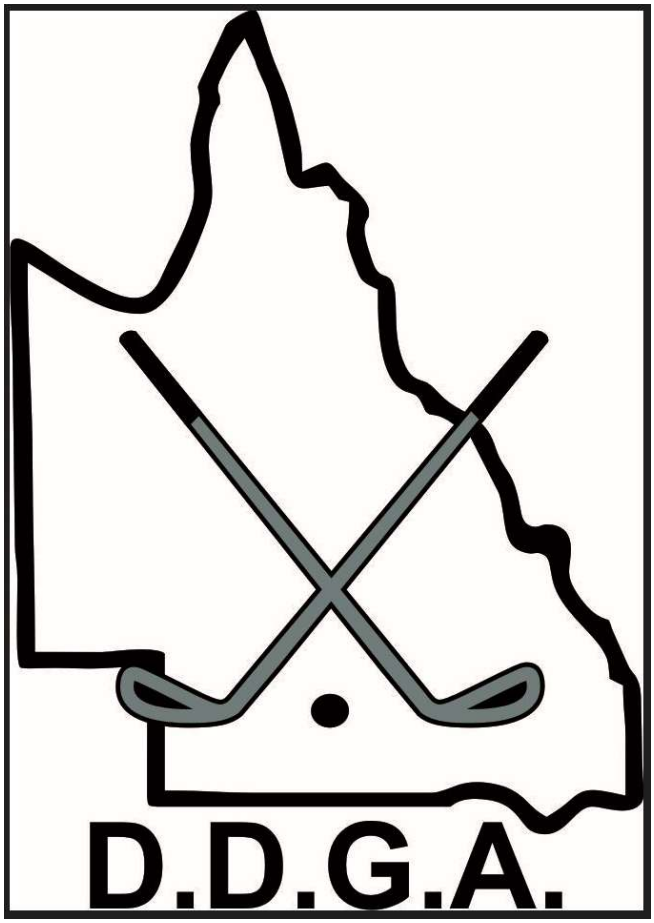


Report of the 97th Annual General Meeting

Held on 10th October 2026

At Toowoomba Golf Club.

Darling Downs Golf Association Inc.

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PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

J.D. ROWLANDS (Warwick)	01 Mar 29 - 27 Feb 37
G.R. HARRINGTON (City)	27 Feb 37 - 05 Feb 38
J.S. SMYTH (Warwick)	05 Feb 38 - 16 Feb 42
T.E. ROBERTS (Toowoomba)	16 Feb 42 - 14 Feb 48

In recess – World War II 1942-1946

J.S. SMYTH (Warwick)	14 Feb 46 - 26 Feb 49
A.E. MARTELL (Dalby)	26 Feb 49 - 17 Feb 51
L. BURGESS (City)	17 Feb 51 - 14 Feb 53
J.J. MEEHAN (City)	14 Feb 53 - 15 Feb 58
W.R. DOWLING (St. George)	15 Feb 58 - 15 Feb 64
Adrian MALE (Tara)	15 Feb 64 - 07 Feb 70
Cliff HARTH (Goombungee)	07 Feb 70 - 21 Oct 72
Eric NEALE (Pittsworth)	21 Oct 72 - 18 Oct 75
Des FOSTER (Warwick)	18 Oct 75 - 20 Oct 79
Richard TRAVERS (Jandowae)	20 Oct 79 - 17 Oct 81
Bill DRUMMOND (Pittsworth)	17 Oct 81 - 20 Oct 84
Rob HARRIS (Millmerran)	20 Oct 84 - 22 Oct 88
Brian ELLEVSEN (Toowoomba)	22 Oct 88 - 20 Oct 90
Robert ATFIELD (Toowoomba)	20 Oct 90 - 01 Jan 94

1 Jan 94 – Darling Downs and South-West Golf Association was split into two areas.
Darling Downs Golf Association was formed.

Robert ATFIELD (Toowoomba)	01 Jan 94 - 12 Oct 96
Des BRADFORD (Oakey)	12 Oct 96 - 16 Oct 99
John CAMERON (City)	16 Oct 99 - 8 Oct 03
Des THIES (Cecil Plains)	18 Oct 03 - 15 Oct 05
Eddie BRITNELL (City)	15 Oct 05 - 17 Oct.09
Roger JOHNSTON (Toowoomba)	17 Oct 09 - 16 Oct 10
Neil GILSHENAN (Toowoomba)	16 Oct 10 - 15 Oct 16
Barry VOLP (Cabarlah)	15 Oct 16 - 8 Oct 22
Jim MILLER (Toowoomba)	08 Oct 22 – 12 Oct 24
John Taylor (City)	12 Oct 24 -

PAST SECRETARIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

J.W. ROSBROOK	01 Mar 29 - 16 Apr 49
J.A. O'HAGAN	16 Apr 49 - 17 Feb 51
D.J. McKEY	17 Feb 51 - 18 Feb 61
W. YOUNG	18 Feb 61 - 10 Feb 62
J. RUDD	10 Feb 62 - 06 Oct 75
P. READ	06 Oct 75 - 15 Feb 81
Glen STOODLEY	15 Feb 81 - 08 Feb 86
Brian ELLEVSEN	10 May 86 - 08 Aug 87
Ron MYRING	08 Aug 87 - 06 May 88
Peter WOOLLEY	06 May 88 - 01 Jan 94

