

# ANNUAL REPORT 2017





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# CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is a pleasure to reflect on another positive period for touch football in Queensland, and take the opportunity to thank the countless people who contribute to our great sport.

Over the shortened reporting period, we have had a number of items to note.

As a Board, we have endeavoured to ensure the sport keeps moving forward in the right direction, and after a substantial period of instability and change, we have been able to take some considerable steps forward.

We are building a culture aimed to unite, inspire and grow, and this will be our mantra as we head into the next strategic cycle.

There were many highlights on the field during this period, most notably the Cowboys Men claiming the Elite 8 title again at the National Touch League (NTL), making it four years in a row for Queensland-based teams. A special mention also to the Broncos for their valiant effort in the final of the women's Elite 8 series.

Queensland continues to show its dominance on the national stage, and I congratulate Performance and Pathways Manager Peter Bell and his performance team for their tireless work in ensuring the success of our representative players and teams.

Our organisation is supported through funding from the Queensland Government which is critical to the development and growth at all levels of the sport. I thank the Government and all other partners for their ongoing contribution and support.

The organisation is well-led by our Chief Executive Officer Jamie O'Connor, who along with his dedicated staff, provides a strong platform to deliver an inclusive sport for all to enjoy. I thank them for their tireless work.

I congratulate all players, officials, administrators and all involved or associated with our sport on a successful period, and look forward to your continued involvement and support.

**Gavin Shuker**  
Chairman

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is elected by the membership for a term of three years. Peter Tong was elected to the Board at the 2015 AGM and was eligible to attend limited meetings.

DIRECTOR	MEETINGS ATTENDED	MEETINGS ELIGIBLE
GAVIN SHUKER	2	2
KEL LOCKYER	1	2
MARNI MCGRATH	2	2

DIRECTOR	MEETINGS ATTENDED	MEETINGS ELIGIBLE
FRANK MCDONNELL	0	2
TROY MORGAN	1	2
VINCE MCDONALD	2	2
PETER TONG	2	2

## QUEENSLAND TOUCH FOOTBALL MANAGEMENT TEAM

The Queensland Touch Football management team consisted of:

Jamie O'Connor	Chief Executive Officer
Scott MacAllister	Sport Operations Manager
Lisa James	Finance Manager
Lauren Atkinson	Member Services / Events Manager
Belinda Sleeman	Marketing Communications Manager (commenced employment February)
Peter Bell	Pathways and Performance Manager

## LIFE MEMBERS

Queensland Touch Football would like to thank our life members for their service, dedication and support for the sport in Queensland.

Paul Eggers	Peter McNeven	Bill Pierce	Ray Eustace
Alan Satchell	Patrick Carroll	Barry Doyle	
Bill Kerr	Russell Mowles	Richard Munro	

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# CEO'S REPORT

The recent alteration to our Constitution has resulted in a shortened 2017 reporting period and highlights the Board's continued drive to evolve and mature the organisation. The changes that have been made are all to ensure the business is appropriately structured to operate in the current environment and this trend will continue over the coming period to further safeguard our sport.

Whilst the organisation is reporting against a shortened period there have been many highlights nonetheless and our results on the field were once again very strong.

Our Cowboys Men's team, under the leadership of Phil Gyemore and Dan Withers, continue to be the yardstick at the Elite 8 level winning another title, their second consecutive and third in four years. The Titans edged a little closer under the guidance of coach John Singh who, following the series, announced he would stand down from the role. I would like to thank John for his outstanding service to the program and we look forward to his ongoing contribution to our sport and organisation.

Our Broncos Women, seeking a three-peat, were unable to manage the never-before achieved feat but were very game against a strong Scorpions. Nevertheless, the performance of Lucas Feldman and his team was very impressive as were the performances of our less experienced Titans and Cowboys Womens teams who with this year's experience under their belt will be sure to improve.

The SQBD Sharks once again proved to be the benchmark permit at NTLs winning another Golden Boot as the most successful region at the event and I would like to congratulate Mathew Gilbertson, Garry Sheppard and their loyal cast of volunteers on another successful campaign.

Success at this level can only be achieved with high quality support programs in place for players and coaches within our pathways. This year saw our Under 14/16s programs change tact with players and coaches being exposed to greater developmental opportunities designed to prepare them for higher representative honours as they progress. As the program undergoes further enhancements in the coming year we will be sure to see greater success at the elite level in years to come.

To that end, I would like to thank Peter Bell and all of our coaches and support staff within the performance and pathways program for their dedication to their roles and on the

creation of a culture that will breed ongoing success.

In order for our pathways programs to be successful our grassroots need to be strong. 2017 marked another strong result in junior participation and I would like to recognise the work done by Scott MacAllister, our development staff, regions and affiliates in growing our game. Following a 10% growth in 2016 with another 9% uplift in junior participation for this period is an outstanding achievement.

It would be remiss to not recognise the significant contributions of our partners, Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing, Inferno and Fraser Coast Council who, along with Touch Football Australia, provide substantial financial investment into our organisation allowing us to fund the initiatives that gives us this growth.

Whilst we have had much success within our junior ranks, this period again shows the challenges that are faced by our sport in senior participation. We are facing unprecedented competition in the social offering and greater focus on the quality of our product and service is a must to ensure we are providing a valued and relevant product to the market.

Our commercial competition acquisition remains in an onboarding phase but is displaying the positive signs for the organisation we anticipated. These competitions will be the vehicle we use to test the market on alternative models and service delivery.

As we head towards the end of the 2017 calendar year and into 2018, we will enter a new strategic cycle which will see the unveiling of a new plan. The plan has been 12 months in the design and follows substantial consultation on its construction. It has been developed off the back of culture and behaviours and has a vision for Queensland Touch Football to Unite, Inspire, Grow. Not only do I look forward to sharing that plan with you, but I look forward to working together with you to ensure its achievement.

Finally, I would like to thank all QTF staff and the Board of Directors led by Chairman Gavin Shuker for their tireless effort, leadership and support during this period. Their commitment to the direction of this organisation is unwavering, and the sport is in good hands.

**Jamie O'Connor**  
Chief Executive Officer





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# OPERATIONS REPORT

## PARTICIPATION

The categories below have been defined as the key pillars in which participation in the sport is reported against. Included within the table are key development outcomes achieved

during the period on January – June 2017 followed by a comparison of season one team numbers in senior and junior full active memberships from the previous year.

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### FULL ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

- Decline in adult social participation remains to be of concern amongst the traditional affiliated model of the sport. Office Managed competitions contributed to overall senior team number growth however were not reported against in season 1, 2016.
- The recent growth trend in junior participation continued which was positive leading into the traditionally larger season 2.

