2024 Annual Report



Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association

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Chairman's Report



Dear Members,

As we progress well into the new playing season, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey we all shared throughout 2024.

One of the most remarkable highlights of the past year was the surge in player participation, with a record number of teams competing at BMTA. This milestone reflects the growing strength and popularity of our competition.

Over the summer break, we made significant investments into our facilities. Thanks to these upgrades – and a helping hand from some much-needed rainfall – the player experience has improved considerably in 2024. Major capital works completed include the upgrade of all sub-boxes, new grass on field one, concreting the swale area in front of the clubhouse, the installation of a new game clock, and the purchase of new machinery to help us maintain our high-quality playing fields.

Looking ahead, we're excited to announce another major project for 2025: a full upgrade of our toilet and change room facilities. This continues our commitment to providing the best possible environment for all participants.

We also extend our congratulations to our outstanding representative coaches, players, and referees who achieved tremendous success at tournaments this year. Your achievements speak volumes about the calibre of our competition, and we are proud that BMTA continues to nurture and produce top-tier talent across all levels of the game.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our dedicated management team, led by Zac Genrich. Your passion, commitment, and tireless work continue to shape our organisation and lay the groundwork for future success.



To our players, coaches, managers, support staff, and countless volunteersthank you. Your dedication, effort, and love for the game are the backbone of our community and the driving force behind our ongoing success.

We're also incredibly grateful to our valued sponsors, whose continued support in 2024 and into 2025 plays a vital role in developing our people, programs, and the overall growth of our sport. Your contribution is instrumental to our achievements.

Lastly, I would like to offer a special thanks to retiring board member John Clark. John has dedicated countless hours to BMTA, both on the board and in facilitating competitions. We thank him sincerely for his service and look forward to seeing him around the fields – this time as a player and mentor to the next generation.

Thank you all for being a vital part of the BMTA family. Here's to a new year filled with exciting matches, community spirit, and continued success. Together, we're set to make this season one to remember.

Wishing you all a fantastic year of touch.

Corey Nolan, Chairman







General Manager

As I reflect on 2024, I'm incredibly proud to share the story of a year marked by record-breaking growth, a deepening sense of community, and unwavering commitment to our strategic goals.

This year, BMTA welcomed 842 teams to our venue through our weekly competitions and the 51st Anniversary Cup. This was a record year and a 3% increase from 2023, surpassing the previous record of 820 teams in 2022. Even more impressively, participation in our programs surged by 81%, with 565 individuals involved in Holiday Camps, Tiny Touch, and our All Abilities programs. Junior and Senior Mustangs increased by 27%, with 548 players proudly representing BMTA, including an inaugural Championships campaign.

Our Strategic Plan was launched in 2024, and our team dedicated themselves to delivering on its promise; ensuring that every player, coach, referee, and supporter enjoyed the best possible touch football experience.

In 2024, some of the key upgrades & projects completed included:

- Final sub box upgrades, ensuring quality sub-boxes across all 7 fields.
- A full resurface of Field 1, providing a smooth, even surface worthy of our premier games.
- Completion of the Swale Bridge project, thanks to Brisbane City Council, making access to the clubhouse safer and easier.
- New game-day investments, game clocks, referee communications gear, and a water bubbler.

Beyond the field, we also focused on building a stronger sense of club culture and community, with several exciting new initiatives, including;

- A reimagined Anniversary Cup, featuring three new perpetual trophies (named after founding life members), visits from Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner, Councillor Krista Adams, and Patron Joe Kelly MP, plus sponsor activations and off-field entertainment
- The inaugural Patron's vs Chairman's Charity Match, raising funds for the Small Steps 4 Hannah Foundation.
- Our Sponsor Networking Function, held at a Brisbane Broncos home game, thanks to our partnership with the club.
- A revamped onsite uniform store, stocked with new items based on member feedback.
- Popular Coach Development and Goose Step training sessions, which combined fun and development.
- Redesigned BMTA Website, including a new NEWS section, making it easy for members to find important information and us to share important updates.



There were also a few standout highlights we couldn't help but celebrate, including;

- BMTA was represented by many current and former players, coaches, and 11 referees representing BMTA at the 2024 Touch World Cup.
- Crowned Champion Affiliate at the 2024 Queensland State Cup.
- BMTA Women's 27s become National Champions at The Championships in our inaugural campaign.
- 5 BMTA nominees win awards at the QTF Awards.

With these achievements and record-breaking participation, we delivered a strong budget surplus, putting BMTA in a fantastic position to invest further into the club's future.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the people who make BMTA what it is. To our players, referees, coaches, volunteers, families, and community members: thank you. Although we're a large association, your spirit, support, and pride in our club makes it feel like one big family, true to our One Herd mantra.

To our sponsors: your support is vital. We're incredibly grateful for everything you contribute, thank you for believing in us and investing in our vision.

To our amazing staff and board: your passion and hard work fuel our progress. I especially want to acknowledge how you've embraced the Strategic Plan, living out our values and striving to deliver the best possible experience to our members every day.

