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**John-Paul Langbroek MP**  
Deputy Leader of the Opposition



Mineral House  
Level 7,  
41 George Street  
PO Box 15057  
City East QLD 4002

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Cr Bill Lewis  
Mayor, Burdekin Shire Council  
145 Young Street  
Ayr QLD 4807

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Dear Cr Lewis *Bill,*

I would like to thank you and your Councillors for hosting Dale, Fiona and me over lunch during my visit to Ayr last week.

The discussions were very informative and I appreciate you engaging with the Queensland Opposition on important matters concerning your region.

If there is anything I can assist you with in my capacity as the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, please don't hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to catching up again in the near future.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John-Paul Langbroek".

**John-Paul Langbroek MP**  
**Deputy Leader of the Opposition**  
**Shadow Treasurer**  
**Shadow Minister for the Commonwealth Games**

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*A Short Story is more than  
just a story...  
It is an Adventure!!!*

To The Friends of The Burdekin Theatre,  
My Name is Tegan Palombi, and I have  
placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Year 7 and over Short  
Story Solo in the Burdekin Junior  
Eisteddfod. I'd like to thank you for  
sponsoring the Eisteddfod and hope  
that you will continue to sponsor it in the  
future.

Cheers  
Tegan Palombi ☺

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## Trapped in the surreal world of nightmares

The phone's cheery ringtone broke the silence, making the grim mood of the situation I'm in lighten a bit. I force my grief-stricken body to move from my cramped position on the lounge room floor, slowly through the darkness, groping for the table that supports the phone. I find the table and feel my way up to the phone, the phone cord tangled around my arm. I grab the phone and press it to my ear. An unpleasant static noise fills my ears and then I hear a man's voice. *The voice.* I wish that I had never picked up the phone. The voice of something more destructive than lava, more angrier than a thunderstorm and more powerful than a bolt of lightning. The voice promises destruction. The voice promises death.

"You knew this was coming." The voice said.

"You always knew!!! I WILL find you, and you know it"

Then the next sound I hear appears to be a shout in the background and once again static fills my ears. I drop the phone in shock and sink to the floor. For a moment, everything seems tranquil and calm. Then all the glass objects in the house simultaneously explode. Windows, mirrors, glass bowls, plates and cups. Glass shards fly in every direction, one of them embedding itself into the skin on my shoulder. At first, all I feel is the impact of the shard hitting me, as it was flying with such force and speed. I cut off my sleeve with a sharp shard of glass on the floor beside me. I almost faint at the sight of my shoulder. Coated in a thick layer of red, dripping liquid, a fairly bloodied, jagged mirror shard sticks out of my shoulder. I find my fingers curling around the mirror shard ever so slowly, and before I could stop myself, I yank the shard out of my shoulder. The pain is too much to bear, like a merciless army drilling their weapons into my shoulder. My hands are shaking and my skin looks grey from the pale moonlight that filters through the tattered curtains that were attacked by the flying glass shards. I let a cry escape my lips, and sit on the floor hugging my knees, feeling small and defeated, slowly rocking backwards and forwards. Only do I look up when the front door falls down, and I see him. A towering figure stands in the doorway, with glowing red demon eyes and strong, powerful arms. Scaly skin the colour of fire embraces his body tightly, and a forked tongue flicks over his dry cracked lips. His eyes show hunger, for what he would call justice. My death. He carries only one visible weapon, a large rifle. And then he speaks with the same voice the man on the phone did.

"I told you I would find you!!!"

Then he points his gun at me. A satisfied grin grows steadily across his mutant face, replacing the look of hunger and anger.

"Let's finish this now!!!"

He fires the bullet, and I look for one last beautiful image to see before my death. I see a pot of daisies lying on its side. And then everything fades away.

I wake with a start, in a deep pool of sweat, and look around. I'm in my room and everything's orderly. B-B-but how??? My head swivels and I find myself staring at my digital alarm clock. Its illuminated numbers

show 3:37 am. I sigh and swallow the lump in my throat, calming down. Until I realise that I am not alone. A silhouette crouches down beside my bed, shadows cast over their face. I panic until he speaks softly.

"Are you okay, Sweetie? I heard you crying and I thought something was wrong."

I knew that voice anywhere. Whether it is his encouraging voice when I am at a cricket tournament, cheering me on, or here, in the darkness that engulfs us, calming me down. Dad.

"Sorry Dad. I had a nightmare. That's all." I briefly describe the horrible scene I'd dreamed to him.

He nods, solemnly.

"But you know it didn't actually happen." He looks at me, and his eyes take a distant look. "It was just a bad dream. You're okay now. You know that I won't let any harm come to you."

He gives me an assuring smile. I weakly smile back at him. And then my bedroom door creaks open. In the doorway stands the demon-like man from my dream. His large rifle is in his hand. He slowly raises it and says...

"You thought that you could escape. You thought that once the dream was over, that was it? Well, you thought **WRONG!!!**"

I look over and see Dad's pale, bloodless face. His hands are shaking and he looks as though he might faint. He swallows slowly and whispers...

"Is this really happening?"

"Yes!!!"

"Is this the man from your dream?"

"Yes!!!" I reply fearfully.

Dad picks up my cricket bat, and protectively slides in front of me. He quickly whispers in my ear.

"Run. I'll deal with this man. I know what he wants. I unfortunately have some unfinished business with him. I love you.

Those were the last words I heard from my father. He turns to face the demon man, a defiant expression on his face. And that was the moment that I saw my own father get shot and explode into a million stars.

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We welcome and value your ideas. Any suggestions on how we can improve our Customer Service Centre would be appreciated.

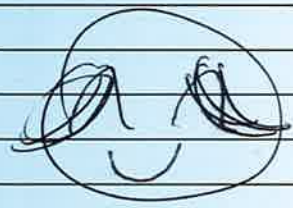
Home Hill Comfort Stop  
great lots of parking  
showers excellent & toilets  
very good. Did not use  
bbq but others did.

All this for free - awesome  
Spent money in the town for  
food & meals + drinks @  
2 of the pubs.

Walking distance to  
shops great.

Only negative were  
van parked (younger  
travellers) playing loud  
music but we parked  
away from the bbq area  
so not too bad.

Thank you, keep up  
the good work!



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# Customer Feedback



Burdekin Shire Council always welcomes feedback on the quality of service we provide. Our Customer Service Centre endeavours to provide you with the highest possible level of service. Using this Feedback brochure, please take a few moments to tell us what you think about your recent contact with us. We especially appreciate comments and suggestions that help us improve our service as your comments can make a difference.





## Requests For Service

1. Have you made a request for service and how would you rate your experience?

- ☐ Better than expected
- ☐ As expected
- ☐ Worse than expected

☒ Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_

2. Have you made a complaint to Council and how would you rate the outcome?

- ☐ Better than expected
- ☐ As expected
- ☐ Worse than expected

☒ Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_

3. Has your request been completed on time and to the required standards?

- ☐ Better than expected
- ☐ As expected
- ☐ Worse than expected

☒ Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_

4. Has your experience with council improved and how would you rate the level of service you receive?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No
- ☐ Better than expected
- ☐ As expected
- ☐ Worse than expected

☒ Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_

5. General Comments

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## Front Counter

1. Reason for your visit

Feedback re Home Hill Contact Stop

2. Do you consider the total time you waited in the queue:

- ☐ Better than expected
- ☐ As expected
- ☐ Worse than expected
- ☐ Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_

no queue

3. Please rate the professionalism of the Customer Service Officer (CSO):

- ☐ Excellent
- ☒ Good
- ☐ Satisfactory
- ☐ Poor. Please give reason \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please rate the CSO's knowledge and understanding:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☒ Good
- ☐ Satisfactory
- ☐ Poor. Please give reason \_\_\_\_\_

5. Please rate the CSO's enthusiasm and courtesy:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☒ Good
- ☐ Satisfactory
- ☐ Poor. Please give reason \_\_\_\_\_

Served by \_\_\_\_\_ Date June 2015

Barbara @ Information Centre.

## Telephone

1. Have you ever phoned Council's main phone number? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Please rate the total time you waited for your call to be answered:

- ☐ Better than expected
- ☐ As expected
- ☐ Worse than expected
- ☐ Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_

3. Please rate the professionalism of the switch operator:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Satisfactory
- ☐ Poor. Please give reason \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please rate the switch operators ability to handle your call effectively:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Satisfactory
- ☐ Poor. Please give reason \_\_\_\_\_

5. Please rate the CSO's enthusiasm and courtesy:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Satisfactory
- ☐ Poor. Please give reason \_\_\_\_\_

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Dear Burdekin Shire Council,

Hello my name is Liberty  
Troy and Olivia Licciardello,  
Aimee Oar and I came 3rd  
in the section. We appreciate  
it very much.