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### PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

- Women's Development Program, Rockhampton - 51 participants
- Bunburra Indigenous Beach Touch Tournament, Surfers Paradise – 220 participants
- Active Deaf Sports Day, Mt Warren Park – 71 participants
- Joint NRL Gala days – Parkwood (Gold Coast Titans), Red Hill (Brisbane Broncos), Burleigh (Burleigh Bears) – 660 participants in total
- Affiliate based holiday clinics – 291 participants

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### EVENT PARTICIPANTS

- Battle of the Islands, Thursday Island – 325 participants
- North Queensland Championships, Townsville – 675 participants
- Titans Junior Tri Series, Toowoomba (147 teams), Redlands (126 teams), Palm Beach – (95 teams)

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### SCHOOL DELIVERED PROGRAMS

- 36 Sporting Schools programs terms 1 & 2 totalling 2678 participants
- South West Indigenous Network Tours – 1200 participants
- Targeted school delivery programs aimed at transition into local affiliates

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### SCHOOL MANAGED PROGRAMS

- Technical support provided to Queensland Secondary Schools Opens Championships
- East State Toowoomba Sports Expo – 551 participants

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### ACCREDITED VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

- Level 1 Referee – 29 courses, 461 participants
  - Level 2 Referee – 10 courses, 50 participants
  - Level 3 Referee – 6 courses, 34 participants
  - Foundation Coach – 17 courses, 163 participants
  - Talent Coach – 4 courses, 28 participants
  - Elite Coach – 1 course, 8 participants
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TEAMS - ADULT	2016 (\$1)	2017 (\$1)	TOTAL VARIANCE	PERCENTAGE VARIANCE
BRISBANE CITY	264	252	-12	-4.54%
CENTRAL QUEENSLAND	279	247	-32	-11.46%
NORTH QUEENSLAND	511	527	16	3.13%
SOUTH WEST QLD	193	192	-1	-2.72%
SOUTH QUEENSLAND	347	345	-2	-0.57%
SUNSHINE COAST	398	344	-54	-13.56%
OFFICE MANAGED	-	359	359	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>2266</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>13.75%</b>

\*City/Premier Touch office managed team numbers officially reported from season 2, 2016

TEAMS - ADULT	2016 (\$1)	017 (\$1)	TOTAL VARIANCE	PERCENTAGE VARIANCE
BRISBANE CITY	166	179	13	7.83%
CENTRAL QUEENSLAND	130	118	-12	-9.23%
NORTH QUEENSLAND	64	86	22	34.37%
SOUTH WEST QLD	51	67	16	31.37%
SOUTH QUEENSLAND	167	168	1	0.60%
SUNSHINE COAST	100	96	-4	-4.00%
OFFICE MANAGED	-	0	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5.30%</b>

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# PERFORMANCE AND PATHWAYS

It has now been a full 12 months since Qld Touch Football initiated the High Performance Plan. During this period we have seen outstanding progress both on the field and importantly, in terms of the implementation of systems and processes which have gone a long way to ensuring our long term success.

As reported in 2016, part of our main thrust has been to create an elite culture which permeates all we do. This was reinforced at our first commitment of the year back in January. At the Queensland development camp for our 14s and 16s teams selected from the previous year's Junior State Championships, the players and coaches were given a snapshot of what it takes to be elite.

The camp was an outstanding success and as such the relevance of this pathway has been established. The concept will be developed further next year as we look to maintain our competitive advantage.

The 2017 Elite 8 series, the pinnacle of national level competition, saw Queensland teams achieve very good results again. Our Cowboys Men won back-to-back titles, playing another Queensland team (Titans) in the final. In the women's division, the Broncos made the final again but were beaten by NSW Scorpions. The Titans were beaten by the Broncos in the semi final.

Our results were particularly pleasing given the strong standing of the NSW teams leading into the event, due to their revamped selection system which theoretically made

them stronger overall. Combined with our performances at both the 2016 State of Origin and the National Youth events, our position as the number one touch football state remains undisputed.

As per our intention to conduct coach development, TID (for State of Origin) and coach assessments, no less than 46 individuals were assessed including all 12 Elite 8 Coaches and their assistant coaches, as well as 34 NTL coaches. The assessments were conducted by the HP Manager, Peter McNeven and Sue Salter.

Further, the performance review of all Elite 8 head coaches was also conducted throughout April. This not only serves to improve elite coaching standards but also allows for ongoing evaluation of all our systems as pertinent to Elite 8.

Congratulations are also in order, for the State of Origin appointments announced in the early half of 2017. Again, in keeping with our mission to stay ahead of our closest rivals from the south, we appointed our coaches well in advance to enable them to conduct effective talent identification across all our divisions and to ultimately ensure we get the best possible athletes together to represent.

The appointment process also saw for the first time, application of the new 'ranking' system, which seeks to rank all our aspiring elite coaches and place them accordingly across all 14 divisions. This process hopefully delivers the very best coaches possible to all our state teams.

**STATE OF ORIGIN APPOINTMENTS FOR 2018**

Men's Open	Coach – Phil Gyemore	Assistant Coach – Chris Loth
Women's Open	Coach – Craig Morrow	Assistant Coach – Paul Cobham
Mixed Open	Coach – Charles Borg	Assistant Coach – Tristan Mana
Mens 20s	Coach – Jason Boyd	Assistant Coach – Brian Parr
Womens 20s	Coach – Renee Murphy	Assistant Coach – Leasha Thouard
Mens 30s	Coach – Col Beckitt	Assistant Coach – Tim Villalba
Womens 30s	Coach – Mitch Smith	Assistant Coach – Billy Dorrick
Mens 35s	Coach – John Singh	Assistant Coach – Mark Phillips
Womens 35s	Coach – Geoff Hooper	Assistant Coach – Claudia Cream
Mens 40s	Coach – Jassy Bhullar	Assistant Coach – Michael Zitha
Womens 40s	Coach – John Bourke	Assistant Coach – Mick Kelly
Mens 45s	Coach – Nick Pecchiar	Assistant Coach – David Bonser
Mens 50s	Coach – Hank Solien	Assistant Coach – Pete Shefford
Mens 55s	Coach – Kev Hickey	Assistant Coach – Greg Young

**COACH FORUMS & DEVELOPMENT**

A key part of the High Performance Plan has been the revamp of selection systems and TID processes. To that end, all the relevant selection policies have been reviewed, revised and implemented in 2017. This will ensure both transparency as well as an effective method of identifying our best athletes.

Also critical to these systems is on-going coach development and education. Throughout 2017 QTF has conducted professional development via specially designed coach forums in all QTF regions. The topics presented included Trends of the Game, Coaching Juniors, Attacking Concepts and Defensive Techniques & Strategies. More than 100 coaches have taken part in the forums, specifically targeting the foundation to talent level coach.

Elite coaching and bridging courses were conducted in both Brisbane and Palm Beach during the first half of 2017. Importantly, 21 aspiring elite coaches attended. Another course is scheduled for the latter half of the year also. Queensland still leads the way with the number of elite coaches who are now operating within the national program and we look forward to seeing the resulting implication of this within our own programs in the future.