A special thank you goes to outgoing Treasurer and long-serving board member, John Clark. In an era where volunteers are increasingly rare, John's dedication to BMTA has been nothing short of extraordinary. John made the decision to step down from the board at the 2024 Annual General Meeting and was honoured with a special presentation at the 51st Anniversary Cup, an event which he was instrumental in launching. John's leadership, commitment, and countless hours of service have left a lasting legacy at BMTA and helped lay a foundation that will serve the Association for many years to come.

What excites me most about 2024 is not just what we achieved, but what it sets us up for. With our Strategic Plan guiding the way, record growth underpinning our efforts and a strong financial position, the future is bright.

Our team is ready to keep raising the bar and delivering touch football experiences our community can be proud of.

Here's to an amazing 2024 and another big year ahead.

#OneHerd

Zac Genrich, General Manager.



Competitions

BMTA's 2024 Competitions were extremely successful, with a record 842 teams playing across all competitions. Throughout 2024, BMTA hosted two full seasons for Adult Social and Junior Girls, two condensed seasons for Junior Boys, as well as Metro Cup, Junior Mixed Competition, and the 51st Anniversary Cup.

Competition	2023	2024
Adult Social	304	305
Junior Girls	282	306
Junior Boys	125	129
Junior Mixed	19	16
Metro Cup	59	58
Anniversary cup	30	28
Total Teams	819	842



The most encouraging part about our record-breaking year was team numbers in Season 2. Season 1 performed similarly to Season 1 2023, but participation numbers increased exponentially in Season 2, setting several records in the process. Most pleasingly:

- Season 2 Junior Boys was our largest junior boys competition since the competition moved to Sundays, with 98 teams taking part which continues to validate the benefits of the day change.
- Season 2 Junior Girls was our largest ever junior girls competition with 164 teams, underpinned by the expansion of several schools' programs and multiple new schools joining for the first time.
- Season 2 Adult Social hit a 2 year high, with the growth of our masters competition, introduction of new teams and the Anniversary Cup.
- Metro Cup numbers remain at capacity and new additions to both Premier Divisions ensured strong competition across the board. The season culminated in an electrifying finals series, particularly in the Men's Premier division, with the 4th placed Redlands coming from behind to clinch the Champions title in a drop-off win that will be remembered for years to come.

The 2024 competition calendar remained consistently busy, as we continued to offer competitions to cater to all demographics and members within our community.

Future Focus Areas

BMTA concludes 2024 on a high note, having delivered healthy and inclusive competitions for a record number of participants. As we look to 2025, our commitment remains focused on continuous growth and ensuring every participant has the best possible touch football experience. We remain dedicated to providing high-quality opportunities for players of all age's and backgrounds, strengthening our position as a leader in the sports development and growth.



A number of areas have been identified as key focus areas in 2025:

Anniversary Cup Growth Potential

Following a second year of team growth, BMTA is focused on expanding the competition's reach and participation levels in 2025.

Junior Mixed Competition Decline

Despite our overall 2024 competition growth, the Junior Mixed Competition saw a decline in team numbers. BMTA is actively working with clubs and schools to promote greater participation and revitalise this competition.

Increase of Masters Opportunity

A noticeable increase in participation from Masters Women in Adult Social competitions promoted the introduction of a Women's 35's division in the 2025 season. Early indicators show growing interest, and BMTA will continue to support and facilitate player participation within this demographic.

Competition and Referee Resources

The growing popularity of our competitions resulted in overwhelmingly increasing demands on our single staff member who oversaw both competitions and referees. To ensure BMTA's high standards were not compromised, we undertook a staffing review and subsequently, implemented a restructure at the end of 2024. This saw the appointment of a full-time Competitions Manager and a casual Referees Coordinator, thereby increasing our staffing resources. This strategic move optimises our operational efficiency in both the competitions and referees spaces, enhancing the quality of BMTA's service delivery across all competitions.

Riley Wotton, Competitions Coordinator.

Referees

2024 was once again a stellar year for our referee contingent, highlighted by increased participation and achievements at all levels of social and competitive Touch Football. Echoing the momentum seen through 2023, increased referee numbers across all competitions and representative events was indicative of the group's commitment to both individual improvement and the culture of BMTA as a whole. We would like to acknowledge the 300+ registered BMTA referees for their dedication throughout 2024, as they play an integral part in facilitating the best possible outcomes for all BMTA members.

Perhaps the most eagerly anticipated initiative in 2024 was the implementation of our new administrative online referee system, SportsM8. BMTA is committed to enhancing the experience of our referees, and streamlining the accessibility of availability, allocations, and payments has been instrumental in achieving this. Simplifying the administrative processes has allowed greater time to be invested in developing the culture of the group across the board.

