



ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QUEENSLAND Inc

Minutes of the Forty - Seventh Annual Conference
13th and 14th June, 2018

Winton Shire Hall
WINTON, QLD

Hosted by: Winton Branch
Convenor: Tina Elliott



Digging Deep for Education



WINTON
ICPA QLD 2018



Winton conference convening committee

Kerry Turnbull, Philippa Whitehead, Sophie Elliott, Katrina Paine, Cathy White, Lisa Elliott and Emma Brodie,
Cyndi McQueen, Tina Elliott, Kate Bradshaw. Missing: Jodi Axford



ICPA Qld Inc Executive 2017 – 2018

Kim Donaldson, Jessie Persse, Kate Twist, Natalie Kenny, Tammie Irons, Wendy Henning,
Louise Winten, Edwina Hick, Kelly Ostwald, Susan Bellingham, Jeff Little,
Gillian Semple, Kim Hughes, Louise Martin, Anna Appleton

47th ANNUAL ICPA STATE CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Registrations and Information Stations – Q&A Market open at 2.00pm
at Winton Shire Hall

Tuesday 12th June 2018

2.00 – 5.00pm Pre-Conference 'Information Stations – Q&A Market'

9 organisations have come together to offer delegates greater opportunity to engage, learn and find support.

RFDS – offering mental health support from Mental Wellness Clinicians

P&Cs Qld – Margaret Leary, Training and Development Officer

SPOT Rural – Heidi Begg is a speech therapist with a passion for helping bush children find their voice

SPELD – Marion McMahon will be on hand to answer all things specific learning

TELSTRA – Darren Clarke, Area General Manager

nbn – Ryan Williams, nbn Local

Curriculum Team, Dept. of Education – have a curriculum query? Ask Brad Smith, C2C and Janelle Matheson

IMPACT Centre of Dept. of Education – Glen Watt will be available to discuss how it uses the power of technology and digital pedagogy to inspire minds, connect communities and transform education

Rural Reach Program - Longreach State High School Principal, Brendan Krueger will share the exciting new Rural Reach Program. A joint initiative between Longreach High School and Longreach Pastoral College, offering families the opportunity for their Year 10 - 12 students to complete their secondary school studies at Longreach State High School, while undertaking rural skills training at Longreach Pastoral College

Most organisations will be in attendance for the remainder of conference.

5.00pm Delegates Workshop with Qld State Council
Winton Shire Hall – 75 Vindex Street, Winton

6.00pm Pre-Conference function and Lone Members 'Washers' Competition
The Winton Club – Cnr. Oondooroo & Vindex Streets, Winton

Conference, Day 1 Wednesday 13th June, 2018

Registrations open at 7.30am

- 8.30am President's Welcome
- 8.35am NATIONAL ANTHEM performed by Winton State School Choir
- 8.45am Welcome to Conference from Winton Shire Mayor, Mr Gavin Basket
- 8.55am Introduction of Branch Delegates, Qld Life Members, Executive Roll Call and Distribution of Voting Cards
Confirmation of 2017 St George Minutes and Apologies
- 9.05am OFFICIAL OPENING OF CONFERENCE – Mrs Helen Collins
Winton Branch Life Member and ICPA Qld Assistant Secretary – 1983-87, Committee - 1987-90
- 9.10am USO Update and Q&A presented by Mr Philip Mason
Assistant Secretary, USO Taskforce, Dept. Communications and Arts
- 9.30am Motions on the Agenda
- 9.50am Conference Arrangements from Convenor, Mrs Tina Elliott
- 10.00am Morning Tea
- 10.30am Acknowledgement of Guests
- 10.35am Remembering 'Bunny' Powne, MBE Inaugural President ICPA Qld – Mr Bruce Collins
Winton Branch Life Member and ICPA Qld Vice President 1987 – 90, Treasurer – 1984 - 87
- 10.45am President's Report
- 11.00am Motions on the Agenda
- 12.20pm School performance – St Patrick's Catholic School, Winton
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 1.30pm Motions on the Agenda
- 2.45pm School performance – Longreach School of Distance Education
- 2.55pm Motions on the Agenda
- 3.30pm Afternoon Tea
- 4.00pm What is the IMPACT Centre? presented by Glen Watt Director, IMPACT Centre, Dept. Education
- 4.10pm Motions on the Agenda
- 4.40pm Presentation
- 4.50pm Conference arrangements from Convenor, Tina Elliott
- 5.00pm Conference adjourns (voting cards collected)
- 6.30pm Pre-dinner drinks – Winton State School Sporting Complex
- 7.00pm FLORAL FANTASY CONFERENCE DINNER
Winton State School Sporting Complex, Oondooroo Street entrance

Conference, Day 2

Thursday 14th June, 2018

- 7.00am Registrations open (for new delegates and guests if required)
- 8.00am Conference Resumes
Delegates and Executive Roll Call and Distribution of Voting Cards 8.10am
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ICPA QLD INC.
- Refer to AGM Booklet in your satchel for agenda and documentation
- 8.55am Conference Arrangements from Convenor, Mrs Tina Elliott
- 9.00am Motions on the Agenda
- 9.20am A Couch, A Coffee, A Conversation – Digging Rural Education
Andrea Crothers interviews Sara Storer and Kathleen Noonan
- 10.35am Morning Tea
- 11.05am nbn Update and Q&A presented by Ryan Williams
Head of nbn Local, Qld
- 11.15am Motions on the Agenda
- 12.20pm Presentation
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 1.30pm School Performance – Winton State School – DrumBeat
- 1.40pm Presentation
- 1.50pm Motions on the Agenda
- 3.10pm Federal ICPA Presidents Report – presented by Mrs Wendy Hick
- 3.25pm Winton Branch ICPA – Waltzing in the Dusty Diamantina
- 3.30pm Afternoon Tea
- 4.00pm Motions on the Agenda
- 4.50pm Presentation to Convening Branch
- 5.00pm Conference Adjourns (voting cards collected)
- 6.30pm Post Conference Dinner - Waltzing Matilda Centre, Elderslie Street

This program is subject to change at the discretion of the chair
Thank you for being here. Safe travels home.
Dig Deep for Education!

