

<u>OCA Presidents Comment</u> (for Nov. 2023)

Hello QCA Members,

The end of the year is fast approaching with some fun Halloween and Christmas parties on the horizon. The 40th State Convention was very successful, where dancers and callers alike had a great time. Thank you Nev, Bev, Matt and Anita for putting on a fun and happy weekend. Next year's combined Sunshine State Round-up and State Convention is now in the planning stage. A committee has been selected and more information will be available after its first meeting. The weekend will be hosted by the QCA and the Qld Square Dance Society in conjunction with the Society's 70th Birthday.

Rob and I are off to the Armidale weekend with visiting German caller Joachim Ruhenbeck. I'll let you know if I pick up any calling tips or tricks.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

See you soon,

Elaine Davis, QCA President.

Editors Comment (for Nov. 2023)

Hi Folks,

It would be great to see you at the meeting - please advise Elaine via email for catering purposes. There is a committee nomination form attached to this Q-Call. Consider becoming a part of the QCA Executive. Heads Up for a weekend Callers School in the New Year Regards, Glenn.

Please be advised that the 4th Quarterly General Meeting 2023

of:

The Queensland Callers Association will be held at:-

The home of Elaine & Rob Davis – 53 Twinview Rd, Elimbah, Qld., 4510

Starting at: **10am** Saturday 18th November 2023

AGENDA for the 4th 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
- Other Reports
- Special Business
- General Business.

Reports and Attachments

Minutes for: 3rd General Meeting QCA 2023

Date:- 5th August 2023 Time: 8:47am Venue:- Sun Coaster's Square Dance Centre – Dixon Road, BUDERIM QLD

Chairman's Opening Remarks:- In the absence of QCA President, Glenn Wilson welcomed all in attendance and thanked them for their effort in attending this the 3rd Quarterly meeting. He declared the meeting open at 8.47am

- Attendance: Nev McLachlan, Glenn Wilson, Frances McAlister, Matthew Mills, Kay Walker, Aaron Hoppe, Alan Evans, Bev McLachlan, Susan Mackley Apologies received:- Jan Hay, Elaine Davis, Rob Davis, David Smythe
- Minutes of previous meeting: The minutes from the previous meeting held in May 2023 have been circulated prior to this meeting in Q-Call
 Moved : Glenn Wilson

Seconded:- Kay Walker

CARRIED

CARRIED

- 3. Business Arising from those minutes:- to do list has been completed, no further business arising
- 4. Correspondence:-
 - INWARDS
 - 1) Convention Audit Report for 2022
 - 2) Copy of Insurance Cover 2023-24
 - 3) Certificate of currency 2023-24
 - 4) Treasurer's Report
 - 5) Notification 3 new members
 - 6) Renewal of Term Deposit
 - 7) Apologies Elaine & Rob Davis
 - OUTWARDS nil

Moved: Sue moved "that the correspondence Inwards be accepted and Outwards be endorsed. " Seconded: Glenn Wilson CARRIED

- 5. Business arising from correspondence Nil
- 6. Treasurer's Report: Glenn Wilson read Jan's Report in her absence

Moved: that the treasurer's report be accepted – Glenn WilsonSeconded: Alan EvansCARRIED

7. ACF State Co-ordinator's Report – Matthew Mills presented his report.

Brief discussion ensued re Caller's Licence and Licensing agreement

Moved: Matthew moved that his report be accepted **Seconded:** Alan Evans

8. Caller Training Officer's Report – Matthew Mills Brief discussion ensued. PDC to follow up regarding a 2-day Caller Training School Moved:- Matthew Moved his report be accepted Seconded: Kay Walker CARRIED

9. Regional Reports: Nil received

10. Convention Reports:- 40^{th} Ruby Convention Report present by Bev McLachlan

Discussion ensued regarding next year's convention being a combined event with Square Dance Society Qld who will be celebrating 70 years. – Further follow up needed as this is still in the process of being discussed at previous meetings.

Moved: Bev McLachlan moved her report be accepted **Seconded:** Alan Evans

CARRIED

11. Special Business: Glenn welcomed 3 new members to QCA

- o David Habler
- Sam Snape
- Andrew Young

12. General Business:-

- o Glenn raised awareness that the By Laws need updating especial regarding Apra/One Music Licence
- Alan Evans Caller Coach/etc certificates need updating.
- o Alan suggested that the PDC have their next meeting at Caloundra and include David Smythe
- Frances McAlister, thanked Matthew Mills for his successful Caller Training School, very well received by those in attendance.
- o Andrew Reid recently conducted a New Dancers/Learners school. Well done
- 13. Other Business there being no other Business