We are proud to recognise a group of our own referees who were selected to officiate matches at the 2024 Touch Football World Cup in Nottingham, England. Selection for this event is an incredible achievement and a product of years of hard work and dedication to their refereeing journeys. BMTA would like to acknowledge the following referees for their selection and achievements at this event, as well as all other referees selected who regularly officiate at Metro Cup:

Campbell Muir – MXO Gold Medal Match Jordan Randle – MXO Gold Medal Match Zac Genrich – M30s Gold Medal Match Zoe Genrich – MX30s Gold Medal Match John Hamstra – W35s Gold Medal Match Michael Genrich – M55s Gold Medal Match Jacob Gregg – MX30s Bronze Medal Match Riley Wotton James Roe Reef Gilbert-Marino Douglas Mackie



A Gold Badge is awarded to referees who rank in the top 10 at a World Cup, it's an award that is only bestowed to the 'best of the best'. We'd like to make special acknowledgement of the three following referees who accomplished this prestigious feat at the 2024 World Cup: Campbell Muir, Jordan Randle and Zac Genrich.





The 2024 edition of 'The Championships' (rebranded NTL's) saw sustained success amongst our referee group, with five referees being appointed to the top four finals, along with two of the top ranked senior officials hailing from BMTA. Further, at Queensland State Cup, BMTA had all 3 referees on the Men's Open Grand Final for the second consecutive year, with Zac Genrich receiving Leading Male Referee and Zoe Genrich Leading Female.

With a number of referees consistently achieving high-ranking finals, our junior development and coaching systems have been an area of high priority through 2024. Tangibly, BMTA saw great success from an upgrades perspective, with multiple Level 2 upgrades at the affiliate level, five Level 3 upgrades at Junior State Cup, Queensland State Cup & Bundy Cup, one Level 4 upgrade at Queensland State Cup, and two Level 6 upgrades at The Championships. These results are a testament to our coaching systems, with multiple accredited coaches and mentors available on Junior Nights to develop the skills of and relationships with our junior referees.

As the premier event of our Touch Football competitions, Metro Cup continues to attract the leading referees in the region to participate on a weekly basis in Season 2. We would like to pass on a special thank you to the referees and coaching panel who travel long distances to attend and maintain the elite standard of this competition. A special congratulations to Miriam Hunt, who was awarded the Ian Dzialdowski Memorial Shield as the Referee of the Tournament.

To provide our referees with the opportunity to officiate with equipment used at national events, BMTA purchased communications gear for use on all televised games at Metro Cup. The communications gear allows all three referees to communicate with each other through a microphone and earpiece during the games, along with enabling a referee coach to provide feedback on the run. This investment was ultimately incredibly productive in facilitating better game outcomes, as well as creating further coaching and development opportunities.

BMTA would like to congratulate Jordan Randle for receiving the Referee of the Year award at the QTF Awards night. This was a deserving recognition of a superb 12 months at both BMTA and external tournaments.

Finally, on the back of the prolonged success of BMTA's referee group, and looking to the future, BMTA is undertaking an office restructure to add an exclusive Referee Coordinator, with the vision to invest more time into bolstering the legacy that this special group continues to leave.

Will Atchinson, Referees Coordinator.

BMTA Mustangs

Junior Mustangs

BMTA's 2024 Junior Mustangs Program was one of our most outstanding and successful campaigns to date. Following an overwhelming 450 expressions of interest, the program featured 22 teams and 258 players. Our Junior Mustangs performed exceptionally across three lead-in carnivals – the Gold Coast Cup, Arthur Davis Cup, and Struddys Shield – finishing with Junior State Cup at Redlands in July.

The sense of unity and club spirit was strong throughout the season, with players embodying BMTA's one herd mentality – evident through tunnels, home-made banners, and the abundance of red and blue glitter at each carnival. In recognition of our players' efforts and achievements, BMTA proudly announced our annual club and team captains, hosted a U10s jersey presentation at our Mustang Stampede, and celebrated individual excellence with Players' Player and Coaches' Player awards at Junior State Cup.

This strong culture was reflected not only on the field but also in our digital presence – particularly on TikTok, where our most viewed video reached 480k views. We were thrilled to witness our U10 Girls Red and U18 Girls Red teams claim State Champion titles at Junior State Cup. Congratulations to both teams, and to Charli Nikola (U18s), who was named Player of the Final. Charli's outstanding performance was further recognised by Queensland Touch Football (QTF), where she was honoured as the 2024 Junior Female Player of the Year. Our BMTA U18 Girls were also shortlisted for Junior Team of the Year-another testament to the talent and dedication within our program.



Senior Mustangs

2024 was certainly a memorable year for BMTA's Senior Mustangs. 4 teams and 58 players proudly represented BMTA for the very first time at the #reimagined Championships in Coffs Harbour. Following the 2023 announcement that BMTA would be eligible to send teams to the Championships as an affiliate from 2024, our inaugural appearance was a significant milestone. Our Women's 20s and Women's Open teams both advanced to the guarterfinals, our Mixed Open team reached the play-offs, and, excitingly, our Women's 27s team claimed the National Champions title. BMTA is incredibly proud of our Senior Mustangs for their outstanding performances, and we can't wait to see them back in Coffs Harbour wearing red and blue in 2025.