Many Thanks

Liberty Troy

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To, The Burdekin Shire Council

I'm writing to you out of my thanks and appreciation for sponsoring the Year 7 and over Black and White drawing at the Eisteddfod this year. I was genuinely surprised to earn first place and a beautiful trophy! Seeing it gives me great motivation to continue my drawing for many years to come.

Thank you again!

Sincerely, Chelsea Longdon

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22A Bandalong St  
Temworth 2340 NSW.  
22 June 2015.

Mayor,

My husband & I recently stayed for 3 days at the Cascades Caravan Park & we were so very impressed, from the very moment we spoke with Marilyn your manager / care taker.

You & your council members should be very proud of Marilyn & she is a real asset.

Nothing, & I mean nothing was a trouble to her. Marilyn helped with getting us settled on our site & showed us where everything was. She was also knowledgeable with the area, with what to do & see.

We were very grateful for everything she did, not only for us but for every guest. She worked hard around the grounds & the facilities were impeccable. What a great employee & asset you have. Our thanks to her, & please pass this onto her.

Yours sincerely Cheryl & Barry Smith.  
(3.6.15)

Your ref:  
Our ref: 2015-4233  
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25 June 2015

Councillor Bill Lewis  
Chairman  
Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc.  
C/O Burdekin Shire Council  
PO Box 974  
AYR QLD 4807

Dear Councillor Lewis

**Special Purpose Financial Statements—2014–15  
Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc.**

I enclose for your information the certified Special Purpose Financial Statements as required by s.40(4) of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*.

A modified auditor's report has been issued. The report has been modified to include an emphasis of matter paragraph for the wind-up of the Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc. and for the special purpose basis of accounting.

Details of this modified audit opinion will be included in a future report to Parliament.

There were no significant issues arising from the final audit of the Board.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Weh  
Engagement Leader

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**BURDEKIN CULTURAL COMPLEX BOARD INC.**

**ABN : 38 161 809 872**

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**30 April 2015**

**BURDEKIN CULTURAL COMPLEX BOARD INC.**

**ABN : 38 161 809 872**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2015**

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**BURDEKIN CULTURAL COMPLEX BOARD INC.**  
A.B.N. 38 161 809 872

**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>Revenue</b>			
Board Administration	2	135,985	262,988
Burdekin Theatre	3	107,564	98,011
Trading Activities	4	44,463	30,779
Community Productions	5	-	11,740
Burdekin Memorial Hall	6	53,384	56,226
Board Promotions	7	19,908	99,633
Board Rentals		223,013	165,218
<b>Total revenue</b>		<u>584,317</u>	<u>724,595</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Board Administration	8	32,574	30,021
Burdekin Theatre Administration	9	85,842	69,038
Burdekin Theatre Operating Expenses	10	262,458	266,443
Promotional Activities	11	41,754	15,997
Bar Operations	12	13,592	10,085
Burdekin Memorial Hall Administration	13	20,688	21,135
Burdekin Memorial Hall Operating Expenses	14	31,996	17,990
Board Promotions	15	69,761	98,750
Board Rentals	16	225,979	163,894
Community Productions	17	-	5,772
<b>Total operating expenditure</b>		<u>784,644</u>	<u>699,125</u>
<b>Operating result from continuing operations</b>	27	<u>( 200,327)</u>	<u>25,470</u>
<b>Capital expenses</b>			
Net transfer of assets to Burdekin Shire Council	32	36,957	-
Net Loss on sale of motor vehicle		<u>2,390</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total capital expenses</b>		<u>39,347</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total Comprehensive Income/(loss) for the period</b>	27	<u><u>( 239,674)</u></u>	<u><u>25,470</u></u>

**BURDEKIN CULTURAL COMPLEX BOARD INC.**  
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 30 APRIL 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and Other Equivalents	19	-	251,377
Trade & Other Receivables	20	-	16,419
Other Current Assets	21	-	6,078
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>273,874</u>
<b>Non-current Assets</b>			
Property Plant & Equipment	22	-	9,039
<b>Total non-current Assets</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>9,039</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>282,913</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade & Other Payables	23	-	11,470
Short Term Provision	24	-	11,354
Other Current Liability	25	-	5,471
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>28,295</u>
<b>Non-current Liabilities</b>			
Long Term Provision	26	-	14,944
<b>Total non-current Liabilities</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>14,944</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>43,239</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>239,674</u>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Accumulated Surplus	27	<u>-</u>	<u>239,674</u>

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2015**

	Accumulated Surplus \$	Total \$
<b>Balance at 30 April 2013</b>	<u>214,204</u>	<u>214,204</u>
Operating Result from Continuing Operations	25,470	25,470
<b>Balance at 30 April 2014</b>	<u>239,674</u>	<u>239,674</u>
Total Comprehensive Income / Loss for the Period	( 239,674)	( 239,674)
<b>Balance at 30 April 2015</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2015**

	Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>Cash flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Receipts from Customers		536,569	467,659
Interest Received		1,899	3,864
Receipts from Grants		79,252	301,099
Payment to Suppliers & Employees		( 822,012)	( 765,880)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in)</b>			
<b>operating activities</b>	29b	<u>( 204,292)</u>	<u>6,742</u>
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</b>			
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment		<u>5,910</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net cash inflow (outflow) from Investing Activities</b>		<u>5,910</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash held</b>		<u>( 198,382)</u>	<u>-</u>
Transfer Balance of Cash to Burdekin Shire Council		( 52,995)	-
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash held</b>		<u>( 251,377)</u>	<u>6,742</u>
Cash at Beginning of Financial Year		251,377	244,635
<b>Cash at end of year</b>	29a	<u>-</u>	<u>251,377</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2015**

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**NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**a) Basis of Preparation**

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity. The users of these financial statements are the Management Committee and the Members.

This entity is not for profit and the period of the financial statements is from 1 May 2014 to 30 April 2015. The objectives of the Board are to promote, encourage and extend in the Shire of Burdekin activities of an artistic nature in all their respects.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values.

The entity applies the following accounting standards:

- AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows
- AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates & Errors
- AASB 110 Events After The Reporting Period

**Dissolution of Burdekin Cultural Complex Board**

In accordance with Ordinary Meeting of the Burdekin Cultural Complex Board of 16 February 2015, the Board ceased trading on the 31 March 2015 and will be deregistered with the Office of Fair Trading after the completion of audit of these financial statements. The management and administration of the venues and all responsibilities of the Board and all assets, liabilities, rights, privileges and property of the Board were transferred to Burdekin Shire Council as of the 1st of April 2015 in accordance with section 32 of the Board's Constitution.

While the Burdekin Cultural Complex Board is no longer considered to be a going concern, the financial statements have been prepared consistent with the going concern basis as the Board's functions will continue to be delivered by the Burdekin Shire Council.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

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**b) Employee Benefits**

Liabilities are recognised for employee benefits such as wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave in respect of services provided by the employees up to the reporting date. Liabilities for employee benefits are assessed at each reporting date. Where it is expected that the leave will be paid in the next twelve months the liability is treated as short term liability. Otherwise the liability is treated as long term.

***Wages, Salaries and Sick Leave***

Wages and salaries due but unpaid at reporting date are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position at the current salary rates in respect of employee's services up to that date.

***Sick Leave***

Sick leave taken in the future will be met by future entitlements and hence no recognition of accrued sick leave entitlements have been made in these financial statements. No entitlement vests with the employee on termination.

***Annual Leave***

A liability for annual leave is recognised. Amounts expected to be settled within 12 months are calculated on current wage and salary levels and includes related employee co-costs. Amounts not expected to be settled within 12 months are calculated on projected future wage and salary levels and related employee on-costs, and are discounted to present values.

As the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer this liability beyond 12 months, all annual leave is classified as a current liability.

This liability is reported in note 23 as a payable.

***Long Service Leave***

A liability for long service leave is measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. The value of the liability is calculated using current pay rates and projected future increases in those rates and includes related employee on-costs. The estimates are adjusted for the probability of the employee remaining in the Board's employment or other associated employment which would result in the Board being required to meet the liability. Adjustments are then made to allow for the proportion of the benefit earned to date, and the result is discounted to present value.

Where employees have met the requisite length of service and the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer this liability beyond 12 months, long service leave is classified as a current liability. Otherwise it is classified as non-current.

The liability is reported in notes 24 current liability and 26 non-current liability as a provision.



**BURDEKIN CULTURAL COMPLEX BOARD INC.**  
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***Superannuation***

The superannuation expense for the reporting period is the amount of the contribution the local government makes to the superannuation plan which provides benefits to its employees.

