

BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

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Presidents Report 2007

The Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association has continued its strong performance from 2006 in 2007. While the association has continued to be well managed and financially strong, this has been a year marked by the commencement of a number of projects that will be critical to the future of BMTA.

The Association will enter into a new era starting in 2008 with:

- the redevelopment of the Whites Hill cricket fields to provide six new well lit, irrigated touch specific fields in addition to the existing seven fields;
- plans being finalised for the construction of a new expanded clubhouse; and
- agreements signed on the development of a new touch specific centre on the north side of Brisbane.

The Association has been able to achieve these milestones due to the financial strength of the organisation and the vision and efforts of the hardworking BMTA staff. Without the commitment of key team members Reg Barr, Ryan Jenkinson, Nicole Clark and Rick Burston, and the leadership of our General Manager Matt Hall none of this would be possible. The efforts of our night administrators, canteen staff and special events staff also need to be recognised.

BMTA also owes a debt of gratitude to the many excellent referees who make our competitions what they are. Without a doubt the professionalism and attitude of our referees is one thing that sets BMTA apart from our unaffiliated competitors, and we thank them for their efforts. I also need to acknowledge the work of Rick Borg in our elite and junior competitions and Russell Barnsley who has worked tirelessly in our social competitions.

I would also like to acknowledge the volunteers who support our sport. Without the efforts of these people, from team contacts for our social sides through to the coaches and administrators of our elite and junior clubs, there would be no teams in our competitions. At a time where many people have less and less time to contribute back to the community the efforts of our volunteers cannot be recognised enough.

Finally my thanks to our dedicated management committee. BMTA functions in the way it does thanks to this often unrecognised group of touchies who volunteer their time and energy to ensure that the Association moves steadily from strength to strength. Despite the broad range of views held by our committee members, we have worked together more closely in the last 12 months than in any other period that I have been involved with the association, and this is reflected in the sound position that the association is now in.

OUR CURRENT POSITION:

After strong growth from 2005 to 2006, BMTA has maintained its strong position in 2007.

Overall Team Numbers

2005	703
2006	795
2007	794

The Association's Whites Hill venue is at capacity for each night except Friday (South East Queensland Touch League). As with 2006, social team numbers were bolstered through BMTA managing venues away from Whites Hill, this year at the Norman Park and Kedron venues.

As the breakdown of team numbers shows, BMTA's junior competition continues to gain in strength, and our social team numbers are at capacity. The elite South East Queensland Touch League (SEQTL) competition held in winter is maintaining a steady number of teams, but this is an area that has been identified for further development in 2008 and beyond.

Breakdown of Team Numbers

		Social	Junior	SEQTL
2007	Summer	273	143	
	Winter	248	84	46
2006	Summer	279	138	
	Winter	253	81	44
2005	Summer	254	133	
	Winter	210	60	46

Special Events again played an important role in exposing the sport and our venue to new players and spectators. Spectator numbers were up again with an estimated 16,000 attending the Queensland All Schools, 15,000 at this year's First Contact Sports and Cultural Festival and the Builders Labourers Federation (BLF) Touch Football Charity Day attracting around 4,000 spectators and participants.

FINANCIAL STATUS

BMTA has continued to move into a position of strength in 2007. With a number of major projects that will require significant investment such as our Clubhouse redevelopment and the development of six new fields, BMTA has set aside sufficient funds to ensure that these upgrades can occur. While our social competitions are currently at full capacity, Matt Hall and the BMTA office have worked hard to ensure that BMTA is not dependent on a single income stream, with our canteen sales, special events, grants and sponsorships all contributing to our operating surplus.

SPONSORS AND SUPPLIERS

Once again BMTA need to recognise the contribution of our sponsors. Our partner sponsor Powerade Isotonic and our other sponsors The Brewhouse, Kooga, XBlades and Steeden have all contributed to keeping the sport affordable for our members. We hope that our sponsors have enjoyed the game as much as we did and we look forward to continuing to work with them in 2008.

FUTURE OUTLOOK

BMTA stands at the threshold of a new era. The expansion of facilities at Whites Hill will allow BMTA to continue to expand beyond its current team numbers and maintain its current financial strength. The proposed North Brisbane development will expand affiliated touch into the stronghold of BMTA's unaffiliated competitors.

Improving the standard of our refereeing was a priority for BMTA in 2007, and we introduced qualified paid referee coaching for every night of the week in an effort to recruit, retain and upskill our referees. Positive feedback from players has reinforced how important this is, and we will be continuing with this in 2008. Despite these exciting developments there are a number challenges facing BMTA in 2008.

Increased cost of affiliation at a national and State level will lead to an increase in costs to our social players. While touch will remain one of the cheapest team sports any price increase is undesirable, but the BMTA committee recognise that affiliation costs have been static for a number of years while the cost of running our sport has been increasing.

The development of the cricket fields will mean that BMTA will not be able to run any games on these fields in 2008. This temporary loss of capacity at Whites Hill may reduce team numbers for the upcoming season. Contingency plans include accessing other local venues to place displaced teams, and offering a social mixed competition on Friday nights to run concurrently with the SEQTL.

The SEQTL, and elite touch more broadly, continues to be an area of opportunity for BMTA. Further work will be carried out in conjunction with the SEQTL clubs to develop this competition and to increase the strength of our Clubs.

REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The BMTA Mustangs junior teams continued their strong performance in 2007. BMTA performed well in the Junior State Cup this year returning from the Glasshouse mountains fields with five of the ten available trophies to fill our trophy cabinet. Congratulations to the u18, u16 and u14 Girls, and u10 and u16 Boys teams, and to Sam Hopkin, long time BMTA player who was recognised as this years Kerry Norman Medallist.

VALE ROBBIE WILLIAMS

Finally as the outgoing President of BMTA it is my sad duty to note the passing of the prominent Indigenous community leader and First Contact Chairman, Robbie Williams. Robbie organised the First Contact Sports and Cultural Festival held at Whites Hill each year, one of the biggest and most popular touch football events in Australia. His organisation, First Contact was, and is, committed to ensuring that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are able to participate and represent in their chosen sports. Robbie was a great friend to BMTA and to the sport in South East Queensland and he will be sorely missed. BMTA look forward to continuing to support Trish and the First Contact team with the Sports and Cultural Festival and in any other way that we can.