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COMMUNICATIONS

1(A1), 2(A2), 3(S2)

CURRICULUM

5(A3), 6(A4), 7(A5), 8(A6)

DISTANCE EDUCATION

41(A8), 42(A9), 43(A10), 44(A11), 45(A12), 46(A13), 47(S3), 48(S4), 49(S5)

EARLY CHILDHOOD

23(A14), 24(A15), 25(A16), 26(A17), 27(S6), 28(S7), 29(S8)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

30(A18), 31(A19), 32(A21), 33(A22), 34(S9), 35(S10),

SCHOOLS

9(A24), 10(A25), 11(A26), 12(A27), 13(A28), 14(A29), 15(S11), 16(S12)

SPECIFIC NEEDS

17(A33), 18(A30), 19(A31), 20(A32), 21(A34), 22(A35)

TEACHER EDUCATION

36(A36), 37(A37), 38(A38), 39(A39), 40(A40)

TERTIARY, TRADE & TRAINING

TRAVEL

50(A41), 51(A42), 52(A43), 53(A44), 54(A45), 55(S13), 56(S15)

MISCELLANEOUS

57(A46), 58(A47), 59(A48), 60(A49), 61(S16)

AGM

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FLOOR MOTIONS

62(F1), 63(F2), 64(F3), 65(F4), 66(F5), 67(F6), 68(F7)

Conference Opened 8.36am

Present:

Delegates.....	64
Queensland Councillors.....	13
Life Members/Patron.....	3
Federal Councillors.....	2
Total Voting Delegates.....	82
Observers.....	18
Guests.....	106
Total Attendance.....	206



Isolated Children's
Parents' Association –
Queensland Inc

47th Annual
Conference

Winton
Shire Hall

Wednesday 13th June
2018

Day 1

Welcome to Dignitaries, Guests and Delegates

Mrs Kim Hughes

National Anthem – Winton State School Choir

Vote of Thanks by *Mrs Kim Hughes*

#iamICPA Information

Mrs Natalie Kenny –Publicity Officer
Relaunch 2018 #IAMICPA Video

Welcome to Conference – Mr Gavin Baskett Winton Shire

Mayor

Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Kim Hughes*

Executive & Delegates Roll Call - Mrs Gillian Semple Distribution of Voting Cards

Apologies

Moved: *Mrs Gillian Semple*; Seconded: *Mrs Kim Donaldson*
'That the apologies as listed be accepted.'

CARRIED

Confirmation of 2017 St George Minutes

Moved: *Mrs Gillian Semple*; Seconded: *Mrs Kim Donaldson*

'That the Minutes of the 2017 Conference held in St George be accepted.'

CARRIED

Business Arising: Nil

OFFICIAL OPENING OF CONFERENCE

9.04am

Mrs Helen Collins Winton Branch Life Member
Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Kim Hughes*



Universal Service Obligation (USO) Update

9.10am

Mr Philip Mason Assistant Secretary, USO Taskforce, Dept. Communications and Arts
Introduced by Mr Andrew Pegler

USO Q&A session

Thanked by Mrs Louise Martin

Portfolio snapshot - COMMUNICATIONS

by Mrs Louise Martin

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

9.44am

Communications

1. A1.

KINDON BRANCH

Moved: Daryl Martin (Kindon Branch); **Seconded:** Amanda Martin (Kindon Branch)

“That ICPA Queensland lobby the Queensland Department of Education and Training (DET) and continues to support ICPA Australia with their lobby, to ensure that all small schools in Queensland are provided with reliable, accessible internet services that meet the needs of the specific school both for education and administration.”

CARRIED

2. A2.

TAMBO BRANCH

Moved: Kimberley Rains (Tambo Branch); **Seconded:** Pip Fearon (Tambo Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education to ensure small regional and remote schools have adequate dedicated IT funding enabling them to install the latest equipment to keep pace with technology changes and the increased use of technology within the curriculum and daily lessons.”

CARRIED

3. S2.

QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL

Moved: Louise Martin (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Tammie Irons (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld Inc thanks nbn local, for working collaboratively with State Council in ensuring our members are receiving the latest information from the nbn network.”

CARRIED by Acclamation

Conference Arrangements, *Mrs Tina Elliott*
Morning Tea 10.07am
Conference Resumes 10.36am

Raffle winners drawn by *Mrs Tina Elliott*

Announcement

Mrs Kim Hughes acknowledges the IT Dept are in attendance to assist

Acknowledgement of Guests - Mrs Kim Donaldson

10.40am



Remembering “Bunny” Powne MBE
Inaugural President ICPA Qld

By Mr Bruce Collins
Introduced by Mrs Kim Donaldson

One minutes silence – everyone upstanding

Portfolio snapshot - BOARDING SCHOOLS AND HOSTELS 10.50am
by *Mrs Kelly Ostwald*

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA 10.54am

Boarding Schools

4. S1.

TAMBO BRANCH

Moved: Kimberly Rains (Tambo Branch); **Seconded:** Pip Fearon (Tambo Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Premier of Queensland and other relevant organisations to adopt the national boarding school standards in Qld, to be in line with other states.”

CARRIED

Portfolio snapshot - CURRICULUM
by Mrs Kate Twist

10.58am

Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) Video

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

11.14am

Curriculum

5. A3.

BLACKALL BRANCH

Moved: Susie Milson (Blackall Branch); **Seconded:** Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc recommend to the Department of Education to make the full senior curriculum available to all students, in rural and remote secondary schools, with appropriate technological support and supervision. This will mean that to utilise the available technology, the bandwidth for rural and remote schools will have to be extensively upgraded.”

CARRIED

6. A4.

TAMBO BRANCH

Moved: Kimberley Rains (Tambo Branch); **Seconded:** Pip Fearon (Tambo Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the relevant bodies to have primary production included as a compulsory component in the national curriculum.”

CARRIED

7. A5.

HUGHENDEN BRANCH

Moved: Sharon Johnson (Hughenden Branch); **Seconded:** Amy Dart (Hughenden Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby relevant bodies to include a specific unit on Australian Primary Production (i.e. food and fibre) in P-12 curriculum, developed in conjunction with industry experts (e.g. Dept. Agriculture and Fisheries) as opposed to curriculum writers alone.”

