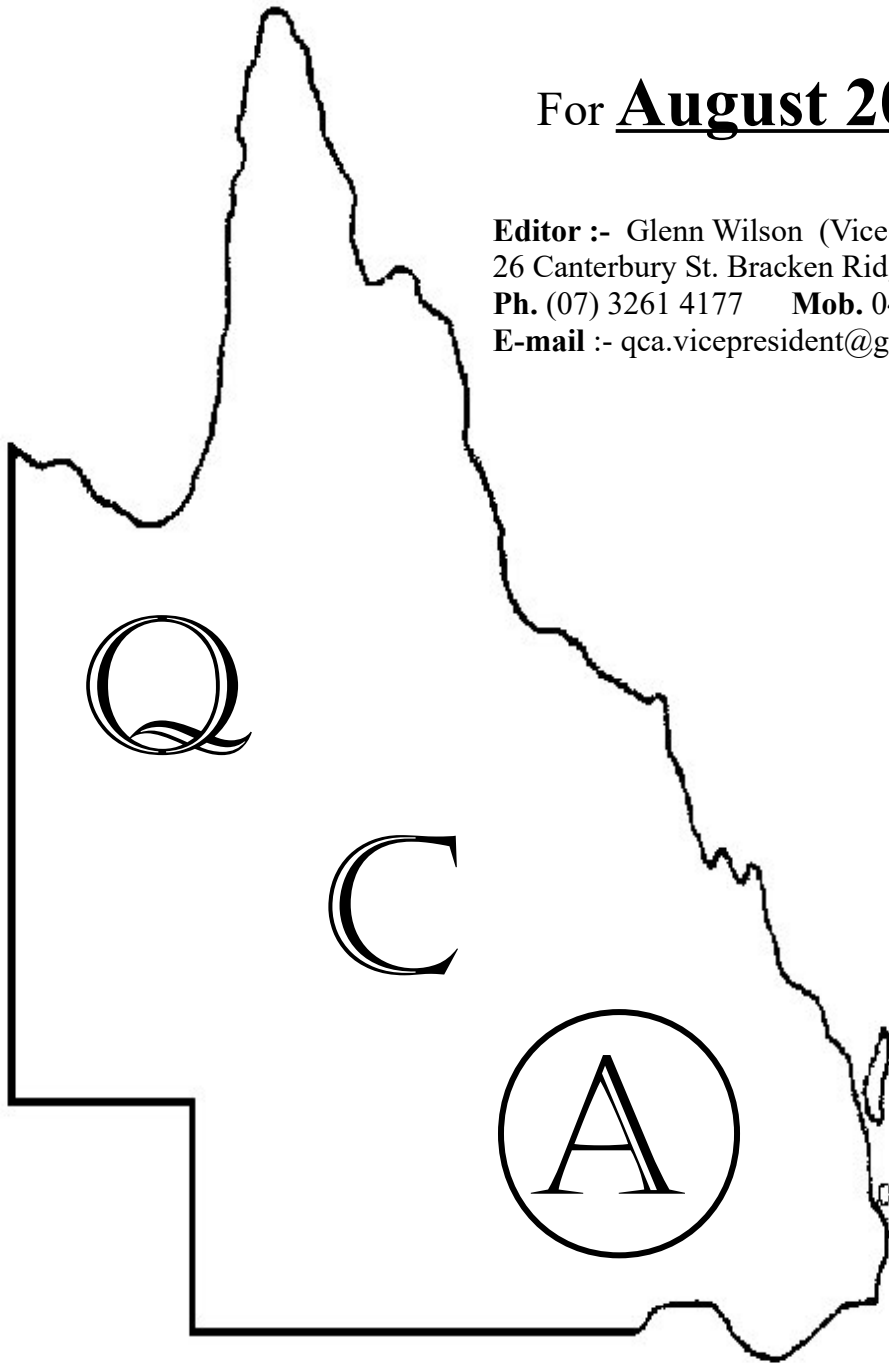


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QCA Presidents Comment (for August 2021)

Hello QCA Members,

Dancing has been a bit on and off this year with the various restrictions being implemented at short notice. If you have your own dedicated venue you can continue dancing, but for others it depends on the venue's restrictions. RSL's and Council halls have stricter rules, but hopefully we'll be back to "normal" soon. Anyone have a sense of Déjà vu?