Critical to our performances this year have been the contribution of the High Performance Team. Their professionalism and zeal has enabled us to implement many of the High Performance Plan initiatives. I would like to personally thank the HP team for their contribution over the past 12 months.

**2017 HP TEAM MEMBERS**

Phil Gyemore  
Craig Morrow  
Paul Cobham  
Troy Morgan

Peter Topp  
Jason Boyd  
Renee Murphy  
Jayden Benbow

Kim Sue See  
Marikki Watego  
Adam Pryde

**Peter Bell**

**Performance and Pathways Manager**

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# REFEREES

Our elite referees performed exceptionally well with the appointment of Luke McKenzie to the 2017 Youth Trans Tasman Series, and both Brett Freshwater and Luke McKenzie to the 2017 Open Trans Tasman Series.

At national level, 18 referees were successful in being appointed to grand finals. The performances of these referees were further rewarded with their inclusion in Touch Football







Australia's High Performance Referee Program squads:

- National Referee Squad: Brett Freshwater, Luke McKenzie, Brad Smith and Nathan Budge
- Emerging Referee Squad: Michael Littlefield, Aaron Searston, Denise Weier and Lachlan Freshwater
- Masters Referee Squad: Renee Flach, Scott Marsh, Marcus Muller, Fiona Quinn and Greg Taylor

#### **2017 Event Snapshot:**

- NTL 2017 – 50 Referees
- Trans Tasman - Open and Youth Series
- NQ Championships
- CQ Junior Regionals
- QSST Championships - Bundaberg

#### **National Referee Awards**

In recognition of service, dedication and commitment to the referee arm the following awards were presented at the 2017 National Touch League Referee's Dinner:

- 10 Year Service Award – Rob Ward
- 20 Year Service – Darryl Serrurier

#### **Referee Upgrades:**

TFA Referee Badge Level 4 (State Badge) – 2017 NQ Championships

- Cameron Turner
- Cassandra Pajor
- Emily Marsh
- Jordan Randle
- Matthew Gilbertson
- Noel Lang (Senior)

#### **TFA Referee Badge Level 5 – 2017**

- Lachlan Freshwater
- Adam Hogan
- Matt Butler
- Lawren Sullivan
- Craig Butler (Senior)
- Darren Toms (Senior)

#### **TFA Referee Badge Level 6 – 2017**

- Adam Turner
- Andrew Watkins
- Chris Benstead
- John Vikland (Senior)
- David Tewksbury (Senior)

#### **2017 Initiatives:**

- Regional Referee Growth Development
- Continued delivery of TFA Technical Courses (Facilitator, Foundation Referee Coach) aligning to the FTEM Module

Thanks must go to the many people who assisted at affiliate, region and state level with referee development over the period.

**Dave Field**  
Director of Referees

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# NATIONAL TOUCH LEAGUE (NTL)

The Cowboys claimed back-to-back NTL Elite 8 open men's titles with a commanding victory in the all-Queensland championship final against the Titans.

The northerners shot out to a 2-0 lead after 10 minutes through touchdowns to Braydon Hegarty and Cormac Hoch.

The Titans hit back shortly after through Graeme Clancy, but their flamboyant play resulted in too many errors and they were unable to register another point in the first half.

Player of the final Hoch crossed again in the 15th minute to send the Cowboys to the break leading 3-1.

The Cowboys started the second half in the same fashion they finished the first - in complete control, with Jack Hughes and Damon Moore crossing the line to extend their lead to an unassailable 5-1.

Lachlan Hoch sealed the deal with another touchdown in the 34th minute, before Titans' Tom Maher crossed to bring it back to 6-2.

Clancy picked up his second of the match in the dying minutes, but it was too little too late as the Cowboys ran away to collect

their third title in four years. Jared Townson was named player of the series.

In the women's final, the Broncos fought hard but were outclassed by the NSW Scorpions 8-5.

Samantha Rogers and Yasmin Meakes each collected hat-tricks, with Rogers scoring the opening two touchdowns in eight minutes.

Broncos star Emily Hennessey hit back straight away, but the Scorpions defence proved too strong and they headed to the break with a 4-2 lead.

Rebecca Lapraik opened the scoring for the Broncos in the second minute of the second half, putting them right back in it, but three touchdowns in a row from the Scorpions sealed the Broncos' fate.

It was a remarkable turnaround for the Scorpions, who failed to win a match in the 2016 tournament.

Hayley Maddick starred again for the Broncos in the final, collecting the player of the series award.

## QUEENSLAND NTL GRAND FINAL RESULTS

### MEN'S OPEN

Queensland Cowboys 6 d Queensland Titans 3

### WOMEN'S OPEN

New South Wales Scorpions 8 d Queensland Broncos 5

### MIXED OPEN

Sydney Rebels 10 d South Queensland Sharks 7

### MEN'S T LEAGUE

Central Queensland Bulls A 6 d South Queensland Sharks 5

### WOMEN'S T LEAGUE

South West Swans 6 d Sydney Scorpions A 1

### WOMEN'S 27'S

Brisbane City Cobras 4 d Victoria Storm 3

### MEN'S 30'S

South Queensland Sharks 8 d Sydney Scorpions 6

### MEN'S 40'S

ACT Raiders 6 d Brisbane City Cobras 5

### WOMEN'S 40'S

Hunter Western Hornets 4 d South Queensland Sharks 3

### MEN'S 45'S

South Queensland Sharks 10 d ACT Raiders 6

### MEN'S 50'S

Sydney Scorpions 5 d South Queensland Sharks 3

### SENIOR MIXED

Southern Suns 11 d South Queensland Sharks 7

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# REGIONAL REPORTS

## NORTH QUEENSLAND

North Queensland Touch Association currently has 20 active affiliates and is home of the North Queensland Tropical Cyclones.

NQ Cyclones had nine teams attend the 2017 NTL, along with 14 referees and two referee panel members. Six of our referees were named in the National Referee squads. A special mention also to Darryl Serrurier who received his 20-year national service. NQ also had two players selected in the Australian Open Trans-Tasman series.

Our successful NQ Open & Senior Championships were held in June, and remained steady with team numbers. An appreciative thank you to Paul Cobham, Phil Gyemore and Swain Rovelli for their attendance to assist with talent identification for our players.

Affiliate team numbers for Season 1 remained consistent for most of our region, although numbers dipped a little in our southern sector. This has been put down to the impact of Cyclone Debbie.

Our Technical Director Sue Salter and Coaching Director

Peter Shefford continue to work tirelessly to assist and improve the quality of coaching throughout our region, facilitating foundation and talent coaching courses to skill and upskill coaches in our sport.

