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Qld Cricket Umpires' & Scorers' Association

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The October 2021 General Meeting of the Association will be held at the Kedron-Wavell Services Club VC Suite (Level 1 - 21 Kittyhawk Drive, Chermside), commencing at 7.00pm on Wednesday 20th October 2021 followed by the training session.

Availability and Observations

We are now well underway with the 2021/22 season and so far, there have been very few interruptions (only weather related) to the scheduled matches. Whilst this situation has been pleasing, the overall availability of umpires has not. The Chairman of Selectors, Mike Ralston, is reaching out to those members who have indicated their unavailability for the coming round 23rd to 31 October. We appreciate some of you may have commitments which are important to you or outside your control.

As at Monday 18th, we need three umpires for the Saturdays 23rd/30th October. Your assistance would help your fellow Grade umpires who otherwise may have to "go it alone" for the round.

To complete a full complement of umpires for Sunday 31st October, we would like to ask for six umpires to become available to complete the full appointment requirements.

Please email or text Mike (0478 093 159) at any time to submit your availability. Thank you.

The Selection Committee will be meeting at the end of this week to appoint members to the next round of fixtures for November.

[Please update your availability for all of November into MyCricket at your earliest, by Thursday morning is required.](#)

So far this season the observers have been evaluating the skills of our umpires that are out on display. If umpires wish to query their report, it is requested, that umpires are to ring the observer who did the observation and **NOT** Mike Ralston (unless he did the observation himself) as they will be in a better position to assist.

Covid-19 Protocols

Whilst we have been very fortunate so far, but as a reminder that in the instance where the QLD Government announces a lockdown prior to or during a match, the Qld Cricket CEO will provide an update to all PC/community clubs and stakeholders via email. Qld Cricket would also follow this up with the respective Presidents via phone.

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The messaging is clear. Play would be **CANCELLED** and it would be requested that all go home.

We have regulations and game management protocols which must be followed because of the Covid-19 pandemic. This requires Umpires to be extra vigilant during the match, both on and off the field.

Livestreaming / Kayo

With an ever-increasing number of Queensland Premier Cricket fixtures now being live streamed on YouTube, some even broadcast on Kayo every weekend and clips being posted to Qld Cricket/club's social media accounts etc, it is imperative that the members give their consent to be viewed on these platforms. The Live Streaming Release and Consent Form is to be signed by all active members and returned to the Secretary. If members don't give their permission, we will have to consider what, if any, games they can be allocated to.

For those that have yet to hand in their forms yet, please email the Secretary your completed form. A quantity of these forms will also be available at the October Meeting for members to complete and hand back in.

Player Votes (One Day Games)

Just a reminder for both the Men's and Women's First Grade competition, player votes for one-day games are **6-4-2 points**, NOT 3-2-1.

The Men's and Women's First Grade T20 and Lord's Taverners games are voted on a 3-2-1 basis.

General Meeting Raffle

At each General Meeting till Christmas, we have organised a \$50.00 Kedron-Wavell club voucher to raffle off. Please bring your money along, support the Association and maybe even pick up a free feed!!!

Umpire Achievements

So far this season, members have notched up the following milestones:

- Murray White 300 games
- Phil Rogerson 150 games
- John Reardon 100 games
- Steve Morris 100 games
- James Durkin 100 games

Carnivals

Thank you to all the members who have registered interest in the midweek games so far this season, the response has been fantastic. We have been advised of the following carnivals needing umpires over the coming months, please contact the Secretary to indicate your availability for these games.

QSS 13-15 years Girls Champs
QC U15 Female Championships
Ian Healy Cup

Sun 7 – Tue 9 November 2021 – Ipswich
Mon 13 - Fri 17 December 2021 – Redlands/Muddies
Mon 10 - Fri 14 January 2022 – Albany Creek/Ferny Grove

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Quizzes

With the ongoing Covid-19 restriction issues, it was decided to abandon the Annual Seminar that was scheduled to be held at Souths on Saturday August 14th. Its place, will be a PowerPoint that covers the various topics that were to be presented that day including the latest updates from Cricket Australia. From this PowerPoint, a quiz is also to be sent out. The Seminar PowerPoint quiz points are to replace the seminar attendance Bob Spence Medal points. The Regulations Refresher Exam is also not far away.