**c) Taxation**

Income of the Burdekin Cultural Complex Board is exempt from Commonwealth taxation under provisions of the Income Tax Assessment Act. The Board is subject to Fringe Benefit Tax and Goods and Services Tax ('GST').

**d) Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

Grants, contributions, donations and gifts that are non-reciprocal in nature are recognised as revenue in the year in which the Board obtains control over them. Where grants are received that are reciprocal in nature, revenue is recognised over the term of the funding arrangements.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

**e) Cash**

For the purpose of the Statement of Financial Position and the Statement of Cash Flows, cash assets include all cash and cheques receipted but not banked as well as deposits at call with financial institutions and cash on hand.

**f) Economic Dependency**

The Board received grant funding from the Burdekin Shire Council ("Council") to help meet administrative and promotional costs. The level of grant funding received by the Board is based on the Board's budget for the respective year. Under the terms of the management agreement between Board and the Council there is no guarantee that the Council will fund any costs in excess of the initial budget.

The Board is therefore dependent on the continued support of the Council in order to satisfy both budgeted and non-budgeted expenditure.

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**g) Receivables**

Trade debtors are recognised at the amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement of these amounts is required within 30 days from invoice date.

**h) Property, plant and equipment**

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by management to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flow that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

***Depreciation***

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the Board commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each asset is:

Motor Vehicle	Depreciation rate	11.11%
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The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. The residual values and useful lives are disclosed in note 22.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income.

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**i) Payables**

Trade Creditors are recognised upon receipt of goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/ contract price net of applicable discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

**j) Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

**k) Comparative Figures**

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest \$1.

Comparative information has been restated where necessary to be consistent with disclosures in the current reporting period.

**l) Accounting Estimates and Judgments**

The preparation of financial statements necessarily requires the determination and use of certain critical accounting estimates, assumptions and management judgements that have the potential to cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Such estimates, judgements and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in future periods as relevant.

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	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>2 Board Administration</b>		
Hire of Theatre - Running Costs Recovery	57,632	56,938
Council Contributions	78,353	206,050
	<u>135,985</u>	<u>262,988</u>
<b>3 Burdekin Theatre</b>		
Burdekin Theatre Administration	2,156	505
Operating Expenses Revenue - Contributions	900	18,924
Hire of Theatre - Wages Recovery	49,547	40,770
Theatre Fees & Charges	54,961	37,812
	<u>107,564</u>	<u>98,011</u>
<b>4 Trading Activities</b>		
Promotional Activities	21,456	15,087
Bar Income	23,007	15,692
	<u>44,463</u>	<u>30,779</u>
<b>5 Community Productions</b>		
Community Productions - Contributions	-	11,740
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,740</u>
<b>6 Burdekin Memorial Hall</b>		
Operating Revenue - Hiring of Hall	21,977	23,672
Burdekin Memorial Hall Fees & Charges	31,407	32,554
	<u>53,384</u>	<u>56,226</u>
<b>7 Board Promotions</b>		
Board Promotions - Contributions	-	64,385
Board Promotions - Ticket Sales	19,908	35,248
	<u>19,908</u>	<u>99,633</u>

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	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>8 Board Administration</b>		
Audit Fees	6,300	6,400
Bank Charges	557	600
Insurance	4,745	4,588
Motor Vehicle Expenses	3,060	3,943
Fringe Benefits Tax	1,465	125
Salaries	8,818	9,568
Depreciation Expense	738	822
Subscriptions/Membership	2,359	3,061
Sundry Expenses	3,539	720
Donation	-	194
Write Off GST Receivable	993	-
	<u>32,574</u>	<u>30,021</u>
<b>9 Burdekin Theatre Administration</b>		
Management Contract	85,842	69,038
	<u>85,842</u>	<u>69,038</u>
<b>10 Burdekin Theatre Operating Expenses</b>		
Salaries	207,421	214,544
Superannuation	38,661	32,290
Friends of the Theatre Expenses	7,117	8,377
Postage, Freight & Cartage	432	426
Staff Training	602	3,029
Sundry Expenses	593	1,543
Ticketing Fees	7,632	6,234
	<u>262,458</u>	<u>266,443</u>
<b>11 Promotional Activities</b>		
Hire of Equipment	9,882	473
Advertising & Promotion	31,166	15,220
Entertainment	382	304
Sundry Expenses	324	-
	<u>41,754</u>	<u>15,997</u>

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	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>12 Bar Operations</b>		
Bar - Purchase	7,611	5,046
Bar - Wages	5,421	4,261
Licences & Permits	552	718
Sundry Expenses	8	60
	<u>13,592</u>	<u>10,085</u>
<b>13 Burdekin Memorial Hall Administration</b>		
Salaries	20,688	21,135
	<u>20,688</u>	<u>21,135</u>
<b>14 Burdekin Memorial Hall Operating Expenses</b>		
Salaries	30,459	13,672
Superannuation	173	4,276
Sundry Expenses	1,364	42
	<u>31,996</u>	<u>17,990</u>
<b>15 Board Promotions</b>		
Cost of Productions	69,761	98,750
	<u>69,761</u>	<u>98,750</u>
<b>16 Board Rentals</b>		
Costs of Productions	133,021	101,319
Payment to Promoter	92,958	62,575
	<u>225,979</u>	<u>163,894</u>
<b>17 Community Productions</b>		
Council Contribution	-	5,772
	<u>-</u>	<u>5,772</u>

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	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>18 Employee Expenses</b>		
Wages	362,380	318,456
Superannuation	<u>65,747</u>	<u>63,150</u>
	<u>428,127</u>	<u>381,606</u>
<b>19 Cash &amp; Other Equivalents</b>		
Cash at Bank	-	11,990
ANZ V2 Leave Accruals A/c	-	43,285
ANZ V2 Investment A/c	-	185,000
ANZ Payroll A/c	-	9,302
Cash on Hand	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>251,377</u>
<b>20 Trade &amp; Other Receivables</b>		
Sundry Debtors	-	12,245
Accrued Revenue	-	
GST Receivable	<u>-</u>	<u>2,240</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>14,485</u>
<b>Related Parties</b>		
Amounts Receivable from Burdekin Shire Council	<u>-</u>	<u>1,934</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,934</u>
<b>21 Other Current Assets</b>		
Prepayments	<u>-</u>	<u>6,078</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>6,078</u>

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	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>22 (a) Property, Plant &amp; Equipment</b>		
Motor Vehicle	-	24,652
Less Accumulated Depreciation	-	15,613
	<u>-</u>	<u>9,039</u>
<b>(b) Detailed Property, Plant &amp; Equipment</b>		
<i>Asset Values</i>		
Opening Gross Value	24,652	24,652
Disposals	( 24,652)	-
Closing Gross Value	-	24,652
<i>Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment</i>		
Opening Balance	15,613	14,791
Depreciation provided in period	738	822
Depreciation on Disposals	( 16,351)	-
Closing Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment Balance	-	15,613
Net Value	<u>-</u>	<u>9,039</u>
 Residual Value	-	7,396
Estimated Useful Life in Years	-	9
<b>23 Trade &amp; Other Payables</b>		
Sundry Creditors	-	3,917
Accrued Expenses	-	-
GST Payable	-	1,284
Superannuation Payable	-	404
Provision for PAYG Tax	-	5,865
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,470</u>
<b>24 Short Term Provisions</b>		
Employee Benefits - Annual Leave	-	11,354
Employee Benefits - Long Service Leave	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,354</u>



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	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>25 Other Current Liability</b>		
Deposits in Advance	-	5,471
	-	5,471
<b>26 Long Term Provision</b>		
Employee Benefits - Long Service Leave	-	14,944
	-	14,944
<b>27 Accumulated Surplus</b>		
Accumulated Surplus at the beginning of the reporting period	239,674	214,204
Total changes in equity recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income	( 239,674)	25,470
	-	239,674
<b>28 Related Parties</b>		
<b>(a) Directors</b>		
The Directors of the board who held office during the financial year are:		
Cr B Lewis	Mrs L Henderson	
Cr L McCathie	Mr J Gooding	
Cr U Liessmann	Mr R Marriott	
Cr LA Loizou	Mr J Woods	
Cr R Lewis	Mrs TP List	
Contributions from Burdekin Shire Council	78,353	300,920
<b>(b) Remuneration</b>		
Total remuneration received by Directors of the Board or any related party for management of the Board and from the Board for management of any related parties.	-	-