Referees' director Joe Lo Grande and his team of referees continue to grow and coach new officials for touch throughout the region. NQ had 15 of their senior badge referees attend a referee coaching course in February to obtain their skills to continue to coach at park and regional level. It is a real credit to Joe and his team to keep this arm of the sport strong in NQ with a steady flow of referees continuing to gain further badge accreditations and dealing with increased numbers attending new Level 1 courses.

NQ Touch appreciates all who have assisted our region so far throughout 2017 and look forward to what lies ahead for the rest of the year and beyond.

**Frank Stampa**  
**Chairman**

## CENTRAL QUEENSLAND

Although a shortened reporting period, this part of 2017 was one of constant activity in and for the region.

A number of former affiliates enquired regarding, or effected, re-affiliation, juniors were in constant motion and a stream of development activities were held across the region.

Parts of the region were badly impacted by flooding or torrential rainfall resulting in Rockhampton Touch, in particular, suffering reduced participation rates during the period. The region had 137 senior teams and 48 junior teams registered for the report period, substantially down on 'usual' numbers for this time of year.

On the representative scene, CQ players and officials performed very well at representative events including the Youth Trans-Tasman, Elite 8/ NTL, Open Trans-Tasman, the CQ Junior Championships and various school based events.

### T-LEAGUE

Our A Men's team were victorious in their grand final 6-5 following hard leadup work from all players and their coaching staff.

### NTL

The Cowboys Open Men were successful in defending their crown (6-3) at Coffs Harbour. A tremendous effort by the team,

with two touchdowns scored by Cormac Hoch and one each by Jack Hughes, Damon Moore, Lachlan Hoch and Braydon Hegarty.

Tracy Upton, our General Manager-Development continues to connect the dots in so many ways across the region and has a pivotal influence on the development of players, officials, affiliates and school touch.

Tracy has worked extensively with coaches and administrators in the school touch system in the region. Linda ('Pato') Paterson (Coaching Director), Denise Edwards (Director of Selectors) and David Field (Referees Director), our Technical Directors have made and continue to make substantial and essential contributions to technical development in the Region.

Damon Moore, Tamika Upton and Mitch Smith as well as playing or coaching at the elite level of the sport, have been of huge assistance both in junior development and coach development.

The region is blessed in the number of parents and volunteers who, in all affiliates across the region generously give so much of their time to assist run the sport.

**Ian Haig**  
**Chairman**



## SOUTH WEST QUEENSLAND

From representative success to farewelling a regional staff member, the first half of 2017 has been eventful for the region.

SWQ fielded seven teams at the National Touch League tournament held in Coffs Harbour. Our Women's T League went through undefeated and claimed the title with an emphatic 6-1 win over Sydney Scorpions. We had one other team make it to the semi-final stage, that being our Men's 40s who put in an enormous effort only to be beaten 5-3 by ACT Raiders who then went on to win the grand final. A great effort by all involved.

In early 2017, our Regional Administrator Michael McSweeney announced his retirement. Michael has been involved with touch football since around the age of 19, when the game was played barefoot on a rugby league field. During his life, Michael has contributed to the sport as an active member of his local club as both a player and parent, spending the past nine years as the SWQTA Regional Administrator. We acknowledge Michael's love of and dedication to the sport, and wish him all the best in his retirement. Following Michael's retirement, Sam Heath was appointed to the position of Regional Administrator, and she looks forward to working with the Board and QTF to continue to grow and promote the sport in South West Queensland.

The first leg of the Titans Tri-Series in April was again a huge success, with 147 teams from neighbouring regions participating this year. During the day around 100 referees from Level 1 to Level 6 officiated in over 330 games. The level of competition that the SWQ Swans Junior Cup provides to our SWQ Regional Affiliates is invaluable to their development in the lead up to the Junior State Cup and is the premier junior

event on the SWQ Calendar. Thank you to everyone that makes the trek to participate every year, we look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Participation across the 9 SWQ Affiliates in Season 1 of 2017 remained strong. When considering the geographical diversity of the region, it is pleasing to see consistency in team numbers in most Affiliates, some growth in both senior and junior player numbers and an increase in the standard of touch played across the board. We acknowledge the many and varied challenges that our affiliates face: population, maintaining financially viable competitions, maintenance of facilities in drought-affected areas and sourcing volunteers to conduct competitions, and look forward to working with them to pursue solutions that will be beneficial to all our members and the sport as a whole.

It has been a busy start to the year with 84 Level 1 referees and 11 foundation coaches being accredited across the region. Planning for the further development is underway, including the Regional Coaching Forum to be held early in July.

Our challenges remain in the areas of game development and growth in a competitive market, supporting affiliates in providing a high level of service to members and managing human resources effectively. We acknowledge and thank everyone involved in the region and look forward to a successful next chapter.

**Reg Hart**  
Chairman

## SUNSHINE COAST, FRASER AND BURNETT DISTRICT

We have worked together with our 15 affiliates to continue to develop and grow touch football within the Sunshine Coast, Fraser and Burnett boundaries.

The SCFBDA Board would like to thank all our volunteers, coaches, selectors and referees for their valued contribution within our region.

SCFBDA showed a strong attendance at the 2017 NTL in Coffs Harbour, with both T League Men's and Women's, Men's 30s, Men's 45s and Men's 50s teams all proving to be competitive.

Both T League Men's and Women's, Men's 30s and Men's 50s all made the semi finals.

SCFBDA Super Series was held at Caboolture Touch again in Season 1 with men's and women's divisions. The teams were supported by numerous elite players who worked with our developing players in the teams.

**Mandy Dwyer**  
Chairperson



## BRISBANE QUEENSLAND

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Brisbane Touch Football during the 2016/17 year was managed by Queensland Touch Football, with all affiliation fees being retained by Queensland who employed the Cobras Regional Administrator.

In June 2017 the Brisbane AGM had a change of Board Members and Independents. Jenny Madders became the Chair, with Jason Campbell elected as an Independent, Jenny Nowlan was elected as the South Pine member and Leanne Bauer is BMTA Member Redcliffe delegate Matt Duncombe remained on the Board.

Participation The Brisbane Touch Football region has continued to consolidate teams with an increase in junior numbers by five percent. The decrease in team numbers in senior teams were in both BMTA and South Pine, while Redcliffe remained stable.

Both junior northside competitions at Brothers and Arana had significant increases in team numbers, with BMTA team numbers showing why they are one of the biggest and best competitions in Queensland.

Brisbane was again represented at all major events NTL, Junior State Championships and National Youth Championships.

National Touch League Brisbane entered eight teams again in 2017 in Mixed Open, Men's and Women's T League, Men's 40, and 45's Senior Women, Women's 27's and Senior Mixed.

Two teams made through to the grand final, with the Men's Over 40 going down to ACT by one touchdown and the Women winning their

final against Victoria Storm 4-3.