CARRIED

8. A6.

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH

Moved: Wendy Ferry (Springsure/Rolleston Branch); **Seconded:** Julianne Rogan (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continue to carefully monitor the status of the “Safe Schools Coalition” in Qld State and Independent Schools.”

CARRIED

A7.

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH

“That ICPA Qld Inc request the Department of Education and Training and Independent schools to make it a matter of priority to publicly publicise the names of schools using or intending to use the material advocated in the Safe School Coalition program.”

WITHDRAWN

Portfolio snapshot - SCHOOLS
by Mrs Tammie Irons

11.31am

Schools

A23.

TAMBO BRANCH

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby relevant stakeholders to assist and support in the implementation of the 5 hearts bullying system proposed by Dolly’s Dream Foundation.”

WITHDRAWN

9. A24.

BLACKALL BRANCH

Moved: Susie Milson (Blackall Branch); **Seconded:** Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education to evaluate the difficulties faced by rural and remote schools accessing supply teachers and DRT (District Relief Teachers) and put policies in place to overcome these problems.”

CARRIED

10. A25.

JULIA CREEK BRANCH

Moved: Helen Lynch (Julia Creek Branch); **Seconded:** Rachael Andersen (Julia Creek Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Minister for Education to provide a reduction in the teacher:student ratio in rural and remote schools with multi-age classrooms from 1:25 to 1:20.”

AMENDMENT

Moved: Mac McClymont (ICPA Qld Inc Life Member); **Seconded:** Marg Hurst (Westmar/Inglestone Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Minister for Education to provide a reduction in the teacher:student ratio in Small schools with multi-age classrooms from 1:25 to 1:20.”

The Amendment was LOST and vote was on the original motion

CARRIED

11. A26.

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH

Moved: Wendy Ferry (Springsure/Rolleston Branch); **Seconded:** Julianne Rogan (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education and Training to ask that they make a policy that perishable resources in small schools, that are temporarily closed, be distributed to other local schools.”

CARRIED

12. A27.

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH

Moved: Wendy Ferry (Springsure/Rolleston Branch); **Seconded:** Julianne Rogan (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education and Training to be more proactive in dealing with children who are a constant disruption in the school.”

CARRIED

12.08am

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs Kim Hughes
President ICPA Qld Inc

Received with acclamation



PERFORMANCE

12.23am

'Waltz Sing Matilda' sung by St Patrick's Catholic School, Winton
Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Jessie Persse*

Lunch

12.28am

Conference Resumes

1.34pm

Conference Arrangements, *Mrs Tina Elliott*
Raffle winners drawn

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

1.35pm

Schools

13. A28.

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH

Moved: Wendy Ferry (Springsure/Rolleston Branch); **Seconded:** Julianne Rogan (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby DET to provide a better solution for dangerous, disruptive students than is currently in place.”

LOST

14. A29. RICHMOND BRANCH

Moved: Tricia Batt (Richmond Branch); **Seconded:** Rebecca Hawkins (Richmond Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc thank the Rural and Remote branch for their pro-active advocacy for improvement of rural and remote education.”

CARRIED

15. S11. BLACKALL BRANCH

Moved: Susie Milson (Blackall Branch); **Seconded:** Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc requests that DET bring primary teacher-aide hours in line with the current secondary teacher-aide hour allocation.”

CARRIED

16. S12. JULIA CREEK BRANCH

Moved: Helen Lynch (Julia Creek Branch); **Seconded:** Rachael Andersen (Julia Creek Branch)

“That Qld ICPA work in collaboration with P&C’s, Local Governments and communities to lobby the State Government for a new fund for schools with 40 children or greater and 52 children or less to apply for whenever these numbers are reached.”

WORD CHANGE – insert ‘rural and remote’ remove ‘children or greater and 52 children or less to apply for whenever these numbers’ and insert ‘-52 children in Multi-ages classes to apply for wherever these conditions’

The motion now reads -

“That Qld ICPA work in collaboration with P&C’s, Local Governments and communities to lobby the State Government for a new fund for rural and remote schools with 40-52 children in Multi-ages classes to apply for wherever these conditions are reached.”

CARRIED

Portfolio snapshot – SPECIFIC NEEDS

1.56pm

by Mrs Wendy Henning

Specific Needs

17. A33. RICHMOND BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca Hawkins (Richmond Branch); **Seconded:** Tricia Batt: (Richmond Branch)

“Richmond Branch of ICPA thanks ICPA Qld State Council for their active approach in the encouragement of the valuable cross departmental collaboration which has occurred between the Department of Health, Department of Education and Training and Department of Disabilities, which has resulted in better outcomes for rural and remote students.”

CARRIED

18. A30. TAMBO BRANCH
Moved: Pip Fearon (Tambo Branch); **Seconded:** Kimberley Rains (Tambo Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education to ensure that all students with disabilities undergo a standardised verification process that is recognised by all educational systems thus ensuring students that move between systems for educational purposes continue to receive a highly structured support program to suit their needs.”

CARRIED

19. A31. TAMBO BRANCH
Moved: Kimberley Rains (Tambo Branch); **Seconded:** Pip Fearon: (Tambo Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continues to lobby the Department of Education to recognise Dyslexia as a specific learning difficulty.”

CARRIED

20. A32. SOUTHERN DOWNS BRANCH
Moved: Kate Gray (Southern Downs Branch); **Seconded:** Kim Ramsay (Southern Downs Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continue to lobby DET for improved allied health services by delivering a suite of complimentary integrated pathways for students in rural and remote areas, as currently scheduled visits from speech pathologists, guidance officers, physiotherapists and occupational therapists are either non-existent, infrequent or inconsistent due to lack of staff, inadequate qualifications, funding shortfalls and timely pathways.”

CARRIED

21. A34. QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL
Moved: Wendy Henning (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Kate Twist (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby for adequate Mental Health support for all schooling children/students regardless of how they are accessing their education.”

CARRIED

22. A35. WINTON BRANCH
Moved: Virginia Elliott (Winton Branch); **Seconded:** Penny Holcombe (Winton Branch)

"That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the relevant Departments for the establishment of a mobile Specialist Education Assessment Team."