Our next meeting will be on Friday 13th July (could we have picked a better day) in Dan Dinna House 459 Boat Harbour Drive Torquay at 2pm, prior to our State Convention. Floral Fiesta

If you would like to reserve a Floral themed song for the theme night please email me or you could just change the words to any songs to give it a floral feel. One of my suggestions was Mama Don't Allow No Flower Pickin' Round Here. You get the idea.

Looking forward to catching up and hearing how everyone's clubs are going. Stay safe until then.

Elaine Davis
QCA President

Editors Comment (for August 2021)

None

Please be advised that the **3rd quarterly General Meeting**
The **Queensland Callers Association** will be held at:-

Dan Dinna House - 459 Boat harbour Drive, Torquay (Hervey Bay), Qld., 4655
(Thanks to the Hervey Square dancers for organising this)

Friday 13th August 2021 Meeting starts at: 2pm

AGENDA for the 3rd QUARTERLY GENERAL meeting.

- Chairman's Opening Remarks.
- Attendance and Apologies.
- Minutes of previous meeting.
- Business arising from the Minutes
- Correspondence.
- Business arising from Correspondence
- Treasurer's report.
- ACF State Co-ordinator's Report.
- Caller Training Officer's Report
- Regional Reports
- Convention Reports (Looking for Hosts 2021 & beyond)
- Other Reports
- Special Business
- General Business.

Reports and Attachments

Correspondence:

Due to the amount of correspondence and the space it takes up in Q-Call, it has been decided to discontinue publishing a full correspondence list. Any business arising from correspondence will still be published as part of minutes.

Minutes of the 2nd Quarterly General Meeting, May 2021

Date: 15th May 2021
Time: 10:10 AM
Venue: Home of Elaine & Rob Davis – Elimbah Qld

1. **Chairman's Opening Remarks:** Elaine Davis thanked everybody for their attendance.
2. **Attendance:** Elaine Davis (President), Glenn Wilson (Vice President), Sue Mackley (Secretary), Rob Davis (Asst Secretary), Jan Hay (Treasurer), Francis Hickson, John Hickson, Karen Fenton, Dougal Findlay.

Apologies received: Matthew Mills, Sue Mackley, Nev McLachlan, Dougal Findlay, Aaron Hoppe, Kay Walker, Sid Leighton and Alan Evans, Jane Evans, David Smythe, Margaret Smythe, Troy Greenhill, Nev McLachlan, David Cox, Sid Leighton.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** The minutes from the previous meeting held on 20th February 2021 have been circulated prior to this meeting in Q-Call.

Moved by Elaine Davis that the Minutes as published be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting and Seconded by Francis McAlister. Motion carried.
4. **Business Arising** from those minutes:
 - Term Deposit had been rolled over.
 - Certificates of Appreciation have been sent to recipients.
 - David Cox has been advised of his acceptance into the QCA.
 - Hervey Bay club advised of our endorsement of using 2020 21 on the convention ribbons.
 - Matthew Mills has sent out the One License agreement and confirmed that he is OK to be Sound Manager for the upcoming State Convention.
 - Convention Program not yet completed as Elaine Davis is awaiting the final caller list.
 - Information on Hilton's "the Beast" has been researched – see General Business
5. **Correspondence:**
 - Inwards: Various email regarding the Hervey Bay convention.
 - Outwards: Certificates of Appreciation have been sent. ATO has been advised of the current QCA office holders.
Moved by Rob Davis that the correspondence Inwards be accepted and Outwards be endorsed and Seconded by Alan Evans. Motion carried. There was no Business Arising
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Jan Hay presented her Financial Report for the period 1st February to 30th April, advising Nil Income, Expenditure of \$452.29 and a balance of \$4237.83. Term Deposit stands at \$14,746.75.