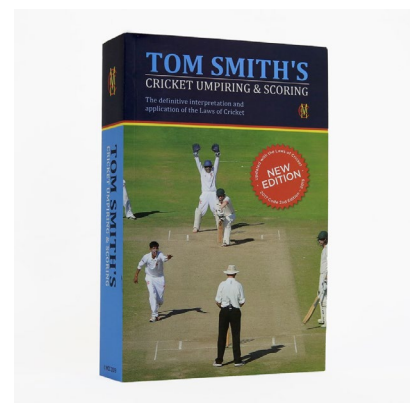
IMPORTANT DATES

October General Meeting:	Wednesday October 20th
November General Meeting:	Wednesday November 17th
December General Meeting:	Wednesday December 15th
Bob Spence Medal Annual Dinner:	Saturday April 9th

Tom Smith Books

We also have access to a limited supply of Tom Smith Books at a special price of \$30.00 each. This book is a vital aid for the new umpires this season right up to those operating at First Class level.

If you wish to order this book, can you please let Damien McAndrew know:
(M: 0418 154 194 - E: damien.mcandrew@bigpond.com).



CA Umpire Selection Panel

Cricket Australia has announced that Damien Mealey has been appointed the Chair of the Umpire Selection Panel. Queensland Cricket and the Association passes on their congratulations, this is a great achievement for one of our state's officials to be appointed to this role. Damien has now left his role as the Queensland Cricket Umpire's Coach.

Former Test umpire Daryl Harper and CA Match Referees Manager Matthew Hall have been appointed to the Umpire Selection Panel also.

Damien started his umpiring career in Queensland Premier Cricket in 2005-06 and was appointed as a member of CA's National Umpire Panel in the 2012-12 season. After three years on the NUP, he served two further years on the Development Panel (now the Supplementary Umpires Panel).

Over the five years from 2012-17, he stood in 17 first class games (all in the Sheffield Shield), 18 List A and 20 T20s, the latter two all being in CA's One Day Cup and Big Bash League series respectively. Other significant games on his record include two Women's One Day Internationals (ODI), five women's Twenty20 Internationals, and two Under-19 ODI's.

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Merchandise

Merchandise is looked after by the Social Committee. Please telephone or email the following to place your orders. Merchandise must be ordered in advance (**including General Meetings**) to ensure delivery on the day.

Damien McAndrew **Email:** damien.mcandrew@bigpond.com **Mobile:** 0418 154 194

Members that ordered the Blue BLK Jacket, these have now arrived!!! They need to be paid **BEFORE** collection. The jackets are **\$90.00** each. They can be paid for by **cash on collection** or **Direct Deposit** to the Association's Bank Account: BSB: 124001 - Account: 10570684 (Please leave your name as a reference)

Members will be receiving a BLK Casual on-field shirt during the course of the season. If members need another shirt size for the giveaway or you have not provided your size, please contact Damien or the Secretary, you need to do this immediately.

If you wish to order an additional shirt outside of the giveaway, please contact Damien to check availability of your size and arrange for collection. These can be organised by arrangement with him.

During the season, merchandise orders that are to be collected on the weekend must be placed before the preceding Wednesday with Damien. It would be appreciated **NOT** to place orders until the Friday before your game and request a pickup on the weekend.

QCUSA Merchandise Price List 2021/22

Item	Amount
BLK Umpire Blue Shirt	\$55.00
BLK Casual Polo Shirt	\$50.00
Off Field Caps	\$15.00
BLK Water Bottle with Association Logo	\$12.00
BLK Umpire Jacket	(Special Order) \$90.00
White Avenel On Field Hat (XL, L, M & S)	\$40.00
Black Avenel On Field Hat (XL, L, M & S)	\$40.00
BLK Jacket (Special Order)	\$90.00
Hat Band with Association Logo	\$5.00
Belt Clip	\$5.00
BLK Carbon Gameday Gear Bag	\$60.00
BLK Carbon Backpack (Limited Supply)	\$60.00
Association Tie (50th Anniversary Style)	\$15.00
Umpire Counter	\$10.00
Notebook and Cover	\$5.00
The Laws of Cricket 2017 Code (2nd Edition - 2019)	(Current Ed.) \$5.00

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