Junior State Championships in 2016 were held at Glasshouse Mountains on the Sunshine Coast, with Cobras sending six teams. While the teams were competitive, only the Under 14 Girls made it through to the grand final and took the title.

National Youth Championships Brisbane had both boys and Girls team attend the National Youth Championships in 2016 at Kawana.

Junior State Cup Four of our five affiliates were at the Junior State Cup. BMTA were again one of the biggest affiliates represented while South Pine, Brothers and Arana all had teams participating.

Brisbane All Schools was again held in May and continued to have a small increase in numbers. The BTF Board sees this event as the path way to our affiliates and will be working hard to promote this event.

A special thank you to our volunteers who continue to work tirelessly, in particular Charlie Borg (Cobras Technical Panel Chair) and Ken Willet (BMTA Juniors), who have continued to give many hours over many years to make this region a success.

The Board takes this opportunity to thank all coaches and managers, referees and players who have helped make this region what it is.

**Jenny Madders**  
Chairperson

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## SOUTH QUEENSLAND

SQBD reports that in the six months from January to the end of June 2017, we continue to drive our mission of improved service delivery across the region.

Our elite service delivery has been historically strong, and our regional victory at the 2017 National Touch League reflects the combined efforts of our board, staff, volunteers, managers, coaches and players.

Sharks always enjoy the NTL and our terrific, unique 'Sharks Tent' setup certainly is a large part of the reason we are able to enjoy the ongoing success we have had at this and other events.

SQBD also supported the NTL with a large contingent of referees with several upgrades being achieved.

Our Titans Tri-Series has also proved very successful. All legs of the Tri-Series are at capacity and the SQBD has reviewed the series with the view of sustainability and growth in the future. The relationship with the Gold Coast Titans is very strong and both organisations are working hard providing both sports for our members.

Referee development has been the highlight of our six months. Led by our Director of Referees, Lou Tomkins, SQBD has delivered nine Level 1 courses, two Level 2 courses and one Level 3 course with a total of 206 people attending.

We were able to upgrade a total of 52 referees during the period.

Our focus on referee development is being driven by our 'model affiliate program'. Currently implemented at Coomera and Palm Beach Touch, the region-controlled competitions are at various stages of implementing what we are working on as best practice as far as product and service delivery is concerned.

With the cooperation of the local committee, Palm Beach Touch has successfully piloted our video program, recording and uploading games to YouTube to enable referee and coach development programs to focus on continual improvement. When coupled with investment in referee coaching, this is delivering strong referee growth for the affiliate and also the region.

SQBD reported strong Season 1 team numbers, with 409 open and 305 junior teams participating.

We are keenly pursuing the improved development of the product we deliver and look forward to reporting further successes in conjunction with you all at Queensland Touch Football and in the regions.

**Mathew Gilbertson**  
Chairman, SQBD



# ***FINANICAL REPORT***



## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

In March 2017, the Association resolved to change the reporting year and accordingly this 2017 financial report is for a six-month period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017.

The Association has recorded a loss of \$149,322 for the period which, whilst not insignificant, is reflective of the cycle of the Association's activities and is directly attributed to the shortened reporting period.

The Association carries a large amount of operating expense in the first half of the calendar year which is then balanced out by higher revenue levels in the second half of the calendar year.

This is the standard business cycle for the Association but is has not been evident in previous reports as the financial position has been reported across a complete twelve-month calendar year.

The July to December period (S2) is the largest participation season, particularly in juniors, and is the period where all QTF events are reported.

Junior State Cup, Junior State Championships and Bundaberg Cup are all S2 events and are significant revenue drivers for the Association.

With a change in financial reporting period, there is a significant timing issue as a result of the Association's accounting policy to recognise event revenue in the year of the event.

All revenue for Junior State Cup (held in early July) has been recorded as Income in Advance (total \$131,982 – Note 16) and is reported as a current liability on the Balance Sheet. The impact of this timing issue on the

reported loss for the period is considerable and will balance out in future years when the Association is reporting a full twelve-month period.

Additionally, another contributing factor for the loss reported this period is the treatment of the intangible assets from the commercial competition acquisition in September 2016 which sees considerable amortisation of the asset value in accordance with Accounting Standards.

This amortisation, which is reflected in the Income and Expenditure Statement, will continue to have an impact over the next five years as the asset value is written down.

A feature of the financial reporting over the past two periods has been the use of ratios to highlight the financial health and performance of the Association.

Due to the shortened period and the significant anomalies this has created, the Association believes that the ratios provide little assistance and are not reflective of the current position and therefore have been removed from the report for this period.

These ratios, however, will be reinstated in the 2017/18 financial report where their relevance against comparable 12-month periods will return.

The shortened period will be a feature of all of the below analysis and Members are encouraged to consider the above notes when analysing the financial performance and position of the Association.



**Members Equity**

The shortened period sees the end to several consecutive surpluses with a \$149,322 loss leading to the reported

decline in Members Equity to \$600,933. The loss is attributed solely to the timing of the reporting period and is explained in detail through the revenue and expenditure notes below.

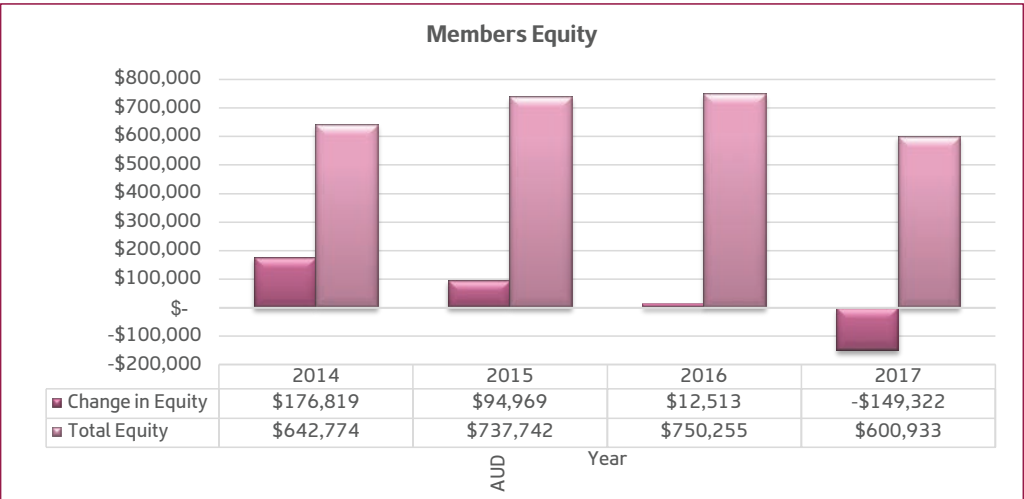


Figure 1 - Members Equity

## Revenue

An analysis across the key revenue areas of the Association highlights a number of notable points for consideration. Once again, we note that the period for comparison is six months against the twelve-month period of 2016.