Moved by Jan Hay that this report be accepted as read. Seconded by Dougal Findlay. Motion carried. There was no Business Arising.
7. **ACF State Co-ordinator's Report** – Matthew Mills' report was read by Glenn Wilson.

Moved by Glenn Wilson moved that this Report be accepted as read. Seconded by Rob Davis. Motion carried. There was no Business Arising.
8. **Caller Training Officer's Report** – Matthew Mills' report was read by Glenn Wilson.

Moved by Glenn Wilson moved that this Report be accepted as read. Seconded by Dougal Findlay. Motion carried. There was no Business Arising.

9. Regional Report: Daryl Burroughs report was read by Glenn Wilson.

Moved by Glenn Wilson moved that this Report be accepted as read. Seconded by Dougal Findlay. Motion carried. There was no Business Arising.

11. Convention Report: Samantha's report was read by Glenn Wilson.

Moved by Glenn Wilson moved that this Report be accepted as read. Seconded by Karen Fenton. Motion carried.

12. Business Arising from Convention Report: Elaine Davis is to answer the questions raised in this report.

13. Special Business: Nil

14. General Business

- a. Glenn Wilson advised that he had investigated the proposed Hilton amplifier named "the Beast" and concluded that due to unresolved issues in production and the proposed cost of this unit, (around US\$6000), that it was not recommended. He suggested that Hilton's MA220, together with the QCA's existing amplifier, would provide a total of 3 line inputs and 8 microphone inputs for an approximate cost (delivered) of AUD \$2845 (dependent on exchange rates, import duty and GST at the time). This would also provide equipment for a second hall where required.

Moved by Glenn Wilson that the QCA purchase a Hilton MA220. Seconded by Jan Hay. Motion carried. Glenn Wilson will contact Nev McLachlan to arrange this.

- b. Rob Davis reported his findings on Zoom meeting software.

Moved by Rob Davis that the QCA purchase one annual subscription for AUD\$209.90. Seconded by Dougal Findlay. Motion carried. Rob Davis will arrange.

- c. Sid Leighton provided a report (read by Glenn Wilson) on a "square dance app". It was decided that this was a matter best handled by the national square dance society.

Sue Mackley will forward Sid's report to the president (Russell Wall) of the Queensland Square Dance society for onforwarding to the national body. Glenn Wilson will discuss this with Russel to provide the QCA's views.

- d. Sue Mackley advised that she does not need the sound equipment that was donated to her by the QCA.

She moved that this equipment be given to a Lismore student who has an interest in sound engineering and who had written to her expressing an interest in her gear. Seconded by Glenn Wilson. Motion carried.

15. Next Quarterly Meeting is to be held 2:00 PM on 13th August 2021 at Dan Dinna House during the State Convention.

16. Meeting closed: There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:20 AM.

17. Action List

Who	is to do What	by When
Elaine Davis	Complete Program for State Convention.	Next Meeting.
Glenn Wilson	Purchase of Hilton MA220	Next Meeting
Elaine Davis	Respond to queries raised in Convention Report	Next Meeting.
Rob Davis	Purchase 1 year subscription of Zoom meeting software	Next Meeting.
Sue Mackley	Forward Sid Leighton's report on a square dance app to Russell Wall	At next meeting at Logan.
Glenn Wilson	Discuss square dance app with Russell Wall	Next Meeting.
Sue Mackley	Send sound equipment to Lismore student.	Next Meeting

18. Attachments

- Treasurer's Report
- ACF State Co-ordinator's Report
- Caller Training Officer's Report
- Regional Report
- Convention Report