Our Queensland State Cup (QSC) campaign also continued to grow, with a record 14 teams and 202 players attending the event. In 2024, a key focus was improving our tent setup at QSC to create a more welcoming and functional environment for our players, which we achieved with the introduction of an all-new recovery station. This warmup, cool down and recovery space featured multiple chairs, yoga mats, foam rollers, massage guns, and more. We also provided snacks, on-site physiotherapy, and added BMTA flair with colourful decorations and a media wall used for team photos.

Despite the extremely wet and muddy conditions, BMTA teams performed admirably at Queensland State Cup, securing two state championships and several finals appearances. Congratulations to the following teams on their exceptional results:

- Mens 20s Champions
- Mens Premier Runners-Up
- Womens 20s Semi-Finalists
- Womens Premier Runners-Up
- Womens Opens Runners-Up
- Womens 40s Semi-Finalists
- Mens 40s Red Runners-Up
- Mens 50s Runners-Up
- Mens 55s Champions
- Mens 60s Runners-Up



Excitingly, Bowman Jackson-Jacobs (Mens 20s) and Ian Smith (Mens 55s) were named Player of the Final in their respective divisions. Finally, BMTA proudly congratulates Hayden Moffat, who was awarded Open Male Player of the Year at the 2024 QTF Awards – a well-deserved recognition for his leadership and talent as a key member of BMTA's Mens Premier side.

Mustangs Coaching Team

BMTA's 2024 representative programs were a great success, a testament to the dedication and expertise of our coaches and managers. We are extremely grateful for their commitment, leadership and knowledge, which play a vital role in shaping the experience and development of our players.

In alignment with our 2024-2027 Strategic Plan – and our ongoing commitment to developing and supporting our people – BMTA were proud to offer individual subsidy payments to our coaching team. These payments recognised the significant contributions and volunteer time invested by our coaches throughout the season.

BMTA is proud to share that two of our Mustangs coaches were formally recognised for their outstanding contributions by Queensland Touch Football. Levi Te Namu was awarded Emerging Affiliate Coach of the Year, and Leeanne Bauer was shortlisted for Volunteer of the Year as part of the 2024 QTF Awards.



Coaching Directors: Wayne Grant and Leeanne Bauer.

BMTA's 2024 Mustangs Coaching Team:

Adam Richter AJ Cleaver Amanda Smurthwaite Amelia Fisk Amy Peel Angela Christopher Angela Richardson Ann Scott Bekki Simon Ben Ingersole Blair Hanna Blake Fowke Brad Mifsud Brett Hughes Caleb Ruri Cameron Boyd Cameron Singer Cathy Farrelly Charles O'Reilly

Chloe Nikola Chris Atkins Chris Moffat Corza Knight Craig Nikola Damian Durnford Danny Saba Darcy Brocket Darren Holder Darrin Smith David Crase David Yardy Don Mackintosh Eddie Barrett Emma Boyd Geoff Baker George Clutton **Glyn Mathers** Hilary Boreham

Jacqui Griggs Jamie Brocket Jassy Bhullar Jenna Rowsell Jesse Green Joanne Ooi John Butterworth John Clark Josh Wakely Kathryn Price Katrina Grant Kim Palmer Kris Ross Levi Te Namu Linda Hanson Maria Griffin Matthew Lockyer Melissa Amede Michael Austen

Michelle Eastwell Nick Manikot Peter Hawes Phil Cowie **Ross Pugliese** Russell Armstrong Russell Perry **Rvan Thomas** Scott Nolan Simon Cox Swain Rovelli Tanya McGovern Tash Day Tien Anderson Tim Gall Tom Tran Tyrone Bruce Wayne Grant Xavier Dorney

Programs & Events

51st Anniversary Cup

BMTA's 51st Anniversary Cup was a smashing success, with the event now firmly cementing itself as a tradition within our community and earning a shortlisted nomination for QTF's 2024 Community Event of the Year. A total of 28 teams competed in the one-day competition, with division winners each receiving one of three inaugural perpetual trophies, named in honour of BMTA life members.

Hold My Beer (Men's 40s Champions) were awarded the 'Russel Mowles Cup', Duck Sake (Mixed Competitive Champions) were presented with the 'Jim Schaumberg Cup', and Down For Me (Mixed Social Champions) won the 'Peter Ridgewell Cup'. BMTA was privileged to have both Jim and Peter in attendance to present their namesake trophies for the very first time, as well as BMTA Patron Joe Kelly MP, re-elected at the 2024 AGM, who took part in the presentations.

The presentations were also a chance to recognise and celebrate the contributions of our incredible, long-standing member, John Clark, and present him with a framed Mustangs jersey as a token of our appreciation. At the 2024 AGM, John retired from the BMTA Board, having reached the end of his elected term. In addition to his many years of service, John was the original visionary behind the Anniversary Cup concept so, given the event would not exist without his foresight, this was a fitting occasion to honour his legacy.

BMTA was also thrilled to announce the re-signing of Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner and Cr Krista Adams as BMTA sponsors through to mid-2025. Both long-time supporters of our Association, Adrian and attended the event and Krista Motorline participated in our BMW Passing Contest, presenting prizes to the winners during the lunch break.

After a full day of round games, off-field activities, and sponsorship activations, the event concluded with a lively postevent function –filled with joyful and nostalgic conversations among members, celebrating another memorable chapter in BMTA's proud history.