- As expected membership revenue is down against 2016. The stronger participation across the second half of the calendar year as referred to above is evident in this variance.
- Event income is lower than 2016 and is due to two key factors. The first is the timing of the events sitting in

the second half of the calendar year and the second is the inclusion of State of Origin in 2016 inflating the variation between the two periods.

- Despite the shortened period, commercial revenue has increased a considerable amount. The 2016 period featured only three months of commercial competition revenue following the acquisition of the competitions while the current period sees six months of that revenue.
- The remaining revenue lines of sport operations and grants are variations caused solely by the differing lengths of the comparable periods.

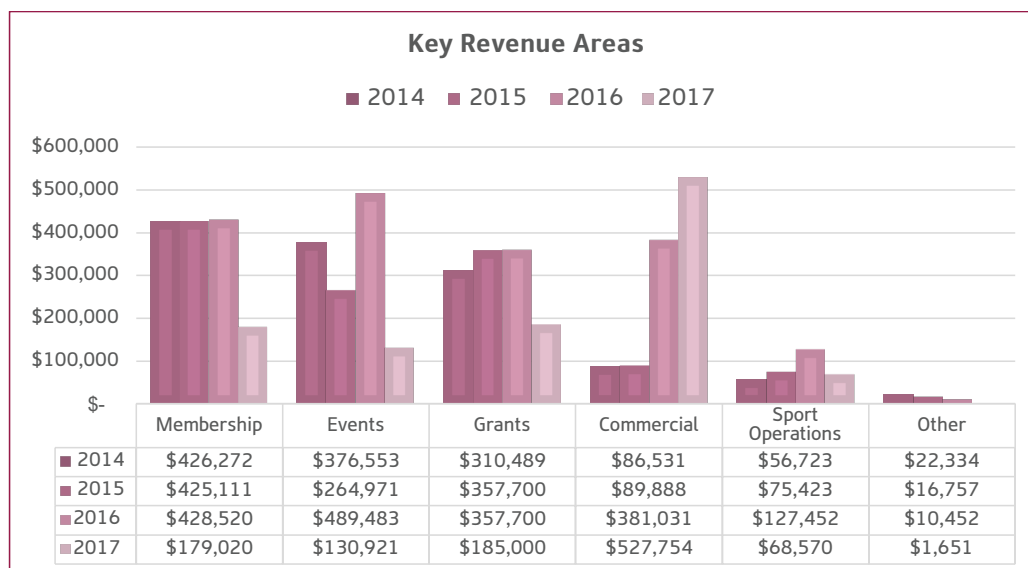


Figure 2 - Key Revenue

## Expenditure

An analysis of the expenditure will also need to take into consideration the variation in length of the reporting periods but some notable changes require explanation despite the shortened period.

- The office expense is tracking to increase against the twelve-month period which was projected to occur for this period. The inclusion of commercial competitions, the absorption of BTF into QTF operations and the move to the new offices at RLCQ are key factors in the increased office expense.
- Marketing and Promotions has increased across this period with most of the expense one-off costs relating to the building of corporate templates and event research undertaken in conjunction with TFA.
- Vehicle expenses have increased due to the disposal of one of the Association's vehicles. Rather than replace the vehicle through a capital purchase, an allocation in the form of an allowance is provided to an employee which has been recognised as vehicle expenses. During a review of the accounting policies throughout the audit process, it was determined that this allowance should properly be recognised as an employment expense and will be recorded as such in the future.
- Amortisation expenses related to the write down of the intangible assets from the commercial competition acquisition as noted in the increased operating expenses.
- Human Resource expenses, while down, are also tracking to increase across twelve months. The absorption of BTF into QTF operations and commercial competition staff account for the increased human resource expense. While an increase in the overall expense is occurring, the percentage allocated to this area for the 2017 period is at 31.5% of expenditure. This is below what is considered to be standard practice for HR expense to revenue and below the 33% reported for the 2016 year.
- Event expenses are down for the same reason as the event revenue. The vast majority of the expenses are incurred in the second half of the calendar year. The variation in junior tour expenses is caused by the removal of the tour of New Zealand undertaken in 2016.
- Commercial activity is greater than the 2016 period with the commercial competitions operating under QTF for the entire 2017 period against the three months of operations in 2016. Additionally, the absorption of BTF expenses into QTF operations sees expenses predominately related to NTLs feature for the first time in the accounts.

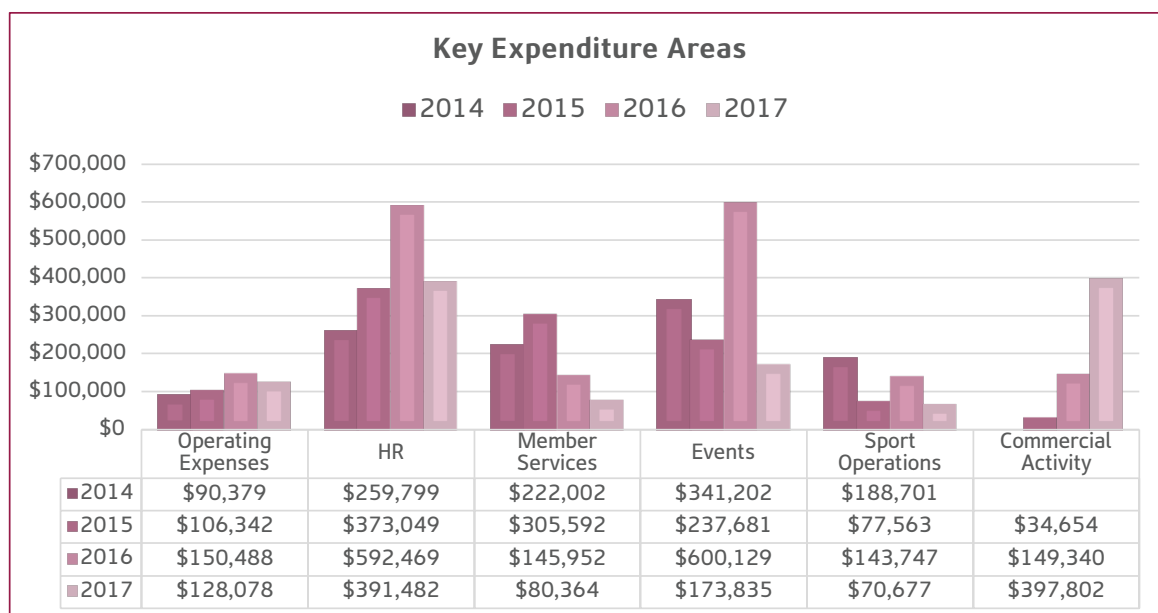


Figure 3 – Key Expenditure



**Financial Performance**

To further detail the current financial health and

performance of the Association over the period a number of tables, accompanied by explanatory notes, are provided for consideration.