CARRIED

Portfolio snapshot – EARLY CHILDHOOD
by Mrs Louise Winten

2.35pm

Early Childhood

23. A14.

DAWSON VALLEY BRANCH

Moved: Meredith Barrett (Dawson Valley Branch); **Seconded:** Nikki Mahony (Dawson Valley Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Education, Training and Employment and other relevant bodies to address the growing shortfall of Early Childhood teachers in remote and rural communities and qualification requirements associated with teaching in rural areas.”

CARRIED

PERFORMANCE

Longreach School of Distance Education
Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Susie Bellingham*

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

2.55pm

Early Childhood

24. A15.

CUNNAMULLA BRANCH

Moved: Tannas Godfrey (Cunnamulla Branch); **Seconded:** Kirsty Schmidt (Cunnamulla Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Qld Ministers for Education, Child Safety, Youth, Women and Communities to identify new funding for all play-based Children’s Mobiles operating in Qld that have not been able to transition to the new Federal Government (centre based) Child Care Funding.”

WORD CHANGE – insert ‘long-term’ and (new and existing) Remove ‘that have not been able to transition to the new Federal Government (centre based) Child Care Funding.’

The motion now reads -

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Qld Ministers for Education, Child Safety, Youth, Women and Communities to identify new long-term funding for all play-based Children’s Mobiles (new and existing) operating in Qld.

CARRIED

25. A16.

QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL

Moved: Louise Winten (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Wendy Henning (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continue to lobby the Qld State Government to prioritise funding options for the Remote Kindy Pilot Program (RKPP) continuation and expansion beyond 2018.”

CARRIED

26. A17. QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL

Moved: Louise Winten (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Wendy Henning (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld Inc support ICPA Federal Council in their lobby with the Federal Education Minister regarding the changes to In-Home Care Guidelines from 2 July 2018.”

CARRIED

27. S6. BOLLON BRANCH

Moved: Ron Sevil (Bollon Branch); **Seconded:** Stephen Tinkler (Bollon Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Education and Training to deliver face to face Early Childhood Education services to remote areas.”

CARRIED

28. S7. DAWSON VALLEY BRANCH

Moved: Meredith Barrett (Dawson Valley Branch); **Seconded:** Nikki Mahony (Dawson Valley Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Education, Training and Employment and other relevant bodies for a change to regulations and restrictions around waivers for Kindergarten teachers.”

CARRIED

29. S8. DAWSON VALLEY BRANCH

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Education, Training and Employment and other relevant bodies to commit to providing teaching staff for rural part time Kindergarten services.”

DEEMED COVERED BY S6 and S7

Portfolio snapshot – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

3.11pm

by Mrs Susie Bellingham

Financial Assistance

30. A18. RICHMOND BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca Hawkins (Richmond Branch); **Seconded:** Tricia Batts (Richmond Branch)

“That ICPA Qld lobby DET to improve the traceability of the departmental subsidy payments to rural and remote students.”

CARRIED

31. A19. TAMBO BRANCH
Moved: Kimberley Rains (Tambo Branch); **Seconded:** Pip Fearon (Tambo Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continues to lobby the Minister for Education that the drought subsidy component of LAFHAS continues during any period of drought declarations and continue on for an additional 2 years when drought is no longer declared to allow for the recovery period.”

CARRIED

President update

Mrs Kim Hughes updates on the Queensland State Budget.

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

3.20pm

Financial Assistance

A20. BLACKALL BRANCH

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the relevant ministers to extend the scope of drought financial education assistance to all students residing in rural & remote drought declared areas.”

WITHDRAWN

32. A21. ARAMAC/MUTTABURRA BRANCH
Moved: Lisa Magoffin (Aramac/Muttaborra Branch); **Seconded:** Emma Hay (Aramac/Muttaborra Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the relevant bodies to ensure that all education allowances for geographically isolated students are automatically increased according to the education sub-index of the CPI so that rural students have access to affordable and equitable education.”

CARRIED

33. A22. MOONIE BRANCH
Moved: Melinda White (Moonie Branch); **Seconded:** Tracey Burke (Moonie Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Minister for Education and the Premier of Queensland for an immediate fund injection of an additional \$4000/per LAFHA recipient.”

CARRIED

34. S9. BOLLON BRANCH
Moved: Ron Sevil (Bollon Branch); **Seconded:** Stephen Tinkler (Bollon Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continue to support ICPA Federal Council for ongoing increases in the Allowance for Isolated Children (AIC) to enable families in rural and remote Australia equitable access to education.”

CARRIED

35. S10.

BOLLON BRANCH

Moved: Ron Sevil (Bollon Branch); **Seconded:** Stephen Tinkler (Bollon Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Minister for Education and DET to review the Living Away from Home Allowance (LAFHA) and give special consideration to families with more than one child by increasing those families’ allowances so access to an affordable equitable education is within reach.”

CARRIED

Afternoon Tea

3.30pm

Conference Resumes

4.05pm

Conference Arrangements, *Mrs Tina Elliott*
Raffle winners drawn

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr Glen Watt – Director, IMPACT Centre Department of Education
Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Kate Twist*

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

4.19pm

Early Childhood

29. S8.

DAWSON VALLEY BRANCH

REFER TO MOTION #29 AS DEEMED NOT COVERED BY S6 AND S7

Moved: Meredith Barrett (Dawson Valley Branch); **Seconded:** Nikki Mahony (Dawson Valley Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Education, Training and Employment and other relevant bodies to commit to providing teaching staff for rural part time Kindergarten services.”

CARRIED

Portfolio snapshot – TEACHER EDUCATION

4.23pm

by *Mrs Tammie Irons*

Teacher Education

36. A36.

LONGREACH BRANCH

Moved: Lou Brown (Longreach Branch); **Seconded:** Rachael Webster (Longreach Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Minister for Education & Education Queensland to establish and resource a School of Distance Education Support Unit, offering pre-service, in-service and post-service professional development and support, including a comprehensive induction program to prepare and support teachers to work in SODE.”