1 Jan 94: Name change to Darling Downs Golf Association Incorporated.

Peter WOOLLEY	01 Jan 94 - 12 Oct 96
Don STOREY	12 Oct 96 - 13 Nov 04
Roger JOHNSTON	13 Nov 04 - 12 Dec 09
Sharon JOHNSTON	12 Dec 09 - 16 Oct 10
Roger JOHNSTON	16 Oct 10 - 13 Dec 14
Colin HOEY	14 Dec 14 – 10 Oct 26
Peter KLEINHANNS	10 Oct 26 -

LIFE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Mr. Des Foster MBE (Warwick)	10 Oct 81 - 06 Oct 13.
Mr. Rob Harris (Millmerran)	16 Oct 99 – 21 Feb 22.
Mr. Robert Atfield (Toowoomba)	09 May 07 - 29 Jan 08.
Mr. Des Thies (Cecil Plains)	19 Oct 13 -
Mr. John Cameron (City)	19 Oct 13 –
Mr. Neil Gilshenan (Toowoomba)	08 Oct 22 –
Mr. Colin Hoey (Clifton)	10 Oct 26 -

DARLING DOWNS GOLF ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2025-2026

Patron: Mr. Des Thies. Cecil Plains G C. Ph: 0427 680 201

President: Mr. John Taylor. City G C. Ph: 0412 794 331

Secretary: Mr. Colin Hoey. Clifton G C. Ph: 0428 964 576

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Treasurer: Mr. Greg Moore. City G C. Ph: 0407 369 867

Golf Qld Delegate: Mr. Greg Moore. City G C. Ph: 0407 369 867.

Committee:

Mr. Paul Harrison. City G C. Ph: 0419 736 433

Mr. Paul Donnelly. Dalby G C. Ph: 0406 671 251

Mr. Peter Kleinhanss. Toowoomba G C. Ph: 0418 717 226

Mr. Gavin Anderson. Pittsworth G C. Ph: 0488 788 110

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PROFILE

President: John Taylor, City Golf Club.
Elected to the committee at the 2022 AGM. Elected President at the 2024 AGM.

Patron: Des Thies, Cecil Plains Golf Club
Attended his first meeting as Delegate for Cecil Plains in 1981. Elected to the committee in 1993. Elected Vice president in 1999 and President in 2003. Did not stand as President in 2005 but continued on committee. Elected to the Vice president's position again in 2007. Re-elected to committee each year after. Elected Patron in October 2012.

Golf Queensland Delegate: Greg Moore, City Golf Club
Elected to the committee at the 2015 AGM. Elected Treasurer 13th October 2018. Commenced as DDGA Delegate to Golf Qld in October 2023.

Committee: Colin Hoey, Clifton Golf Club
A Member of the Darling Downs and Southwest District executive for three years prior to the split with Southwest Queensland.
Attended again as Delegate for the Clifton Golf Club in 2012 and elected to the committee at the 2013 AGM. Commenced secretarial position 14th December 2014..

Committee: Greg Moore, Texas Golf Club.
Elected to the committee at the 2015 AGM. Elected treasurer October 13, 2018.

Committee: Paul Donnelly, Dalby Golf Club.
Elected to the committee at the 2022 AGM.

Committee: Gavin Anderson, Pittsworth Golf Club.
Elected to the committee at the 2025 AGM.

Committee: Peter Kleinhanss. Toowoomba Golf Club.
Elected to the committee at the 2024 AGM.

Committee: Paul Harrison. City Golf Club.
Elected to the committee at the 2024 AGM.

Darling Downs Golf Association Annual General Meeting Minutes

Toowoomba Golf Club 10/10/26. 9.00 am.

Present: DDGA Executive: John Taylor (City), Colin Hoey (Clifton), Greg Moore (City), Paul Donnelly (Dalby), Peter Kleinhanss (Toowoomba), Paul Harrison (City), Gavin Anderson (Pittsworth).

Patron: Des Thies (Cecil Plains).

Delegates: Chris Kneipp (Allora), Pat Kruger (Cecil Plains), Danny Carroll (City), Daniel Hedges, Hayden Gomez (Clifton), Jim Edser (Crow's Nest), Murray McLeod, Tony Sipple (Goombungee), Scott Kirby, Dean Lindenmeyer (Millmerran), Marlene Deans (Oakey), Scott McLennan, Kris McLennan, Chris Hynes (Warwick), Geoff Fearby (Texas), David Alderdice, Barry Volp (Toowoomba).

Observers: Grant Graving, Michael Akes, Neil Gilshenan.

Apologies: John O'Keefe, Stephen Tapping, Scott Cosgrove, Grant Marchant.

Minutes: The secretary read the minutes from the AGM held 11/10/25 at City Golf Club. Moved Paul Donnelly and seconded Gavin Anderson that they were true and correct. Carried.

Business Arising: Nil.

Correspondence: Nil.

Presidents Report: John Taylor presented his annual report. Moved John Taylor and seconded Gavin Anderson the report be endorsed. Carried.

Financial Report: Greg Moore presented the Audited financial report to the meeting. Greg Moore explained the inconsistencies with the Capitation income due to late payment from Golf Australia. Greg Moore moved that the report be accepted. Seconded Barry Volp. Carried.