Simon Hausler

President, Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association 2007

General Managers Report 2007

It is a privilege to lead the team of arguably Australia's best touch football association. BMTA continues to go from strength to strength successfully implementing most of the objectives from our Strategic Plan 2006-2009.

BMTA's vision is "to be recognised as the largest and best touch football affiliate in Australia." BMTA functions under what I believe to be based on best practice business management models. The aim of the entire BMTA team is to have every person who comes in contact with BMTA to enjoy their touch football experience.

BMTA recognises the need Australians have for the integration of sport and fitness with lifestyle. Touch football is a leader in advocating methods of keeping fit, social compatibility, personal motivation, and self education in teamwork, as an affordable, easy to play, and highly accessible non-contact sport.

Over the last 3 years BMTA has increased its revenue generation through the development of various business streams. In 2007 our primary sources of surplus revenue has come from the following:

- Grants
- Canteen \$37,448
- Sponsorship \$27,681
- Competition Fees/Special Events/Bank Interest

On behalf of every BMTA member I must thank BMTA's sponsors and their contributions. Our partner sponsor Coca-Cola Amatil through their Powerade Isotonic brand continues to provide massive support for the entire association. New sponsors The Brewhouse, Kooga, and XBlades have all contributed cash and contra agreements which assist in keeping the sport affordable for our members. Personally I thank BMTA members to continue to support and acknowledge those organisations that support BMTA. We look forward to continuing to work with them in 2008.

BMTA had 794 teams in 2007 which equates to approximately 9,000 participants. We host some of Australia's largest and best touch football special events, notably the First Contact Indigenous Sports and Cultural Festival and the Queensland All Schools. These events are more than just a game of touch football; they provide enormous social benefit to the community while promoting the virtues of a safe, multi sex, low preparation & family friendly sport.

BMTA has many great assets;

- Maintained fields kept spectacular by BMTA's founder and full time employee Reg Barr, a fully qualified Greenskeeper,

- Administration staff led by the Competition Manager, Ryan Jenkinson with assistance from Nicole Clark. BMTA would not be a success without their operational skills & abilities, tireless hours of enthusiasm and love of BMTA,
- Referees, BMTA employed Rick Borg and Russ Barnsley to coach referees every night and provide support to nightly coordinators. Rick was the number 1 referee in the world for 12 years. Russ also holds a level 6 qualification (highest possible) and has enormous experience including refereeing numerous Australia-New Zealand test matches, and Mens & Womens Finals at National/State level. For 2008 Julian Aitken will introduce a junior elite referee program.

My objective in 2007 was to continue the financial strength of BMTA while continuing to reinvest funds in the improvement of the BMTA product for all members. For the first time ever BMTA is completely debt free. This is a massive achievement for the organisation and the current cash at bank, \$335,442, needs to be invested in the further development of BMTA.

Projects planned for 2008 include;

- The redevelopment of the Whites Hill cricket fields. This will increase BMTA's capacity to accommodate more teams (which allows more affiliated participants);
- A new expanded clubhouse to better serve our members; and
- Working in partnership with Brisbane City Council, Federal/State Governments, and Touch Football Australia/Queensland Touch for a new touch specific centre on the north side of Brisbane.

BMTA should be genuinely excited of its current position. It has huge demand for its quality product; will soon have access to more touch fields; is debt free; is financially secure and has direction for its future. The success at BMTA has only been achieved by a combined team effort. Specifically, I thank those I work closest with on a daily basis; Reg Barr, Ryan Jenkinson and Nicole Clark.

Matt Hall
(MBus Sport Man) BA
General Manager

COMPETITION MANAGER'S REPORT 2007

BMTA conducted competitions at three venues this year – Social, Junior and Elite competitions at Whites Hill Reserve, Mixed and Men's social at the RNA Showgrounds and new competitions for Summer 07/08 at Norman Park and Kedron.

To accommodate a record number of teams for both the Winter and Summer seasons, the Cricket fields at Whites Hill were utilised as well as the main fields.

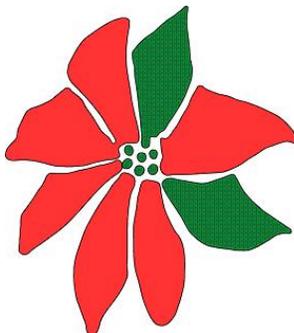


The 2007 Brewhouse Social Winter season saw 248 teams, along with 46 Elite and 84 Junior teams competing in our regular weeknight competitions. The 2007/2008 Summer season saw 273 Social teams and 143 Junior teams competing in our regular weeknight competitions. With increased interest in all nights of competition we have had to use the Cricket fields each night for games. After the 05/06 Summer season Junior participation

explosion, we were required to split the Juniors for Summer in Girls on Thursdays, and Boys on Friday nights which was a major success in allowing BMTA scope to grow junior teams while addressing all the concerns of the previous Summer season. This has to be done again in 2007/08 and saw an increase again in the Boys competition for Summer. BMTA's competition at the RNA showgrounds attracted 18 new teams over 2 nights of competition. The new competitions at Norman Park (2 nights) and Kedron (1 night), attracted 23 and 8 teams respectively.

While the quality and performance of BMTA's senior referees was maintained during the year, the lack of lower grade referees was addressed as a major issue. Steps undertaken in the main by BMTA have seen a review and increase in referee's payments for junior matches, regular referee courses, promotion of referees courses to schools/TAFE's/Universities and part payment of Referee Levies for State and National Tournament referees. BMTA has also employed 2 referee coaches. Russ Barnsley has had a big impact with referee coaching for the social competitions at Whites Hill and Rick Borg who has had a tremendous impact with the Junior referees on Thursday and Friday nights. BMTA will be continuing with the referee coaches again this year to continual improve the BMTA product and the BMTA Touch Football experience.