CARRIED

37. A37.

HUGHENDEN BRANCH

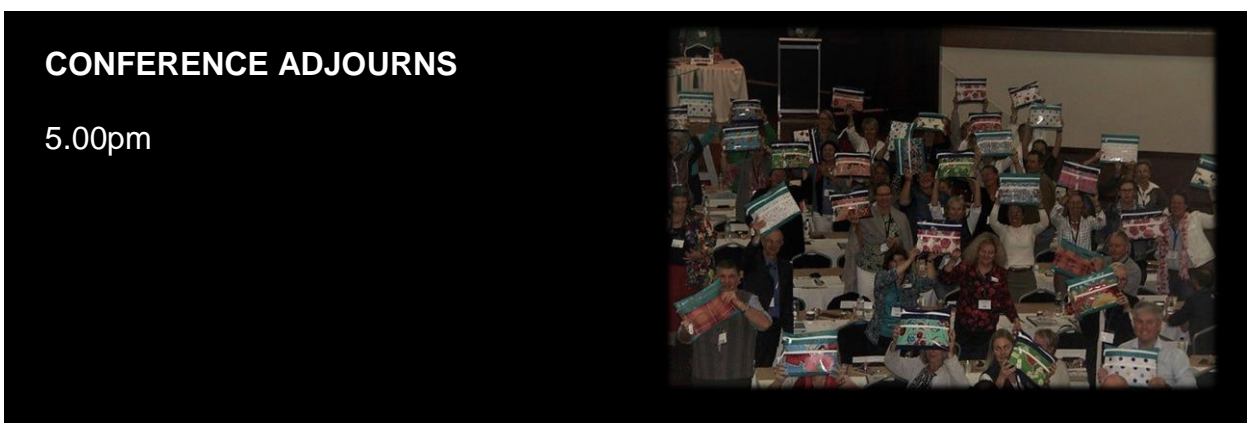
Moved: Sharon Johnson (Hughenden Branch); **Seconded:** Amy Dart (Hughenden Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby relevant bodies to ensure that all Universities offer a compulsory ‘Rural and Remote Education’ subject for students undertaking an Education/Teaching degree.”

CARRIED



Conference Arrangements, Mrs Tina Elliott





Conference resumes

8.11am

**Isolated Children's
Parents' Association –
Queensland Inc**

**47th Annual
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**Winton
Shire Hall**

Wednesday 14th June

2018

Day 2

Executive & Delegates Roll Call - Mrs Gillian Semple
Distribution of Voting Cards

ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QUEENSLAND Inc

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held at 8.15am 14th June, 2018

WINTON, QLD



Mrs Gillian Semple
Secretary, ICPA Qld Inc



Mrs Patricia Mitchell, OAM
Patron, ICPA Qld Inc

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Moved: Mrs Gillian Semple, Secretary (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)
Secretary's Report received with acclamation.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Moved: Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)
Treasurer's Report received with acclamation.

AGM 1

Adoption of Financial Statements

Moved: Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)

“That the Treasurer’s Report be received and Audited Financial Statement for the Financial Year 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018 as presented to the Non-Profit Sub Entities Branches at Conference be adopted.”

CARRIED

AGM 2

Setting of 2019 Subscriptions

Moved: Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)

“That the membership fee for 2019 be set at \$22 inclusive of GST.”

CARRIED

AGM 3

Election of Auditor

Moved: Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)

“That Central Western Taxation Services be appointed auditors for the coming year.”

WORD CHANGE – remove ‘Central Western Taxation’ insert ‘Ringrose Button’

The motion now reads –

“That Ringrose Button Services be appointed auditors for the coming year.”

CARRIED

AGM 4

Moved: Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld State Council introduces a subscription-only category for interested organizations called Friends of ICPA Qld.”

CARRIED

AGM 5

Constitutional change

Moved: Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Mrs Kim Donaldson, Assistant Secretary (Queensland Council)

“That the suggested amendments, as worded and circulated, be accepted to the Constitution of ICPA Qld Inc.”

CARRIED

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE

All positions were declared vacant and Mrs Patricia Mitchell OAM, Patron ICPA Qld Inc took the chair.

PRESIDENT:	Mrs Tammie Irons nominated by Mrs Natalie Kenny DECLARED ELECTED
VICE PRESIDENTS:	Mrs Louise Martin nominated by Mrs Kelly Ostwald DECLARED ELECTED Mrs Wendy Henning nominated by Mrs Anna Appleton DECLARED ELECTED
SECRETARY:	Mrs Gillian Semple nominated by Mrs Jessie Persse DECLARED ELECTED
ASSISTANT SECRETARY:	Mrs Kim Donaldson nominated by Mrs Louise Martin DECLARED ELECTED
TREASURER:	Mrs Anna Appleton nominated by Mrs Wendy Henning DECLARED ELECTED
PUBLICITY OFFICER:	Mrs Melissa Island nominated by Mrs Natalie Kenny DECLARED ELECTED
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	Mrs Kim Hughes
COMMITTEE:	Mrs Susan Bellingham nominated by Mrs Kate Twist Mrs Jessie Persse nominated by Mrs Tammie Irons Mrs Kelly Ostwald nominated by Mrs Jessie Persse Mrs Louise Winten nominated by Mrs Susan Bellingham Mrs Michelle Freshwater nominated by Mrs Tracey Armstrong Mrs Kylie Camp nominated by Mrs Kim Donaldson Mrs Kate Bradshaw nominated by Mrs Katrina Paine DECLARED ELECTED

AGM 6

Charters Towers Branch

Moved: Sonia Spurdle (Charters Towers Branch); **Seconded:** Maree Spurdle (Charters Towers Branch)

“That the Charters Towers Branch host the 2019 ICPA Qld Inc Annual State Conference in June next year.”

CARRIED

AGM 7

Cunnamulla Branch

Moved: Kirsty Schmidt (Cunnamulla Branch); **Seconded:** Tannas Godfrey (Cunnamulla Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc approve the ICPA Cunnamulla Branch to host the 50th Annual Anniversary of ICPA Qld Inc Annual State Conference, in June 2021.”

CARRIED

CLOSURE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

9.11am

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

9.12am

Teacher Education

38. A38. QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL
Moved: Tammie Irons (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Jessie Persse (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld Inc thank the Department of Education for the excellent program being provided at the Kelvin Grove Teaching Education Centre for Excellence (Rural and Remote).”