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Operating Result	\$176,819	\$94,969	\$12,513	(\$149,322)
Members Equity	\$642,774	\$737,742	\$750,255	\$600,933
Cash at Bank	\$602,668	\$790,954	\$530,842	\$496,190
Trade Debtors	\$86,038	\$54,221	\$70,792	\$87,009
Trade Creditors	\$6,620	\$126,290	\$132,850	\$69,831

Table 1 - Financial Performance

The two predominant features of Table 1 are the operating loss and the decline in members equity which have been noted above. Cash at Bank is relatively stable against the previous period and trade debtors are slightly up on the

past two periods but are relatively consistent. Trade creditors are down on the previous period during to the timing of payment for affiliation fees from S2.

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Revenue	\$1,278,902	\$1,229,850	\$1,794,638	\$1,092,916
Expenditure	\$1,102,083	\$1,134,881	\$1,782,125	\$1,242,238
Surplus/Loss	\$176,819	\$94,969	\$12,513	(\$149,322)
Return	15.8%	7.72%	0.7%	(13.6%)

Table 2 - Financial Return

Table 2 provides a snapshot of the growth of the Association over the past four reporting periods. The return, due to the timing issues noted above and shortened period

of the report, is an anomaly and is projected to level out over the coming twelve months at 2-3%.

**Jamie O'Connor**  
Chief Executive Officer

**QUEENSLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION Inc.**  
**ABN 32 751 852 440**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

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**QUEENSLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION Inc.**  
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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The directors submit the financial report of Queensland Touch Association for the 6 months ended 30 June 2017.

**Directors**

The names of the directors throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

- Gavin Shuker
- Marni McGrath
- Kelvin Lockyer
- Frank McDonnell (11 May 2017)
- Vince McDonald
- Troy Morgan
- Peter Tong

**Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: Administration of Touch Football in Queensland.

**Operating Result**

The deficit after providing for income tax for the 6 months ended 30 June 2017 amounted to \$149,322 (12 months ending 31 December 2016 surplus \$12,513)

**Significant Changes**

The Board resolved to change the financial year end date from 31 December to 30 June. The change has been made in order to better synchronise the Association's financial reporting with its operations. The change in financial reporting will facilitate the delivery of consistent reporting to users.

The comparative period is based on the 12 month period ended 31 December 2016 and may not be entirely comparable with the current period.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Board.



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Gavin Shuker



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Marni McGrath

**QUEENSLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION Inc.**  
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

	Notes	6 Months Ended 30 Jun 2017 \$	12 Months Ended 31 Dec 2016 \$
<b>Revenue:</b>			
Membership	2	179,020	428,520
Events	3	130,921	489,483
Grants	4	185,000	357,700
Commercial Activity	5	527,754	381,031
Sport Operations	6	68,570	127,452
Other	7	1,651	10,452
		<u>1,092,916</u>	<u>1,794,638</u>
<b>Less Expenditure:</b>			
Operating Expenses	8	128,078	150,488
Human Resources Expenses	9	391,482	592,469
Member Services	10	80,364	145,952
Event Expenses	11	173,835	600,129
Sport Operations	12	70,677	143,747
Commercial Activity	13	397,802	149,340
		<u>1,242,238</u>	<u>1,782,125</u>
<b>Net Current Year Surplus/(Deficit):</b>		<u>(149,322)</u>	<u>12,513</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements



**QUEENSLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION Inc.**  
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**ASSET AND LIABILITIES STATEMENT AS AT 30 JUNE 2017**

	Notes	30 Jun 2017 \$	31 Dec 2016 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	14	496,190	530,842
Trade Debtors		87,009	70,792
Inventory		-	-
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>583,199</u>	<u>601,634</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	15	44,254	45,536
Intangibles	21	596,914	618,910
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>641,168</u>	<u>664,446</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>1,224,367</u>	<u>1,266,080</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other Payables	16	216,125	168,439
Tax Liabilities	17	52,321	16,028
Employee Entitlements		62,988	39,358
Borrowings	19	73,000	36,500
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>404,434</u>	<u>260,325</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Borrowings	19	219,000	255,500
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>219,000</u>	<u>255,500</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>623,434</u>	<u>515,825</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>600,933</u>	<u>750,255</u>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Earnings		750,255	737,742
Net Profit/(Loss) for the Year		(149,322)	12,513
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<u>600,933</u>	<u>750,255</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

**QUEENSLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION Inc.**  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act of Queensland 1981. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets. The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

The Board resolved to change the financial year end date from 31 December to 30 June. The change has been made in order to better synchronise the Association's financial reporting with its operations. The change in financial reporting will facilitate the delivery of consistent reporting to users. The comparative period is based on the 12 month period ended 31 December 2016 and may not be entirely comparable with the current period.

**(a) Property, Plant and Equipment**

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

The depreciable amount of all PPE with the exception of Leasehold Improvements is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

**(b) Impairment of Assets**

At the end of each reporting period, the association reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

**(c) Employee Provisions**

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

**(d) Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

**(e) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

**(f) Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors**

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

**(g) Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

**Interest Income**

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

**Grant and Donation Income**

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt. If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied, which is generally at the time of receipt.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**Event Income**

Event income is recognised when the events are performed. If fees are received in advance for events, it will be recorded as a deferred revenue amount net of the expenses and revenue in the balance sheet.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

**(h) Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). 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 ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

**(i) Trade and Other Payables**

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period, which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

**(j) Income Tax**

The association is exempt from income tax under the provisions of Section 50-5 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

**(k) Customer Intangibles**

Customer intangibles acquired as part of a business combination are recognised separately from goodwill. The customer intangibles are carried at their fair value at the date of acquisition less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated based on the timing of projected cash flows over their estimated useful lives, which currently are estimated at five years.

**(l) Goodwill**

Goodwill is not amortised but it is tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired, and is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. The allocation is made to those cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose. The units or groups of units are identified at the lowest level at which goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

	6 Months Ended 30 Jun 2017 \$	12 Months Ended 31 Dec 2016 \$
<b>NOTE 2: MEMBERSHIP FEES</b>		
Senior Team Affiliation	148,396	320,175
Junior Team Affiliation	30,624	101,160
Event Affiliation	-	7,185
	<u>179,020</u>	<u>428,520</u>
<b>NOTE 3: EVENTS INCOME</b>		
State Event Income	20,000	131,187
Junior Tour Income	36,969	107,368
Elite 8 Income	73,952	75,844
State of Origin Income	-	175,084
	<u>130,921</u>	<u>489,483</u>
<b>NOTE 4: GRANTS</b>		
Government Grants	150,000	277,700
Touch Football Australia Funding	35,000	80,000
	<u>185,000</u>	<u>357,700</u>
<b>NOTE 5: COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY</b>		
Management Fees	-	10,000
Merchandising	-	1,036
Sponsorship	13,636	47,273
Premier and City Touch Income	384,634	267,040
BTF Event Income	108,771	26,373
BTF Affiliation	20,713	29,309
	<u>527,754</u>	<u>381,031</u>
<b>NOTE 6: SPORT OPERATIONS</b>		
Development	48,950	78,879
Course Income	19,620	48,573
	<u>68,570</u>	<u>127,452</u>
<b>NOTE 7: OTHER INCOME</b>		
Reimbursement Income	-	4,310
Interest Income	1,651	6,142
	<u>1,651</u>	<u>10,452</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

