings and Frank Meiklejohn were selected for various National Championships either as referees or coaches. In

addition Geoff Pegg has been invited to participate in the LIII Referee Coaching Programme for 2003 and Geoff Acton and Steve Lesczynski will be participating in the LIII Referee Programme.

Their success is a measure of the value and expertise of our coaches and assessors and the development programmes they administer. Association coaches/assessors are an integral part of referee development on the local, national and international scenes and their efforts are to be applauded. This year marked the commencement of a mentor coaching programme for referees and although the programme is still being assessed early indications are favourable. It's through innovations such as this that the Association is striving to improve refereeing standards and fast track those referees who show promise. Without the willingness to embrace forward thinking and innovation the Association would not be in its current strong position and we should all take a moment to thank the coaching team for their hard work.

Congratulations to all our Semi-final and Grand Final referees on your appointments and for providing our coaches and assessors many selection headaches due to the high overall standard of your performances.

It almost seems like a cliché but the Association could not have functioned as well as it did if it were not for the overwhelming support of our members. The patience and dedication shown by you all allowed the Appointments Board to fill in excess of 3000 games this season and amply demonstrates where our major strength lies. Special recognition is given to Peter Smith for chairing the Appointments Board and to the long hours and hard work put in by the members of the board. Special thanks are extended to Barry Leask, Geoff Pegg and Tom Ryan who worked long and hard to ensure games had a referee appointed. Without their dedication and diligent work this vital phase of our association would not have functioned as well as it did. Gentlemen congratulations on a job well done.

Thanks are also due to Geoff Gardiner, Tim Matthews and Mark Hogan for representing our Association at judicial hearings and appeals.

To members of the Management Committee I am indebted for your dedication, efforts and support throughout the year and the enthusiasm with which you embraced change. The efforts of our Secretary Tim Matthews and Treasurer Mark Logan were once again particularly noteworthy and their work has continued to set high administrative standards for the Association. To our Honorary Auditor Mr Leon Barrett our thanks for your expert advice and efforts on our behalf.

I'm sure next year will again challenge the Association in similar ways as this year has done. We have shown we can accept and adapt to change as the game of rugby evolves. As this will be my last year as President I would like to thank all those individuals who have supported me over the last three years. Without the support I have enjoyed the Association would not be in its current strong position and have the ability and resources to provide direction and leadership to the further development of rugby in Queensland.

**Peter Gofton**

QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC  
PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE  
PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002

In the opinion of the Management committee, the accompanying Financial Statements:

1. present fairly the financial position of the Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc as at 30 June 2002 and the results of the Association for the period ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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

President.....

Treasurer.....

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2002

**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**  
**PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002**

GST collections and payments are excluded from the Income and Expenditure Statement in accordance with Commonwealth Government Legislation.

**Accounting period**

It should be noted that due to a change in closing date of the financial year, the figures for 2002 are for nine (9) months operations only.

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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**  
**PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Annual Dinner		2150.00	4499.99
Interest Earned		540.99	887.10
Sponsorship/Donations	2	26381.82	40955.45
Subscriptions		10400.00	10575.46
Uniform Sales		1513.62	5778.54
Bar Takings		1493.77	1436.36
State Government Grants		3000.00	2240.00
Miscellaneous Receipts		-	18.18
		<u>\$45480.20</u>	<u>\$66391.08</u>
 <b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
GST Paid (2000)			-
Bar Stock	5	635.42	969.76
Australia Post		650.05	267.07
Miscellaneous Expenditure		647.16	500.02
Fees and Permits		468.31	289.20
Bank Fees		85.00	67.90
Development Day (pre-season)		2587.50	849.60
Referee Merchandise	3	4392.27	1392.00
Official Dinners		-	837.50
Printing/Stationery		2405.49	1295.53
Training Aids	4	12762.54	5461.30
Training and Fitness		2685.11	3600.00
Phone Expenses		1466.75	1657.29
Trophies and Gifts		955.00	1903.96
Repairs and Maintenance		990.19	554.21
Annual Dinner		7421.33	5905.27
Traveling Expenses		3376.28	4349.36
Referee Apparel	5	10403.28	15642.94
Laptop Computer Rental Fee		864.50	-
Insurance Premiums		1180.82	-
Whistle Distribution (stock)		-	310.50
Adjustment to Cheques Drawn		-	54.80
Rounding of GST/ATO transactions		-	.55
 <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>\$53977.00</u>	<u>\$45908.96</u>
 <b>NET INCOME(LOSS)</b>		<u><u>(\$8496.80)</u></u>	<u><u>\$20482.32</u></u>

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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 30 JUNE 2002**

	NOTE	2002 \$	2001 \$
<b>MEMBER'S FUNDS</b>			
Accumulated Assets – 1 Oct 2001 as adjusted	6	52924.04	32943.15
Net Income (Loss)		(8496.80)	20482.33
Total Members Funds		<u>\$44427.24</u>	<u>\$53425.47</u>
Represented by:			
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash at Bank	7	25125.89	33013.26
Cash Management Account (Investment)	7	16732.27	16263.78
Debtors (GST June Quarter)		1770.16	688.85
Stock on Hand (Cost)			
- Apparel		2430.00	4975.00
- Bar Stock		195.00	89.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>\$46253.32</u>	<u>\$55029.89</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors (GST)	8	1162.82	
Creditors (GST June Quarter)		663.28	1604.42
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>\$1826.10</u>	<u>\$1604.42</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>\$44427.22</u>	<u>\$53425.47</u>

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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002**

<b>Operating activities</b>		
- Income from customers		45080.20
- Payments to customers		(51365.18)
Net movement in operating funds		<u>(6284.98)</u>
<b>GST activities</b>		
- GST collected and reimbursements from ATO		5165.94
- GST paid and remittances to ATO		(5736.64)
Net movement in GST activities		<u>(570.70)</u>
Net decrease in cash		(6855.68)
Cash at 1/10/01 (as adjusted)	Note 2	32450.06
Investments 1/10/01		16263.78
30 June 2002	Note 1	<u>\$41858.46</u>
<b>Note 1</b>		
Represented by		
- Cash at Bank		25125.89
- Investments		16732.27
		<u>\$41858.16</u>
<b>Note 2</b>		
Adjusted Cash Balance 01/10/01		
Balance as per Balance Sheet 30/09/01		33013.26
Less Outstanding Deposits included as revenue when banked in 2002		<u>(680.00)</u>
		\$32333.26
Plus Outstanding Cheques (stale) written back		116.80
Adjusted Cash Balance 1/10/01		<u>\$32450.06</u>

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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002**

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

These financial statements are a special purpose financial report prepared in order to provide accounts which satisfy the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981. The management committee has determined that the Association is a non-reporting entity and therefore there is no requirement to apply Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in the preparation and presentation of these statements.

The statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981. The statements are prepared on a cash basis, whereby items are brought to account as money is paid or received, from the records of the Association. They are based on historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuation of non-current assets.

The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies adopted by the Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc in the preparation of Financial Statements.

**( a ) TAXATION**

As of 1 July 2000, the association was registered with the ATO for GST purposes. It is a non-profit organization that has voluntary nominated for GST.

No provision has been made for income tax as the association is exempt from income tax under the provisions of section 23(g) of the Income tax Assessment Act.

The Association was and still is not required to have a Tax File Number.

The Association collects and pays GST quarterly. A Business Activity Statements (BAS) is submitted to the ATO on a quarterly basis as required by the Taxation Legislation.

**( b ) STOCK ON HAND**

All inventories are measured at the lower of cost or net realizable value.

**( c ) EQUIPMENT**

All equipment purchases are expensed in the year of purchase.

For control purposes such items have been listed on the register of non current assets/chattels.