CARRIED

39. A39. QUEENSLAND STATE COUNCIL
Moved: Tammie Irons (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Jessie Persse (Queensland Council)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education to expand the Teaching Education Centre for Excellence (Rural and Remote) at Kelvin Grove.”

CARRIED

40. A40. WINTON BRANCH
Moved: Melissa Doyle (Winton Branch); **Seconded:** Virginia Elliott (Winton Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the relevant Departments to ensure training and resources are delivered directly into rural and remote Queensland.”

CARRIED

Conference Arrangements, *Mrs Tina Elliott*

9.20am

PRESENTATION

A Couch, A Coffee, A Conversation

Presentation by *Sara Storer, Kathleen Noonan and Andrea Crothers*

Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Wendy Henning*

Morning Tea

10.39am

Conference Resumes

11.08am

nbn™ Update and Q & A session

Mr Ryan Williams

Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Louise Martin*

Portfolio snapshot – DISTANCE EDUCATION

11.28am

by Mrs Kim Hughes

Distance Education

41. A8. AUGATHELLA BRANCH
Moved: Rebecca McKeering (Augathella Branch); **Seconded:** Larissa Petfield
(Augathella Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Qld Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA), the Department of Education and the Minister for Education to ensure that geographically isolated students enrolled in Distance Education are not disadvantaged by the new Senior Assessment and Tertiary Entrance (SATE) system.”

CARRIED

42. A9. AUGATHELLA BRANCH
Moved: Rebecca McKeering (Augathella Branch); **Seconded:** Larissa Petfield
(Augathella Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Education to develop special provisions, in consultation with ICPA Qld and SODEA (Schools of Distance Education Alliance), to ensure distance education students and their families are not disadvantaged academically, emotionally or financially by the new SATE system.”

CARRIED

43. A10. ARAMAC/MUTTABURRA BRANCH
Moved: Jill Dwyer (Aramac/Muttaburra Branch); **Seconded:** Emma Hay
(Aramac/Muttaburra Branch)

“That ICPA Qld lobbies the Department of Education Qld to continue to review the C2C materials to ensure that the material is age and context appropriate.”

CARRIED

44. A11. CLERMONT BRANCH
Moved: Cynthia Walker (Clermont Branch); **Seconded:** Allana Moller (Clermont Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continues to advocate the importance, value and critical need for Queensland distance education schools to be based in, and part of, their respective regional, rural and remote regions.”

CARRIED

45. A12. MITCHELL-TOMOO/DUNKELD BRANCH
Moved: Michelle Freshwater (St George Branch); **Seconded:** Tracey Armstrong (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies DET and the Schools of Distance Education to consider the age of students and the times allocated for direct teaching on-air lessons.”

CARRIED

46. A13.

CHARLEVILLE BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca Sargood (Charleville Branch); **Seconded:** Deirdre Williams (Charleville BOTA Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continue to support the Aussie Helpers Volunteers’ for Isolated Students Education (AHVISE) Program into the future.”

CARRIED

47. S3.

BOLLON BRANCH

Moved: Ron Sevil (Bollon Branch); **Seconded:** Stephen Tinkler (Bollon Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Education and Training and the Schools of Distance Education to ensure that the Independent Learning Materials (ILMs) used in the Prep curriculum are updated and reviewed to reflect the learning requirements for Year One entry and that they are suitable for delivery by a Home Tutor in a Distance Education classroom as a matter of urgency.”

CARRIED

48. S4.

AUGATHELLA BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca McKeering (Augathella Branch); **Seconded:** Larissa Petfield (Augathella Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Queensland Department of Education and the Minister for Education to develop minimum standards and guidelines with respect to infrastructure and facilities for Schools of Distance Education (SDE).”

CARRIED

49. S5.

BLACKALL BRANCH

Moved: Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch); **Seconded:** Susie Milson (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc requests that DET abolish the Brisbane School of Distance Education fees for students currently enrolled in Queensland state schools.”

AMENDMENT

Moved: Louise Martin (Queensland Council); **Seconded:** Wendy Ferry (Springsure Rolleston Branch)

The Amendment was LOST

FORESHADOWED AMENDMENT

Moved: Mary Killen (Yaraka/Isisford Branch); **Seconded:** Ian Merritt (Yaraka/Isisford Branch)

The Amendment was CARRIED and became the motion.

The motion now reads -

“That ICPA Qld Inc requests that DET abolish schools of Distance Education fees for students currently enrolled in Queensland state schools where a full suite of curriculum is unavailable.”

CARRIED

PRESENTATION

to MRS NATALIE KENNY by *Mrs Kelly Ostwald*



Lunch
Conference Resumes

12.29am
1.31pm

PRESENTATION

to MRS KATE TWIST by *Mrs Kim Donaldson*



PERFORMANCE

Winton State School
Introduced and thanked by *Mrs Louise Winten*

Portfolio snapshot – TRAVEL

by Mrs Jessie Persse

1.42pm

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

1.49pm

Travel

50. A41.

RICHMOND BRANCH

Moved: Tricia Batts (Richmond Branch); **Seconded:** Rebecca Hawkins (Richmond Branch)

“That ICPA Qld continue to lobby relevant bodies to provide reduced air fare costs to rural and remote students to access educational institutions.”

CARRIED

51. A42. TAMBO BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca McKeering (Augathella Branch); **Seconded:** Larissa Petfield (Augathella Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continues to lobby the Department of Transport to have the conveyance allowance calculated from the home garage not the property boundary in rural and remote areas.”

CARRIED

52. A43. BLACKALL BRANCH

Moved: Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch); **Seconded:** Susie Milson (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby the Department of Transport & Main Roads and Translink to align the distance eligibility for Secondary School Students to be the same as Primary School Students at 3.2kms in areas classified as Isolated.”

CARRIED

53. A44. BLACKALL BRANCH

Moved: Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch); **Seconded:** Susie Milson (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby Translink and Department of Transport that a bus run in rural and remote Qld not be cancelled due to reduction in numbers in drought declared areas.”