Golf Qld Delegates Report: Greg Moore presented detailed report highlighting his attendance at the Golf Qld delegates meetings. Moved Greg Moore and seconded Daniel Hedges that the report be accepted. Carried.

Junior Report: John Taylor presented the Junior Report. John Taylor moved and Barry Volp seconded that the report be received. Carried.

Pennants Report: Colin Hoey presented the Pennant Report. Colin Hoey moved and Kris McLennan seconded that the report be received. Carried.

Pennant Shields were presented to the winning clubs from the 2026 season.

Election of Committee.

Prior to vacating the chair John Taylor thanked Paul Harrison for the contribution he has given to the DDGA over the last 2 years.

The president vacated the chair and secretary, Colin Hoey called for nominations for President.

President: John Taylor nominated by Greg Moore, seconded by Paul Donnelly. Accepted and elected.

Secretary: Colin Hoey nominated by Murray McLeod. Declined the nomination.

Peter Kleinhanss nominated by Barry Volp, seconded by Colin Hoey. Accepted and elected.

Treasurer: Greg Moore nominated by Colin Hoey, seconded by John Taylor. Accepted and elected.

Committee:

Gavin Anderson nominated by Greg Moore, seconded by Kris McLennan.

Paul Donnelly nominated by John Taylor, seconded by Greg Moore.

David Alderdice nominated by Peter Kleinhanss, seconded by Paul Harrison.

Kris McLennan nominated by Colin Hoey, seconded by Chris Hynes.

Colin Hoey nominated by John Taylor, seconded by Paul Donnelly.

No further nominations were received. D Alderdice, P Donnelly, K McLennan, C Hoey and G Anderson accepted their nominations.

Moved Paul Harrison and seconded Peter Kleinhanss that the nominees be endorsed to the committee. Carried.

Patron: Des Thies nominated by Greg Moore, seconded by Paul Donnelly. Accepted and elected.

Neil Gilshenan nominated by Colin Hoey, seconded by Peter Kleinhanss. Accepted and elected.

Neil Gilshenan stated that he was proud to accept the honour and would enjoy sharing the role with Des Thies.

Auditor. Moved Greg Moore and seconded by John Taylor that Woods Financial Services be appointed auditor for 2026-27. Carried.

General Business.

Capitation Fee. No increase was proposed by the committee. Moved Greg Moore and seconded by Kris McLennan that $9.00 per player remains. Carried.

Protected Dates: The draft list was discussed, and a couple of changes were made. The possibility of the DDGA conducting a standalone Senior Championship was raised. The committee will progress the issue further. The list to be circulated to clubs when finalised.

Honorary Life Membership: Greg Moore moved and Barry Volp seconded that Colin Hoey be recognized for his outstanding contribution to the DDGA by Life Membership. Carried.

Colin Hoey thanked the meeting for the honour and wished the new committee all the best for the future.

No further general business. Meeting closed 9.52 am.

John Taylor thanked the delegates for attending and invited them for refreshments and lunch.

DDGA PRESIDENTS REPORT

Good morning,

It is a pleasure to present my President's Report for the past year.

It has been another positive year for the Darling Downs Golf Association, with increased numbers and participation across our events. The association has 4094 members including 277 juniors. This is the highest number on record. It has been particularly pleasing to see more golfers getting involved and representing their clubs and the Darling Downs region.

The Tri-Series against Moreton and South-East Qld districts was well supported this year. While we finished in third place, the strong participation and enthusiasm from our players was a real positive. It is encouraging to see players keen to represent the Darling Downs and support these events.

Pennants continue to grow in strength. Participation and interest remain strong, and we are looking at the possibility of adding another grade next year. This would be a great step forward for Pennants and provide more opportunities for golfers to compete and represent their clubs.

The communication area has been upgraded during the year. A new website is now in place and the DDGA Facebook page is proving very popular for sharing open days and club news. Thank you to Paul Donnelly who has taken on this task.

I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Colin Hoey for his 12 years of service as Secretary of the Darling Downs Golf Association. Colin has given his time and effort to the association, and we appreciate everything he has contributed during his time in the role.

Looking ahead, I am confident that the Darling Downs Golf Association is in a strong position. With participation continuing to increase and our competitions growing, I look forward to another successful year for the association.

Thank you to all the clubs, players, volunteers and committee members for your continued support throughout the year.

The association is in a very sound financial position and I look forward to working with everyone in the coming year to build on the progress we have made.

Thank you, John Taylor.

REPRESENTATIVE GOLF

INTER DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The 2025 Inter District Championships were held at Royal Pines in November. Thanks very much to our team of Mitchell Fowler, Kevin Doyle, Jason Borey, Colin Hoey, George English and Tim Rossignol for representing the DDGA.

COMMITTEE CHALLENGE.

The 2026 Committee Challenge was held at Crow's Nest Golf Club with a very strong representation from clubs in our association. Congratulations to Cecil Plains Golf Club on winning the day. The event will be hosted by Cecil Plains in 2027.

TRI-SERIES.

The 2026 tri-series against Moreton DGA and the South-East Queensland DGA was held at Ipswich Golf Club. Darling Downs players performed well but did not win any of the divisions. Thank you to all players for their commitment and their efforts.