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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002**

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (CONT)**

**2. SPONSORSHIP AND DONATIONS**

	\$
Precision Eyewear	18750.00
GPS	4000.00
QSRFU	568.18
TAS	3000.00
Others	6364
Total	<u>\$26381.82</u>

**3. REFEREE MERCHANDISE**

Champion Sports Displays	277.27
Allied Sporting Products	1325.00
Icon Promotional Advertising (T/J Flags)	2790.00
	<u>\$4392.27</u>

**4. TRAINING AIDS**

Panasonic Cameras	4409.09
2 Camera Cases for above equipment	660.00
Coaching course material	916.00
Video Tape purchases	192.64
2 Footballs	36.32
Referee Gear	5885.45
13 Waterproof Bags	560.77
QRU Club Room Hire	102.27
	<u>\$12762.54</u>

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**QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC**  
**PERIOD ENDIND 30 JUNE 2002**

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (CONT)**

**5. COST OF SALEABLE STOCKS**

Bar Sales	
- Stock 01/10/01	89.00
- Purchases	741.42
	<u>830.42</u>
Less Stock 30/06/02	195.00
Cost of Bar Stock used	<u>\$635.42</u>
Referee Apparel	
- Stock 01/10/01	4975.00
- Purchases	7858.28
	<u>\$12833.28</u>
Less Stock 30/06/02	2432.00
Cost of apparel used	<u>\$10403.28</u>

**6. ADJUSTMENT TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS AS AT 01/10/01**

Accumulated funds as per Balance sheet 30/09/01	53425.47
Less outstanding deposits in 2001, included as income in 2001 and again included as revenue in 2002 when monies were banked.	(680.00)
	<u>\$52745.47</u>
Plus unpresented cheques in 2001, written back in 2002	116.80
	<u>\$52862.27</u>
Plus GST provided on outstanding deposits in 2001	61.82
Adjusted accumulated funds as at 1 October 2001	<u>\$52924.09</u>

**7. BANK RECONCILIATION**

Balance as per Cashbook	41858.16
Balance at Bank	25207.21
Less outstanding cheques	81.32
	<u>\$25125.89</u>
Plus investments	16732.27
As above	<u>\$41858.16</u>

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QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) INC  
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (CONT)

8. RECONCILIATION OF GST

March Quarter	
- GST collected	2201.75
- GST paid	<u>1310.93</u>
Payable to ATO	890.82

Inadvertently the month of March 2002 was only accounted for when submitting quarterly BAS, which resulted in a refund from ATO.

272.00
<u>\$1162.82</u>

Therefore in addition to the June quarter an adjusting payment of \$1162.92 is to be made to the Australian Taxation Office.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

### QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION (BRISBANE) PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2002

#### Scope

I have audited the foregoing special purpose financial report comprising the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the period ended 30 June 2002. The statement comprises pages 1 to 4. The Association's Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information contained therein, and have determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the entity's constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion to the members of Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc. on its preparation and presentation. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Committee of Management's financial reporting requirements under the Association's constitution. I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the cash basis of accounting. Statements of Accounting Concepts, Accounting Standards and consensus views of the Urgent Issues Group are not applicable to this special purpose financial reporting adopted by the Association.

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

#### AUDIT OPINION

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly the expenditure and income of the Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc. for the period ended 30 June 2002, and its Assets and Liabilities as at 30 June 2002.



L.F. Barrett CPA  
Certified Practising Accountant  
16/09/02

## Appointments Board Report 2002

The QRRA (Brisbane) Inc. Appointments Board consisted of the following personnel:

Chairperson	Peter Smith
Pool 1 Manager	Barry Leask
Pool 2 Manager	Geoff Pegg
Pool 3 Manager	Tom Ryan
RC Group Coordinator	Terry O'Connor

The Appointments Board met on 6 occasions, approximately every 6 weeks.

With the intention of making the appointments process clear and transparent to all, the "Appointments Board Protocol – Season 2002" was distributed to all referees. This document details:

- The composition of the Board
- Responsibilities of the Board
- Responsibilities of each Board member
- Referee Pools
- Appointment Criteria
- Disciplinary Action
- Selection of Referees for Final Series and Selection Criteria

The appointments process worked very smoothly for the 2002 season. Once again Michael Backstrom (Referee Administration Officer) and Geoff Pegg did an outstanding job in handling the pullouts. Our Pool Managers, Barry, Geoff and Tom, did an excellent job in getting the appointments out to everyone in a timely fashion. Special mention must go to Tom Ryan for his outstanding work in managing the Junior Rugby referees, advising Terry of promising referees and those that needed some additional coaching.

The Appointments Board is also impressed and grateful for the hard work done by the referee coaches during the finals. Their input and counsel ensured referee selections for the finals were based on objective assessment of referee performance. This was due to Terry O'Connor's work with the Referee Coaches Group in ensuring that all referee coaches/selectors used the same methods and criteria for assessing referee performance.

On a critical note, the Appointments Board had to deal with an extraordinary number of complaints made against referees during the season. As coaches, players and spectators become more familiar with the laws of the game, referees will come under closer and more expert scrutiny. Referees must therefore ensure that they are fully conversant with the laws of the game, especially the law variations in U/19, midi and mini rugby. Referees must know and adhere to the rugby code of conduct and ensure that their behaviour is beyond reproach.

The 2002 season saw the introduction of Premier Rugby - a concept initiated by the ARU, and fully supported by the QRU. Premier Rugby is seen as a stepping stone from community rugby to Super 12, a stepping stone in the development of both players and referees. With this in mind the QRU Appointments Board assumed responsibility for appointing match officials to Premier Rugby matches. The QRU Appointments Board included Ian Scotney, Cole Barrett, and Barry Leask and I being the QRRA (Brisbane) Inc. delegates. The following initiatives were undertaken for all Premier Rugby matches:

- complete complement of match officials appointed (team of 5 and referee coach),
- referee coach provided a match report to Appointments Board, and coaching report to referee,
- referee provided reports on teams and referee coach,
- rugby coaches provided reports on referee performance
- match was videoed,
- referee appointments were based on merit, with the best available referee being appointed to the best game.



Premier Rugby is a standard of rugby above the old 1<sup>st</sup> grade competition. It is a forerunner to a national rugby competition. Premier Rugby has provided not only our top 10 referees with valuable development in a high standard rugby competition, but it has enabled many other referees with the opportunity to act as touch judges and as No. 4 & 5s, thus providing them with referee development not normally available. Brisbane referees are fortunate to be in a position where such development opportunities exist.

On the representative scene, QRRA (Brisbane) Inc. referees acquitted themselves well given their limited opportunities. Injuries to Scott Young and Andrew Cole affected their availability. Greg Hinton, once again missed out on a Super 12 appointment, but acquitted himself well in his other representative appointments. A list of representative appointments (January – October 2002) is tabled below:

<b>Referee</b>	<b>Match</b>	<b>Type of Fixture</b>
Paul Marks	Qld. Country v. Fiji Warriors	Rep.
	Aust. Schools Championships Div. 1	National championship
Greg Hinton	Brumbies B v. Reds B	Interstate B Series
	Waratah B v. NSW Cockatoos	Rep.
	Qld. V. Fiji Warriors	
	Australian 7s	Rep.
Andrew Cole	NZ 7s	Sevens
		Sevens
	England v. Wales	Test
	Sth. Africa v. Samoa	Test
	USA v. Chile	Test
	Australia A v. France A	International
Scott Young	Australian 7s	Sevens
	NZ 7s	Sevens
	NZ v. Fiji	Test
	Chile v. Canada	Test
	Waratahs v. NZ Maoris	Rep.
	Stormers v. Highlanders	Super 12
	Sharks v. Blues	Super 12
	Cats v. Blues	Super 12
Geoff Acton	Chiefs v. Bulls	Super 12
Geoff Acton	Aust. Schools Championships Div. 2	National Championship
Michael Jennings	Aust. Schools Championships Div. 1	National Championship
Darren Rees & Greg Cuthbert	Aust. Juniors Championships U/16	National Championship

The 2002 season was a very successful season for the association. Our referees have performed well in both community and elite rugby. The introduction of Premier Rugby has given a large number of our referees further development opportunities. The Appointments Board is looking to our younger, less experienced referees to grasp the development opportunities provided, to take that step forward, so they are well placed to become the next batch of elite referees from Queensland.

Finally, on behalf of the Appointments Board, thanks to all association referees who have contributed both on and off the field.