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	2015	2014
	\$	\$
<b>29 Statement of Cash Flows</b>		
<b>(a) Reconciliation of Cash</b>		
Cash at the end of financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position are as follows:		
Cash at Bank	-	11,990
Cash on Hand	-	1,800
ANZ V2 Leave Accruals A/c	-	43,285
ANZ V2 Investment A/c	-	185,000
ANZ Payroll Account	-	9,302
	<u>-</u>	<u>251,377</u>
<b>(b) Reconciliation of Net Cash provided by operating activities to Operating Surplus (Deficit) from ordinary activities</b>		
Surplus (Deficit)	( 200,327)	25,470
<b>Non-Cash operating items:</b>		
Depreciation	738	822
<b>Changes in Assets and Liabilities:</b>		
Decrease (Increase) in Sundry Debtors	7,753	( 247)
Decrease (Increase) in Accrued Revenue	( 4,784)	-
Decrease (Increase) in GST Receivable	2,240	( 1,130)
Decrease (Increase) in Prepayments	( 6,412)	5,911
Increase (Decrease) in Sundry Creditors	8,979	999
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Expenses	3,069	-
Increase (Decrease) in PAYG Tax	( 5,865)	826
Increase (Decrease) in Superannuation Payable	( 404)	( 1,439)
Increase (Decrease) in Current Provisions	8,709	( 13,755)
Increase (Decrease) in Non-Current Provisions	( 11,434)	168
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Wages	-	( 8,361)
Increase (Decrease) in Deposits in Advance	( 5,271)	( 2,646)
Increase (Decrease) in GST Payable	( 1,284)	124
<b>Cash flows from operations</b>	<u>( 204,292)</u>	<u>6,742</u>

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	2015 \$	2014 \$
<b>30 Commitments and Contingent Liabilities</b>		
The Burdekin Cultural Complex Board has no Commitments or Contingent Liabilities as at 30 April 2015		
<b>31 Auditors Remuneration</b>		
Audit of annual financial statements by the Auditor-General of Queensland	<u>6,300</u>	<u>6,400</u>
<b>32 Subsequent Events and Dissolution of Burdekin Cultural Complex Board</b>		
Burdekin Cultural Complex Board ceased trading on 31 March 2015 and Burdekin Shire Council undertook to retain continuing employees' entitlements.		
Burdekin Shire Council is responsible for finalising winding up and deregistering the Board with the Office of Fair Trading.		
The cash transferred to Burdekin Shire Council on 30 April 2015 totalled \$52,995.		
The remaining Assets and Liabilities were transferred to Burdekin Shire Council as of 1 April 2015.		
Burdekin Shire Council was responsible for finalising the outstanding receivables and payables and undertook to retain continuing employees' entitlements.		
The details of the net assets transferred to Council are as follows:		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	52,995	
Sundry debtors	6,426	
Accrued Revenue	4,784	
Prepayments	<u>12,490</u>	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><b>76,695</b></u>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Sundry creditors	12,896	
Deposits in Advance	200	
Accrued Expenses	3,069	
Employee Benefits Provision	<u>20,063</u>	
	<u><b>36,228</b></u>	
<b>Non-current Liabilities</b>		
Employee Benefits Provision	<u>3,510</u>	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u><b>39,738</b></u>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><b>36,957</b></u>	

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**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

These special purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the provisions of the Associations Incorporations Act (QLD) 1981 and we certify that in our opinion:

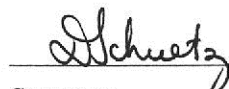
- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the statements have been drawn up and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Board for the financial year ended 30 April 2015 and of the financial position of the Board at the end of that year.

Cr Bill Lewis  
Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

11.6.15  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Dianne Schultz  
Secretary

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

11.6.15  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc.

### Report on the Financial Report

I have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 April 2015, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and certificates given by the Chairman and Secretary.

#### *The Management Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report*

The Management Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Management Committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the Management Committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### *Auditor's Responsibility*

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on the audit. The audit was conducted in accordance with the *Auditor-General of Queensland Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require compliance with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and that the audit is planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Management Committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

I believe that the audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

### *Independence*

The *Auditor-General Act 2009* promotes the independence of the Auditor-General and all authorised auditors. The Auditor-General is the auditor of all Queensland public sector entities and can be removed only by Parliament.

The Auditor-General may conduct an audit in any way considered appropriate and is not subject to direction by any person about the way in which audit powers are to be exercised. The Auditor-General has for the purposes of conducting an audit, access to all documents and property and can report to Parliament matters which in the Auditor-General's opinion are significant.

### *Opinion*

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009* –

- (a) I have received all the information and explanations which I have required; and
- (b) in my opinion the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc. as at 30 April 2015, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 and the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981*.

### *Emphasis of Matter – Wind-up of Burdekin Cultural Complex Board Inc.*

Without modifying my opinion, attention is drawn to Note 1 in the financial report which identifies that pursuant to a Board's resolution of 16 February 2015, the Board ceased trading on 31 March 2015 and all assets, liabilities, rights, privileges and property of the Board were transferred to Burdekin Shire Council as of 1 April 2015. Accordingly, this final financial report has been prepared on a basis that is consistent with a going concern basis. The Burdekin Shire Council is responsible for finalising the wind up and deregistering the association.

### *Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting*

Without modifying my opinion, attention is drawn to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Management Committee's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.



B MACRAE FCPA  
(as Delegate of the Auditor-General of Queensland)



Queensland Audit Office  
Brisbane



Premier of Queensland  
Minister for the Arts

For reply please quote: EP/MH – TF/15/9868 – DOC/15/87275  
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26 JUN 2015

Councillor Bill Lewis  
Mayor  
Burdekin Shire Council  
PO Box 974  
AYR QLD 4807

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Dear Councillor Lewis *Bill*

Thank you for your letter of 28 April 2015 following up on the Community Cabinet forum in Townsville and for providing me with an information folder on the region's priorities. I apologise for the delay in responding.

I appreciate your support for the appointment of the Honourable Coralee O'Rourke MP as the Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Seniors and Minister Assisting the Premier on North Queensland and the establishment of my department's North Queensland Office in Townsville. I have a keen interest in the Burdekin region and I welcome your desire to form a strong working partnership with the Queensland Government.

I note the Burdekin Shire Council's (the Council) priority to improve the Olympic pools in Ayr and Home Hill. The Government recognises how important it is that regional councils, like Burdekin, have the infrastructure that meets community needs. We will lend a helping hand to develop thriving and sustainable regional communities by ensuring that funding for critical infrastructure in regional Queensland supports economic development. Our policy platform, Building our Regions, is focused on strengthening and diversifying Queensland's economic foundations. I also note you raise a number of other priority projects in the Council, some of which may be eligible for funding under the Building our Regions program.

In addition, as many of the priority projects of the Council span across a number of Queensland Government portfolios, I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your correspondence to the Honourable Jackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade, the Honourable Dr Anthony Lynham MP, Minister for State Development and Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, and Minister O'Rourke for their consideration and direct reply to you.

Again, thank you for your support and I look forward to visiting the Burdekin region in the future.

Yours sincerely

**ANNASTACIA PALASZCZUK MP  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND  
MINISTER FOR THE ARTS**

VIEW	<i>Mayor</i>	AGENDA	<i>C12</i>
<i>CEO</i>	<i>ECDEV</i>	DATE	<i>14.7.15</i>
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# Circular

## Record Keeping for Local Government Elected Members

### For Information

**Circular:** 2015-029  
**Release Date:** Tuesday, 30 June 2015  
**Authorised by:** Greg Hallam PSM Chief Executive Officer

Local government records are to be kept in accordance with the requirements of the Queensland Public Records Act 2002. This includes records created by elected members.

The [Local Government Sector Retention and Disposal Schedule](#) covers records created, received or kept by mayors and councillors in their official capacity including official work diaries. It does not cover records such as personal emails and information relating to political parties generated by mayors and councillors when they are not acting in their official capacity.

Elected members are reminded that there are identified record keeping requirements related to diaries, with councillor diaries to be retained by the council for seven years and indefinitely for mayors.

Queensland State Archives has developed a [factsheet](#) that deals specifically with diaries of elected members.

With local government elections scheduled for March 2016, councils are encouraged to ensure that processes are put in place to collect diaries from elected members where these documents exist.

Should you have an enquiry concerning local government elected members records, please contact the Queensland State Archives, anytime from 9.00am – 4.30pm Monday through to Friday.

**General enquiries:**  
Telephone: (07) 3131 7777  
Email: [info@archives.qld.gov.au](mailto:info@archives.qld.gov.au)  
General enquiries: [Online enquiry form](#)

Assistance is also available through the [Record and Information Management Professionals Australasia](#) (RIMPA) or contact [Meryl Bourke](#), Acting Chapter President (07) 3412 5252.



# VIETNAM VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA



## Burdekin Branch

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Mayor  
Burdekin Shire Council  
Young St. Ayr.