Treasurers Reports for May 2021

QUEENSLAND CALLERS ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD 1/2/21-30/4/21

Opening Balance		<u>\$4,690-12</u>
<u>INCOME</u>	Nil	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
G. Wilson	236-39	
K Walker	115-90	
Logan City Square Dancers Inc	<u>100-00</u>	
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$ 452-29	
TOTAL LOSS FOR PERIOD		<u>\$ 452-29</u>
<u>BALANCE AS AT 30/4/21</u>		<u>\$4,237-83</u>
<u>TERM DEPOSIT \$14,746-75 DUE 5/7/21</u>		

ACF State Co-ordinator Report for May 2021

Hi All,

Since my last report, the ACF have held all their annual meetings via zoom. With covid making businesses think out of the box to continue operating, this was the only way for this to happen. The meetings went well and I personally think the ACF chairman did a great job at controlling it via this new medium.

What come out of meeting via zoom is many callers commented about how easy this was for callers to attend. The ACF is now looking to host their annual first board meeting via zoom 4 weeks prior to the convention which will free up a spot on the program for us to utilise better. Many callers suggested we go further with the general meeting to be hosted by zoom as this would allow all Australian callers to attend, however there are pros and cons to this so the ACF board will look to survey callers on this at a later stage.

We still haven't received our last bill for APRA pre-One Music but our treasure will contact One Music.

Since the change from paper renewals to digital, the ACF has accidentally forgotten to fix up some position descriptions to reflect the changes. One concern is whether the registrar role is still required. The ACF have established a small three man committee to look over the registrar role and work out if it's required or not and therefore what needs to be fixed up in the constitution or bylaws to reflect the changes.

One important thing that happened this year is Tasmania is finally represented on the ACF board again. A few things to come out of this situation that all states need to be reminded on - before nominating a caller as your state representative board member, please make sure you check the ACF rules for eligibility first. Please make sure your representatives stay current with their eligibility.

Our callerlab liaison has advised to keep up with the latest on the changes for callerlab. At this moment, it appears the basic/mainstream committees have completed changes and now the plus committee are working on their program now.

One last final reminder, I have mentioned in my ACF coordinator report over the last few years for callers to send me a biography on themselves with a portrait photo for the ACF website. Some older callers may remember there used to be an archive however that has been lost via a computer crash. This would only impact a minor group of us as most of us are younger callers now. I do have a few callers already but I would like more Queensland callers. Please send something to me or reach out to see what we are looking for.

Otherwise, stay fit and healthy. The ACF hopes all clubs are going well and starting to get back to a level or normality. Please keep up the good work and lets see if we can get some new callers in queensland.

Regards
Matthew Mills

Caller Training Officers Report for May 2021

Hi All,

Fortunately not a lot to report at this stage.

The program and development committee (PDC) have not met since 2019, so I have not been able to get any of my ideas ratified. Hopefully they will get together soon, nominate a chairman so we can get our caller training back on track again. One of my major ideas is to try and cater for remote learning so callers over the state can join in.

I don't want to leave such a small report, so I would like to mention again about the SSD (old club50 Program). For those watching the square dance callers facebook page, there is a lot of information about this program. There was a vote at callerlab to approve it as a program which is a good start. While some of us don't feel there is any change required, that's ok and if what you are doing is working, keep it going. However for those who are asking the following questions:

- How can I teach multiple classes a year.
- How do I build numbers faster.
- What can I do that's different in my area to cater for the change in society and therefore attract them to square dancing.

If you are asking the above, I believe SSD is for you. I'm using it as my base level for the club in Bundaberg and hardly anyone notices. I'm not teaching another night or session to make this happen. The stats are good and areas adopting this as the base level are finding numbers increasing fast. One positive I have found is I believe my teaching beginners is getting better as I'm doing it three times a year instead of once. Think about it.

I hope everyone's calling is going well and your back enjoying this activity again.