**Peter Smith**

### Referee Coaches Group

There have been some significant developments in referee-coaching this year made all the more better because of the contributions of those involved. The Queensland Rugby Union Club sponsored the Association through a generous donation of \$5000. This money went to providing a semi-professional camera and audio equipment. Each Saturday over the season and at two of the carnivals in July, Michael Petrie has videoed 53 matches and 41 referees. This acquisition has taken coaching to a new level. The coaches group would like to thank the QRU club for its generosity and the consequent improvement that this resource has brought to refereeing in Brisbane.

The mentor-coach system while not perfect has significantly changed the way we coach referees. The recent evaluation has provided valuable feedback and the overall response to this new approach has been welcomed but there are some issues that will need to be addressed. Some of them include:

- a. The perception amongst some that coaching is "cloak and dagger stuff" and needs to be more transparent.
- b. The program requires a significant commitment from referee coaches. That commitment for some, was too big.
- c. Coaches who were also active referees had difficulty doing both jobs.
- d. The video analysis with the coach is an excellent tool and should be developed further – 2 cameras.
- e. Written reports were highly valued

On a positive note of the 22 grand-finals played at the end of the season 18 were refereed by members who were a part of the mentor program. Of the 33 mentored referees 22 were a part of one of the finals series from Premier grade to Juniors.

There were 21 active coaches who wrote reports on 245 matches for 120 referees during 2002 compared to last year when 29 coaches wrote 240 reports. The quality of the reporting has improved significantly and in some cases has included statistics on position at breakdowns. In addition to the written reports, several Pool 1 referees observed junior referees and gave them advice. The efforts in this regard of Michael Tutty (3 advices), Greg Cuthbert (1), Michael Jennings (1), Steve Leszczynski (1), Pat Rae (1) and Darren Rees (1) were appreciated. Of the 245 written reports received, only 62 were written on mentored referees. The remaining 183 were written on referees that were not part of the program by coaches who were already a part of the mentor program and had several mentees. The referee coaches' efforts are summarised below:

Referee Coach	Number of Reports	Referee Coach	Number of Reports	Referee Coach	Number of Reports
Backstrom M	4	Jennings M	2	O'Donnell B	5
Barrett C	22	Lalor M	18	Pegg G	5
Cichero T	7	Leask B	5	Raukete J	5
Evans P	14	Matthews T	23	Ryan T	4
Gofton P	8	McCann N	8	Smith P	22
Harland T	14	Newton C	32	Titcumbe B	3
Jennings K	19	O'Connor T	15	Tutty C	3
				Ward R	7

Over the year we have had six meeting nights. The average attendance has been around 15 and we have covered a range of topics including the setting of referee goals, coaching using the IRB non-compliance indicators and positional analysis.

There are two people that deserve a big thank you. One is Michael Petrie who in addition to his own referee appointments and unknown to many, spent between 2-4 hours each weekend filming referees. This was done over 24 weekends. He receives no remuneration for fuel costs or his time and has made a tremendous contribution in his own quiet way. Also to Cole Barrett who assisted greatly by viewing the videos that Michael had taken and writing reports on referees.

On a personal note I would like to thank Tim Matthews, Michael Backstrom, Cole Barrett, Geoff Pegg, Peter Gofton, Peter Smith and Ian Scotney for the tremendous support over what has been at times, a very hectic season. To each of the coaches thank you also for your contribution and I look forward to 2003 season.

**Terry O'Connor**

**REFEREE COACHING REPORTS WRITTEN 2002**

Referee	Date	Coach	Date	Coach	Date	Coach	Date	Coach	Date	Coach	Date	Coach
Acton Geoff	18-May	Barrett C	21-Jul	Pegg G	1-Sep	Pegg G						
Agnew Michael	17-Mar	O'Connor T										
Armstrong Phillip	13-Apr	Lalor M										
Backstrom Michael	4-Apr	Barrett C										
Backstrom Peter	18-May	Ward R	1-Jun	Barrett C								
Baker Andrew	14-Apr	Ryan T										
Barron Andrew	13-Apr	Lalor M	20-Apr	Gofton P								
Belanszky Daniel	22-Jun	Matthews T										
Bendeich Richard	25-May	Lalor M										
Betson Ray	4-May	Newton C	1-Jun	Newton C								
Bonar Rob	6-Apr	Matthews T	20-Apr	Matthews T								
Bowden Brett	13-Apr	O'Connor T	18-May	O'Connor T	14-Jul	Smith P	21-Jul	O'Connor T	11-Aug	Leask B		
Bowler David	26-May	Newton C										
Boyle Danny	2-Jun	Evans P										
Brockett Rodd	6-Apr	Smith P	5-May	Smith P	23-Jun	Smith P	7-Jul	Pegg G	19-Jul	Barrett C	10-Aug	O'Connor T
Burnett Paul	18-May	Lalor M										
Burrows Peter	28-Jul	Newton C	16-Aug	Jennings M								
Chalmers Martin	2-Aug	Barrett C										
Christopherson John	27-Mar	Matthews T	20-Apr	Matthews T	4-May	Jennings K						
Cichero Jonathan	1-Jun	Barrett C	8-Jun	Lalor M	3-Aug	O'Connor T						
Clark Mathew	24-Apr	Newton C	18-May	Newton C	1-Jun	Matthews T						
Clarke Scott	27-Apr	Lalor M	21-Jun	Ward R								
Cole Andrew	21-Jul	Leask B	25-Aug	Gofton P	8-Sep	Smith P						
Connor Andrew	27-Apr	Smith P	28-Jul	Barrett C	7-Jul	Gofton P						
Cranshaw Pat	4-May	Leask B	6-Jul	Matthews T								
Cree Tim	18-May	Newton C	4-Aug	Newton C								
Crouch Rod	1-Jun	Harland T	15-Jun	Lalor M								
Crowley Todd	8-Jun	Tutty M										
Cusack David	4-May	Jennings K	8-Jun	Harland T								
Cuthbert Greg	25-May	Barrett C	13-Jul	Jennings K								
Cutts Alex	1-Jun	Harland T										
Darcy Michael	13-Apr	Jennings K										
Devlin Tim	21-Apr	Evans P	11-May	Matthews T								



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Dilk Jay	21-Apr	Matthews T										
Duffy Gavin	27-Apr	Lalor M	20-Apr	Harland T								
Edmonston Arthur	1-Jun	Newton C	16-Jun	Matthews T								
Evans Paul	6-Jul	Ward R										
Fleming Brian	23-Mar	Cichero T	6-Apr	Raukete J	20-Apr	Jennings K	27-Apr	Cichero T	4-May	Cichero T	1-Jun	Cichero T
Ford Warren	11-May	McCann N	1-Jun	Newton C								
Foster Bob	9-Jun	Newton C	28-Jul	Evans P								
Gearing Michael	6-Apr	Lalor M										
George Pat	11-May	Harland T										
Gillies A	24-Mar	Evans P										
Gofton Peter	28-Jul	Barrett C										
Gooch Mark	25-May	Ward R	6-Jul	Matthews T								
Gosper Beau-Dean	20-Apr	Lalor M										
Hamlyn Karl	25-May	Barrett C										
Harvey Rob	4-May	Smith P	12-May	McCann N	14-Apr	Titcumbe B						
Haydock Paul	20-Apr	Lalor M	4-May	Newton C	25-May	Newton C	21-Jul	Cuthbert G	4-Aug	Rees D		
Higginson Bruce	24-Mar	Newton C										
Hills Craig	16-Mar	O'Connor T	13-Apr	Ward R	18-May	Barrett C	13-Jul	Matthews T				
Hinton Greg	28-Jul	Gofton P	2-Aug	Smith P	18-Aug	Pegg G	25-Aug	Barrett C	11-Jun	Pegg G		
Hogan Mark	9-Mar	O'Connor T	4-May	Lalor M	9-Mar	Jennings K						
Jennings Michael	7-Jun	Barrett C	23-Mar	Jennings K	27-Apr	Jennings K						
Jones Ken	17-Mar	Newton C	14-Apr	McCann N	14-Jul	Evans P						
Kelly Wayne	17-Mar	O'Donnell B										
Kernovske Bob	6-Apr	Lalor M										
Kets Andrew	4-May	Matthews T	15-Jun	Cichero T	6-Apr	Cichero T	12-Apr	Cichero T				
Landsberg Ross	8-Jun	Harland T										
Lauder Brad	11-May	Barrett C										
Lee Shannon	12-May	Evans P										
Leszczynski, Steve	20-Jul	Matthews T										
Lewis Simon	27-Jul	Barrett C										
Logan Mark	6-Apr	Jennings K	20-Apr	Jennings K	11-May	Barrett C	27-Jul	Jennings K	10-Aug	Smith P		
Low Danny	21-Apr	McCann N										
Lubowicz Matthew	1-Jun	Jennings K										
Lucas Paul	26-May	Smith P	1-Jun	Smith P								