D.D.G.A. SAND GREENS CHAMPIONSHIPS.

A strong field assembled at Texas for the 2026 event with Paul Macdonald from Pittsworth winning the championship. Inglewood golfer Warren Baker won the B Grade and Ashley Munday from City the C Grade event.

DDGA CHAMPIONSHIPS.

To all players who competed in D.D.G.A. Championships, Zone Championships, as well as club competitions throughout the year, congratulations on your achievements and personal milestones. Ray Fenwick is the current DDGA champion. The 2026 championships will be held today at Toowoomba Golf Club. A new champion will be crowned later today.

2026 Honour Board				
DDGA Championships Toowoomba Golf Club	**Champion**	**B Grade**	**C Grade**	
	Kris McLennan	Matt Wilkie	Rick Waldock	
	Senior	**Super Senior**		
	Luke Short	David Whitford		
Junior Championships Dalby Golf Club	**Champion**			
	Hunter Cubit			
DDGA Sand Greens Championships Texas Golf Club	**A Grade**	**B Grade**	**C Grade**	
	Paul McDonald	Warren Baker	Ashley Munday	
Zone Championships	**A Grade**	**B Grade**	**C Grade**	**Teams Event**
Zone 1 Warwick	Jay Roberts	Jason Owens	Russell Betts	Warwick
Zone 2 Pittsworth	Justin Shine	Ben Doyle	Graham Little	Clifton
Zone 3 Cabarlah	Matthew Burgess	William Robertson	Zac Squires	Cabarlah
Zone 4 Jandowae	Mark Henderson	Brendan Taylor	Geoff Beasley	Jandowae
Teams Event Final Winner		Clifton Golf Club		
Committee Challenge Winners		Cecil Plains Golf Club		

GOLF QUEENSLAND DELEGATES REPORT 2026 A.G.M. Greg Moore, DDGA Delegate. GOLF QUEENSLAND

- CONTINUED INCREASES IN CLUB MEMBERSHIP, MYGOLF PROGRAM AND GET INTO GOLF.
- 33% RISE IN JUNIOR PARTICIPATION IN AUSTRALIA.
- CLUBS AND FACILITIES TEAM DELIVERED 6 WORKSHOPS (4 CLUB BASED AND 2 AGRONOMY BASED) WITH PLANS TO CONTINUE THIS WORK IN 2026.
- PRESENTATION REGARDING THE LATEST TRENDS IN GOLF PARTICIPATION. OFF-SITE GOLF NOW MAKES UP 50% OF ALL GOLF.
- 4,000,000 ROUNDS PLAYED LAST YEAR AND GOLF IS THE MOST POPULAR SPORT IN AUSTRALIA.
- 14.1% OF PERSONS PLAYING GOLF ARE MEMBERS.
- ROUND PLAYERS MADE UP 45.5% OF GOLF.
- GOLF SUFFERING FROM EXTREME GROWING PAINS WITH LONG WAITING LISTS AT MOST METROPOLITAN CLUBS.
- OFF-COURSE GOLF IS EXPLODING. MANY CLUBS ARE EMBRACING OFF-COURSE GOLF DUE TO THE EXCELLENT FINANCIAL RETURNS.
- LESS THAN 10% OF PEOPLE HAVE THEIR FIRST GOLF EXPERIENCE ON A GRASS COURSE.
- PRESENTATION ON 'THE BIG SWINGS' WHICH IS THE NEXT FIVE-YEAR PLAN
- GQ HAS LOST $150,000 CONTRIBUTION FROM THE QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT FOR ITS HIGH-PERFORMANCE UNIT AS GOLF IS NOT VIEWED AS A VIABLE MEDAL PROSPECT IN 2032.

THE TREASURER REPORTED AN ANNUAL SURPLUS $497,393 UP FROM $285,122 IN 2024

ELECTION OF BOARD DIRECTORS – MUST BE A **MINIMUM** OF TWO OF EACH GENDER. MATT TWOOMEY RETIRED WITH DARYL MYLES (WOWAN G.C.) ELECTED UNOPPOSED.

CAPITATION COMPARISION AGAINST OTHER STATES

- CAPITATION FEES – GOLF QLD HAS THE 3RD LOWEST FEE OF ALL STATES - $40.86 COMPARED TO VICTORIA AT $62.01 AND NSW AT $40.24.
- **2025** COST PER PLAYER WAS $72.13 (G.Q. $40.86, G.A. $25.22, GOLFLINK $6.05)
- **2026** COST PER PLAYER WILL BE $83.36 (G.Q. $42.09, G.A. $32.27, DDGA $9.00) THE GOLFLINK FEE IS DISCONTINUED AND IS PART OF THE G.A. COMPONENT.
- **2027** G.Q. FEE $43.14. G.A. AND DISTRICT FEES UNKNOWN AT THIS STAGE.

DAMIEN DEBELIN (G.A.)

