

**BRISBANE CHURCHES
TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC.**

ANNUAL REPORT 1993-94

BRISBANE CHURCHES TOUCH ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1994

HELD AT SUNNYBANK CHURCH OF CHRIST

ON 5th APRIL 1994

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**BRISBANE CHURCHES TOUCH ASSOCIATION INC.
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

HELD AT SUNNYBANK CHURCH OF CHRIST

ON 23RD MARCH 1993

CHAIRMAN Barry Thornton, President.

PRESENT: B Thornton, G Epps, R Nutley, K Tucker, T Franklin, K Savage,
W Dickfos, T Anderson, N Dickfos, C Kelly, G Anderson, C Roome,
G Smith, P Cantwell, J Yared, I McEwan, C Stanaway, S Bray,
N Manning, A Bowie, R Jack, S Holt, A Spencer, C Spencer.

APOLOGIES: T Killian, I Killian

MINUTES: IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 5 March, 1992 be adopted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Barry Thornton gave a brief outline of his report following which the meeting RESOLVED to adopt the President's Report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Secretary's report be adopted.

REFEREES CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT:

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Referee's Co-ordinator's Report be adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT: After brief discussion of the financial report the meeting resolved to adopt the Financial Report.

AUDITOR'S REPORT: IT WAS RESOLVED that the Auditor's Report be adopted

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The President declared all Management Committee positions vacant and invited Gary Epps to conduct the election of officers.

PRESIDENT

Barry Thornton and Stephen Holt were nominated for the position of President. Stephen declined the nomination. It was therefore declared that Barry Thornton be duly elected as President.

SECRETARY

Being the only person nominated for the position Wendy Dickfos was declared to be duly elected as Secretary.

TREASURER

Being the only person nominated for the position Glen Anderson was declared to be duly elected as Treasurer.

REFEREE'S CO-ORDINATOR

Being the only person nominated for the position Christian Kelly was declared to be duly elected as Referee's Co-ordinator.

PLAYER REPRESENTATIVES

The following persons were elected as additional members of the Management

Committee:

- Albert Bowie
- Richard Jack
- Peter Cantwell
- Kristy Savage
- Nathan Manning

AUDITOR

IT WAS RESOLVED that Neil Donaldson be appointed as the Auditor of the Association.

CHAPLAIN

IT WAS RESOLVED that Ray Nutley be appointed as Chaplain for the Association.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Suggestions for the improvement of the standard of refereeing were discussed as were certain matters concerning the upcoming season. The referees standard was discussed generally.

CLOSE: The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

President's Report

It is with a variety of emotions that I set about preparing what will be my last report to the Association as your President. After (I think) nine years work I find it difficult to try and sum up what I feel as I move on. It has been a rewarding, fulfilling, sometimes frustrating, but most definitely a privileged time of seeing the Association move ahead in so many ways. A time which I have enjoyed immensely for various reasons, not least of all because of the friendships forged.

It has been an absolute privilege to have served the Association during this time and to have had the opportunity to have met so many people and formed so many friendships, many of which I will take with me throughout my time on earth... and beyond.

The changes in the Association since it began almost ten years ago are startling and I am proud to have served alongside a tremendous group of people over the course of my period as President who have all served diligently, cheerfully, co-operatively and impartially as the Association has grown.

At the risk of missing probably as many as I mention, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the following:- Mark Willis, Craig Williams, Paul Demarco, Ian McEwan, the late Tony Jeffries, Richard Nash, John Macrae, Albert Bowie, Gary Epps, and more recently, Richard Jack, Nathan Manning, Kristy Savage, Peter Cantwell, Ray Nutley and many other captains, referees, and others too numerous to mention.

Such a list though deliberately excludes others of which I now wish to make special mention.

Glen Anderson's contribution is one which goes largely unnoticed whilst everything is in order. Thanks to Glen's diligence, patience and thoroughness our financial affairs remain in order and in the healthiest position ever, with approximately \$7,000 in the bank at the end of the Summer season. Our annual income from registrations was nearly \$18,000 in the last financial year which has been accounted for without blemish. Glen's encouragement and willingness to assist with the little things has made him an indispensable part of the team which has so ably run the Association on your behalf during the last year.

Wendy Dickfos' first official year as Secretary has shown the enterprise she has in attending to the secretarial tasks of the Association as well as to so capably the competitions run by the Association. The extra duties have not fazed her in the slightest and my thanks go to her also for her application to her tasks.

Selwyn Dickfos is one man whose efforts often go largely unappreciated. As our first 'full-time' referee there is probably no other person in the history of the Association who has refereed as many BCTA matches as Selwyn. I wish to thank him publicly for his constant enthusiasm toward a job which is often devoid of encouragement. Keep it up for as long as you want.