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Manfield P	26-May	Evans P										
Marks Paul	16-Jun	Smith P	13-Jul	Matthews T	5-Jul	Barrett C	4-Aug	Leask B				
Matthews Tim	10-May	Smith P	27-Jul	Smith P	10-Aug	Backstrom M						
May Chris	25-May	Harland T										
McAfee Michael	8-Jun	Harland T										
McAfee Rob	11-May	Lalor M	1-Jun	Harland T	10-Aug	Newton C						
McCann Neil	6-Apr	Matthews T	5-Jul	Smith P	10-Aug	Backstrom M	1-Sep	Newton C				
McFerran Peter	2-Jun	Rae P										
McGuire Sean	18-May	Barrett C										
McIntosh Tom	4-Aug	Newton C		Smith P								
McKay Johnny	4-May	Newton C	2-Jun	Newton C								
Meiklejohn David	26-May	Evans P	1-Jun	Harland T								
Meiring Steve	9-Jun	Evans P	7-Aug	Barrett C								
Moore Simon	4-Jul	O'Connor T										
Mould Alistair	18-May	Barrett C										
Neilson Rob	22-Jun	Barrett C										
Neville Russell	20-Apr	Harland T										
Nissan Darryl	24-Mar	Evans P	14-Apr	Newton C	2-Jun	Tutty M						
O'Donnell Brian	6-Apr	Raukete J	20-Apr	Raukete J	13-Jul	Raukete J	4-Aug	Backstrom M	21-Jun	Gofton P		
O'Keefe John	11-May	Ward R	18-May	Matthews T								
Parry Glynn	20-Apr	Harland T										
Peachey Peter	18-May	Newton C	28-Jul	Gofton P								
Pedofsky Mark	18-May	Smith P	13-Jul	Matthews T								
Prescott Liam	17-Mar	O'Donnell B	14-Apr	Titcumbe B	25-May	Leszczynski S	14-Jul	Newton C				
Rae Pat	8-Jun	O'Connor T	1-Jun	Lalor M	28-Jul	Smith P	25-Aug	O'Connor T				
Rees Darren	9-Mar	Jennings K	23-Mar	Jennings K	4-May	O'Connor T	1-Jun	O'Connor T	3-Aug	O'Connor T		
Revell C	29-Jun	Newton C										
Riddell Brendon	28-Apr	Newton C	2-Jun	Tutty M	8-Jun	Barrett C	28-Jul	Raukete J				
Russell Andrew	17-Mar	Evans P	20-Apr	Matthews T	13-Jul	Ward R						
Russell Dennis	24-Jul	McCann N										
Shand James	1-Jun	Harland T										
Smith Ian	8-Jun	Lalor M	15-Jun	Lalor M								
Spence Luke	22-Jun	Smith P										
Stanfield Cameron	9-Jun	Ryan T	14-Jul	Newton C								

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Sullivan Shane	17-Mar	Evans P	8-Jun	McCann N	15-Jun	Jennings M						
Tasker Stuart	16-Mar	Newton C	1-Jun	Lalor M								
Tressider Terry	21-Apr	Gofton P										
Tutty Carolyn	18-May	O'Connor T	6-Apr	Jennings K								
Tutty Michael	1-Apr	Smith P	1-Jun	Smith P	8-Jun	Harland T						
Twomey John	24-Mar	Ryan T										
Twomey Kevin	12-May	Tutty C	2-Jun	Tutty C	2-Aug	Backstrom M	2-Aug	Ryan T	2-Aug	Tutty C		
Valentine Guy	13-Apr	Evans P	21-Apr	Matthews T								
Verner Neil	27-Apr	Jennings K										
Wallace Michael	21-Apr	Titcumbe B	12-May	McCann N	21-Jul	Newton C						
Webb Jarrod	2-Jun	O'Donnell B	11-Aug	O'Donnell B								
Weibler	18-May	Newton C										
Weston Mark	11-May	Matthews T	18-May	Jennings K	1-Jun	Jennings K						
Williams Shane	21-Jul	Newton C										
Williamson Charles	26-May	Newton C										
Williamson Steve	12-May	Gofton P	28-Jul	Smith P	23-Jul	Evans P						
Willis Mike	28-Apr	McCann N	16-Jun	Matthews T	4-Aug	Jennings K						
Young Scott	14-Jun	Leask B										
Zeller Mark	5-May	Newton C	26-May	O'Donnell B								



## Interchange Report 2002

This year saw the commencement of our Association's new interchange program. As was highlighted last year, the program has been reduced to 5 out-going referees, and 5 in-coming referees. This new program has allowed us to ensure that those visiting referees will have good exposure to some of our best games and coaches, while not adversely burdening our Association's resources.

Christchurch was the destination for Cole Barrett (Referee Coach), Geoff Acton and Michael Darcy (Referees), while Mark Hogan and Simon Moore (Referees) got to sample the fine weather available in Wellington. Mark Hogan stepped up to the crease at late notice, following a series of injuries to Paul Harding who was scratched just prior to the jump. Simon's trip also nearly finished before it started after throwing a fetlock at training, however intensive physiotherapy, a drop in weight division and some serious sparing around the ring ensured he made his flight. Their respective reports follow.

### **Canterbury**

Cole Barrett, Michael Darcy and I arrived on a beautiful Christchurch day to be greeted at the airport by the local RDO and John Murdoch who gave us our assignments for the first weekend. Michael had a Div 3 (third grade) game and I had been appointed to an U21 (Div 1) game on the Saturday, followed up by Country Rugby games on the Sunday. Cole was delegated a full day's coaching on the Saturday and feedback time with John (one of Canterbury's senior assessors) on the Sunday.

The feedback from the local referee coaches/assessors was positive after the games. It was then time to relax and enjoy the "Cantal" hospitality. The CRRA had organised a table at the "Holy Grail" (a cinema turned into a nightclub) for a meal and to watch the Super 12 on the big screen (and I mean "BIG"). Saturday night finished well with QLD's last gasp win in South Africa much to the Cantals' annoyance. Sunday morning was a bit slow but a shower and 5km warm down, I was ready to tackle country rugby at Gesten about 1 hour outside of Canterbury. A quick nip of scotch (a local tradition) before the game and I was primed for a big one. The standard of rugby was better than expected and the hospitality was amazing.

We greeted the CRRA "tour guide", Phil Turnoch, on Monday morning, for a trip to Hamner Springs. The thermal pools were fantastic.

We attended the CRRA referees' meeting on the Monday night and our traditional Queensland "gifts" were really appreciated. Tuesday was a relatively quiet day with Michael preparing for a 1<sup>st</sup> XV game Tuesday afternoon.

The "tour guide" swung into action again on Wednesday with a trip to the sea side village of Akaroa via Littlelen and the pub on the hill.

We thanked all our billets with a meal on the Wednesday night which was well received. We visited a pub called The Grumpy Mole Saloon (TGMS).

Cole headed to Canterbury head office Thursday for meetings and to discuss trans Tasman referee development with his counterparts in Christchurch. I am certain that Cole's intensive discussions and exchange for the week enhanced his skills as one of our association's senior referee coaches. Phil took Michael and me to Sumner for a coffee and showed us the Sumner Rugby Club where, after each game day, an award is given and it can be given to anyone – player, coach, spectator, referee. We understand that one of our referees last year was in the running for the award but, unfortunately, was not there to accept it. The suggestion has come that the award should be renamed in his honour to "Chic" of the Day.