- DISCUSSION RE THE NEW G.A. APP AND THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED. THERE ARE SOME SCORING GLITCHES WHICH ARE BEING WORKED ON. MOST OF THE RESPONSES HAVE BEEN POSITIVE.
- ONLY 11% OF ALL GOLFERS ARE MEMBERS OF A GOLF CLUB. EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ABILITY OF PEOPLE TO GET A HANDICAP WITHOUT BEING MEMBERS OF A CLUB. DAMIEN STATED THAT STATISTICS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES SHOW ABOUT 30% OF THESE PEOPLE EVENTUALLY MOVE TO BECOME CLUB MEMBERS. G.A.'S POSITION IS TO SUPPORT THIS TREND AND TRY TO TRANSITION PEOPLE INTO CLUBS.

- MOST DISTRICTS SAW LITTLE VALUE IN THE VIRTUAL HANDICAPS AS THE MONEY MOVES DIRECTLY TO G.A. AND NOT THE CLUBS.

INTER-DISTRICT

- INTER-DISTRICT EVENT WAS DISCUSSED AT LENGTH. DISTRICTS GAVE INORMATION ON HOW THEY HAD FORMULATED QUALIFYING STANDARDS.
- LUKE BATES GAVE A PRESENTATION. SHOWED RESPONSES TO THE SURVEY. STRONG POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM PARTICILANTS. DISCUSSED THE WRITTEN MATTERS RAISED BY TWO DISTRICTS AND OTHER GRIEVENCES FROM THE FLOOR. SEVERAL CHANGES TO THE 2026 FORMAT AS OUTLINED IN THE ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS. MAIN POINTS:
  - DIVISION ONE IS A GROSS EVENT, OTHER DIVISIONS ARE STABLEFORD
  - $330 PER PLAYER
  - $1210 PER DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLANNING

- DISCUSSED IMPORTANCE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR DISTRICTS AND CLUBS TO MAINTAIN SUCCESS. ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE FROM G.A.
- G.Q. RAN A GOVERNANVCE PROGRAM ON 5TH AND 6TH OF NOVEMBER WHICH WAS WELL ATTENDED. THERE IS ALSO AN ON-LINE TRAINING PROGRAM 'GOVERNANCE ESSENTIALS FOR GOLF.' **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED FOR OFFICIALS AT ALL LEVELS BECAUSE NOT KNOWING IS NO DEFENCE WHEN THINGS GO BAD.**

G.Q. CONSTITUTION

- PROPOSED CHANGE OF G.Q. CONSTITUTION. PRESENTLY DIRECTORS CAN HAVE A MAXIMUM OF 3 X TWO-YEAR TERMS. PROPOSED TO MOVE TO 2 X THREE-YEAR TERMS TO GIVE THE NEW DIRECTORS MORE TIME TO GROW INTO THEIR ROLE. MOTION PASSED AT GENERAL MEETING 19TH JUNE

DISTRICT AMALGAMATION

- SUNSHINE COAST/BURNETT/GLASSHOUSE GOLF ASSOCIATION AND SUNSHINE COAST AND BURNETT DISTRICT WOMENS GOLF HAVE AMALGAMATED. THEIR REPRESENTATIVES GAVE A REPORT ON THE SUCCESS AND CHALLENGES THEY HAVE FACED.

LUKE BATES (STATE MANAGER) AND GA REPRESENTATIVE

- PRESENTATION ON THE HIGH-PERFORMANCE UNIT WHICH IS NOW FUNDED INTERNALLY INCLUDING AN OVERVIEW OF THE PATHWAYS.
- VICTORIA PARK GOLF COMPLEX CLOSURE HAS RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF 150,000 HITTING HOURS.
- DISCUSSION REGARDING CREATING RELATIONSHIPS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT.
- IMPORTANT FOR CLUBS TO CONSULT WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO DISCOVER WHAT COUNCIL THINKS ABOUT FUTURE CLUB DIRECTION AND HOW THAT FITS WITH THE COUNCIL DIRECTION.
- APPOINTMENT OF PARTICIPATION OFFICERS IN NORTH QUEENSLAND AND CENTRAL QUEENSLAND. CALLAN WILSON IS THE D.D.G.A. OFFICER.

HARRY TINNEY (GOLF AUSTRALIA STRATEGY UNIT)

- PRESENTATION ON 'THE BIG SWINGS 2026-2030' STRATEGY
  - DEMOGRAPHICS
  - GOLFERS HAVE HIGHER EXPECTATIONS THAN IN PREVIOUS YEARS
  - GOLF AND GOLFERS ARE CHANGING – DIFFERENT COMPETITIONS ETC
  - GROWING PAINS FOR THE SPORT
  - DEMAND OUTPACING SUPPLY
  - FACILITIES ARE EVOLVING – SIMULATORS AND DIVERSITY

ROBYN THORN (G.Q. FINANCE)

- GA STILL WORKING ON AUTOMATIC COLLECTION OF CAPITATION FEES
- THE 5% GROWTH IN MEMBERSHIP WILL FLOW THROUGH TO DISTRICTS.

ANDREW LEVENTIS

- PRESENTATION REGARDING GRANTS AND GRANT WRITING
- GRANT WRITING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE THROUGH 'RED TAPE BUSTERS.'
- 4.5 MILLION DOLLARS IN GRANTS ACHIEVED FOR CLUBS IN THE LAST YEAR
- OUTLINED THE ROLES OF THE NEW DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS AND WHICH CLUBS THEY HAVE BEEN TO SO FAR.
- DISPLAYED THE RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT WEBSITE
- CONFIRMED THAT THE NEW CHILD SAFEGUARDING INITIATIVE 'LEVEL UP' IS COMPULSORY AND ALL ORGANISATIONS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK TOWARDS COMPLIANCE. IF THERE IS ANY PROBLEM THEN ORGANISATIONS CAN CONTACT ANDREW FOR ASSISTANCE.
- DISCUSSED THE IMPORTANCE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING AT ALL LEVELS.