1<sup>st</sup> July 2015

Dear Bill,

*The Burdekin Sub Branch of Vietnam Veterans will be celebrating Vietnam Veterans Day this year at our Deep Creek Retreat site on Clare Dalbeg Road.*

*You and any interested Councillors are cordially invited to attend, the parade will commence at 4.00pm on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015.*

*There will be light refreshments after the parade for those that wish to stay after the ceremony.*

Yours faithfully,

Don Bailey. Secretary VVAA.

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# North Queensland Sports Foundation

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3 July 2015

Matthew Magin  
Burdekin Shire Council CEO  
PO Box 974  
AYR QLD 4807

Dear Matthew,

## RE: North Queensland Sports Foundation

Following the most recent Meeting of the North Queensland Sports Foundation on 26 June 2015 in Townsville, I would like to draw your attention to the follow items:

### Council Levies

The Board agreed to a small increase in the Council levies to be paid to the North Queensland Sports Foundation, as flagged in the letter dated 20 April 2015. The levies have been increased to 22.52c (from 22.14c) per capita, based on the most recent census (2011). This represents an increase of 1.7%, in line with CPI.

For the 2015/2016 financial year, the levy for your Council will be \$3909.92 plus GST of \$390.99, making a total of \$4300.91.

An invoice for this amount has been included with this letter.

### State Government meetings

North Queensland Sports Foundation Directors have been lobbying their local State Members for support, highlighting the disparity in funding to North Queensland sportsmen and women. The North Queensland Sports Foundation presently serves 725,000 people living in our region, and continues to strive to best serve our members and the communities' interests.

We are pursuing operational funding under State Government Programs for 2016 and beyond, urging all Members to continue to speak with local State Government members to continue the conversation which will culminate in a proposal in October.

Presently we are only sustained via Member (Council) contributions and sponsorship as we are not deemed a peak body. Our aim is to challenge this outdated moniker thus making the Foundation eligible for Government Funding.

I would welcome you to contact me should you wish to be personally updated on this issue, or alternately seek your Foundation representative for details.

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### **Wingate Properties North Queensland Sports Encouragement Bursaries**

As noted in the letter dated 12 June 2015, the Wingate Properties Sports Encouragement Bursaries have been launched, with nominations only just closing recently. Wingate Properties have committed to a three year partnership which will avail thirty Bursaries in 2015. Each recipient receives a unique embroidered jacket and \$650 to assist in furthering their sporting careers.

Most councils have taken up the opportunity to nominate at least one junior sportsperson from their local area to be considered for the Bursaries. Councils will be notified of successful recipients by the end of July 2015.

Don't hesitate to contact the office should you have any queries or require further information on any matter.

Yours sincerely,

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Andrew Bligh  
Chief Executive Officer



# NORTH QLD SPORTS FOUNDATION

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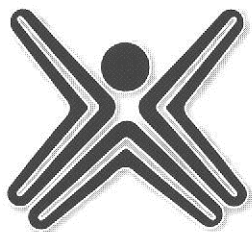
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# Sports Post

**NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH QUEENSLAND SPORTS FOUNDATION**

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## Get ready to play in the outback



Mayor Tony McGrady (Mount Isa), Richard Harvey (Glencore's Chief Processing Officer, North Queensland Copper Assets) and Andrew Bligh (North Queensland Sports Foundation Chief Executive Officer)

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2015 sees the return of the Glencore Great Western Games, which will see over 2,200 participants compete in over 20 sports hosted by sporting clubs in towns along the Overlander Way over 2 weekends from the 18th to the 26th of July.

Glencore has been a long term sponsor of this event and was keen to be part of the 2015 Games, which are shaping up to attract a record number of participants.

Andrew Bligh, Chief Executive of the North Queensland Sports Foundation, said they have been inundated with sports signing up for the event. Sports will be held in Mount Isa, Cloncurry, Richmond, Hughenden and Charters Towers. The best place to find out all the information and how to enter each event is through the North Queensland Sport Foundation's new website- [www.nqsports.com.au](http://www.nqsports.com.au)

"Interest just continues to grow in the Glencore Great Western Games. The 2015 event is shaping up to deliver a record amount of sports, many who are becoming involved for the

first time. There will be something for everyone - young and old"

Richard Harvey, Glencore's Chief Processing Officer North Queensland Copper Assets, said Glencore is once again glad to be supporting the Glencore Great Western Games in 2015, a relationship that has been in place for many years now.

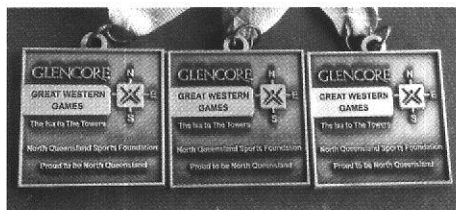
"Coming on board as the major sponsor of the 2015 Glencore Great Western Games builds on our commitment to local sport which also recently saw us heat the Mount Isa pool and sponsor Mount Isa Hockey, Soccer, and events like the Outback to the Stack."

"We're proud to be the major sponsor of these Games which allows sportspeople and particularly young people to compete in a major organised sporting event."

Mount Isa will host the 2015 Glencore Great Western Games opening ceremony on 17 July.



The Glencore Great Western Games baton designed by Chern'ee Sutton.



The medals are ready for the winners in the Glencore Great Western Games.

For all enquiries / story submissions, please contact the **North Queensland Sports Foundation**: P.O. Box 347, Belgian Gardens, Qld. 4810. Townsville Sports House, Redpath Street, Townsville, Australia. **Phone** (07) 4724 2500 **Fax** (07) 4724 2511 **Email** [admin@nqsports.com.au](mailto:admin@nqsports.com.au)  
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## Kick Off for New Board

The North Queensland Sports Foundation (NQSF) has welcomed the approval of major reforms which bring it in line with the mainstream Sports and Council governance principles.

An extraordinary general meeting of NQSF members held in Townsville agreed to a new constitution for the long term governance of the Foundation, resulting in the organisation becoming a company limited by guarantee with a smaller, skills-based board and a new Chairperson.

Chairperson Clr Pat Ernst commented that the sweeping changes, which have been worked upon since an internal review first conducted in July 2014, are a sign that the North Queensland Sports Foundation is embracing the change, which is evidenced by the organisational restructure and governance reform agenda that has made significant progress in just over 6 months.

"The Foundation was originally set up in 1983 and has serviced North Queensland Sportsmen and Women remarkably well over the last thirty years through the North Queensland Games, Great Western Games, Sports Education Tours, and Bursary Programs which have assisted over 250 juniors to the value of over a quarter of a millions dollars. This new direction is to make the Foundation even more relevant, pro-active, and a more cost effective organisation exemplifying contemporary board practices," he said.

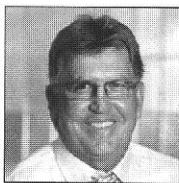
One of the major changes is the adoption of a seven person Board which will replace the present structure. This group will represent Member Councils of North Queensland and individual Foundation members. The addition of up to two independent Directors will address any skill shortages thus assisting the Board to make decisions in a timely and highly informed way.

### THE BOARD IS REPRESENTED BY:

- **Chairperson: Clr Pat Ernst** (Townsville)
- **Clr Jessie Richardson** (Cairns)
- **Clr Paul Steindl** (Mackay)
- **Clr Edward Brown and Tony Vaccaro** (representing Medium Councils)
- **Clr Sean O'Neill** (representing Small Councils)
- **Dan Jackson** (representing Non Local Authority Members)
- **Mark Tyrell and Clr Colin Ferguson** (Independent Directors).

NQSF Chief Executive Officer Andrew Bligh said these changes were significant for the Foundation and sport in North Queensland, as it embarks on a period of consolidation following recent challenges with funding and operational change.

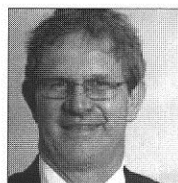
Other adjustments which are now encompassed via the adoption of a new constitution include use of technology to decrease costs to Councils, and a more inclusive consultative process for all members to have their views shared throughout the Foundation. This ability will enable the Foundation Board to be more in tune with what support is required for sports, in all regions of the Foundation footprint. Currently the NQSF services all areas North to Cooktown, West to Mount Isa and South to Sarina.



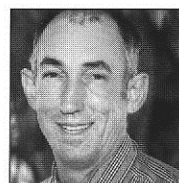
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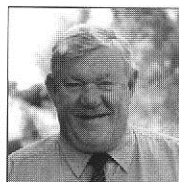
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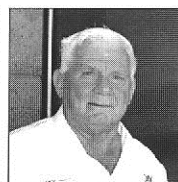
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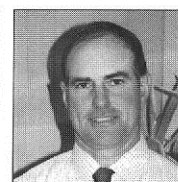
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Clr Colin Ferguson  
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## Cairns Region to host biggest regional sporting games

It's time for the Cairns Region to take its marks as the countdown officially commences for North Queensland's biggest sporting event.