The final Saturday saw Michael appointed to a 1<sup>st</sup> XV Div 1 school game and I was given a Div 1 senior game. Both games went well and the coaching was informative and helpful after the games. It certainly assisted our development as referees.

The 2002 interchange to Christchurch achieved feats that all prior tours had allegedly failed to do – perform well on the field; perform exceptionally off the field; and be awarded membership to the infamous and exclusive “Saturday Club”!

On behalf of the 2002 interchanges, I would like to thank the QRRA (Brisbane) for our selection and thank all of the Cantals who made the trip so special.

**Geoff Acton**

## **Wellington**

Simon Moore and I were the lucky invitees on the Wellington Interchange this year (in my case as a late starter after Paul Harding was unable to take up his place in the exchange due to niggling injuries). Final preparations for the trip were made amidst weather reports from across the Tasman that New Zealand had been hit by a “weather bomb”, a new term they appear to have invented to describe the even more atrocious than usual weather they had been having all over the country.

First impressions of Wellington confirmed that it had rightly earned its wet and windy reputation, and for good measure the Airbus 300 that took us into Wellington Airport seemed to be giving an audition for a back-up job as a belly dancer.

The following day brought brilliant sunshine, but the majority of the lower grade Rugby games were cancelled due to the state of the grounds after 2 weeks’ rain. A local sports-based radio station took about 10 minutes to run through the cancellations and changes of venue, which must have created an absolute nightmare for the various Appointments Officers.

Simon refereed an “80/80” game on the day, the numbers being a reference to the fact that it was an 80 minute game for senior players who did not exceed 80 kg. This was one of a number of innovations made by the local Rugby association to allow greater numbers of players to continue playing the game (particularly in view of the physical dominance of the higher grades by the substantially larger Polynesian and Maori players). Simon reported that it was a fast and furious game; a delight to referee.

I was given a minor schools First XV game on the Saturday and had the fascinating experience of the dual hakas being simultaneously performed as the players advanced on each other; it probably took about 15 minutes of game time before the players came down from their adrenalin peak and concentrated on the football again.

Later on the Saturday, I ran touch for a Hardham Cup game between Marist St Pats and Wellington, 2 of the older traditional clubs based in the innercity. The other 2 referees were the Japanese Interchange participants, Minuro Fuji and Tsukihara Ishimoto, who became our constant companions of the next 7 days.

Although Wellington is a city of approximately 250,000 people, the number of players and active referees is very similar to Brisbane. Obviously, that means a far greater proportion of the population are playing Rugby games, and the interchange referees saw quite a number of them during the week.

The 4 interchange referees officiated at a corporate 10s tournament on the Sunday with each of us being involved in approximately 9 games (3 referee, 6 touch judge). As with all levels of Rugby in New Zealand, there is no such word as “social”. We were therefore treated to the sight of representatives of major legal firms, accounting firms and the tax department ripping into each other.

During the week, we were also allocated a series of school games, including under 16 school girls and games between a local high school and a visiting Sydney college. A particular highlight was a



Wednesday evening game between the local Rugby academy team coached by Murray Mexted and Laurie Mains and the combined Wellington High Schools team (a high standard game officiated by the 2 Japanese referees and me).

After that game, the Wellington Rugby Referees Association hosted the interchange dinner, at which we “repaid their hospitality” by dragging out an oversized bottle of Bundy Rum for distribution to all willing participants. For some reason, everyone decided that it was appropriate to drink the Bundy neat; I am not sure that this was what nature intended at all.

Mr Ishimoto sculled a fair portion and initially pronounced it to be “Boooootifulll”; 30 seconds later he was running around the room holding onto his stomach yelling out “Fire, fire!!!” In a later email, Rob Wakelin (the Wellington “Magoo” equivalent), indicated that he might be coming to Brisbane later in the year and in preparation had been “scouring the liquor stores for something uniquely Kiwi that is as quite as foul as Bundy”. On last indication, he had still not been successful.

The locals thought that we needed to be looked after for every waking minute and gave us a very full timetable based around Rugby related activities, including:-

- Attending the Referees’ Meeting Night, held each Monday at a central location;
- A tour of the Westpac Trust stadium;
- A school tour by one of the local NPC referees who was a school teacher;
- An All Blacks training session, which was attended by about 3,000 other people as well;
- A visit to the Rugby Institute at Palmerston North, followed by a Rugby Museum elsewhere in the city;
- The Westpac Trust stadium in operation during a soccer match between the All Whites and the Scottish club, Dunfermline;
- The Stadium again on the final Saturday night for the All Blacks Test against Fiji (which Simon unfortunately missed due to his earlier flight home).

We finally had to request some time out so that we could actually see the sights of the city; apart from the wind and rain, a beautiful place to live.

On the final Saturday, Simon had to leave mid-afternoon and they allocated him a schools game close to the airport to assist with timing. After a fairly benign week on the weather front, we coped both barrels on the final day including swirling winds, driving rain and several inches of mud underfoot.

I was lucky enough to be allocated an Under 21 First Division game on that day. Despite the atrocious conditions, the game was played with an incredible amount of skill (it was only at the end of the game that I realised we had only 2 scrum resets in over 80 minutes of football).

It is clear that all of the various representatives of the WRRRA went out of their way to make certain that our Interchange experience was extremely busy, fulfilling and rewarding. Simon and I both received substantial feedback from referee coaches appointed to various of our games; the only major point of criticism was that we both spent far too much time on the attacking line rather than the defensive line (an obvious point of difference between the approach adopted by the Queensland and Wellington associations).

Simon and I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Management Committee of the QRRRA (Brisbane) for providing this opportunity, and particularly to Jonathan Cichero for his work at this end in making the interchange arrangements possible.

**Mark Hogan**

The in-coming exchanges this year provided an even bigger challenge. Our shores were visited by a Mr Rob Tasker as Referee Coach from Christchurch – no relation to Stu. Anybody who has ever visited Christchurch will know of Rob and his reputation for leading referees from Brisbane astray. The thought of

finding a place for him to stay while in town was always a tough task, but the Meiklejohns and Actons were happy (apparently) to drink port at 3am. Rob Murdoch was one of the other exchangees from Canterbury, and he was so excited about the opportunity to come here that he took up permanent residence - at least it was one less billet to find! Wellington provided 2 referees, and Canterbury one more to round out the 5 billets for the QRRA (Bris) Inc. The ARU provided an additional request to host a referee from the USA, and also another 2 from Japan. This ensured that the Pizza and Beer mid year function at the University of Queensland Club House was a truly multinational event.

All of our visiting referees were exposed to some great rugby, and were involved at either the Gold Coast School's Carnival or the Southern Skies tournament.

As always my sincere thanks go to those members in our Association who gladly accept these referees into their homes. In no particular order, thank you to: the Actons, Meiklejohns, Flemings, Cuthberts, Evans, Williamsons, Jennings and Gardiners. The movie passes are in the mail.

**Jonathan Cichero**  
**Interchange Coordinator 2002**

## Judiciary Report 2002

The season again was quite a busy one with no free Monday evenings.

Overall, the standard of reporting from Referees was quite acceptable, but as always there is room for improvement. This continues to be an educational challenge for the association. It is probably worth noting that the standard of the reporting does not necessarily improve the higher the grade of game!!

As can be seen from the statistics below, by far the majority of sentences were for either one or two weeks. These are typically for punching, with one week for one punch and more (usually two) for more than one punch.

An issue that has taken the headlines on the world stage this year is referee abuse. While it generally occurs in a much milder form in Brisbane than that seen on international television it still exists. Referees need to be aware that this behaviour is treated very seriously by the judiciary and that it carries much heavier penalties than most other offences. There have been a number of instances through the year, where the referee has mentioned the abuse from a player almost as an afterthought in the report, when in fact the judiciary would view such an incident as the most serious aspect of the send-off process.

As a member of the Judiciary, one gains an insight into some important aspects of some referees performance. It may well be beneficial if there were a more formalised mechanism to feedback some of these insights into the coaching arena.

Thank you all again to the referees who take the time to ensure their reports are legible, logical and concise and let's all make next year an even better one.