Small Steps 4 Hannah Charity Match

In 2024, BMTA proudly hosted an inaugural Patron's VI vs Chairman's VI charity match in support of the Small Steps 4 Hannah Foundation. The event was a tremendous success, bringing together key members of the local community who laced up their boots for an important cause. The Foundation's mission is to halt the cycle of domestic violence, striving to create a world where everyone feels respected, informed, empowered to act, and safe.

The Patron's VI was led by BMTA Patron and Local Member for Greenslopes, Mr Joe Kelly MP, and featured a number of prominent community figures, including Cr Fiona Cunningham, Councillor for Coorparoo and Small Steps 4 Hannah Board Member. The Chairman's VI was captained by BMTA Chairman Corey Nolan, and included BMTA staff, board, sponsors, and key stakeholders.

BMTA extends its heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the event's success, especially Mr Joe Kelly MP for helping bring the concept to life. We are proud to have a long-standing and meaningful relationship with Joe as both our Patron and Local MP. BMTA is honoured to support the work of the Small Steps 4 Hannah Foundation. Thanks to the generosity of our community, the event raised over \$1,500 to support their vital mission.



All Abilities Program

BMTA's 2024 All Abilities Program was a standout initiative, reaching record high participation of 17 athletes, an increase of 10 participants from 2023. The program welcomed a wonderfully diverse group of participants, ranging from 8 to 54 years old of a variety of abilities.

Each week athletes engaged in a series of activities designed to build the fundamental skills of touch football in a supportive and inclusive environment. These sessions were led by Head Coach Simon Cox and his dedicated team, whose leadership and passion were instrumental in delivering an outstanding program. This program also translated to a pathway for participants to nominate a team in BMTA's Mixed Adult Social and Metro Cup competitions in 2024.

BMTA is incredibly proud to continue developing a program which enables individuals with intellectual and/or physical disabilities to participate in our incredible sport, and can't wait to further improve the program in 2025.



School Holiday Program

2024 was a fantastic year for BMTA's School Holiday Program. The addition of a fourth Camp resulted in a significant increase in participation, with 220 more yearly registrations than 2023. Our June Camp marked a major milestone, becoming BMTA's largest Holiday Camp to date, surpassing the previous record of 108 registrations set in 2022.

We were thrilled to partner with our sponsor, Brisbane Broncos, to deliver this inaugural June Camp, with NRLW Broncos players Mele Hufanga and Tafito Lafaele in attendance. This new initiative saw our campers take part in an array of Brisbane Broncos-themed games for some exciting sponsored prizes. Both players also generously spent time signing caps, footballs and posters, making it a memorable experience for all involved.

BMTA's 2024 Touch Football Holiday Camps would not have been possible without our incredible coaching team; Charli Nikola, Pia Murphy, Imogen Murphy, Gabby Blade, Nanaia Perry, Jade Perry, Eddie Gore, Billy Pearson, Will Atchison, Matilda Rogers, and Lily Neill. Their efforts were instrumental in creating a fun and inclusive experience for every camper who participated.



Camp	2023	2024	Difference
January	75	63	- 12
April	60	96	+36
June	NA	159	+159
September	97	154	+57
Total Registrations	232	472	+220

Tiny Touch Program

BMTA was thrilled to see continued growth in our Tiny Touch Program in 2024, with a record 76 children participating across our two six-week programs in Terms 2 and 4. Designed to introduce young children to the fundamentals of touch football, the program focuses on developing ball handling, agility, teamwork, and confidence in a fun and inclusive environment. We hope Tiny Touch ignites a lifelong love for the game and encourages participants to return in 2025, either again for the program or by progressing into our weekly U7s Junior competitions.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our dedicated coaching team; Pia Murphy, Imogen Murphy, Gabby Blade, Nanaia Perry, Jade Perry, Eddie Gore, and Billy Pearson for their enthusiasm and commitment in delivering two fantastic programs this year.



Program	2023	2024	Difference
Term 2	17	30	+13
Term 4	56	46	-10
Total Registrations	73	76	+3

Abbi Howard, Programs & Events Coordinator.





Summary

BMTA's fields have seen significant use over the past 12 months, running our weekly competitions 5 days per week, as well as hosting events like QPS, Deadly Choices and Metro Cup. Not only have we welcomed more players to our fields than ever before, the quality of the touch football being played on them is ever improving. Despite this, we saw a substantial reduction – approximately 80% - in the number of areas that required returfing. This indicates that our fields have a strong root structure and an improved recovery ability, which is a product of BMTA's continued maintenance work made possible by the association, Brisbane City Council and our generous sponsors.

Field Conditions

In 2024, our fields maintained a consistent playing condition and were afforded a much need recovery during the off-season periods. Ryegrass was used to over-sow the fields during the colder months, which ensured the grass remained green and dense. We trialled a reduced rate of 75kg of ryegrass per field on each of the front 4 fields, which yielded impressive field recovery results and thus, the same approach will be used in 2025.