GOLF QUEENSLAND NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

- THE G.Q. BOARD DECIDED TO CREATE A NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE THAT WILL EXAMINE ALL NOMINATIONS FOR THE GOLF QUEENSLAND BOARD TO IDENTIFY WHAT SKILLS/EXPERIENCE THEY BRING. THIS COMMITTEE THEN MAKES NON-BINDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE DELEGATES AT THE AGM.
- THE COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF AN INDEPENDENT CHAIR, TWO GOLF QUEENSLAND BOARD MEMBERS AND TWO REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED BY THE DELEGATES.
- THOSE PERSONS ARE:
  - PETER CASTRISOS (CHAIR)
  - PETER REEVES (GQ)
  - CATHY CONNELLAN (GQ)
  - TAM REID (SBD)
  - GREG MOORE (DDGA)

GENERAL

- REQUEST FOR G.A. TO PROVIDE MORE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SMALLER DISTRICTS AND CLUBS THAT ARE STRUGGLING UNDER THE WEIGHT OF DECREASING NUMBERS AND INCREASING OPERATING COSTS.

DDGA JUNIOR GOLF REPORT.

Good morning,
It is great to report that junior golf across the Darling Downs continues to grow, with increased numbers and participation throughout the year.
This year, our juniors had the opportunity to play Junior Pennants alongside the Open Men's Pennant competition. This was a great success and gave our juniors the opportunity to feel more involved and, importantly, to feel that they are a valued part of their clubs.
We also took a junior team away to the Tri-Series. Although we were only able to field four players out of the five-player team, we had looked at around 20 juniors to put the side together. The team had a combined handicap of around 9.6 and put up a very good showing, performing extremely well against the other regions.
It is particularly pleasing to see the numbers we now have available. Two or three years ago, we would have struggled to field a junior side, so the growth in junior participation is a very positive sign for the future.
We also welcomed South Burnett down again this year, which provided another good opportunity for our juniors to compete and gain experience.
For the first time, we held a standalone DDGA junior competition this year. We had 18 juniors from seven different clubs participate, which was fantastic to see. It gives us something to build on, and our goal is to continue growing this event.
Looking ahead, we would like to work towards making the event a Greg Norman Junior Masters qualifier next year. We will look at the program and see how we can develop the event each year and make it an important part of the junior calendar on the Darling Downs.
Junior competition continues to grow, but one area we need to focus on is increasing participation in nine-hole competitions. This will be a priority for us next year.
We will have Callum Wilson from Golf Australia looking into ways we can develop nine-hole junior competitions. Callum will also be available to assist clubs that need help getting these types of competitions started.
Overall, it is very encouraging to see the growth in junior golf across the Darling Downs. The numbers, participation and enthusiasm are heading in the right direction, and there is plenty of opportunity to continue building on this over the coming years.
I would like to thank all the clubs, volunteers, parents, coaches and juniors for their support throughout the year.

Thank you. John Taylor. Junior Committee.

DDGA Pennant Report 2026

Pennant competition in 2026 was a highlight with clubs supporting the format more than ever. Junior pennants were held in conjunction this year and is growing.

14 DDGA clubs fielded teams and invited clubs Ipswich and Goondiwindi completed the fixtures. Competition was strong and the season had quite a few away wins.

The Winners.

City defeated Warwick at Warwick 4 to 3 in Division 1. Warwick topped the ladder and did well to host the final after winning Div 2 the previous year. City continue their long unbeaten run in finals.

Goondiwindi were too strong for Clifton 5.5 to 1.5 in Division 2 and will go back to Division 1 next year.

Toowoomba won their fourth consecutive pennant proving too strong against City in the Senior A final winning 4 to 1.

Cabarlah upset City 3 to 2 at City to win Senior B to retain the title won the two previous years.

Oakey won the Senior C division at their first attempt beating Gatton 3 to 2.

Handicap 1 was won by City over Crow's Nest 5 to 0.

Oakey won Handicap 2 defeating Goombungee 3 to 2. A great effort after winning Handicap 3 last year.

In Handicap 3 Warwick beat Pittsworth 3 to 2 to take the title.

The Juniors was won by Goondiwindi over Toowoomba 4 matches to 1.

Divisional Makeup 2026.

Divisions 1 & 2. Goondiwindi will move up to Division 1 with their win and Cabarlah will compete in Division 2.

Handicap Division. With the same nominations in 2027 the divisions after promotion and relegation would be.

Division 1: Stanthorpe, Crow's Nest, City and Oakey.

Division 2: Goombungee, Warwick, Dalby and Allora.

Division 3: Texas, Gatton, Clifton and Pittsworth.

In 2027 the committee will ask clubs to consider fielding teams in a new division. It would be called Division 3 and consist of 5 players with 2 off the stick and 3 handicap with an upper limit of 8 handicap. We would welcome feedback from clubs on this possibility.