BMTA is very excited for 2008 with Julian Aitken introducing the BMTA Top Gun Elite Junior Referee program with support from Rick Borg and Keith Steele. BMTA hopes to duplicate with our Social Referees as well.



The standard of player discipline in the competition this year was greatly improved from years past, as shown by a dramatic reduction in judiciaries held in 2007. A small number of incidents suggest that efforts need to be made to ensure that this high standard is maintained which both Russ and Rick have assisted with. In 2008, teams will be asked to try and include a qualified referee which should assist in lifting the standards of player behaviour. Thanks to Shaun MacDonald, Russ Barnsley, Rick Borg, Julian Aitken, Craig Harley, Greg Davis, Jim Hogan and

Marcellus Phillips for their efforts with Referee Co-ordination and development for BMTA Competitions



The South East Queensland Touch League continued the existing Friday night competition tradition of being a success in terms of the standard of competition with players coming from as far away as Rockhampton and Sydney. Standards in the Open Divisions were outstanding, and the strength of the lower division competitions indicates that player development within the competition is moving from strength to strength. This season saw the Men's and Women's Open divisions played between 6 teams in each division, as well as extremely strong competition in Division 2. Overall standings saw Southern Storm winning the SEQTL Club Championship on 44 points over Uni Rebels (42 points) and Colts (39), which was presented at the trophy presentation held at the Brewhouse the day after the Grand Finals.

The success and growth of the BMTA competitions is a testament to the support of the BMTA committee, our outstanding referees, the quality of our fields and the touch community in general.

I would also like to acknowledge the support of Nicole Clark for her efforts during the year. Your assistance has been greatly appreciated. I must also thank all the casual BMTA Night Administration staff for their efforts over the past 12 months and assistance with running BMTA's games of a night time and assisting with the numerous special events that BMTA holds.

Ryan Jenkinson
Competition Manager

A big thank you must go to Ryan Jenkinson for his work over the past year. As Competition Manager, Ryan must organise all the draws and re-grades while trying to take into account requests from all our teams. His efforts are appreciated. In particular, Ryan was congratulated by the organisers of the 2007 First Contact carnival for his draw and management for the best carnival in the history of the event as it extended into a 3 day carnival.

Matt Hall
MBus (SportMan) BA
General Manager - Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association



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S.E.Q.T.L. RESULTS WINTER 07

Mens Open	Southern Storm (7)	def	CCU (6)
Mens Div 2	CCU (4)	def	First Contact All Stars (2)
Mens Div 3 A	Custard (4)	def	Uni Rebels Maroon (3)
Mens Div 3 B	Crushers (9)	def	Southern Storm (7)
Womens Open	Uni Rebels (3)	def	Dodgers (1)
Womens Div 2 A	Colts (5)	def	Southern Storm (4)
Womens Div 2 B	Tigers (5)	def	Uni Rebels Maroon (3)
Womens Div 3 A	Caboolture Colts Red (2)	def	Uni Rebels Gold (0)
Womens Div 3 B	Rochedale High (7)	def	Tigers (6)

JUNIOR RESULTS WINTER 07

Boys U13	BAC (9)	def	Southern Storm Red (5)
Girls 11 A	Tigers Gold (4)	def	Southern Storm Allstars (0)
Girls 11 B	Southern StormDownunder (2)	def	AHS Titans (1)
Girls 13 A	Ravens (5)	def	Tigers Gold (3)
Girls 13 B	Mighty-Vegie Might (5)	def	Southern Storm Pink Poodles (2)
Girls 13 C	Tigers White (5)	def	Black Panthers (1)
Girls 15 A	Southern Storm Westies (6)	def	AHS Broncos (1)
Girls 15 B	Bumble Bees (9)	def	Tigers Gold (2)
Girls 15 C	Shooting Stars (2)	def	Panthers Girls (1)
Girls 15 D	Tigers Black (3)	def	The Dodgems (1)
Girls 17 A	AHS Broncos (4)	def	First Contact All Stars (0)
Girls 17 B	Southern Storm Clueless (5)	def	AHS Maidens (2)
Girls 17 C	LC What (5)	def	LC Benchwarmers (4)

JUNIOR RESULTS SUMMER 06/07

Boys 9	Southern Storm Downunder (8)	def	Pocket Rockets (1)
Boys 11A	Springwood (7)	def	Team Tigers (2)
Boys 11B	Southern Storm Redbacks (7)	def	Tigers (5)
Boys 13A	Stormers (6)	def	Easts (4)
Boys 13B	Peter's Team (5)	def	Team Touchalot (3)
Boys 13C	Blue & White Tigers (5)	def	SRU Magpies (3)
Boys 15A	Southern Storm 15B (7)	def	Rebels (4)
Boys 15B	V.B (4)	def	Southern Storm Jets (2)
Boys 17	Thunder Cats (6)	def	Southern Storm (1)
Girls 9	Southern Storm Lightning (5)	def	Pink Panthers (2)
Girls 11A	AHS Broncos (4)	def	Southern Storm Allstars (2)
Girls 11B	The Jets (5)	def	AHS Titans (1)
Girls 11C	Red Devils (5)	def	AHS Lions (2)
Girls 13A	Southern Storm (4)	def	AHS Broncos (2)
Girls 13B	JPC Chicks (4)	def	Southern Storm Bratz (3)
Girls 13C	Pink Ladies (6)	def	Mighty-Vegie-Might (2)
Girls 15A	Ravens (2)	def	Southern Storm (1)
Girls 15B	MBC (5)	def	AHS Fillies (3)
Girls 15C	Fluoro Lightning (4)	def	COCB (3)
Girls 15D	LC 10's (3)	def	AHS Dazzlers (2)
Girls 17A	AHS Broncos (5)	def	Tigers (2)
Girls 17B	AHS Cougars (5)	def	AHS Dazzlers (1)