14. Next Quarterly Meeting;- 18th November 2023 at the home of Elaine & Rob Davis – Elimbah Qld. 4510

15. Meeting Closed:- 9.37

Minutes for: QCA Convention AGM 2023

Date:- 5thAugust 2022 Time: 9:50 Venue- Sun Coaster's Square Dance Centre, Dixon Road, Buderim

- **1. Chairman's opening remarks**:- Glenn Wilson (vice President QCA) welcomed everyone present, thanking them for their attendance .
- **2. Attendance**: Nev McLachlan, Bev McLachlan, Alan Evans, Sue Mackley, Kay Walker, Aaron Hoppe, Matthew Mills, Frances McAlister, Graham Jones, June Lambert, Howard Lambert, Lorraine Keenan
 Apologies received:- Jan Hay, Elaine & Rob Davis, David Smythe, Sid Leighton
- 3. Minutes of previous convention (39th) meeting: (August 2022) The minutes from the previous convention held in August 2022 have been circulated prior to this meeting, moved that these minutes be taken as read Moved : Glenn Wilson Seconded:- Kay Walker CARRIED
- **4. Business Arising** from those minutes:- The "to do list" has been completed, (ie responding to Hervey Bay Square Dance Club Inc request regarding newer dancers attending conventions.)

5. Correspondence:-

- INWARDS nil
- OUTWARDS to Hervey Bay Square Dance Club Inc

Moved: Sue moved that the correspondence Inwards be accepted and Outwards be endorsed.

Seconded: Glenn Wilson

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CARRIED

6. Business arising from correspondence - NIL

7. Treasurer's Report: - Previously presented at the QCA meeting which was held prior to this meeting. Auditors Report was presented, Read by Glenn

Moved: Glenn moved that the Auditor's/ Certifier's report be accepted Seconded: Alan Evans

- CARRIED
- 1. Business Arising from Treasurer's Report :- Matthew Mills raised the discussion regarding necessity of dual accounts (2 accounts for Conventions) QCA to talk further with Jan Hay prior to or to be resolved at the next QCA meeting being held in November.

8. 40th Convention Report:- Bev McLachlan presented the Convention Report

Many positive comments received from the floor regarding the convention thus far

Moved: Bev moved that her report be accepted Seconded: Lorraine Keenan

CARRIED

General Business:

- Congratulations to the Convention Committee and volunteers, great job
- Great Decorations •
- 70th Birthday for Qld Square Dance Society- Previous request to QCA for a joint convention Dates to be set ASAP ?? August 2024

There being no further business,

Meeting Closed at 10:12am

ACTION LIST

Who	Is to do what	By when (time frame)
QCA & SDSQld	Decision on venue & location for combined convention event	ASAP

Treasurers Report for August 2023

OUEENSLAND CALLERS ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD 1/05/23 – 31/7/ \$4,412-36

Opening Balance

INCOME

QCA	330-00
QCA affil	40-00
ACF	572-00
ONE MUSIC	<u>1,455-00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,397-00

EXPENDITURE

ACF ONE MUSIC DANCESURANCE <u>TOTAL</u>	572-00 1,535-00 <u>437-75</u> 2,544-75		
TOTAL LOSS FOR PERIOD	\$147-75	<u>147-75</u>	
BALANCE AS AT 31/07/23		\$4,264-61	

TERM DEPOSIT \$11,795-83 due 5/8/23

ACF State Co-ordinator Report for August 2023

Hi All,

By this stage, our QCA and ACF renewals have been completed by our members. Following this, I'll be working through all our callers records to approve the ACF side. Just a reminder to please update your caller hours logs.

For our new trainee callers, please make sure you are recording the time for the brackets or single calls you are calling. This helps me to assist with national accreditation. I will have to check these with the callers in the clubs you are calling as I'm not able to travel around to all areas.

We have a new chairman of the ACF, Di Ashton from Tasmania. It's great having new blood come in. Di has been working behind the scenes lots to get to know all board members. She has tackled this role from a new angle by calling all board members to discuss what our roles are, what the ACF does well and what the ACF can improve on. She is open to hear from any ACF members.

There has been some movement on the board, with Jaden Frigo, Laurina Collyer coming on and Gary Petersen dropping off.

Steve Turner was elected to represent QLD on the PAP committee as Nev and I are not eligible as we are both on the committee of the National.

Some One music news, the price will stay at \$80 for current members and \$85 for new members. This was not expected as the price was supposed to go up however it's good news for our members. The ACF secretary has advised that our license is now and all you can eat and you can play radio music. He did mention that trainee callers really do need a music license now and no longer fall under their mentor's license. From a National convention perspective, you will need a OneMusic license to call at the event.