Thank you, Colin Hoey. Pennant Committee.

Darling Downs Golf Association Inc

Financial Report

For the year ended 31 August 2026

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Income & Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 31 August 2026

	Note	2026 $	2025 $
INCOME			
Capitation Fees	5	41,444.00	23,172.18
Interest Received - Heritage Chq a/c		2.37	1.82
Interest Received - Heritage term deposit		762.57	789.99
		42,208.94	23,963.99
LESS EXPENSES			
Accounting Fees		400.00	400.00
Audit Fees		280.00	270.00
Annual Meeting Expenses		28.87	236.91
DDGA Executive Challenge costs		2,281.82	2,390.91
DDGA Championships		2,352.36	945.45
Honoraria		7,000.00	6,400.00
Incorporation Fees		64.25	62.10
Inter Association Events		-	540.91
Junior Tournaments		363.64	720.14
Penant Costs		2,686.36	1,581.82
Player Travel & Other Costs		2,178.36	272.73
Postage		192.00	171.77
Office, Printing & Stationery		-	628.90
Shirts & Caps		902.55	1,106.77
Representative Golf -Tri series		-	90.91
Sundry Expenses		20.00	81.67
Trophies & Prizes		4,963.33	4,459.83
Website Costs		1,332.73	600.00
		25,046.27	20,960.82
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		**17,162.67**	**3,003.17**

Darling Downs Golf Association Inc

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Assets & Liabilities Statement
As at 31 August 2026

	2026 $	2025 $
Cash & Cash Equivalents		
Heritage Bank - Cheque Account	46,405.63	29,757.10
Heritage Bank - Term Deposit	20,000.00	20,000.00
Mastercard	1,899.36	428.60
	68,304.99	50,185.70
Inventories		
Stock on hand	2,662.50	2,040.50
Total Current Assets	70,967.49	52,226.20
Total Non-Current Assets	-	-
Total Assets	70,967.49	52,226.20
Current Liabilities		
GST Payable	3,336.62	1,758.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,336.62	1,758.00
Total Liabilities	3,336.62	1,758.00
Net Assets	**67,630.87**	**50,468.20**
Members' Funds		
Balance brought forward	50,468.20	47,465.03
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	17,162.67	3,003.17
Total Members' Funds	**67,630.87**	**50,468.20**

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Statement of Cashflows
For the year ended 31 August 2026

	2026 $	2025 $
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTVITIES		
Capitation Fees	41,444.00	23,172.18
Interest Received	764.94	791.81
Payments to suppliers	(24,089.66)	(23,363.49)
Net cash provided by operating activities	18,119.28	600.50
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment	-	-
Purchase of property, plant & equipment	-	-
Net cash provided by investing activities	-	-
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTVITIES		
Proceeds of borrowing	-	-
Payment of borrowings	-	-
Net cash provided by financing activities	-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash	18,119.28	600.50
Cash on hand at beginning of financial year	50,185.70	49,585.20
Cash on hand at end of financial year	68,304.98	50,185.70

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Notes to and forming part of the financial statements For the year ended 31 August 2026

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting obligations of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and the association's rules. The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The statements are prepared on a cash basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements:

Income Tax

As the association is a not-for-profit institution in terms of subsection 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, as amended, it is exempt from paying income tax.

Property, Plant & Equipment (PPE)

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

Impairment of assets

At the end of each reporting period, the committee reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

Employee Provisions

The association does not employ any staff and all workers are unpaid volunteers. Accordingly no provision is made for employee benefits.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes physical cash, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of six months or less.

Revenue and Other Income

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

Interest revenue is recognised upon receipt.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the association obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

Notes to and forming part of the financial statements
For the year ended 31 August 2026

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive or retain the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue is deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the the amount of GST incurred 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 part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables in the assets and liabilities statement are recorded inclusive of GST.

Note 2 - STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Retained Earnings
Balance as at 31 August 2024	47,465.03
Surplus/(Deficit) attributed to members	3,003.17
Balance as at 31 August 2025	50,468.20
Surplus/(Deficit) attributed to members	17,162.67
Balance as at 31 August 2026	67,630.87

Note 3 – MORTGAGES, CHARGES & OTHER SECURITIES

The association has provided no mortgages, charges or securities of any kind over any asset of the association.

Note 4 - REMUNERATION

The association paid honararia totalling $7,000 to office holders to defray costs those members incurred in carrying out their roles for the association.

Note 5 - CAPiTATION FEES RECEIVED

During the 2025/26 year, the association received a Capitation Payment of $xxxx (ex gst) which was a top up of the 2024/25 year.

As a consequence the Capitation Fees received for the 2025/26 year are inflated, and the comparative Capitation Fees reported for 2024/25 are understated.

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Statement by Members of the Committee

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 5:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Darling Downs Golf Association Inc as at 31 August 2026 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act 1981.

2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Darling Downs Golf Association Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

President - John Taylor

Treasurer - Greg Moore

Dated this 6th day of October 2026

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF DARLING DOWNS GOLF ASSOCIATION INC.