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SOCIAL RESULTS WINTER 07

MONDAY

Mens Social 1	Yeti (6)	def	Decepticons (2)
Mens Social 2	TFI (3)	def	Burners (2)
Mixed A	Jerry Town (9)	def	Southern Storm (1)
Mixed B	Afternoon Delight (9)	def	Wilder (4)
Mixed C	Rush Hour (7)	def	Kooga Kartel (5)
Mixed D	Thundersruck (5)	def	Boofchickens (0)
Mixed E	Spam (9)	def	Show'N' Go (5)
Mixed F	Thirty Plus (9)	def	Hornets (7)
Mixed G	Dominators (6)	def	5 Cougars Thanks (5)
Mixed H	BP Ultimates (3)	def	Field 10 (2)

TUESDAY

Mens E 1	Tigers Black (5)	def	Electrics (1)
Mens E 2	Hollywood Knights (8)	def	Yellow Cabs 2 (3)
Mens F	Kool Kats (6)	def	Green Team (4)
Mens G	Shamrocks (5)	def	Team Spa Factory (4)
Mens H	Gimme One Smoke (6)	def	Energex Minatours (3)
Mens I	RNH (11)	def	The Stunts (4)
Mixed I	Snap (9)	def	On The Gas (5)
Mixed J	Easy Lays (3)	def	Piri Piris (2)
Mixed K	A Piece of Steak (22)	def	Bruce Harrt (2)
Mixed L	Rif Raf (6)	def	The Bicycles (4)
Mixed M	Seagulls (5)	def	The ARI Stream Team

WEDNESDAY

Mens J	First Contact All Stars (10)	def	SPATFA'S (0)
Mens K	Grande Huevos (3)	def	The Guns (2)
Mens L	Hawks 35's (4)	def	Slayers (3)
Mens M	TTC (5)	def	Yours Bro (4)
Mens N	The Wookies (7)	def	EDC Vipers (4)
Mixed 1 A	Shake and Bake (9)	def	Step Up (4)
Mixed 1 B	Pinkies (5)	def	Undecided (0)
Mixed 2 A	Sonics (6)	def	ORSM (2)
Mixed 2 B	Go Nutz (3)	def	All That Jazz (1)
Mixed 3	She-Bu's (4)	def	The Penguins (1)
Mixed 4	Showtime (6)	def	S.C.O Bible
			Studies Group (3)
Womens	Prime Rump (6)	def	Drifters (1)

SOCIAL RESULTS RNA SHOWGROUNDS WINTER 07

MONDAY MIXED

Mixed A	Can't Touch This (6)	def	Wing It (3)
Mixed B	The Wallabies	def	Mega Litres (3)
	Wannabes (5)		

WEDNESDAY MIXED

Mixed	Custard Arms (6)	def	William Buck Qld (0)
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BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION

SOCIAL RESULTS SUMMER 07/08

MONDAY

Mens Social 1	Tokens (7)	def	Justice (3)
Mens Social 2	Riot Squad (7)	def	Release the Hounds (5)
Mens Social 3	One Night Wonders (6)	def	Armagedon (5)
Mixed Open	Blackest Cats (9)	def	CCU (8)
Mixed C	Northern Cartel (5)	def	Piranhas (4)
Mixed D	Southside Roofing (4)	def	The Rangers (1)
Mixed E	Daniel's Kitchens (11)	def	Wannabes (6)
Mixed F	Pinkies (7)	def	Ezy Touchers (6)
Mixed G	Ausenco Allsorts (5)	def	The Willow (4)
Mixed H	Stickman Clan (10)	def	Reece (4)

TUESDAY

Mens E	Tigers (9)	def	Yellow Cabs 2 (5)
Mens F	Kool Kats (7)	def	Lingus United (3)
Mens G	Carlton Mids (12)	def	Rhinos (5)
Mens H	Wild Colonial Boys (10)	def	1900 Mix A lot (6)
Mens I-A	Don't Tell Lloyd (7)	def	Roaring 40's (5)
Mens I-B	Tag On's (3)	def	Safelink Superforks (2)
Mixed I	On the Gas (8)	def	Lida Build (3)
Mixed J	Loosen Up (8)	def	Good Things (7)
Mixed K	I.Q Origin (10)	def	Spiderpigs (9)
Mixed L	Clayton Utz (7)	def	Supernaturals (0)
Mixed M	Wynnum Ibises (7)	def	Stephen Bradburies (6)

WEDNESDAY

Mens J	CCU (4)	def	Kangaroos (3)
Mens L	SPATFA'S (4)	def Piranhas (3)	
Mens M	Deep Sea Mullet (3)	def	Biffens (2)
Mens N	Yimbun Yaks (13)	def	Ouimungatungara T.F.C (3)
Mens O	STD's (5)	def	EDC Vipers (3)
Mixed 1	Snapped (6)	def	Futbolistas (2)
Mixed 2	The Unknowns (8)	def	Running on Empty (7)
Mixed 3	Black & Blue (8)	def	The Chameleons (2)
Mixed 4	What's It Wurth (6)	def	Abuzz Lightyear (3)
Womens	Crushers (6)	def	Logan Natives (2)
Womens Social	Drifters (6)	def	Rangers Women (3)

SOCIAL RESULTS KEDRON SUMMER 07/08

MONDAY MIXED

Mixed A	Wing It (4)	def	Iplod (2)
Mixed B	Pulsators (4)	def	Killa Litres (2)

SOCIAL RESULTS NORMAN PARK SUMMER 07/08

MONDAY MIXED

Mixed A	The Touchers (9)	def	Penguins (3)
Mixed B	Touching the Void (8)	def	Pork Chops (4)

TUESDAY MIXED

Mixed A	She-Bu's (6)	def	Runners Up (5)
Mixed B 1	Enzoned (9)	def	Team Bond (6)
Mixed B 2	Top Gear (9)	def	Astro Kids (7)

2007 - JUNIOR DIRECTOR'S REPORT



During 2007, BMTA continued to experience record numbers of junior teams in the PowerAde Isotonic Junior Competitions. BMTA has 143 teams participating in the Summer 07/08 competition with 84 teams in Winter. This gives an average of 113 teams per competition over both seasons.