On the callerlab front, International caller cost to join as price has been halved. This reason is callerlab's approach to help gain more members internationally. Graham Elliot has advised again, if we had 20 more aussie callers, we could have swayed the basic/ms votes. Maybe grand slide can be officially on the list.

The ACF is looking to host their next Caller Conference around the 2025 QLD national convention. This is a great opportunity for Queenslanders to get to one of the best functions that is hosted in Australia. The dates are 3rd, 4th & 5th July 2025. Start saving now for this event which is 127 weeks away. If we put away \$10 a week now, we will certainly have \$1270 ready to get to this function.

We have a facebook page up and going now for the conference with the committee being the admins on this. Please join it to see more information.

Caller assessments have been completed and submitted to the website for Darwin programming. We did have some new younger callers getting assessed which is fantastic.

To finish up, let me leave the following thought with you. If Di Ashton rang you, what could you say the ACF does well, what could they improve on. How can the ACF help you. If you have any thoughts on this, you can send this to me or forward direct to Di.

Regards

Matthew Mills

Caller Training Officers Report for August 2023

Hi All,

I left everyone with the following self reflection questions in my previous report, have you done them and if not, here is the list:

- 1. Did you purchase new music in 2022?
- 2. If you answered no to the first question, did you do this over the holidays?
- 3. What did you do well in 2022?
- 4. What did you not do well with in 2022?
- 5. What goals have you set for 2023?

It's important to take the time to answer these questions as if we don't, we are not seeing what we can do better. We are not improving our weekly act and therefore not improving our entertainment of our dancers.

Glenn did his caller's school on the use of table top dancers with modules. I know it was well received and he did a good job trying to cater for those who are present and those in the zoom land.

Alan presented a callers school in May on equivalents. I heard this was a good session for all in attendance.

I was in NSW recently to present at the Northern NSW 5 day callers school. We had 4 callers pull out which was sad however we made it through. This 5 day school is fantastic for new callers as we cover so much foundation content. I found this callers school was challenging from that perspective as we couldn't do much mike time so we had to find other ways around it. One thing I was proud to achieve from this callers school is I have now presented the entire Callerlab caller curriculum. It was good to hand callers 30 - 50 pages of hard work and see them achieve good things.

I see we have a number of new trainees in Queensland. As I haven't been able to meet you all in person, please feel free to email me as I would like to put a face to all the names. I'm happy to have a zoom session to talk in person.

To finish off my report, I have a question - If a weekend caller school was organised somewhere in Queensland, would you be interested in attending? What format would suit, 2 or 3 days?

Regards

Matthew Mills

North Queensland VP's Report for August 2023

No report received

39 th QId. State Convention Report for August 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY 5-7 August 2022 Income/Expenditure 1 Jan to 31 December 2021:			
INCOME	\$	EXPENDITURE	\$
QCA's Setup Advance	500.00	Ribbons	113.19
Registration Fees	2140.00	Refunds	40.00
Overpayment	381.00	Overpayment	381.00
		Printing	93.37
		Miscellaneous	6.30
		Catering	411.70
		Hall Hire	500.00
		Refund QCA for	500.00
		Setup Advance	
TOTAL INCOME	\$3021.00	TOTAL EXP	\$2045.56
Income \$3021.0 0 Expenses \$2045.5			

Bank Reconciliation Club Acct 633-000 158571836:

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\$975.44

Opening Balance as at 1 Oct 2021	\$10.00
<i>plus</i> Income	3021.00
<i>less</i> Expenditure	2045.56
Expected BALANCE as at 31 Dec 2021 (incl \$10 opening balance)	\$985.44
BALANCE as at 1 Sep 2022 as per Bank Statement	\$985.44
No Interact was reasilized	

• No Interest was received.

Nett Profit

• Transaction Fees were charged (but reversed) monthly – hence not shown in this reconciliation.

18 Oct 2022: *Robert C. Davis*

40th Qld. State Convention Report for August 2023

Report to the QCA Meetings Saturday 5th August 2023

This report is presented on behalf of the Sub Committee organizing the 40th QCA State Convention.

We would like to sincerely thank the dancers, callers and cuers who have registered to attend this Convention. We hope that they all enjoy this event.