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the financial report of the Darling Downs Golf Association Inc. (the association), which comprises the income and expenditure statement for the year ended 31 August 2026, the assets and liabilities statement as at 31 August 2026, statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant policies and the statement by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Darling Downs Golf Association Inc. presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the association as at 31 August 2026 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Queensland Associations Incorporation Act 1981.

Basis of opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibility under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the registered entity in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110; Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I also have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

I draw attention to Note 1, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Committee for the Financial Report

The committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and for such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosure, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the committee regarding, among other things, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.



Graham Lyle Woods

Registered Company Auditor

145 Tourist Road, Toowoomba Qld 4350

Dated this 6th day of October 2026

DARLING DOWNS GOLF ASSOCIATION ZONES
(Realigned 2023)

ZONES 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3	ZONE 4
Inglewood	Millmerran	City	Cecil Plains
Stanthorpe	Pittsworth	Gatton	Bell
Texas	Clifton	Crow's Nest	Dalby
Warwick	Toowoomba	Goombungee	Jandowae
Allora		Cabarlah	Oakey

CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR

DDGA CHAMPIONSHIPS

YEAR	CLUB	YEAR	CLUB
2027	Dalby	2031	Toowoomba
2028	Gatton	2032	Dalby
2029	Warwick	2033	Gatton
2030	City	2034	Warwick

ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS

YEAR	ZONE 1 CLUB	YEAR	ZONE 2 CLUB
2027	Allora	2027	Clifton
2028	Stanthorpe	2028	Millmerran
2029	Inglewood	2029	Toowoomba
2030	Texas	2030	Pittsworth
2031	Warwick	2031	Clifton

YEAR	ZONE 3 CLUB	YEAR	ZONE 4 CLUB
2027	Crow's Nest	2027	Oakey
2028	Gatton	2028	Dalby
2029	City	2029	Cecil Plains
2030	Goombungee	2030	Bell
2031	Cabarlah	2031	Jandowae

DDGA COMMITTEE CHALLENGE

2026 Winner: Cecil Plains Golf Club.

Future Venues.

2027	Cecil Plains
2028	Bell
2029	Cabarlah
2030	Inglewood
2031	Jandowae
2032	Millmerran
2033	Pittsworth
2034	Clifton
2035	Goombungee
2036	Stanthorpe
2037	Allora

DDGA Zone Team Champion Club

2026: Clifton Golf Club.

Club Membership Numbers 2026. 31/12/25 numbers.																											
Club	Male	Junior Males	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Allora	96	4	100	90	65	59	68	72	53	64	48	31	29	24	25	21	24	20	20	26	33	19	23	28	29	30
Bell	38		38	45	27	24	24	23	22	21	27	24	30	33	30	42	36	38	56	31	24	24	35	34	35	28
Cabarlah	237	7	244	219	214	151	163	156	176	182	187	195	199	154	119	115	100	104	117	101	97	109	150	159	186	167
Cecil Plains	35	2	37	34	27	21	27	33	30	33	35	34	34	37	32	35	34	27	29	31	44	27	32	32	34	32
City	990	65	1055	832	872	778	836	857	886	855	874	891	917	922	866	868	834	807	813	855	815	928	920	868	823	854
Clifton	96	5	101	85	88	90	88	84	82	75	74	70	67	71	64	66	63	75	72	73	71	78	76	67	72	79
Crows Nest	77	1	78	70	65	56	55	48	48	48	41	61	58	58	56	56	54	63	56	72	55	40	55	42	57	48
Dalby	238	14	252	240	195	193	163	130	137	160	143	178	142	188	156	190	177	230	261	211	208	197	210	209	236	254
Gatton	267	45	312	309	266	170	178	161	141	152	152	168	157	178	179	203	188	199	190	190	174	179	190	198	196	202
Goombungee	85	5	90	107	105	78	64	53	52	49	56	51	53	58	60	62	68	69	65	96	66	70	60	55	56	56
Inglewood	27		27	28	26	15	15	22	17	26	25	21	21	14	27	30	26	22	29	25	26	27	30	31	29	26
Jandowae	31	2	33	33	30	22	24	28	31	33	33	33	33	32	37	37	40	42	29	34	34	36	30	52	43	33
Millmerran	74	1	75	89	83	60	47	42	0	49	55	66	85	71	67	73	56	58	101	112	114	93	74	109	119	117
Oakey	43		43	43	36	39	50	42	41	37	33	37	37	37	40	32	31	35	32	30	35	37	45	39	46	61
Pittsworth	150	7	157	139	120	104	103	73	67	96	106	115	120	118	156	148	168	135	139	137	137	150	153	149	146	151
Stanthorpe	135	7	142	143	152	103	120	124	110	115	113	120	112	103	101	87	81	51	64	67	76	72	85	81	105	108
Texas	41	1	42	40	42	50	43	36	32	45	47	44	38	42	30	30	21	6	8	8	8	6	20	34	35	40
Toowoomba	910	110	1020	946	872	793	755	713	732	669	668	696	706	706	747	721	737	816	815	884	928	931	865	848	697	761
Warwick	247	1	248	273	276	218	241	218	226	236	201	242	259	347	274	246	243	272	206	205	183	196	206	195	229	237
Total	3817	277	4094	3765	3561	3024	2996	2915	2883	2962	2936	3077	3097	3193	3066	3062	2981	3069	3102	3188	3128	3219	3259	3230	3173	3284