Weather Conditions

Rainfall increased by 50% from 2023, providing ideal conditions for the fields to recover from the damage suffered over the prior 12 months. Not only did the additional rainfall make a noticeable difference to the overall conditions of the fields, it also delivered financial benefit as we were able to use less town water.



Equipment Maintenance

This year we're saying goodbye to the longest-serving piece of machinery at BMTA, our trusty Kabota Front Loader. It's been a reliable workhorse on our fields, but its time for an upgrade. We're excited to welcome the new TYM Front Loader Tractor, which is well-equipped to tow our equipment and complete heavy lifting for years to come. Additionally, we've also added a few handy tools to our collection this year; two new whipper snippers, a generator, and a water pump. These new additions have already had a noticeable impact in maintaining field quality and ensuring seamless facility operation.

Renovations

Excitingly, the replacement of the sub-boxes on Fields 1 and 2 marked the completion of Stage 2 of our sub-box maintenance plan. In addition to this project, we also completed essential field maintenance work including laying 600m² of new turf, spreading 200 tonnes of topdressing sand, aerating the fields twice, and treating them with shockwave treatments twice. These diligent efforts to maintain and recover our fields has undoubtedly paid off, ensuring they remain in great playing condition.

The BMTA Grounds Team is excited to continue our hard work in 2025 as we strive to deliver premier fields and facilities to the thousands of players, coaches, referees and spectators who visit our fields annually.

Rob Watkins, Grounds Manager.





Financial Summary

It is with great pride that I present the Treasurer's Report for the 2024 financial year, a year which has delivered a strong financial result for the association. Our financial position at the close of 2024 has reinforced the importance of disciplined, forward-thinking financial stewardship in sustaining the long-term success of our association. This success was built on both the recovery we witnessed in 2023 as well as the resilience of our association during the challenging conditions of 2022.

Financial Performance

The association recorded a net profit of \$221,931, well ahead of our budgeted figure at the start of 2024. This strong result is underpinned by a combination of strategic planning, operational efficiency, and favourable external conditions. Key contributing factors included:

- Record-high participation across both competitions and programs, driving substantial growth in team and program revenues.
- Reduced affiliation fees, reflecting changes by TFA, QTF and BTF to their fee structures.
- Grant funding, which not only boosted income but also enabled targeted investment in infrastructure and assets to benefit the membership.
- Lower water expenses, due to higher-than-average rainfall, reducing one of our traditionally significant running costs.

The strong performance not only exceeded expectations, it provided a platform to deliver on many of our strategic goals and allows for long-term planning for major projects. Importantly, this marks the association's sixth consecutive surplus, further validating the strength of our financial strategy to reinvest in our facilities and support our touch community.

Capital Investment & Asset Growth

In 2024, we spent just over \$100,000 in capital investments, with a clear focus on improving the quality, safety, and presentation of our facilities and member experience. These capital upgrades included:

- Purchase of a new grounds tractor, replacing the old tractor which was nearly 20 years old, enhancing our ability to maintain high-quality playing surfaces year-round.
- Installation of a game clock, purchased in response to feedback from the membership which allows for more accurate and transparent timekeeping.
- Completion of Stage 2 sub box upgrades, delivering better facilities for teams and ensuring all 7 fields have quality sub box areas.
- Acquisition of a power broom, essential for maintenance and presentation of sub boxes.
- New referee communications gear, enhancing official coordination, coaching and the overall professionalism of game delivery.

These investments were funded without compromising our liquidity and were aligned to our ongoing objective of enhancing member experience. Our strong performance ensured these acquisitions could be made whilst still putting funds aside to plan for larger future projects.

Looking ahead, our capital expenditure plan includes major upgrades such as light poles, irrigation systems, and additional seating-projects aligned with our Strategic Plan and supported by projected cash flows and potential grant funding.

Balance Sheet & Cash Position

As of year-end, the association's retained earnings have grown to \$1,048,981, supported by a cash at bank position of \$706,331. These funds have been strategically allocated across high-interest term deposits to ensure we are earning strong returns on idle cash while preserving flexibility for future needs.

Liabilities remain minimal and well-managed. Some of our largest liabilities will be settled in 2025 thanks to planning in 2024. This includes Grant Income Received in Advance (~\$80,000), tied to historical irrigation grants and now earmarked for toilet facility upgrades in 2025.

Overall, our liquidity position is extremely strong, with minimal liabilities. This provides confidence that the association is financially resilient and able to weather future uncertainties. However, we continue to monitor key risks such as inflationary pressures on capital projects, shifts in grant policies, staff retention, cost of living and business pressures on both fees and sponsorship, ensuring our strategy remains both proactive and adaptable.

Audit and Governance

The 2024 financial audit was completed without any issues or adverse findings, reaffirming the strength of our financial systems, internal controls, and compliance with governance standards. The audit process was smooth and collaborative, and no concerns were raised regarding our reporting or financial practices.

This outcome reflects the commitment of our committee and management to maintaining thorough financial discipline, transparent reporting, and proactive management of both risks and opportunities. We remain committed to continuous improvement in governance and financial transparency, aligning best-practice standards closely with across the sector.