Chris Kelly over the past three or four years has taken on an ever increasing responsibility and has continued to carry out his chief responsibility as Referee's Co-ordinator with tremendous results. Referees have been appointed to every match and each appointment has, almost without exception, been the ideal person for the match under the circumstances. His efforts have, in my mind, been the chief reason for the past two seasons being as relatively incident free as one could hope for.

My wife Glenys and I first started going out together in 1987. The whole time we have been together I have been involved with the Association. She has never complained, nor begrudged me the time it has taken to fulfil my responsibilities to the Association, and has always provided me with her full and active support. I wish to thank her for enabling, encouraging and inspiring me to achieve what I have been able to achieve through the Association.

Looking toward the coming year and beyond, however, it is imperative that we ensure that the good work commenced by those mentioned above is continued and indeed built upon. This is where those of you who may not have been involved previously, or perhaps not for some time are really needed. Your involvement is crucial to our continued success. The next year or two may well see others 'retire'. To enable a smooth transition it is important that people be involved early to allow them to learn the ropes prior to their taking on greater responsibility.

Perhaps more crucial is that without fresh ideas and enthusiasm the Association can soon become stale and merely mark time, instead of going forward. So if you are keen to get involved please nominate for a position on the Committee. Alternatively, you may simply wish to take on a less visible role. We would appreciate people volunteering to do some of the routine tasks such as placing the markets out each week and collecting them, keeping time for matches and other tasks which unfortunately wear us down at times.

Many of you may know that part of the reason I came to know the Lord was through the avenue of church sport. I began the Association for a number of reasons, but chief amongst them was the provision of an avenue whereby people can build friendships and share their lives and their love for God with others. I thank God that these objectives still remain. I ask forgiveness though for the times when I have lost sight of this objective. My prayer, though, is that this objective will never be lost amongst the mundane affairs of administration. To whoever it is who fills the role of President and those on the Management Committee this next Year I you not to lose sight of this.

My thoughts and prayers will be with you. I am happy to discuss with you anything that I have not passed on to others concerning the of the Association. And I will of course see many of you from time to time either in other spheres, or when I attend matches of the Association.

Thank you once again for the privilege of having served the Association and may God bless you as you continue to serve God in this way.

Because of Him

Barry Thornton

Secretary's Report

As this is my first official year as Secretary of the BCTA, I have found it not only to be a year filled with many different challenges, but also a year full of enjoyment.

This past year has not only seen many new teams join the competition but also new faces on the Management Committee. Support from both old and new teams has been very encouraging. We have had a basically trouble-free year thanks to the attitude, team spirit and enthusiasm of players involved in the Association.

The Winter Competition comprised of Mixed, Men's and Women's and was again held successfully at Brittain Park. The Summer Competition is nearly at a close with again a relatively trouble-free season. Winter season's Men's and Women's Competitions are in the process of changing to Wednesday nights being played at Annerley. It is to our regret that we will be leaving Brittain Park but we hope that it is advantageous to the players and Association with the goal being to achieve a 'home ground' at Annerley Soccer Club throughout the entire year.

I wish to thank everyone on the Management Committee, especially Barry, for their encouragement, support and effort throughout my first year, making my job that much easier. I pray that the Association may continue to outreach to both Christians and non-Christians in our community.

Wendy Dickfos

Referees Coordinator's Report

1993 again presented challenges to the refereeing resources of the BCTA, despite the apparent levelling off of team numbers.

Over the past year, the Association staged approximately 350 games at four different grounds and in eight different timeslots, every one of which was controlled by one or more of our over 30 referees. At a cost of over \$4 000, this commitment represented one of the Association's major outlays.

The refereeing standard continued to show steady improvement and the welcome addition of younger referees augers well for the future.

Once again my thanks go to all those who assisted by providing their services either as a regular, or by helping out when number were stretched.

Because of Him

Chris Kelly

BCTA
Statement of Income and Expenditure
for the Year 1993

Income	\$	Expenditure	\$
Balance as at 1/1/93	10,837.49	Insurance Premiums	6,070.00
Registration Fees	17,836.00	Referees' Fees	4,476.50
Interest	249.60	Ground Fees	3,095.00
Donation	20.00	Trophies & Engraving	1,515.50
		Catering for Finals	1,058.85
		Refund- Ladies Comp.	300.00
		Printing	299.10
		Photocopying	120.00
		Bank Charges	73.40
		Post Office Box	65.00
		Balls & Witches Hats	58.00
		Hooter & Gas	49.60
		Postage	24.25
		Stationery	24.10
		Lodgement of Return	19.00
		Balance as at 31/12/93	11,694.79
	<u><u>\$28,943.09</u></u>		<u><u>\$28,943.09</u></u>