### **Send Off Analysis Season 2002**

<u>Grade</u>	<u>No. Sent Off</u>
Premier	14
First	9
Second	12
Third	10
Fourth	5
Fifth	9
Sixth	8
NC	10
Colts 1	13
Colts 2	12
Colts 3	11
Women	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>115</b>

### **Judiciary Committee Decisions**

Not Guilty	1
Caution	15
One week	46
Two weeks	30
Three weeks	5
Four weeks	5
Five weeks	1
Six weeks	3
Eight weeks	1
No Appearance	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>115</b>
<b>Total weeks of suspension</b>	<b>172</b>

Geoff Gardiner

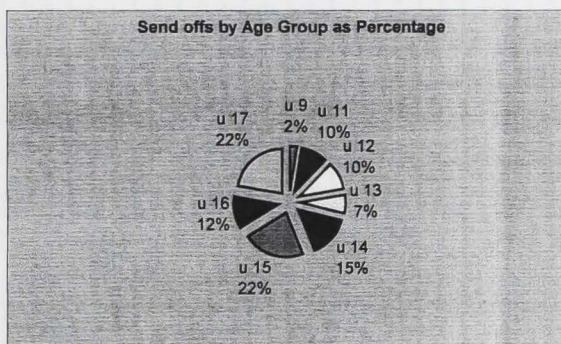


## Junior Judiciary Report 2002

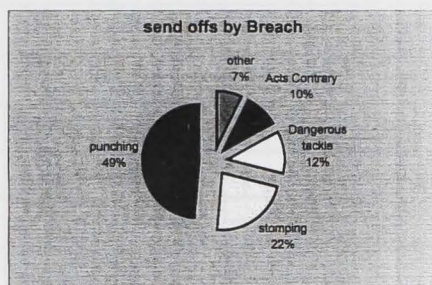
The 2002 Season saw a substantial increase in send offs during Brisbane Junior Rugby Union fixtures, with 41 red cards raised by our referees (up 50% from the 2001 Season).

The Junior Judiciary dismissed 4 of the send off reports as not having been proved, but issued suspensions totalling 77 weeks to the remaining offenders.

The Chairman has produced some statistics which may be of interest to members. Set out below is a graph showing the age groups where the majority of problems seem to have been occurring.



A further graph indicates the type of breaches of the laws which incurred suspensions.



You will note that approximately 10% of suspensions relate to the “catch-all category” of acts contrary to sportsmanship, as set out in Law 10(4)(K). All members are requested to include a reference to Law 10(4)(K) in their send off reports (in addition to any other relevant law category), as this assists the Judiciary in cases where technical arguments are made concerning other types of breaches.

Please also note that your reports are analysed and scrutinised word by word by hopeful club coaches and officials doing all they can to secure a not guilty verdict. While the great majority of reports were put together quite well, a small minority were abysmal. A few quick tips:-

- (a) be objective; don't prepare a report in the “heat of the moment” if a player or coach has given you a hard time;
- (b) check the completed report to ensure factual accuracy and consistency before you hit the email button.

The extended judiciary requirements this Season resulted in the workload of Tim Matthews being further increased as he was required to spend several Tuesday evenings at Mallon Street as alternate referee delegate; thanks for your efforts Tim.

**Mark Hogan**

## Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc. 2002 Game Statistics

	Surname	Year Joined	Rep Appts	Premier	Welsby	GRADE						Colts										Other Appts.	2002 Games	2001 Total	Total Games
						1	2	3	4	5	6	N'by	Women	1	2	3	Schools	Junior							
1	M. ABELL	1979					2	1	6	2	1					2	1		1	2	21	1	37	855	892
2	G. ACTON	1994		4	5	3										2	1			3		1	19	176	195
3	M. AGNEW	1994				5	2		1							4				5			17	155	172
4	P. ARMSTRONG	1999																		9	7		16	70	86
5	M. BACKSTROM	1990					1	1	3								1	1		4			11	132	143
6	P. BACKSTROM	1998					5	2	2	3							6	1		1			20	79	99
7	T. BARKER	1990							1											2			3	242	245
8	B. BARLOW	2001																		4			4	3	7
9	C. BARRETT	1986																					0	475	475
10	A. BARRON	2001																		8	12		20	23	43
11	D. BELANSZKY	2000						1	6		1		2				1	1			2		14	15	29
12	R. BENDEICH	1976				1	1	3	2							3	2	1		3			16	774	790
13	R. BETSON	2002																		4	16		20	0	20
14	B. BIDDLE	2002																		4			4	0	4
15	R. BONAR	1997																		5	4		9	71	80
16	B. BOWDEN	2002		4	2																		6	0	6
17	D. BOWLER	2001																		6	16		22	13	35
18	D. BOYLE	2000																			10		10	34	44
19	R. BROCKETT	1988		6	10	2					1					1				2			22	488	510
20	K. BROWNING	2001																					0	16	16
21	P. BURNETT	1990																		12	12		24	165	189
22	P. BURROWS	2002																			8		8	0	8
23	J. CAMERON	2000																		5	6		11	8	19
24	J. CARROLL	2002																			1		1	0	1
25	M. CHALMERS	1996						2	1	6	2	5	2					1		1	1		21	129	150
26	J. CHRISTOPHERSON	1997												3						11	20		34	6	40
27	J. CICHERO	1997				5	2	2				1				6	1			4			21	129	150
28	T. CICHERO	1990												1						4			5	128	133
29	M. CLARK	1999																		9	28		37	93	130
30	S. CLARKE	2001											1							8			9	1	10
31	M. CLEARY	2002				2																	2	0	2
32	A. COLE	1984	1	5	3															2			11	474	485
33	A. CONNOR	1989		2	3	1										5	1			5			17	250	267
34	P. CRANSHAW	2001				2	4	4									3	2		3			18	12	30
35	G. CREE	1996												3						4	12		19	180	199
36	T. CREE	2001																			14		14	1	15
37	B. CRIBB	2001							4	4	2						1	2		1			16	13	29
38	R. CROUCH	2001																		5			5	0	5
39	T. CROWLEY	2002																		2	5		7	0	7
40	D. CUSACK	1995																		5	1		6	45	51
41	G. CUTHBERT	1996			2	4	1	1								2				6		1	17	96	113
42	M. D'ARCY	2000										1				3	1			1			6	32	38
43	R. DAVIES	1984					2	3	1			1				1		2		3			13	317	330
44	J. DEE	1984						7	2	1	1	1					2	1		2			17	270	287
45	T. DEVLIN	1999							1											7	15		23	51	74



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						1	2	3	4	5	6	N'by	Women	1	2	3	Schools	Junior						
46	J. DILK	1986															13		13	466	479			
47	J. DRICE	2001															19		19	19	38			
48	G. DUFFY	1998															8	6	14	77	91			
49	A. EDMONDSTON	2002															8		8	0	8			
50	P. EVANS	1998						1	2	5		7		1	2	7	25		50	137	187			
51	S. FINCH	2000														6	17		23	23	46			
52	B. FLEMING	1998					1	3		2	1			5	4	3		19	70	89				
53	W. FORD	2001										1				12	27		40	34	74			
54	C. FORRESTER	1999														3		3	13	16				
55	R. FOSTER	2002														8	18		26	0	26			
56	M. GAFFNEY	1996														1	12		13	113	126			
57	G. GARDINER	1984					1	1							3	4	2		11	303	314			
58	M. GEARING	2001													1	5	1		7	0	7			
59	A. GILLIES	2002															11		11	0	11			
60	P. GOFTON	1993				2	4	3	1	1	1	2		2	1		6	26	49	510	559			
61	M. GOOCH	1999						1							1	7	4	1	15	65	80			
62	K. HAMLYN	2002				5	4	3			1			1	3	1		18	0	18				
63	P. HARDING	1991											1			2		3	200	203				
64	TIM HARLAND	1981														1		1	250	251				
65	P. HARRIS	2000				2	1	2	2	1			2		2	1	3		16	47	63			
66	R. HARVEY	2002						1	1	3	2		3		1		18		29	0	29			
67	P. HAYDOCK	2001														7	22		29	6	35			
68	G. HIBBERSON	2002			1														1	0	1			
69	B. HIGGINSON	1999						1	2	4						12	24	1	44	86	130			
70	C. HILLS	2002				4	5	4	1		2		2	1	1	3		23	0	23				
71	A. HINDMARSH	1995														11		11	145	156				
72	G. HINTON	1989	1	10	5											3		19	316	335				
73	M. HOGAN	1993					8	1		3	1			2		3	3	21	215	236				
74	L. HOGARTH	2000					1								3	8		12	14	26				
75	R. HOPPER	1995														10		10	91	101				
76	D. HUTCHINGS	1993															2	2	200	202				
77	D. JACOBS	1999															1		1	63	64			
78	K. JENNINGS	1988																0	151	151				
79	M. JENNINGS	1991		1	6	2	2						2			6		1	20	198	218			
80	K. JONES	1998															17		17	76	93			
81	W. KELLY	2001															15		15	2	17			
82	B. KENNEDY	1991															21		21	342	363			
83	R. KERSNOVSKE	1996								1				1		7		9	288	297				
84	A. KETS	2000								1				2	5	7	23		38	86	124			
85	B. LAUDER	1990					1	2	3	1	4				1	1		13	119	132				
86	B. LEASK	1977					1									6		7	663	670				
87	G. LEE	1999																0	39	39				
88	S. LEE	1999															11		11	26	37			
89	S. LESZCZYNSKI	1996			2	8	2						6			5		23	94	117				
90	S. LEWIS	1995						2	1	1	1				3			8	98	106				
91	C. LIDDY	2000																0	21	21				
92	M. LOGAN	1997				3	2	2		1	1		1			4		14	178	192				