Female junior teams continue to dominate the both the winter and summer competitions, In 2007, we saw the continuation of the split gender rounds with girls being played on Thursday nights whilst the boys played on Friday nights in summer. Thursday nights were once again running at full capacity while the Boys in summer grew from last summer season to the Summer 07/08 season.

BMTA strives for a safe and positive playing environment for all players and values the loyalty shown by many players, coaches and teams over the years from within the junior ranks. The development of the cricket fields will allow for further improvement of the junior competition.

This year BMTA achieved outstanding results at the Queensland Junior State Cup. BMTA obtained the best overall affiliate in terms of results in all of the respective divisions. The BMTA Mustangs won the U14G, U16G, and U16B finals convincingly. The U10B and U18G also made the final and won. BMTA maintained its good record with its achievements in this elite junior competition. Our Mustangs also competed in other affiliate competitions throughout the year including the Redlands and Toowoomba carnivals.



BMTA Mustangs Under 14 Girls
Junior State Cup Champions 2007

BMTA has maintained the quality of its junior competition shown through the continued strong junior figures. The All Schools Competition is growing stronger each year, with the standard of competition improving each year. BMTA also acknowledges the need for more involvement from senior players and some of the A grade clubs knowing that this will be needed as an ongoing process for future improvement.

BMTA would to thank PowerAde Isotonic for their support of the BMTA Junior Competition throughout 2007 and look forward to continuing our strong partnership in the future.

Simon Hausler & Terry Daly
Directors of Juniors

Thanks to Nicole Clark for her invaluable assistance with organising the Mustangs teams, Mustangs Uniforms and overall assistance with the BMTA Junior Competitions.

Ryan Jenkinson
Competition Manager – Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association

FACILITIES REPORT 2007

The past year has been a mixture of highs and lows for our touch complex at Whites Hill. One low was that until about November it had been one of the driest years on record, sending us into Level 6 water restrictions and creating a host of difficulties in managing the playing surfaces. However, a number of meteorological lows since November have produced good rainfall, which has helped the fields recuperate.

With Level 6 water restrictions, BMTA had to submit a further Water Efficiency Management Plan (WEMP) to the Queensland Water Commission to enable it to continue using irrigation. BMTA wishes to thank Adrian Crocetti of Landfill Remediation, Brisbane City Council for his assistance with the WEMP. As well, BMTA applied for and was granted classification by QWC as an Elite Playing Field, which enables it to have extended sprinkler times.

To enable BMTA to conserve water use and alleviate leakage, a second water meter has been installed to monitor irrigation water use only.

One of the highs of the past year has been our success in obtaining funding from the following grants –

- Jupiters Casino Community Benefit Fund - \$27,150 for Kubota tractor and Howard finishing mower
- Lifestyle WaterWise grants program offered by the Department of Natural Resources and Water - \$9,854 for weather station and soil moisture probe (2008)
- Community Grants program offered by Brisbane City Council - \$4,808 for construction of safe interchange areas on field 1 (2008)
- Gambling Community Benefit Fund - \$13,700 for Computers, Software and Marquees

A number of complaints were received about the hardness of fields 1 and 2. This had resulted from dry weather, compaction, wear and tear, and unsuitable topsoil being applied when they were topdressed in 2006. During the Christmas break, fields 1 and 2 were topdressed with a predominantly sandy soil in an endeavour to make them less hard under foot.

Between fields 1 and 2, our groundsman has installed underground drainage to enable the ponding which occurs after heavy rain to drain quickly and allow fixtures to continue.

Brisbane City Council has constructed a footbridge from the BMTA clubhouse to the cricket fields, which should reduce the risk of injury to members using those fields. A proposal has been put to council to construct a pedestrian crossing in front of the clubhouse to enable safe transit from our fields to the cricket fields.

The clubhouse facility has just about reached its use-by date. It struggles to cater for the large numbers of visitors and players when we hold fixtures and touch carnivals, and the office area is insufficient to accommodate 5 permanent staff. BMTA commissioned an architect to produce a concept sketch for an extension of the current clubhouse. The sketch has been displayed on the notice board for a number of months. It is envisaged that the clubhouse extension will take place in 2009/10.