Cairns and the surrounding regions of Mareeba Shire, Tablelands and Douglas will host the 2016 RACQ North Queensland Games from 24-26 June, 2016 which will see over 5,000 participants take part in more than 40 sports over three days.

The event is the largest regional multi-event sporting games in Australia and is set to be bigger than ever in 2016.

North Queensland Sports Foundation Chairman Cr Pat Ernst recently commented that there was already extensive planning underway ahead of the Games.

"The Games are a great opportunity to showcase North Queensland, and in particular Cairns region, attract visitors from out of town and promote the sports and clubs that are on offer there," Cr Ernst said.

"It is anticipated that more than 40 sports will be represented at the games from a broad range of genres including badminton, motor x, water skiing, bowls, martial arts, tennis and darts to name a few.



"I encourage any sporting clubs in the region to register with the North Queensland Sports Foundation to host a competition over the three days.

"The Games bring enormous value to North Queensland from both a sporting view point and through economic benefits and it will be a great event for both participants and spectators" Clr Ernst reiterated.

Cairns Regional Council has already earmarked funding for the event through its Council processes plus additional waiver of venue hire fees in support of the event.

The North Queensland Sports Foundation CEO Andrew Bligh believes the event is shaping up to be one of the best games since the inception of the concept in 1984.

"The range of sports being offered will guarantee there will be something for everyone in the

community," Bligh said, "it is shaping up to be a wonderful community event from 24-26 June 2016

RACQ continues to support the iconic North Queensland sporting festival. RACQ has been the naming rights sponsor of the Games since 2012 and is committed to supporting next year's Games in Cairns.

The North Queensland Games commenced in 1984 and has seen more than 100,000 athletes participate over that time. The Games are now held every two years on rotation between Townsville, Cairns and Mackay. The 2016 event will be the 17th instalment of the Games and the fifth time being held in the Cairns region.

Events will take place at a range of Cairns, Tablelands, Mareeba and Douglas venues.

Sports are now encouraged to make contact with the North Queensland Sports Foundation to apply to "host" a sport in their region. All applications to host a sport are decided upon by the Regional Organising Committee with successful applicants being advised after the closing date in November 2015.

Enquiries can be directed to [ceo@nqsports.com.au](mailto:ceo@nqsports.com.au)

# 2015 North Queensland Sportstar Awards held in Hughenden.

The North Queensland Sports Foundation is delighted that this year's North Queensland Sportstar Awards has reached the twenty-fifth year milestone. The first Awards night was held in 1991, with world champion triathlete Brad Beven winning the senior award that year. Since then, the Awards has been held in venues all over North Queensland, hosted by most of the member Councils of the North Queensland Sports Foundation.

This year's Awards were held at the Diggers Entertainment Centre and were hosted by the Flinders Shire Council in conjunction with the North Queensland Sports Foundation. The glittering night was attended by over 140 guests who included Mayors, Councillors and sporting enthusiasts from all over North Queensland. Guests were treated to exquisite food, a local beer crafted for the evening - Mutt Beer - and special guest Petero Civoniceva who was aided in attending by the NRL Ambassador Program.

The judging of the nominees was very difficult due to the high standards that have been set in numerous sports. In a total of four categories of Awards (Senior, Junior, Athlete With a Disability and Service to North Queensland Sport), the North Queensland Sports Foundation received a total of 37 nominations.

President of the North Queensland Sports Foundation, Clr Pat Ernst, was delighted with the high standard of nominees that had been received. "It's a testimony to the depth of talent in sport in North Queensland that we have received such large numbers of nominees in a wide variety of sporting pursuits."

The Senior winner was Rhys Dearnness from Townsville who received \$2000 to further his indoor cricket aspirations. Rhys has had an impressive year representing Australia and winning the World Cup. With a busy 12 months also including State honours he still finds time to play and nurture indoor cricket locally in Townsville at Wildcatz Indoor Sports. He now goes on to represent North Queensland at the State Awards in Brisbane later in December.

The winner of the Junior Award for the second year running was Tablelands sailor Kristen Wadley, who will receive \$1000. Again Kristen has competed and been successful on the world stage winning another world title to add to her growing list of achievements. As an indication to her dedication to her sport she was competing in a regional school championship on the weekend of the awards and didn't want to let her team mates down by leaving to collect the award. Happily her team won the regatta and they are now in line for regional selections for the State Titles.



Senior Sportstar winner, Rhys Dearnness



Clr Marjorie Pagani (Tablelands) presents Kristen Wadley with her Award

World Champion water-skier Ian Hickmott was the recipient of the Athlete with a Disability Award at the ceremony in Hughenden. Ian thanked all his supporters for all their assistance to get him to where he is now. When collecting his trophy and \$1000 cheque he was truly surprised by his win. As a memento of the evening he asked if he could keep the ceremonial "big cheque" which the Foundation was happy to oblige. It now sits prominently in his home as a reminder of his fantastic achievements.

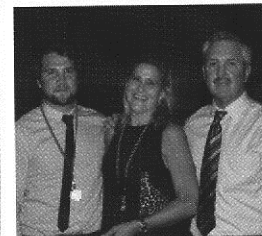
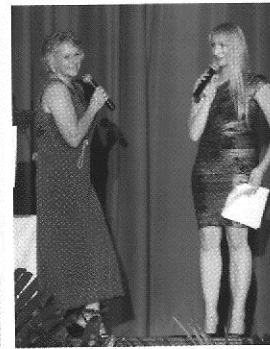
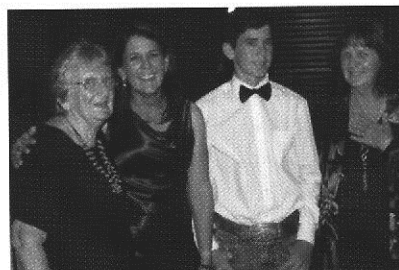


World Champion water-skier Ian Hickmott

The Service to North Queensland Sport, which was initiated to honour the unsung hero, the person who tends to be the back bone of their sport, continues to be well supported by a large number of nominees. The winner of this category was Glen Jacobs from Cairns who has raised the profile and participation of Mountain Biking in the far north region. Glen was awarded with a voucher from Rydges Hotel, trophy and commemorative jacket. He was unable to attend the evening as he was off "digging trails". Clr Jessie Richardson accepted the trophy and prizes and will present them to Glen at a special ceremony at Cairns Regional Council's next meeting.



Trail building legend Glen Jacobs (middle) — with Josh Alexander and Michael Ranning at Mt Buller.





# What can the Foundation do for you?

**No matter if you are a Local Council or a community member, whether you're a small or large sport, the North Queensland Sports Foundation can assist.**

The Foundation originally was formed to fill a dearth in the sporting landscape. In 1983 when the organisation was formed, in Townsville, many of our sportsmen and women were heading 'south' as there was little or no competition in North Queensland. The recognition that an event was needed for the communities of North Queensland which would expose residents to a higher level of competition was formed- The North Queensland Games.

Initially run in 1984, and next being presented in Cairns in 2016, the event has stood the test of time and today still is the largest multi-sport event in regional Australia.

But the Foundation has evolved to become the main advocacy sport group in North Queensland and offers a range of assistance and events to North Queenslanders.

Anyone can ring the Foundation office and speak on any issue regarding sport in North Queensland. If you need assistance in engaging the Peak Sporting Bodies, grant assistance, conversations with local authorities on issues for your club- we can help.

Do you need to know more about decisions of the present day Government and how these affect your sport? Do you need representation or information on Government Programs? Need

access to funds? These are all issues which the North Queensland Sports Foundation deal with every day.

**The Foundation has a range of information at [www.nqsports.com.au](http://www.nqsports.com.au) on**

- RACQ North Queensland Games (Cairns, Townsville and Mackay Regions)
- Glencore Great Western Games (Mount Isa to Charters Towers)
- North Queensland Sportstar Awards (prize money and trophies)
- Wingate Properties Sport Encouragement Bursaries (applicable to U18 sportspersons)
- Events Calendar (any club can post events)
- Broad Sporting information and advice.