The Proposed Convention Programme is as follows

Friday 4 th	1.00 pm – 4.00 pm 7.00 pm	Decorating Hall & Collection of Registration Package Rounds
	7.30 pm - 10.00 pm	Theme dress in "Ruby"
		Mainstream with Rounds and including the Opening Ceremony
Saturday 5 th	8.45 am – 10.45 am 11.00 am - 12 noon	QCA Quarterly Meeting followed by Convention Meeting "A"
	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm 7.00 pm – 7.30 pm	Plus Mainstream Rounds
	7.30 pm – 10.00 pm	Mainstream with Rounds and including Banner Parade & Dressed Sets Music from the 80's
Sunday 6 th	10.00 am – 12 noon	Social morning with games and finishing with a Sausage Sizzle
	12 noon – 2.00 pm	Plus and "A"
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	Mainstream with Rounds
	4.00 pm	Farewell Afternoon Tea.
ATTENDEES T	O DATE	
Dancer Regist	ration to date:-	82 dancers from the following areas Qld, NSW, Victoria, Tasmania, and South Australia
Break UP of d	ancer level	
	Mains	stream 82
	Plus 7	3
	A1 20	
	A2 17	
	Round	ds 26
	BBQ 7	

These figures have taken into account the 2 cancellations that we have been advised of. We have been informed that there will be dancers attending for some of the sessions and have not purchased week-end tickets.

This committee made use of Google Forms so that dancers could register on-line. This decision was made because of the overwhelming success of this form of registration by the 62nd National Square Dance Convention. Though some dancers did take advantage of this method the majority did not. The printed forms was the most popular.

Caller /Cuers Registration. We are happy to advise that we have 10 Callers (Qld, NSW, Vic, Tas) and 2 Cuers (Qld, Vic) registered to offer their services. Unfortunately not many offered their services to carry out the MC duties required.

Square Dance Programme: A varied programme has been done and we thank the PDC for their assistance.

Round Dance Programme: As this is the 40th convention, older round dances not currently on the National Dance List have been included on this programme. Hopefully this will see even more dancers on the floor.

Dressed Sets & Banner Parade: All clubs and groups have been invited and encouraged to participate. Unfortunately the response for this special segment on Saturday night has not been good. Hopefully there will be more participate in the this Parade tonight. This segment will also include the Club Banner parade.

Raffles: There will be draws on Friday and Saturday nights with plenty of prizes being offered by Suncoasters.

Friday Night Theme night was dress in "Ruby" to celebrate this special 40th Convention.

Camp sites: dancers have once again taken advantage of this facility.

Sunday Morning Social: a fun morning to participate or watch some good old-fashioned games – egg and spoon race, can you eat 3 SAO's and then whistle a tune? And then finish off with a sausage sizzle before the final afternoon of dancing.

Finances: To date there is \$2,558.10 in the bank account. Our expenses to date have been the refund of 2 dance tickets and the Ribbons of \$83.49.

Expenses to come will include:- hall hire, refreshments, refund of the incentive prize \$40.00 and photocopying. It is anticipated that there will be a surplus to hand over.

Convention Programme Booklet: This sub-committee has made the decision not to go to the expense of printing a hard copy booklet but will instead print off the programme on a sheet of paper. Copies of the programme will also be displayed around the hall.

We would like to thank the QCA for the opportunity of organizing this event and hope that we have done what has been required. We will present a final financial report at the next QCA meeting.

Your hosts Matt & Anita Mills & Nev & Bev McLachlan = The M & M's

INCOME	2		TOTAL
	Week-end Tickets		
61	\$40 WEEK-END TICKETS	\$2,440.00	
	Refunds 2 x 40 2 x 30	-\$140.00	
	PRIZE	-\$40.00	
17	\$ 50.00 WEEKEND TICKETS	\$850.00	
	Total Week-end Tickets		\$3,110.00
	SESSION TICKETS		
7	Friday Nite @ \$15	\$105.00	
8	Saturday Afternoon @ \$15	\$120.00	
16	Saturday Night @ \$15	\$240.00	
5	Sunday Afternoon @ \$15	\$75.00	
	Total Session Tickets	- 21 C	\$540.00
	Interest Received	3	\$1.59
	TOTAL INCOME		\$3,651.59
EXPENDI	URE		
	Ribbons	\$83.49	
	Printing Rego forms, Flyers, Programmes	\$119.90	
	Catering Items Including BBQ	\$363.60	
	Hall Hire	\$600.00	
	Decorations	\$185.42	
	Social Activity (Games)	\$40.70	
	TOTAL EXPENSES		\$1,393.11
	SURPLUS		\$2,258.48

Financial Statement for the Convention.

The Convention's financial records have been examined and state that the Convention's financial records show that adequate bookkeeping processes were in place to correctly record and explain transactions to enable a true and fair financial statement to be prepared.

Bev McLachlan Registrar and Treasurer For the 40th QCA QLD State Convention.

for QCA Meetings

The QCA has purchased a Zoom license for our meetings. Contact **Elaine Davis** for meeting details at: <u>rob.elaine.davis5@bigpond.com</u>