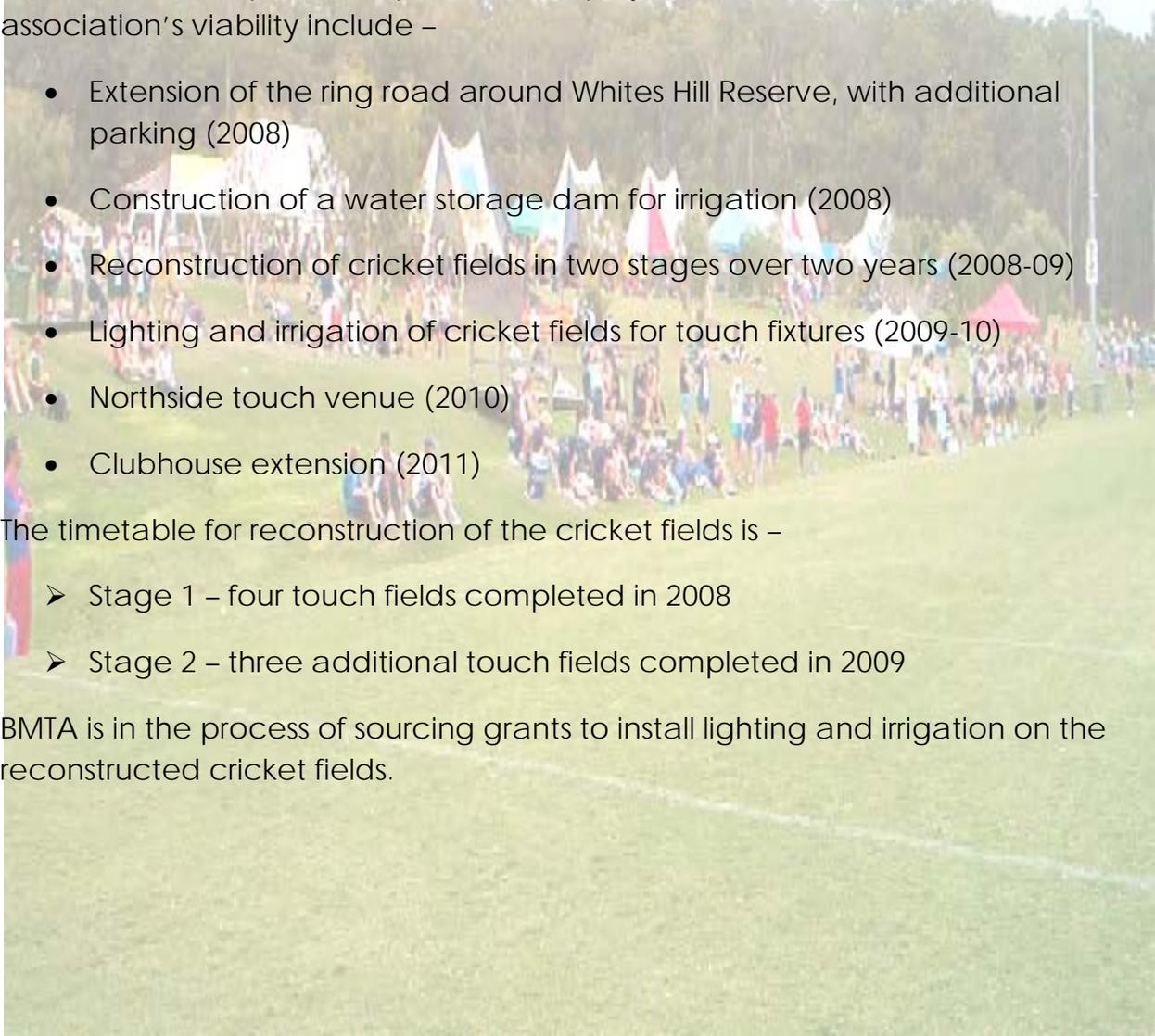
BMTA has been proactive in attempting to improve its facilities and position in the touch marketplace. Proposed future projects which will enhance our association's viability include –

- Extension of the ring road around Whites Hill Reserve, with additional parking (2008)
- Construction of a water storage dam for irrigation (2008)
- Reconstruction of cricket fields in two stages over two years (2008-09)
- Lighting and irrigation of cricket fields for touch fixtures (2009-10)
- Northside touch venue (2010)
- Clubhouse extension (2011)

The timetable for reconstruction of the cricket fields is –

- Stage 1 – four touch fields completed in 2008
- Stage 2 – three additional touch fields completed in 2009

BMTA is in the process of sourcing grants to install lighting and irrigation on the reconstructed cricket fields.



Despite record low rainfall and record high patronage, BMTA can proudly claim its Whites Hill facility to be the best touch venue in Brisbane.

Reg Barr

Groundsman

TREASURER'S REPORT

2007

Following on from a strong result in 2006, the Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. (the Association) returned an excellent financial result for the 2007 year. The operating surplus for the year was \$65,720.95 and together with the Capital grants, the final surplus was \$99,913.41. This brings the Accumulated funds of the Association to approximately \$335,441.72.

For the first time in many years, the Association has paid off its entire bank and other loans. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Touch Football Australia for the loan they advanced the Association in December 2000. The loan was instrumental in maintaining the ongoing financial stability of the Association.

The surplus for the year was not due to any one item, but was across a number of areas. A summary is as follows:

- The canteen has done well again, recording a net income of \$37,448. (last year \$28,923)
- Sponsorship income of \$27,681 (last year \$9,090).
- Grants received totalled \$65,056 of which \$43,150 was capitalised.
- Team numbers increased by 30.
- Fees increases of approx 5%
- Expenses in total increased marginally.
- Interest income is now the norm, rather than interest expense.

To some the surpluses for 2007 and 2006 may seem large but it must be remembered that the surpluses over the last few years have included significant unusual income items, which, we are at risk of losing at any time. These irregular items include sponsorships, special events (eg the First Contact carnival) and grants which we may not receive the benefit of in the future. Also, the Association has plans to expand our facilities at Whites Hill and other venues, the nature of which will require a substantial injection of funds.

Again, I must thank all the Association's staff for the work they have put in over the year to maintain control over the Association's finances, accounting records, fields and other assets and support for players and referees in the way of sound competition management.

Major capital expenditure items for the year were:

- \$ 9,500 Computer upgrades
- \$ 6,500 Portable Shade
- \$ 27,150 Tractor
- \$ 2,500 2 X Quick Recovery Gas Deep Fryers

Ross Bateson
Treasurer

**BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH
ASSOCIATION INC
ABN 39 414 343 528**

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2007**

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc
Operating Statement
Bar & Food Trading
For year ended 31 December 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Sales Food & Drink	151,382.16	121,687.67
Commissions	15,556.16	7,561.60
	<u>166,938.32</u>	<u>129,249.27</u>
COST OF SALES		
Purchases Food & Drink	73,934.99	58,787.42
Shrinkage	5,072.92	2,816.37
Freight	680.85	671.43
	<u>79,688.76</u>	<u>62,275.22</u>
GROSS PROFIT	<u>87,249.56</u>	<u>66,974.05</u>
DIRECT EXPENSES		
Advertising- Staff	1,030.51	830.07
Gas	1,487.62	624.76
Licence Fees	494.00	1,217.20
Packaging	1,300.97	759.50
Staff Superannuation	2,493.21	2,000.00
Staff Wages	30,333.13	26,825.82
Supplies- Cafeteria	2,142.58	1,698.02
Vouchers- Food	8,200.00	402.05
Waste Removal	2,319.45	3,693.38
	<u>49,801.47</u>	<u>38,050.80</u>
NET PROFIT	<u><u>37,448.09</u></u>	<u><u>28,923.25</u></u>