Strategic Outlook & Closing Remarks

While 2024 has been a financially exceptional year, our focus remains firmly on the future. The foundation we have built through responsible budgeting, prudent investment, and strategic reserve building is vital as we look ahead to significant capital projects. In particular, light pole and irrigation upgrades are likely to be required in the medium term, both of which require significant investments. These are essential investments to ensure the safety, sustainability, and functionality of our facilities.

Our current position allows us to approach these major projects from a position of strength. Rather than reacting to urgent needs, we are now capable of planning ahead, applying for matched grants, and funding projects without compromising day-to-day operations. This is the overarching aim of our financial management, ensuring we can be strategic, not reactive.

We also wish to acknowledge the ongoing support of our sponsors, local council partners, volunteers and community leaders whose collaboration and funding opportunities have been instrumental to our success in 2024. Their contributions continue to empower our vision for future-ready facilities and inclusive programming.

The 2024 financial year marks a high point in the association's financial history, reporting our strongest retained earnings and cash reserves since records are available (2005). More importantly, it reflects the cumulative impact of careful planning, collaborative governance, and growth across all operations, from team numbers to programs and events.

In summary, the association's progress over the past three years has positioned us as a financially agile and strategically focused organization. I would personally like to Thank the past Treasurer, Mr John Clark, for his contribution. I would like to thank my fellow board members, operational staff, and the broader community for their ongoing support and commitment to building a financially resilient association.

As Treasurer, I am confident that we are exceptionally well positioned, not only to deliver excellence in the present but to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the future.



Will Douglas, Treasurer.







Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Committee of Management Report 31 December 2024

The members of the Board of Management submit the financial report of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association ("the Association") for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

1. General information

Members of Board of Management

The names of members of Board of Management throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Corey Nolan - Chairman Leeanne Bauer - Secretary John Clark - Treasurer William Douglas - Treasurer Douglas Mackie Bernadette Hanna

Resigned 21/05/2024 Appointed 21/05/2024

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Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the financial year were to provide social facilities to members of the association.

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

2. Operating results and review of operations for the year

Operating result

The surplus of the Association for the financial year after amounted to \$221,931 (2023: \$132,463).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Board of Management:

Committee member:

Date: 23 April 2025

Statement of Profit or Loss

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Income		
Competition fees	1,106,697	1,090,949
Program and mustangs fees	164,703	111,976
Facility hire and commercial agreements	169,765	159,905
Grants	152,500	136,093
Sponsorship and donations	37,917	72,500
Merchandise and other sales	9,544	13,439
Interest and other income	15,447	16,257
	1,656,573	1,601,119
Expenditure		
Competition expenses	310,788	405,407
Depreciation and amortisation expense	88,982	78,361
Program, event and mustangs expenses	127,625	90,088
Field maintenance	199,355	237,950
Facility expenses	110,851	124,221
Business and administration costs	107,069	79,305
Other sales expensee	21,659	21,958
Salaries and wages	468,313	431,366
	1,434,642	1,468,656
Income tax expense	-	-
Profit after income tax	221,931	132,463
Retained profit at the beginning of the financial year	827,050	694,587
Retained profits at the end of the financial year	1,048,981	827,050

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

As At 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables	3 4	706,331 5,861	543,423 45,434
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	_	712,192	588,857
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Plant and equipment	5	611,940	597,255
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		611,940	597,255
TOTAL ASSETS	_	1,324,132	1,186,112
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade and other payables Lease liabilities Provisions Other liabilities	6 7 8 9	162,728 3,161 18,383 79,065	188,491 12,343 17,735 123,758
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		263,337	342,327
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Income in advance Lease liabilities Provisions	7 8	- - 11,814	3,365 3,161 10,209
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	11,814	16,735
TOTAL LIABILITIES		275,151	359,062
NET ASSETS	-	1,048,981	827,050
MEMBERS' FUNDS Retained Earning/profit TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS	-	1,048,981	827,050

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

The special purpose financial statements cover Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. as an individual entity. Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. is a not-for-profit Association incorporated in Queensland under the Associations Incorporation Act (QLD) 1981 (as amended by the Associations Incorporation and Other Legislation Amendment Act (QLD) 2007) ('the Act').

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 functional and presentation currency of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1 Basis of Preparation

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the Act.

The financial statements and material accounting policies all comply with the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

2 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers

Specific revenue streams

The revenue recognition policies for the principal revenue streams of the Association are:

Competition fees

The association earns revenue from provision of services to competing or member teams. Competition fees is recognised over time in the accounting period when services are rendered.

The routine or recurring service contracts where the services provided are substantially the same, the consumption over time and whose consideration consists of a recurring fixed amount over the term of the contract (e.g. monthly or annual payment), in such a way that the customer receives and consumes the benefits of the services as the association provides them, the revenue recognition model is based on the time elapsed output method.

Under this method, revenue is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the contract and costs are recognised on an accrual basis.