	6 Months Ended 30 Jun 2017 \$	12 Months Ended 31 Dec 2016 \$
<b>NOTE 8: OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
IT Expenses	1,675	5,580
Office Expenses	45,529	61,032
Meeting Expenses	15,631	27,303
Marketing and Promotions	12,740	2,939
Professional Fees	8,464	7,094
Vehicle Expenses	13,760	11,734
Bank Fees	1,275	1,339
Reimbursement Expenses	-	4,310
Depreciation	7,008	18,067
Amortisation Expense	21,996	11,090
	<u>128,078</u>	<u>150,488</u>
<b>NOTE 9: HUMAN RESOURCES EXPENSES</b>		
Wages & Salaries	355,658	520,650
Other Employment Expenses	4,107	14,381
Superannuation	28,490	54,362
FBT Expense	3,227	3,076
	<u>391,482</u>	<u>592,469</u>
<b>NOTE 10: MEMBER SERVICES</b>		
Grants	80,364	145,952
	<u>80,364</u>	<u>145,952</u>
<b>NOTE 11: EVENT EXPENSES:</b>		
State Event Expenses	660	115,483
Elite 8 Expenses	128,741	140,868
Junior Tour Expenses	44,434	123,943
State of Origin Expenses	-	219,835
	<u>173,835</u>	<u>600,129</u>
<b>NOTE 12: SPORT OPERATIONS</b>		
Course Expenses	16,544	52,654
Development Expenses	46,835	80,731
Performance Pathways	2,221	3,107
Referee Performance	5,077	7,255
	<u>70,677</u>	<u>143,747</u>
<b>NOTE 13: COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY</b>		
Merchandise	-	18,873
BTF Expenses	103,449	31,671
Premier and City Expenses	294,353	98,796
	<u>397,802</u>	<u>149,340</u>



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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

	30 Jun 2017 \$	31 Dec 2016 \$
<b>NOTE 14: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Cash Reserve	442,442	390,867
Cheque Account	44,185	138,501
Debit Cards	9,563	1,474
	<u>496,190</u>	<u>530,842</u>
<b>NOTE 15: PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>		
Plant and Equipment	36,870	66,945
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(25,619)	(49,816)
	<u>11,251</u>	<u>17,129</u>
Office and Computer Equipment	10,970	1,533
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(2,569)	(1,210)
	<u>8,401</u>	<u>323</u>
Motor Vehicle	41,990	41,990
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(17,388)	(13,906)
	<u>24,602</u>	<u>28,084</u>
	<u>44,254</u>	<u>45,536</u>
<b>NOTE 16: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES</b>		
Trade Creditors	69,831	132,850
Income in Advance	131,982	33,538
Superannuation Payable	14,312	2,051
	<u>216,125</u>	<u>168,439</u>
<b>NOTE 17: TAX LIABILITIES</b>		
FBT Payable	-	3,076
GST	24,405	478
PAYG Withholdings Payable	27,916	12,474
	<u>52,321</u>	<u>16,028</u>

**NOTE 18: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

**Board Member Related Entities**

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

During the 6 months ended 30 June 2017, the association made payments in the amount of \$30,267 (12 months ended 31 December 2016: \$92,285) to Inferno Sports for services. Inferno sports is a clothing company part owned by Chairman, Gavin Shuker. All transactions are entered under normal commercial terms.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

	30 Jun 2017	31 Dec 2016
	\$	\$
<u>Current</u>		
Touch Football Australia Loan	73,000	36,500
<u>Non-current</u>		
Touch Football Australia Loan	219,000	255,500
	<u>292,000</u>	<u>292,000</u>

**NOTE 20: OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS**

	30 Jun 2017	31 Dec 2016
	\$	\$
<u>Minimum Lease Payments:</u>		
Payable within one year	50,000	50,000
Payable within one year and five years	141,667	200,000
Total Contracted at Balance Date	<u>191,667</u>	<u>250,000</u>

**NOTE 21: INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

	30 Jun 2017	31 Dec 2016
	\$	\$
Goodwill	410,000	410,000
	<u>410,000</u>	<u>410,000</u>
Premier and City Touch Customer Contracts	220,000	220,000
Accumulated Amortisation	(33,086)	(11,090)
	<u>186,914</u>	<u>208,910</u>
	<u>596,914</u>	<u>618,910</u>

**Movements during the year**

	Customer Contracts	Goodwill
Opening balance	208,910	410,000
Premier and City Touch Business Combinations	-	-
Amortisation	(33,086)	-
Balance at 31 December 2016	<u>175,824</u>	<u>410,000</u>

**Impairment tests for goodwill**

Goodwill is monitored by management at the Association level for Premier and City Touch.

The association tests whether goodwill has suffered any impairment on an annual basis. The recoverable amount of a cash generating unit (CGU) is determined based on value-in-use calculations which require the use of assumptions.

The calculations use cash flow projections based on financial budgets covering a five-year period.

Cash flows beyond the five-year period are extrapolated using the estimated growth rates. These growth rates are consistent with forecasts included in industry reports specific to the industry in which each CGU operates.

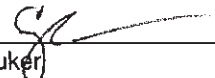
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**Statement by Directors**  
**FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

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

In the opinion of the Board the Income and Expenditure Statement, Asset and Liabilities Statement and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Queensland Touch Association Inc. as at 30 June 2017 and its performance for the 6 months ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

  
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Gavin Shuker  
Chairman

  
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Maivi McGrath  
Director

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Queensland Touch Association Inc.

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Queensland Touch Association Inc. (the Entity), which comprises the asset and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2017 and the income and expenditure statement for the 6 months then ended, and notes to the financial report, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and statement by committee members.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the entity as at 30 June 2017 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the 6 months then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting described in note 1.

#### 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 are independent of the Entity in accordance with ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (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.

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

#### Emphasis of matter - Basis of accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Queensland Touch Association Inc. to meet the requirements of The Associations Incorporations Act 1981. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of The Associations Incorporations Act 1981 and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

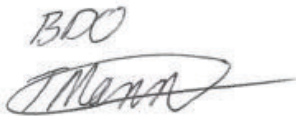
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that 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 this 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 (<http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>) at:

[http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_files/ar3.pdf](http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_files/ar3.pdf)

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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