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc
Operating Statement
For year ended 31 December 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Competition Fees - Summer	345,007.18	337,537.63
Competition Fees - Winter	325,229.83	313,330.37
Representative Competitions	3,926.40	5,183.66
Bar & Food - Net	37,448.09	28,923.25
Merchandising - Net	(969.34)	(2,542.97)
Grants	65,055.91	72,202.43
Special Events	21,786.47	45,731.99
Sponsorship	27,681.82	9,090.91
Bank Interest	17,737.78	12,916.26
Other	8,792.95	33,200.73
TOTAL INCOME	851,697.09	855,574.26
EXPENSES		
ADMINISTRATION		
Advertising	11,811.73	4,775.23
Audit Fees	6,000.00	3,000.00
Bad and Doubtful Debts	6,275.75	632.80
Bad Debt Recovery	339.23	1,139.47
Legal fees	5,719.04	3,442.21
Fees & Licences	1,897.12	463.30
Bank / Merchant Fees	8,797.86	8,660.98
Interest	75.07	153.86
Conferences	788.92	211.08
Office Supplies	2,484.37	2,719.84
Printing & Stationery	1,223.96	1,034.44
Postage & Courier	1,491.00	1,577.41
Office Equipment Lease/Rental	8,825.76	8,597.77
Communication (Phone/Fax/Internet)	8,686.00	10,991.76
Computers & Software	-	1,492.58
Wages	158,654.39	120,135.73
Provision for Annual Leave	(4,199.26)	6,257.85
Superannuation	23,339.42	16,590.18
Workcover	934.00	990.67
Sponsorship Expenses	500.00	5,391.00
Staff Training	-	236.36
Uniforms	22.47	239.93
Travel	4,119.71	3,167.35
Donations	-	1,600.00
Depreciation	13,427.00	12,119.77
Other	-	1.71
Services		
Electricity	18,070.63	16,274.64
Water Charges	13,125.70	10,641.50
Rates	781.50	761.55
Clubhouse		
Cleaning & supplies	13,703.20	12,946.92
Repairs & Maintenance	3,066.67	10,339.41
Security	655.00	2,038.00
Insurance	5,262.47	4,253.79
Pest Control	126.00	208.00
Equipment < \$300	540.86	2,713.70
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	316,545.57	275,800.79

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc
Operating Statement
For year ended 31 December 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
GAMES		
Admin Staff	14,964.04	14,947.85
Referees	139,315.81	140,834.41
Trophies & Prizes	15,962.95	16,846.10
Affiliation (BCTA, QTA, ATA)	114,250.86	102,460.69
Coaching Fees	-	360.00
Nomination Fees	2,945.45	2,687.28
Players & Sports Insurance	12,154.50	22,322.50
First Aid Equipment	92.15	154.05
Refunds	245.45	2,150.46
Equipment Rental Expense	2,393.75	4,275.69
Staff & Player Amenities	7,325.44	2,489.81
Other	1,477.46	2,969.29
TOTAL GAMES EXPENSES	<u>311,127.86</u>	<u>312,498.13</u>
FIELDS		
Ground Staff Wages	38,031.91	36,255.73
Field Maintenance	36,387.76	52,477.66
Field Marking	2,521.10	2,676.27
Field Hire	9,454.54	9,872.72
Equipment Maintenance	3,009.10	7,025.20
Irrigation Maintenance	5,680.00	2,099.60
Equipment Insurance	1,218.16	1,404.37
BCC Lease	2 4,496.00	2,978.18
TOTAL FIELDS EXPENSES	<u>100,798.57</u>	<u>114,789.73</u>
GRANT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	1e	
Equipment	43,150.64	27,500.00
Leasehold	-	6,562.50
TFA	-	11,223.64
BCTA	-	13,717.27
TOTAL GRANT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	<u>43,150.64</u>	<u>59,003.41</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>771,622.64</u>	<u>762,092.06</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>80,074.45</u>	<u>93,482.20</u>
NON-OPERATING ITEMS		
Add Grant Capital Expenditure	1e 43,150.64	59,003.41
Deduct Unexpended Grants @ end of year	(8,958.18)	(11,082.73)
	<u>34,192.46</u>	<u>47,920.68</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>114,266.91</u>	<u>141,402.88</u>

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc
Balance Sheet
As at 31 December 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Bank - "10 Account"		22,923.68	24,020.13
Bank - "90 Account"		337,874.77	322,412.86
Cash on hand		300.00	-
Petty Cash/Float		-	500.00
Accounts Receivable		44,424.65	4,880.96
Provision for Doubtful Debts		(2,000.00)	(2,000.00)
Stock on Hand		8,452.96	8,087.96
Prepayments		7,402.37	7,467.41
GST Paid		6,513.82	9,130.25
Total Current Assets		<u>425,892.25</u>	<u>374,499.57</u>
Non Current Assets			
Leasehold Building & Improvements at cost	2	537,264.45	537,264.45
Accumulated Amortisation	1 c,e	<u>(537,264.45)</u>	<u>(537,264.45)</u>
		-	-
Kitchen Equipment at Cost		18,565.29	13,606.20
Office and Clubhouse Equipment at cost		84,051.08	71,781.81
Field Maintenance Equipment at cost		146,898.73	113,385.09
		249,515.10	198,773.10
Accumulated Depreciation	1d,e	<u>(136,687.64)</u>	<u>(123,260.64)</u>
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>112,827.46</u>	<u>75,512.46</u>
Total Assets		<u>538,719.71</u>	<u>450,012.03</u>
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		75,427.24	103,522.90
Accrued Expenses		31,910.71	23,451.00
Other creditors		12,882.14	-
Unexpended Grants		8,958.18	11,082.73
Working Capital Loan		-	21,600.00
GST Collected		4,609.94	443.73
ATO Liability		24,780.05	22,260.00
PAYG Tax Payable		16,427.64	3,010.00
Superannuation Payable		5,614.49	-
Annual Leave		8,314.10	12,513.36
Total Current Liabilities		<u>188,924.49</u>	<u>197,883.72</u>
Non Current Liabilities			
Working Capital Loan	4	-	16,600.00
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<u>-</u>	<u>16,600.00</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>188,924.49</u>	<u>214,483.72</u>
Net Assets/(Deficiency)		<u>349,795.22</u>	<u>235,528.31</u>
Accumulated Funds			
Accumulated Profit (Losses) at start of year		235,528.31	94,125.43
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)		114,266.91	141,402.88
Accumulated Profits (Losses) at end of year	5	<u>349,795.22</u>	<u>235,528.31</u>

BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC
NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

Note 1 – Basis of Preparation of the Financial Report

This special purpose financial report has been prepared on behalf of the Management Committee of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. The accounting policies used in the preparation of this report are, in the opinion of the Committee, appropriate to meet the Association's needs.