Sale of goods

Revenue is recognised on transfer of goods to the customer as this is deemed to be the point in time when risks and rewards are transferred and there is no longer any ownership or effective control over the goods.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

2 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

Specific revenue streams

Government Grant

Where grant income arises from an agreement which is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations then the revenue is recognised when control of each performance obligations is satisfied.

The performance obligations are varied based on the agreement. Each performance obligation is considered to ensure that the revenue recognition reflects the transfer of control and within grant agreements. Where control is transferred over time, generally the input methods being either costs or time incurred are deemed to be the most appropriate methods to reflect the transfer of benefit.

Revenue from grants which are either not enforceable or do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations are recognised at the assets' fair value when the asset is received. The association considers whether there are any related liability or equity items associated with the asset which are recognised in accordance with the relevant accounting standard. Once the assets and liabilities have been recognised then income is recognised for any remaining asset value at the time that the asset is received.

Other Income

Interest is recognised using the effective interest method.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Association is entitled to it.

(b) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

(c) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of inventory is determined using the first-in-first-out basis and is net of any rebates and discounts received. Net realisable value is estimated using the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date and inventory is written down through an obsolescence provision if necessary.

(d) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

2 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(d) Property, plant and equipment

Depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the assets useful life to the Association, commencing when the asset is ready for use.

Leased assets and leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or their estimated useful life.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

(f) Employee benefits

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 benefits that are expected to be wholly settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

3 Cash and Cash Equivalents

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	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	706,331	543,423
Total cash and cash equivalents	706,331	543,423
Trade and other receivables		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	13,959	29,294
GST receivable	902	25,140
Provision for doubtful debts	(9,000)	(9,000)
Total current trade and other receivables	5,861	45,434

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

5	Property, plant and equipment	2024 \$	2023 \$
	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
	Leasehold improvements At cost Accumulated depreciation	514,075 (86,402)	467,556 (50,344)
	Net carrying value	427,673	417,212
	Kitchen equipment At cost Accumulated depreciation Net carrying value	52,697 (29,371) 23,326	53,152 (18,339) 34,813
	Office and clubhouse equipment At cost Accumulated depreciation	128,182 (39,206)	110,250 (22,983)
	Net carrying value	88,976	87,267
	Field maintenance equipment At cost Accumulated depreciation	194,405 (122,440)	159,539 (101,576)
	Net carrying value	71,965	57,963
	Total property, plant and equipment	611,940	597,255
6	Trade and Other Payables		
		2024	2023
		\$	\$
	CURRENT Trade payables Accrued expenses Other payables	103,259 27,244 32,225	71,378 101,030 16,083
	Total current trade and other payables	162,728	188,491
	rotar ownent trade and other payables	172,120	100,701

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

2024 2022 \$ \$ CURRENT 3,161 1	3 2,343 3,161
CURRENT	
	3,161
NON-CURRENT	3,161
Toro Mower Lease -	
8 Provisions	
2024 202	3
\$\$	
CURRENT	
	6,253
Provision for RDO	1,482
18,3831	7,735
2024 202	3
\$\$	
NON-CURRENT	
Provision for long service leave 11,814 1	0,209
11,814 1	0,209
9 Other Liabilities	
2024 202	3
\$\$	
CURRENT	
Grant received in-advance 79,065 12	3,758
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10 Contingencies

In the opinion of the Board of Management, the Association did not have any contingencies at 31 December 2024 (31 December 2023:None).

11 Events after the end of the Reporting Period

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or could significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

12 Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of business of the company is:

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. 258 Boundary Road Camp Hill QLD 4152

The registered postal address being: PO Box 1167 Carindale QLD 4152

Statement by Members of the Board of Management

In our opinion:

- 1. the accompanying financial report as set out on pages 2 to 9, being a special purpose financial statement, is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 31 December 2024 and the results of the Association for the year ended on that date;
- 2. the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 and 2 of the financial statements of the Association; and
- 3. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed on 23 April 2025

Committee member.....



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Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc.

Independent Audit Report to the members of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc.

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc. (the entity), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the statement of profit or loss for the year then ended, notes comprising of a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by members of the board of management.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the entity is in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (QLD), (as amended by the Associations Incorporation and Other Legislation Amendment Act (QLD) 2007) including:

(i) presents fairly, in all material respects, the entity's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and

(ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (QLD) (as amended by the Associations Incorporation and Other Legislation Amendment Act (QLD) 2007)

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 the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Board of Management's financial reporting responsibilities under *the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (QLD)* as amended by *the Associations Incorporation and Other Legislation Amendment Act (QLD) 2007.* As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



Independent Audit Report to the members of Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association Inc.

Other Information

Those charged with Governance are responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is information included in the Committee's Report, (but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon).

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance

The Board of Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that presents fairly, in all material respects, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 of the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of *the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (QLD)* as amended by *the Associations Incorporation and Other Legislation Amendment Act (QLD) 2007* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Board of Management's responsibility also includes such internal controls as they determine necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that presents fairly, in all material respect, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

• Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
 appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the
 Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Board of Management regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Board of Management with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the Board of Management, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial report of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Forvis Mazars Assurance Pty Limited

Michael Georghiou

Partner

Brisbane, 06 May 2025