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					1	2	3	4	5	6	N'by	Women	1	2	3	Schools	Junior						
93	M. LUBOWICZ	1997														4	1			5	34	39	
94	P. LUCAS	2002															1	1		1	0	1	
95	F. MALLON	1996					1									2	3	7		13	108	121	
96	P. MANFIELD	2001														1	5	16		22	12	34	
97	P. MARKS	1993	1	5	7	2							2			2			3	22	217	239	
98	T. MATTHEWS	1996							3	5	1	4			1	11	4			29	88	117	
99	C. MAY	2001															7			7	0	7	
100	M. McAFEE	2002																		0	0	0	
101	R. McAFEE	2002							1							5	12			18	0	18	
102	N. McCANN	1999						1	5	2	2					11	9			30	77	107	
103	J. McCARTHY	1980														10	1			11	224	235	
104	P. McFERRAN	1996															10			10	49	59	
105	C. McGREGOR	2002															11			11	0	11	
106	SEAN McGUIRE	2000				3	5		3	2	5				3		3		1	25	48	73	
107	T. McIntOSH	1995															8	19		27	83	110	
108	J. McKAY	1996																17		17	93	110	
109	G. McLEAN	1994														3				3	66	69	
110	F. MEEK	1976														7	12			19	833	852	
111	D. MEIKLEJOHN	1999										1				7	16			24	64	88	
112	F. MEIKLEJOHN	1992		3	7	2							2			5				19	197	216	
113	S. MEIRING	2002				2	1		1		1			2			2			9	0	9	
114	M. MEWING	2000														3	1			4	4	8	
115	L. MONAGHAN	1993				1	1		1		2		4		1	11				21	193	214	
116	S. MOORE	2000														9	10			19	48	67	
117	A. MOULD	2002				5	2						3	2		2				14	0	14	
118	R. MURDOCH	2002				4					1		1							6	0	6	
119	D. MURRAY	1996										1				6	13			20	9	29	
120	R. NEILSON	2002				2	3	1	1					2						9	0	9	
121	C. NEWTON	1994														1	6			7	282	289	
122	D. NISSAN	2001															13			13	5	18	
123	F. NOHREITER	1998					2	1	2	3				2		6	15			31	97	128	
124	T. NUTT	2001																		0	6	6	
125	P. O'CONNOR	2002														4				4	0	4	
126	T. O'CONNOR	1985				1										5				6	332	338	
127	B. O'DONNELL	2001						4	2	4					2	8	30			50	41	91	
128	J. O'KEEFE	1999					1	5	3	3					1	2	2			17	49	66	
129	P. O'NEIL	1997																		0	74	74	
130	P. PEACHEY	2001							1		1					6	18			26	13	39	
131	M. PEDOFSKY	2002					3	2	3	3					1	3	1	16		32	0	32	
132	G. PEGG	1987				1						1		1		10	1			14	428	442	
133	M. PETRIE	1995															17			17	190	207	
134	L. PRESCOTT	2002														10	21			31	0	31	
135	J. QUINN	1974																		0	93	93	
136	P. QUINN	1992					1	4	2						1					8	172	180	
137	E. RABAGLINO	1994																		0	154	154	
138	P. RAE	1998		4		4	1				1		1			3				14	83	97	



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						1	2	3	4	5	6	N'by	Women	1	2	3	Schools					Junior	
139	J. RAUKETE	1987				1	2	1	1	2	3		1		2		4	1	2	20	348	368	
140	P. REA	1995							2		1						3			6	74	80	
141	D. REES	1996				6	1	3	1					2			7		1	21	100	121	
142	A. RETCHFORD	1999						1		3	1	2	3				5	1		16	64	80	
143	L. REYNOLDS	2001																	0	21	21		
144	B. RIDDELL	2002															1	28		29	0	29	
145	I. ROBERTSON	1989																	0	250	250		
146	A. RUSSELL	2000								1			8				11	32		52	84	136	
147	D. RUSSELL	2002											3				1	10		14	0	14	
148	T. RYAN	1994											3				10	24		37	235	272	
149	R. SCHWARZ	2001															6			6	5	11	
150	W. SIGANTO	2001																11		11	0	11	
151	I. SMITH	1996				3	5				1			2	2		5	2		20	120	140	
152	L. SPENCE	1990					6	2			1				2	4	6			21	133	154	
153	C. STANFIELD	2002																10		10	0	10	
154	S. SULLIVAN	2001															12	3		15	13	28	
155	T. TAITO	1992						2	2		1					3				8	194	202	
156	P. TALBOT	1996				4	4	1		2		4		2	2		3			22	150	172	
157	S. TASKER	1999					2	1	2		1	3	2			2	6	9	1	29	71	100	
158	S. THIELE	2000																9		9	33	42	
159	M. TIPPELT	2000																		0	39	39	
160	B. TITCUME	2001							1	1		8					6	23		39	40	79	
161	T. TRESSIDER	1994													2	1	10	13		26	204	230	
162	T. TUILOMA	1993																		0	103	103	
163	C. TUTTY	1999					3	1	1	1	3				7		1	2	2	21	47	68	
164	M. TUTTY	1998	1			8	2	3				2		4	1		5	2		28	80	108	
165	J A. TWOMEY	1999															2	17		19	61	80	
166	K J. TWOMEY	1998															10	23		33	68	101	
167	P. TWOMEY	2001																11		11	19	30	
168	G. VALENTINE	2001															2	11		13	10	23	
169	N. VERNER	1999														1	8	16		25	60	85	
170	R. WALKER	1998				6				1				5			7			19	76	95	
171	M. WALLACE	1999															1	19		20	36	56	
172	R. WARD	1991						1	5	3	5		3				1	1		19	231	250	
173	J. WEBB	2002															2	13		15	0	15	
174	M. WEIBLER	2000																11		11	21	32	
175	M. WESTON	2002					2	3	3	3					1		5			17	0	17	
176	S. WILLIAMS	1999																8		8	7	15	
177	M. WILLIAMSON	2002																8		8	0	8	
178	S. WILLIAMSON	1999							1	1	9	1	2			1	1	26	1	43	76	119	
179	M. WILLIS	2001																17		17	7	24	
180	S. YOUNG	1985		4	2															6	342	348	
181	M. ZELLER	2002															2	13		15	0	15	
182	R. ZINGLEMAN	1980					1	1	3	2		3					5		1	16	496	512	
183	M. ZUKIWSKYJ	2001															1	16		17	14	31	
	OTHER			1		5	5	2			1	4			3	4	1	1	27		54	47	101
	TOTAL		4	49	57	97	100	104	99	88	107	54	57	80	79	80	648	1280	18	2920			