CARRIED

54. A45. WESTMAR/INGLESTONE BRANCH

Moved: Marg Hurst (Westmar/Inglestone Branch); **Seconded:** Julie Hatherell (Westmar/Inglestone Branch)

“That ICPA Qld lobby Translink to create a policy on bus route cancellation and communication in rural and remote areas.”

CARRIED

55. S13. BOLLON BRANCH

Moved: Stephan Tinkler (Bollon Branch); **Seconded:** Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Transport to increase the frequency of Conveyance allowance payments from bi-annually to more frequently.”

CARRIED

S14. BOLLON BRANCH

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobbies the Department of Transport to introduce a supplement to the Conveyance allowance for those needing to travel an unsealed road to attend school.”

WITHDRAWN

56. S15.

RICHMOND BRANCH

Moved: Tricia Batts (Richmond Branch); **Seconded:** Rebecca Hawkins (Richmond Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc endorse the Inland Queensland Roads Action Project and its goals to secure more consistent and long-term funding to councils in order to improve the safety and resilience of connectivity in the inland road network across Queensland (west of the Bruce Highway and outside South East Queensland).”

CARRIED

Portfolio snapshot – TERTIARY, TRADE AND TRAINING 4.06pm
by *Mrs Louise Winten*

FEDERAL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs Wendy Hick, Federal President

#iamICPA Video of conference delegates
Mrs Natalie Kenny Publicity Officer

MOTIONS ON THE AGENDA

2.34pm

Miscellaneous

57. A46.

CHARLEVILLE BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca Sargood (Charleville Branch); **Seconded:** Deirdre Williams (Charleville BOTA Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc continue to provide their voice to the Queensland Anti-Cyber Bullying Taskforce.”

CARRIED

58. A47.

TAMBO BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca McKeering (Augathella Branch); **Seconded:** Larissa Petfield (Augathella Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby relevant stakeholders to ensure that every effort is made to reduce cyberbullying for our rural and remote students.”

CARRIED

59. A48.

CUNNAMULLA BRANCH

Moved: Tannas Godfrey (Cunnamulla Branch); **Seconded:** Kirsty Schmidt (Cunnamulla Branch)

“That ICPA (Qld) Inc dedicates effort to assist parents and carers by raising the profile of the Home Tutor/Governess as a legitimate career option within their school, tertiary and other agency networks.”

CARRIED

60. A49.

RICHMOND BRANCH

Moved: Rebecca Hawkins (Richmond Branch); **Seconded:** Larissa Petfield (Richmond Branch)

“That Richmond Branch would like to thank ICPA Qld for their pro-active approach in seeking inclusion on the anti-cyber taskforce.”

CARRIED

A50.

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH

“That ICPA Qld Inc write to the ABC network voicing their concern as to the age inappropriate programs broadcast on the ABC kids channel, during the day.”

WITHDRAWN

61. S16.

BOLLON BRANCH

Moved: Stephan Tinkler (Bollon Branch); **Seconded:** Annette Gillies (Blackall Branch)

“Bollon ICPA would like to move a vote of thanks to Qld ICPA of State Council for the outstanding work they do in advocating for rural Qld families progressing our issues and bringing them to the attention of State politicians and departments to improve the educational outcomes for our children.”

CARRIED

Distribution of Floor Motions to delegates

2.50pm

Floor Motions

62. F1.

ST GEORGE BRANCH

Moved: Michelle Freshwater (St George Branch); **Seconded:** Tracey Armstrong (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc Lobby DET to ensure teachers and teacher aides are provided with training and modelling of Allied Health programs left for implementation with students by Allied Health professionals e.g. Speech Therapists and Occupational Therapists.”

CARRIED

63. F2.

CHARLEVILLE BOTA

Moved: Deidre Williams (Charleville BOTA Branch); **Seconded:** Rebecca Sargood (Charleville Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby for a review of the school staffing policy, to ensure that more than one adult is in attendance at all times except in extreme circumstances, and then for no more than one day.”

CARRIED

64. F3.

ST GEORGE BRANCH

Moved: Michelle Freshwater (St George Branch); **Seconded:** Tracey Armstrong (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby DET to ensure that compulsory PD, similar to previous MSSWD (More Support for Students With Disabilities) training for Principals and teachers is provided by DET and undertaken by all principals and teachers bi-annually to ensure all staff have current training in students with disabilities.

CARRIED

65. F4. ST GEORGE BRANCH
Moved: Michelle Freshwater (St George Branch); **Seconded:** Tracey Armstrong (St George Branch)

“That ICPA Qld lobby DET and relevant bodies to raise awareness of the IMPACT Centre and investigate opportunities for the expansion in rural and remote communities.”

CARRIED

66. F5. YARAKA/ISISFORD BRANCH
Moved: Mary Killen (Yaraka /Isisford Branch); **Seconded:** Ian Merritt (Yaraka/Isisford Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc extend, on behalf of our members, thanks and gratitude to Mrs Patrea Walton, Deputy Director General, Education Queensland, for her on-going commitment to Rural and Remote Education.”

CARRIED

67. F6. CUNNAMULLA BRANCH
Moved: Kirsty Schmidt (Cunnamulla Branch); **Seconded:** Tannas Godfrey (Cunnamulla Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc support ICPA Aust to lobby the Federal government to review the second home allowance.”

CARRIED

68. F7. KINDON BRANCH
Moved: Daryl Martin (Kendon Branch); **Seconded:** Amanda Martin (Kendon Branch)

“That ICPA Qld Inc lobby Translink and the Dept. of Transport to provide definitive guidelines or policy in regard to bus safety, travel and route closure in rural and remote areas.”