The Committee has compiled a Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2007 and an Operating Statement for the year then ended in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of applicable Accounting Standards in Australia. No other disclosures required by applicable Accounting Standards or other professional reporting requirements have been presented.

Following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report.

- a) The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis.
- b) The Operating Statement includes income and expenses relating to the completion of the Summer 2007/2008 competition.
- c) Expenditure relating to the fixed property and buildings at Whites Hill is fully written off in the year of purchase as the Association leases the property from the Brisbane City Council who, under the terms of the lease, retains ownership of all improvements to the property. In previous years substantial upgrading of facilities were performed by the lessor at an estimated cost of \$900,000. The Association has and will continue to derive significant economic benefits from these upgrades. No expense or future obligation is attached to these upgrades.
- d) All other assets are written off over the useful life of each asset using the straight-line method of depreciation.
- e) Capital items purchased from grant income are included in operating expenses but as the Association retains the benefit of these assets the expenditure is then written back as Non-Operating Income and the assets are included in the fixed asset register and written off as per items c) and d) above.
- f) Long Service Leave is provided for employees with more than 5 years continuous service based on statutory or employment contract entitlements. There are currently no employees for whom an accrual of Long Service Leave is required.
- g) No income tax is payable as the Association is an exempt organisation under Section 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

**BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC
NOTES TO THE SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

Note 2 – Property Lease

The property lease with the Brisbane City Council for the grounds at Whites Hill, Boundary Road, Camp Hill runs until 31 March 2011 at an annual rental of \$4,368 (inclusive of GST).

Note 3 – Commitments

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
(a) Rental commitments for a photocopier and a telephone system:		
Payable within 1 year	8,840.88	8,841
Payable within 2 years	8,840.88	8,841
Payable within 3 to 5 years	<u>3,980.22</u>	<u>12,821</u>
Total commitments not recorded in the accounts	21,661.98	30,503

Note 4 – Working Capital Loan

The Working Capital Loan from the Australian Touch Association Inc. is an unsecured interest free facility. Repayment of this loan commenced one month after extinguishment of the Business Term Loan Facility with the Bank of Queensland in June 2006. Repayments are of \$1,800 per month until fully repaid. The loan has been repaid in full as at 31 December 2007.

Note 5 – Accumulated Funds

In the event of the winding up of the Association, accumulated funds will not be distributed to members. The funds are to be distributed to another body incorporated with a similar constitution and objectives to the Association. Otherwise the funds are to be returned to the relevant body which originally granted the funds to the Association.

BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

In the opinion of the Committee of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc the accompanying special purpose financial report:

- 1) presents fairly the financial position of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc as at 31 December 2007 and the operating results of the Association for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in note 1 to the financial statements; and
- 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.

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

.....
President

.....
Treasurer

Dated this day of 2008

BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the members of the Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc.

Scope

I have audited the attached special purpose financial report of the Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. for the year ended 31 December 2007. The Association's Management Committee is responsible for the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc.'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 the Association. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

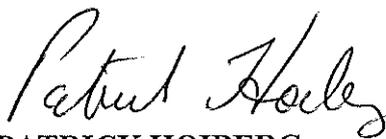
The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the Management Committee's financial reporting requirements under the Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc.'s constitution. I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this 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, and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other professional reporting requirements.

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

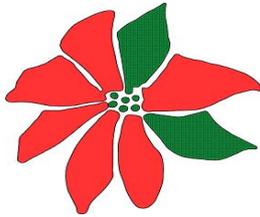
Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 of the financial report, the financial position of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. at 31 December 2007 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.



PATRICK HOIBERG
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT
REGISTERED COMPANY AUDITOR - 6298

Dated this 14th day of March 2008



BRISBANE METROPOLITAN TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC.

AGENDA

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, 28 MARCH 2007
7.00 pm**

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Clubhouse
Whites Hill Reserve, Boundary Rd Camp Hill

Opened 7.04pm

1. Minutes of previous meeting to be accepted.

Proposed Peter Bell Seconded Anthony Torenbeek

2. The annual report to be accepted.

Proposed Ross Bateson Seconded Phil Dawson

3. The auditors report to be accepted.

Proposed Ross Bateson Seconded John Clark

RB explained \$300,000 cash at Bank due to revenue earned for Season 2 which hasn't been spent

MH explained surplus revenue streams; Sponsorship, Grants, Special Events, Canteen, Social Touch

4. Election of members of the Management Committee.

President

Nominee: Simon Hausler Proposer: Terry Daly Seconded: Ross Bateson

Vice President

Nominee: Ross Puglese Proposer: Simon Hausler Seconded: Glenn Hayes

Treasurer

Nominee: Ross Bateson Proposer: Simon Hausler Seconded: Terry Daly

Secretary

Nominee: Terry Daly Proposer: Ross Bateson Seconded: Simon Hausler

Committee Members

None nominated

5. Appointment of an auditor – Patrick Hoiberg.

Proposed John Clark Seconded Justin Otway

6. Election of Life Member(s) (Peter Bell).

Unanimous For

7. Acceptance of Appointment of a Patron (Councillor Adrian Schrinner).

Proposed John Clark Seconded Ross Bateson

8. General Business

Clubhouse Extension John Clark presented plans

Meeting Closed 7.42pm

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