**Milestones 2002**  
**Queensland Rugby Referees Association (Brisbane) Inc.**

NUMBER OF GAMES	NAME
850	Frank Meek
550	Peter Gofton
500	Rodd Brockett Ray Zingleman
350	Brian Kennedy John Raukete
250	Tom Ryan Rex Ward
200	Michael Jennings Frank Meiklejohn Laurie Monaghan Michael Petrie Tony Taito
150	Martyn Chalmers Jonathon Cichero Paul Evans Tony Hindmarsh Luke Spence
100	Mathew Clark Greg Cuthbert Bruce Higginson Roy Hopper Andrew Kets Steve Leszczynski Simon Lewis Tim Matthews Neill McCann Tom McIntosh Johnny McKay Franz Nohreiter Andrew Russell Stuart Tasker Michael Tutty Kevin Twomey Steve Williamson
50	David Cusack Warren Ford Peter Harris Peter McFerran Sean McGuire Simon Moore Brian O'Donnell John O'Keefe Bryce Titcume Carolyn Tutty Michael Wallace

**2002 GENERAL/DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS' ATTENDANCE (total possible 14 - "p" indicates attendance at Pre -Season Development Day))**

NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.	NAME	NO.
Abell Mike		Crawford Fred		Harland Tim	p 1	Mallon Fraser	1	O'Connor Terry	p 4	Tasker Stuart	p 9
Acton Geoff	5	Cree Greg	1	Harland Tony		Manfield Philip		O'Donnell Brian	p 11	Thiele Sam	
Agnew Michael	4	Cree Tim		Harris Peter	p 3	Marks Paul	p 8	O'Keeffe John	p 1	Tierney James	
Armstrong Phillip	p 3	Cribb Brett	p 1	Harvey Robert	6	Matthews Charles		O'Neill Paul	1	Tippelt Michael	
Backstrom Michael	7	Crouch Roderick	p 2	Haydock Paul		Matthews Timothy	p 12	Orgill Michael	2	Titcume Bryce	p 5
Backstrom Peter	5	Crowley Todd		Hibberson Gary		May Christopher	2	Peachey Peter	p 3	Tresidder Terry	
Barker Tim	p 1	Crowe Kevin		Higginson Bruce	p 4	McAfee Michael		Pedofsky Mark	p 11	Tuoloma Tu	2
Barlow Bruce		Cusack David	p 1	Hills Craig	p 5	McAfee Robert	4	Pegg Geoff	p 4	Tutty Carolyn	10
Barrett Cole	13	Cuthbert Greg	p 7	Hindmarsh Tony	p 1	McCann Neill	p 9	Petrie Michael	9	Tutty Michael	8
Barron Andrew		Cutts Alex		Hinton Greg	1	McCarthy John	p 1	Prescott Liam	p 9	Twomey John Anthony	
Belanszky Daniel	p 3	Darcy Michael	p 6	Hogan Mark	p 6	McFerran Peter		Quinn John	1	Twomey Kevin	1
Bendelch Richard	p 8	Davies Russell	p 5	Hogarth Lucas	p 2	McGregor Charles	2	Quinn Phillip		Twomey Paul Joseph	
Betson Ray		Dee John	p 4	Hopper Roy	1	McGuire Sean	p 10	Rabaglino Enrico		Valentine Guy	p 2
Biddle Brett		Devlin Liza		Hutchings Doug	p 3	McIntosh Tom	p 3	Rae Pat	p 7	Verner Neil	p 4
Bonar Robert	p 3	Devlin Timothy	p 4	Jacobs Duncan	p 2	McKay Johnny	4	Raukete John	1	Waldron Colin	
Bowden Brett		Dilk Jay		Jennings Keith	p 4	McLean Greg		Rea Paul		Walker Rob	p 13
Bowler David	4	Drice Jeremy		Jennings Michael	p 8	Meehan John		Rees Darren	5	Wallace Michael	p 4
Boyle Danny	p 4	Duffell Donald		Jones Ken		Meek Frank		Reid Ralph		Walsh Michael	
Broad Ashley		Duffy Gavin	2	Jones Philip	p 1	Meiklejohn David	p 1	Retchford Andrew	p 1	Ward Rex	p 3
Brockett Rodd	2	Edmonston Arthur	1	Kelly Wayne		Meiklejohn Frank	p 1	Reynolds Liam		Webb Jarrad	5
Burnett Paul		Evans Paul	p 4	Kennedy Brian		Meiring Steve	3	Riddell Brendon	p 1	Weibler Michael	1
Burrows Peter		Eglinton Matthew		Kersnovske Robert		Mewing Michael		Robertson Ian		Weston Mark	
Cameron James		Finch Stephen	p 1	Kets Andrew	p 1	Monaghan Laurie	p 1	Russell Andrew	p 7	Williams Shane	
Carroll Justin		Fleming Brian	p 10	Lalor Michael	p 7	Moore Simon	p 3	Russell Dennis		Williamson Michael	
Chalmers Martyn	3	Forbes John		Landsberg Ross	p 7	Morris Peter		Ryan Tom	p 8	Williamson Stephen	p 10
Chappell Clarie	2	Ford Warren	3	Lauder Brad	p 2	Mould Alastair		Schwarz Rudi		Willis Michael	p 3
Christophersen John	p 11	Forrester Christopher		Leask Barry	p 2	Murdoch Rob	1	Scotney Ian	1	Young Scott	p 4
Cichero Jonathan	p 8	Foster Robert		Lee Gregory		Murray Dean		Sheehan (OAM) Graham	1	Zeller Mark	
Cichero Trevor	5	Gaffney Michael	p 3	Lee Shannon		Neilson Robert		Siganto William		Zingleman Ray	p 4
Clark Mathew	p 7	Gardiner Geoff	p 1	Leszczynski Steve	p 1	Newton Christopher	3	Smith Ian	p 8	Zukwyskyj Marianna	p 1
Clarke Scott		Gearing Michael		Lewis Simon	p 4	Nissen Darryl	5	Smith Peter	p 4		
Cleary Michael		Gillies Andrew		Logan Bob	1	Nohreiter Franz	p 7	Spence Luke	p 3		
Cole Andrew	5	Goffon Peter	p 10	Logan Mark	p	Nutt Tony		Stanfield Cameron			
Cole Graham		Gooch Mark	3	Lubowicz Matthew	p 8	O'Callaghan Barry		Sullivan Shane			
Connor Andrew	p 1	Hamlyn Karl		Lucas Paul	3	O'Callaghan Roderick		Taito Tony	1		
Cranshaw Patrick	p 7	Harding Paul	p 4	Maguire Scott		O'Connor Paul	4	Talbot Peter	p 4		



## 2001 AWARD WINNERS

Kerry FitzGerald Medal	Paul Marks
Don Duffel and Phil Jones Award	Peter Smith
Paddy O'Brien Award	Terry O'Connor
Murray McNae Award	Darren Rees
Richard Andrews Award	Brian O'Donnell
Cec Menzies Shield	Simon Moore
RM Bendeich Trophy	Mark Gooch

## 2002 GRAND FINAL REFEREES

U13 Div. 3	Paul Evans
U13 Div. 2	David Meiklejohn
U13 Div. 1	Shannon Lee
U14 Div. 3	Brian O'Donnell
U14 Div. 2	Andrew Barron
U14 Div. 1	Kevin Twomey
U15 Div. 2	Peter Gofton
U15 Div. 1	Stuart Tasker
U16 Div. 2	Andrew Kets
U16 Div. 1	Steve Williamson
U17 Div. 2	Bryce Titcume
U17 Div. 1	Simon Moore
Womens	Tim Matthews
Womens Div. 2	Steve Williamson
U19 III	Luke Spence
U19 II	Ian Smith
U19 I	Paul Marks
Normanby Cup	Laurie Monaghan
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Carolyn Tutty
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Peter Backstrom
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Darren Rees
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Michael Tutty
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Steve Leszczynski
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Rodd Brockett
Welsby Cup	Rodd Brockett
Premier	Scott Young