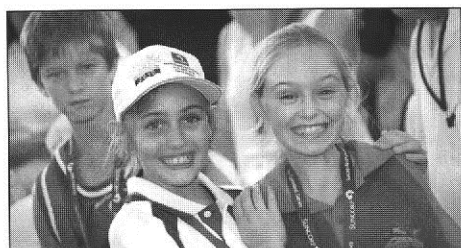


*Members of the North Queensland Sports Foundation at a recent planning workshop in Townsville.*

The Foundation has 23 North Queensland Councils, sporting groups and community members who are all part of the North Queensland Sports Foundation. Members receive direct benefits and are given priority communication with the Foundation. Membership is \$10.00 per year for individuals and organisations alike. Applications are submitted through an Operational Committee for acceptance. Forms for membership can be obtained by contacting [ceo@nqsports.com.au](mailto:ceo@nqsports.com.au)



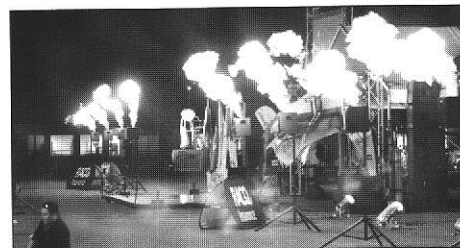
*Tennille Falappi wins NQ Sportstar in 2014. Pictured with Clr Jessie Richardson and Vicki Wilson OAM*



*Cairns Suncorp NQ Games 2010*



*Mackay RACQ Nth Qld Games 2012*



*Townsville RACQ Nth Qld Games 2014*

## Townsville's Iconic "Red Track" to be upgraded

The State Government has announced it will commit up to \$1.2 million to replace the ageing track at the Townsville Sports Reserve, with the work expected to be finished in the middle of the year.

The track attracts athletes from around the region, while about 45 elite athletes from the Australian youth team are also planning to hold a camp in the city before heading off to the World Championships.

"This track is internationally certified. That certification means we get certain events and certain athletes come here," Mr Mullins of Athletics NQ said.

"If the track deteriorated any more, it would lose its certification because of problems with it."

State Sports Minister Bill Byrne, who announced the project, said he expected the work to begin this month and be finished before the busy second half of the year.

"I am pleased to be able to deliver the wonderful news to the people of Townsville that this government is delivering a new world class athletics track for people of all ages to use and enjoy," he said. "The Townsville Sports Reserve is an integral part of the Townsville sporting community attracting over 50,000 participants annually and the athletics track is a big component of that use."

"We have a special facility here in Townsville and the track has been down quite a long time and it's come to the end of its life."

Townsville Sports Reserve manager Denis Russell said the track needed to be repaired to maintain its international standard.

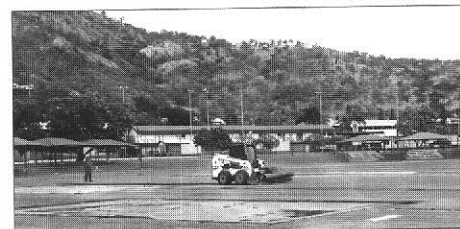
"The average life is around about 15-20 years and it was last refurbished in 2001... so we're in the scale of that," he said.

"It just came to the stage where we said we need to put it in a submission and asked the department whether there were some dollars we could allocate

to it. It's all happened in the last three months and it's been very quick.

"It needs to happen very quick because we've got an extraordinary amount of usage coming up with schools and regular user groups like the NQ Fury, Rugby League and Rugby Union competitions."

Work has begun on the replacing of the running surface with the removal of the old track already complete. Pending weather the track, which will be the same colour as previously, is anticipated to be ready for a mid-July start.



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## North Queensland Juniors get helping hand from Wingate.

More than 30 bursaries will be awarded to the junior sportspeople of North Queensland thanks to a new partnership between the North Queensland Sports Foundation and Wingate Properties.

Wingate Properties General Manager, Chris Hall, has announced a sponsorship of \$75,000 over three years to help further the sporting ambitions of junior sports men and women in the region.

"As a long-standing developer of integrated and successful communities across Queensland, we understand the importance of supporting young people to reach their goals," Mr Hall said.

"Partnering with the North Queensland Sports Foundation to provide encouragement and incentive through the distribution of bursaries to talented locals.

"We hope this partnership will help create the sporting stars of the future who will in turn, become role models in their local communities."

The partnership will provide funds to up to 30 North Queenslanders to attend events, buy



Wingate Properties General Manager Chris Hall is welcomed by NQSF representatives Clr Jessie Richardson and Clr Paul Steindl to the Foundation family.

equipment and generally cover the additional travel costs, which go hand in hand with residing in North Queensland.

"Often competitors have to travel south to enhance their sporting careers, and this funding will boost junior sportspeople's ambitions, assisting them to be able to take their performances to the next level

an possibly even on to represent our country" remarked Chairperson of the North Queensland Sports Foundation Clr Pat Ernst.

Applications for the Wingate Properties North Queensland Sports Encouragement Bursary will open in June and recipients of the Bursaries will be announced in July. Applications will be made available through the 23 Local Councils of North Queensland who are members of the North Queensland Sports Foundation.

The \$75,000 sponsorship by Wingate Properties further solidifies the company's continued commitment to North Queensland. Other Wingate Properties sponsorships include the Northern Fury, Cowboys Adopt-a-school program, the Sky Foundation, the Australia Day Fun Run, Run Townsville, the Matt Clark Foundation and a host of others.

For more information on Wingate Properties Townsville project visit [www.beckdriverasmussen.com.au](http://www.beckdriverasmussen.com.au)

## Great Western Games Hockey

Mount Isa Junior Hockey Association is again hosting their sport within the 2015 Glencore Great Western Games.

In 2013 they were a fledgling sport within the Mount Isa Community, struggling like all clubs to increase participation and raise funding for facilities. Their story of growth is one which the North Queensland Sports Foundation continually sees repeated, and is one of the reasons the Foundation continues to deliver these events to North Queensland.

In 2013 Mount Isa Junior Hockey players embarked on their first ever Great Western Games. The Junior Competition had only just re-established in the community in 2012 starting with 66 junior players. Little hockey stars showed up on the day with a positive attitude and excitement that could not be tamed, knowing what the Games would bring for their little association.

The day was hailed a massive success and welcomed some friends from Dajarra to compete

on the day. An opportunity to enter a penalty shootout competition with Games Ambassador and Olympic Hockey Goal Keeper Nathan Burgers drew the crowd and the town was a buzz about hockey.

By hosting their sport in the Great Western Games the doors opened for the Association both with Hockey Qld and the State Government. The Mount Isa Junior Hockey Association reports that they look back on their inclusion in the Games as one of the best experiences that our association has had. It brought positivity to the outback community and the experience was unbelievable.

The following Season in 2014 on the back of the Games events saw junior player numbers sky rocket to 120! The fields stayed open, and they were extremely proud to send the first junior rep team in over 15 years away to play at the State Championships. At these championship our team won the 'Spirit of Hockey' Award, presented by Hockey Qld for their passion and attitude towards

the sport. It was mentioned that the city kids could learn a thing or two from our Mount Isa/ country kids and the sportsmanship they displayed showed that the Mount Isa Community had champions in the making.

Later in 2014 the Mount Isa Hockey Association were awarded a Get Playing Grant of \$100,000 to help to install lighting to their main playing field. This saw the Association's wish of playing in the cool of the evening come to fruition. A dream for many members for over 20 years!

The Association will again be the Host of Hockey in 2015 and are looking forward to seeing many more country kids afforded the opportunity to learn to play hockey. The North Queensland Sports Foundation and Glencore are sure that the Great Western Games will open the door for them too.

For nominations for a team, or individually Kristy Crawford on [mitchandkristy@bigpond.com](mailto:mitchandkristy@bigpond.com)



State Championship Team

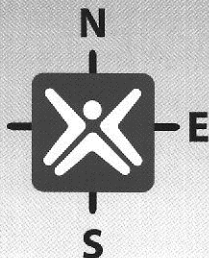


March Past at 2013 Great Western Games Opening

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## The Hon Warren Truss MP

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Cr Bill Lowis  
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Dear Mayor

I had the pleasure of opening the Australian Local Government Association's (ALGA) National General Assembly in Canberra on Monday 15 June 2015 where I spoke about the Australian Government's commitment to Local Government.

One year after we announced a record \$50 billion investment in infrastructure, the Government is getting on with the job of improving road and freight rail links in every state and territory – projects in the biggest cities and small local communities.

The 2015-16 Budget demonstrates this Government's continued commitment to working with Local Government to deliver the infrastructure and services you require for more prosperous communities. I encourage you to use the additional funding provided in the 2015-16 Budget this year.

Councils are the biggest winners from the Government's reintroduction of indexation of fuel excise. The Government will provide an additional \$1.105 billion in funding for the Roads to Recovery Programme over the next two years from the proceeds of the indexation – \$300 million in 2015-16 and \$805 million in 2016-17. This means local governments across Australia will receive an extra \$300 million in 2015-16, on top of the already doubled \$700 million you are receiving this year. In 2016-17, local governments will receive an extra \$805 million in addition to the \$350 million you were scheduled to receive. In 2017-18, the Roads to Recovery Programme will revert to its base funding of \$350 million.