Regards

Matthew Mills

North Queensland VP's Report for May 2021

We are currently just Starting our year after a long spell due to Covid19, Our Local Council required us to do everything that we already achieved with the State and Federal Government on Requirements with Covid again not accepting what we had already done on top, they were 6 months behind.

Technically we were not even supposed to have started dancing as they were only working with Stage 2 of Covid19 rulings. Dancing in FNQ has already started within Cairn's area with the Demise of Cairns City Square Dance club, dancers that wished to keep Dancing migrated across to Ulysses Square Dance Club.

Sun City Square & Round Dance Club has stayed consistently with 1 set + a couple of extra Dancers and all still have much fun.

We at Sun City Square & Round Dance Club have gone forth and place a publicity advertisement on face book, Banners around Town and are going to spread leaflets to increase numbers.

Well for now I bid everybody In the Southern Region a big "HELLO" and hope to see you all soon whether visiting us at our home Clubs or us visiting yourselves in the future.

Best Regards

Darryl Burrows

North Qld Vice President

Sun City Square and Round Dance Club

39th Qld. State Convention Report for May 2021

39th QCA Qld State Convention 13th – 15th August 2021

'**FLORAL FIESTA**' – come to the Bay, for a BLOOMIN' good time **Theme** – Flowers Galore - Floral

Main Venue: Senior Citizens Hall, crnr Totness & Denham Camp Road, Torquay, 4655

Other Venue: Dan Dinna House, 459 Boat Harbour Drive, Torquay – Meeting only

Hall Hire

Senior Citizens Hall

- All set to go. We received a Certificate of Currency for QCA in March, thanks Jan.

Dan Dinna House

- 459 Boat Harbour Drive has been booked for August 13th Friday afternoon 2-4pm for the QCA Meeting.

We will endeavour to enlist volunteers to assist with setting up and providing afternoon tea etc. Many of our members will be over at the Senior Citz Hall for decorating purposes.

Convention Banner

- The corflu stage sign has been created and it is stored at a member's place in Glenray St, Urangan

Programming

- We have sent out the anticipated program to all who registered.
- We are in the process of compiling a Round Dance Program in the form of 2 brackets of 4 dances per evening. Past Qld State Convention Rounds' programmes are used to make selections, using music we have available. These will include John Stallard, Jane Rayner and Paula Armstrong as Cuers. Do you want one of us to announce them???

Registrations -

- Current registrations stand at 107. We are very impressed that we have quite a few from Victoria and NSW attending.
- Registered Callers and Cuer sheet attached – total registered is 13 – 2?=11

Ribbons

- Not yet ordered, awaiting final numbers

Treasury

- Current balance is \$3565.29 (includes HBSDC initial), latest statement attached.

A.O.B

- We have set aside one room as a cafe. There will be coffee & tea making facilities. Adjacent will also be an outdoor area where dancers can relax with a cuppa.
- COVID – We'll have to check re; QR App. I can't remember seeing a sign-in square. We still use sign in sheets at our Club, our Church Hall has no App. sign-in either. However, all those who registered are on our database, as such for them signing in as we always have done would be adequate.
- To comply with COVID regulations Hervey Bay has set out a plan of action. We are advising dancers NOT to attend if they feel unwell, instead to get checked and await the results. Hervey Bay Hospital has a COVID check-in point.
- How many tables are required on the stage? The stage is less than 9m long and about 2.5m deep.
- Sound – if the rounds are on USB, can they be played through somebody's laptop? Or could a Tablet be plugged into the QCA sound system? We need to play music for the opening ceremony, same questions.

We will have a meeting in the next couple of weeks. Should there be anything brought forward which requires your input, we'll be in touch again.

The QCA 2020 Floral Fiesta hosting committee

Per Samantha

Zoom for QCA Meetings

If you are interested in attending QCA meetings via ZOOM,
please contact the Secretary: qca.secretary@gmail.com
Please don't contact the Q-Call Editor about Zoom, he knows nothing.