The Government's commitment to the Roads to Recovery Programme and Local Government is demonstrated in the Government's *National Land Transport Act 2014*. We have increased the level of funding and the Programme is permanent – something Labor failed to do during their time in office.

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The increased funding will be distributed to Councils according to the usual formulae and there will be no requirement for Councils to match this extra money.

This major boost to local road construction and maintenance reflects the importance the Australian Government places on building last mile infrastructure for the future of our nation.

At the ALGA National General Assembly I announced that Round Two of the \$300 million Bridges Renewal Programme will be available exclusively to Local Government. Up to \$100 million will be provided to Local Government for the repair and replacement of local bridges to deliver better transport links for their communities and industries. Applications will be open on 1 July 2015 and close on 31 August 2015. I was pleased that ALGA President Mayor Troy Pickard welcomed the Government's moves to ensure this much needed funding hits the ground where it is most needed.

From 2015-16 an additional \$200 million has been committed by the Government over the next two years under the \$500 million Black Spot Programme to further reduce crashes on Australian roads. The Government has also committed \$200 million under the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Programme over five years providing councils with funding for important local infrastructure. I strongly encourage local governments to submit their applications to these important programmes.

Local governments are also encouraged to apply for Round Two of the \$1 billion National Stronger Regions Fund to deliver priority infrastructure projects in disadvantaged communities. The guidelines have been revised to give the programme broader reach to Local Government by allowing two applications to be submitted in each round and by quarantining \$25 million for projects worth less than \$1 million. Round Two is currently open and closes on 31 July 2015.

I regret to say that the quality of applications under Round One of both the National Stronger Regions Fund and the Bridges Renewal Programme was in some instances disappointing. Many good projects were undersold or ruled ineligible – often because questions were not answered, evidence was not provided, matching funding was not confirmed or projects were simply not eligible. To address this issue I have tasked Regional Development Australia (RDA) Committees to work closely with local government and industry to develop robust proposals that will support economic development in their region. I encourage councils to seek feedback on their applications from my Department and to work with their RDA Committees to enhance the quality of their funding proposals for subsequent rounds.

The Government's decision to temporarily pause the Financial Assistance Grant indexation was an unpopular one, and it was not one the Government wanted to take. However, when elected the Government inherited \$123 billion of cumulative deficits. The Government has undertaken the only responsible action in the circumstances and has succeeded in reducing that deficit by \$41 billion. The indexation pause has contributed to the important task of budget repair; however, there is still a long way to go. The pause is temporary and Councils will still receive \$9.45 billion across the forward estimates. Additionally, to ensure Councils have immediate access to untied funding to spend according to their local priorities, the first two 2015-16 quarterly Financial Assistance Grant payments have been brought forward. Councils will receive their payments from the week commencing 29 June 2015.

These programmes, along with other initiatives will help ensure councils have access to the funding they need to build the infrastructure they require. A list of Government investment programmes available to Local Government is included for your reference.

Over the months and years ahead, we are determined to strengthen the Budget and the economy so that all Australians benefit through more jobs and greater prosperity.

This Government's commitment to Local Government goes beyond providing financial support. There is now a once in a generation opportunity for us to rethink the way we as governments do business and serve our communities. The Government is providing the forum to discuss change through our White Papers on the Reform of the Federation and Taxation.

Our Federation has served our national well for over 100 years and shown some flexibility to deal with issues of concern over the years. But the balance of constitutional responsibility and revenue raising capability has become increasingly grotesque. Reforming the Federation is vital if we are to deliver our publicly funded services to the Australian people more effectively, more efficiently and more fairly.

I encourage all local governments to provide submissions and comments as part of the consultative processes in the development of the Green and White Papers.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Warren Truss', written in a cursive style.

**WARREN TRUSS**

30 June 2015

## **Australian Government investment programmes available to local government**

Further information on these and other Commonwealth Grant Programmes can be found at:

[<http://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/funding/>](http://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/funding/)

### ***Bridges Renewal Programme***

The Bridges Renewal Programme will improve the economic capacity of bridges and access for local communities, by investing \$300 million over four years from 2015–16 to renew our nation's dilapidated bridges. Successful Round One projects were announced in February 2015. Nationally, 73 proposals for Australian Government funding of \$114.8 million were approved. Round Two will be exclusively available to Local Government meaning up to \$100 million will be provided for the repair and replacement of local bridges. Applications for Round Two of the programme will open on 1 July and close on 31 August.

### ***Black Spot Programme***

The Black Spot programme will continue to reduce crashes on our roads, with \$60 million allocated annually to target dangerous areas where crashes regularly occur on local roads. The Australian Government is almost tripling its funding for the Black Spot programme for the next two years with an extra \$100 million being allocated in 2015–16 and 2016–17 to accelerate road safety improvements.

### ***Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Programme***

The Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Programme will continue to fund infrastructure projects across Australia to improve the productivity and safety outcomes of heavy vehicle operations. The Australian Government has committed a further \$200 million from 2014–15 to 2018–19. Funding of \$96 million for 53 projects under Round Four of the Programme was announced in March 2015. Round 5 will be announced later in 2015.

### ***Roads to Recovery Programme***

The expanded \$3.2 billion Roads to Recovery Programme will continue to support the construction and maintenance of local roads by councils. The Government will provide an additional \$1.105 billion in funding for the Roads to Recovery Programme over the next two years – \$300 million in 2015-16 and \$805 million in 2016-17. This means Councils across Australia will receive an extra \$300 million in 2015-16, on top of the already doubled \$700 million they are receiving this year. In 2016-17, local governments will receive an extra \$805 million in addition to the \$350 million they were already scheduled to receive. More than 2,300 projects have already been listed for funding under the current 2014–2019 programme. The Roads to Recovery Programme operates uniformly across Australia. Under current arrangements, each council is guaranteed a share of the total available funding.

### ***National Stronger Regions Fund***

The National Stronger Regions Fund will begin from 2015–16, with the first 51 successful projects to support economic and infrastructure projects in regional communities; from freight and transport projects to convention centres and major multi-purpose sports facilities. \$1 billion is available under the Fund for community projects over five years. The guidelines have been revised to give the programme broader reach to Local Government by allowing two applications to be submitted in each round and by quarantining \$25 million for projects worth less than \$1 million. Round Two is currently open and closes on 31 July 2015. This is on top of the over \$300 million invested in Community Development Grants for 300 projects in local communities.

### ***Stronger Communities Fund***

The Australian Government's new Stronger Communities Programme will provide \$45 million over two years to fund small capital projects in local communities. Commencing in 2015–16, grants of between \$1,000 and \$20,000 will be made available to reputable, not-for-profit organisations.

### ***Beef Roads***

The new \$100 million Northern Australia Beef Roads Fund will work with the northern jurisdictions, transport and industry experts to improve the productivity and resilience of cattle supply chains in northern Australia by funding targeted upgrades to key roads necessary for transporting cattle in the north. The initiative will draw on CSIRO modelling and will commence in July 2015 terminating in June 2019.

### ***Northern Australia: Our North, Our Future***

The White Paper delivers an initial investment of \$1.2 billion. This is in addition to the \$5 billion Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility to provide concessional finance for infrastructure projects in the north. The Government will support the development of more water resources in the north by establishing a \$200 million Water Infrastructure Development Fund. Further, the Government will focus on funding high priority infrastructure through additional initiatives including:

- a new \$600 million roads package to improve key roads in the north, including consideration of upgrades for the Arnhem, Barkly, Flinders, Great Northern, Savannah and Hann highways, the Outback Way and the Tanami Road;
- investing \$39.6 million to upgrade airstrips and subsidise air services in remote Australia; and
- investing \$5 million in rail freight analyses — starting with a pre-feasibility analyses of the Mount Isa to Tennant Creek railway and an upgrade of the Townsville to Mount Isa line.

### ***Drought Relief***

A \$333 million drought relief package was announced by the Prime Minister ahead of the budget including:

- \$35 million for “shovel-ready” local infrastructure and employment projects
- \$26 million for the control of weeds and animal pests such as wild dogs
- \$20 million for social and community programs and improving mental health
- An extra \$250 million in concessional loans

### ***Financial Assistance Grant Programme***

The Financial Assistance Grant programme is provided under the *Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995* (the Act) and has the following components:

- a general purpose component, which is distributed between the states and territories according to population; and
- an identified local road component, which is distributed between the states and territories according to fixed historical shares.

Both components of the grant are untied allowing councils to spend the funds according to local priorities.