CARRIED

VIDEO PRESENTATION

Dusty Diamantina Video – Mr Josh Arnold

3.15pm

Presentation to Winton Branch by *Mrs Kim Hughes*

Vote of thanks to Convening Committee by *Mrs Tina Elliott*

Vote of thanks to Mrs Kim Hughes by *Mrs Tammie Irons*



2018 ICPA QUEENSLAND INC CONFERENCE CLOSED

3.27pm

QUEENSLAND COUNCIL Conference Attendees

PRESIDENT:	Mrs Kim Hughes
VICE PRESIDENT:	Mrs Tammie Irons
VICE PRESIDENT:	Mrs Louise Martin
SECRETARY:	Mrs Gillian Semple
TREASURER:	Mrs Anna Appleton
ASSISTANT SECRETARY:	Mrs Kim Donaldson
PUBLICITY OFFICER:	Mrs Natalie Kenny
COMMITTEE:	Mrs Wendy Henning
	Mrs Kelly Ostwald
	Mrs Jessie Persse
	Mrs Kate Twist
	Mrs Louise Winten
	Mrs Susan Bellingham

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATIVE DELEGATES

ALPHA BRANCH: Donna Donaldson, Andrew Donaldson

ARAMAC/MUTTABURRA BRANCH: Emma Hay, Lisa Magoffin, Jill Dyer, Louellen Hannay

AUGATHELLA BRANCH: Lisa Creevey, Rebecca McKeering, Larissa Petfield

BELYANDO/MT COOLON BRANCH: Lorissa Dennis, Alison Kirkwood

BLACKALL BRANCH: Susie Milson, Annette Gillies

BOLLON BRANCH: Ron Sevil, Stephen Tinkler

CHARLEVILLE BRANCH: Rebecca Sargood

CHARLEVILLE B.O.T.A: Deirdre Williams

CHANNEL COUNTRY BRANCH: Nicky Smith, Beck Smith

CHARTERS TOWERS BRANCH: Maree Spurdle, Sonia Spurdle

CLARKE CREEK BRANCH: Joanne Luck, Anneli Day

CLERMONT BRANCH: Alana Moller, Cynthia Walker

CLONCURRY BRANCH: Casey Williams

CUNNAMULLA BRANCH: Kirsty Schmidt, Tannas Godfrey

DAWSON VALLEY BRANCH: Nikki Mahony, Meredith Barrett

HUGHENDEN BRANCH: Amy Dart, Sharon Jonsson

JULIA CREEK BRANCH: Helen Lynch, Rachael Anderson

KINDON BRANCH: Daryl Martin, Amanda Martin

LONGREACH BRANCH: Lou Brown, Rachael Webster, Neida Mims

MOONIE BRANCH: Melinda White, Tracey Burke

MT ISA B.O.T.A: Tina Barrett

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATIVE DELEGATES (cont.)

RICHMOND BRANCH: Rebecca Hawkins, Tricia Batt

SOUTHERN DOWNS BRANCH: Kate Gray, Kim Ramsay

SPRINGSURE/ROLLESTON BRANCH: Wendy Ferry

ST GEORGE BRANCH: Mary McIntyre, Julieanne Rogan, Tracey Armstrong,
Michelle Freshwater

TALWOOD BRANCH: Kellie Mitchell, Jocelyn Freeman

TAMBO BRANCH: Kimberley Rains, Pip Fearon

TAROOM/WANDOAN BRANCH: Miffy Staines, Rachael Welsh

WESTMAR / INGLESTONE BRANCH: Marg Hurst, Julie Hatherell

WINTON BRANCH: Melissa Doyle, Penny Holcombe, Virginia Elliott

YARAKA/ISISFORD BRANCH: Mary Killeen, Ian Merritt

ICPA FEDERAL COUNCIL: Wendy Hick, Caroline Robinson

BRANCH OBSERVERS

ARAMAC/MUTTABURRA BRANCH: Danielle Biggin, Therese Yore, Sarah Jane Fysh

CUNNAMULLA BRANCH: Rhiannon Newsham

LONGREACH BRANCH: Diana McClymont, Katie Webb, Kimble Thomas, Suz
Laidler, Joy McClymont, Sally Cooper

ST GEORGE BRANCH: Kym Macfarlane

TAMBO BRANCH: Melissa Iland

WINTON BRANCH: Helen Collins, Bruce Collins, Belinda McLeish, Amanda
McAuley, Paula McKerrow, Sarah Birchmore

CONFERENCE GUESTS

SCHOOLS

ALL SOULS ST GABRIELS SCHOOL: Mr Darren Fleming, Mrs Wendy Fleming

BLACKHEATH AND THORNBURGH COLLEGE: Mr Nigel Fairbairn, Mr David Batt

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Mr Berian Williams-Jones

BRISBANE SCHOOL OF DISTANCE EDUCATION: Mrs Judy Menary

CLAYFIELD COLLEGE: Mrs Kathy Bishop, Ms Diane Kerr, Mrs Kathryn Searle

COLUMBA CATHOLIC COLLEGE: Mr Daniel McShea

DOWNLANDS COLLEGE: Mr Stephen McIlhatton, Mr Ian Bulkin

FAIRHOLME COLLEGE: Dr Linda Evans, Ms Marguerite Dunne, Mr Ian Andersen

IPSWICH GIRLS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Ms Lisa Wolff

IPSWICH GRAMMAR: Mr John Beaumont

JOHN PAUL COLLEGE: Mr Mark Zietsh, Mrs Karen Spiller

LONGREACH SCHOOL OF DISTANCE EDUCATION: Mrs Deanne Jones, Mrs Rachelle Moore, Mr Bobby Harding

LONGREACH STATE HIGH SCHOOL: Mr Brendan Krugar

MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE: Mr Peter McLoughlin, Mr James Metzeling

ROCKHAMPTON GIRLS GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Mrs Christine Hills

SCOTS PGC COLLEGE: Mrs Helen Bohm, Mr Kyle Thompson, Mrs Michelle Brown

SOMERVILLE HOUSE: Mrs Vanessa Saxby, Ms Madonna Hennessy

ST BRENDAN'S COLLEGE: Mrs Kylie Hedges, Mrs Cathy Minto, Mr Robert Corboy

ST HILDA'S SCHOOL: Mrs Amanda Rigby, Dr Julie Wilson Reynolds

ST JOSEPH'S NUDGEES COLLEGE: Mr Christian Oneto, Mr Marc Eslick

ST MARGARET'S ANGLICAN GIRLS SCHOOL: Ms Ros Curtis

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, WINTON: Mrs Cathryn Cornish

ST PETER'S LUTHERAN COLLEGE, INDOOROOPILLY: Mrs Kim Holman, Mr Stuart Delaney

ST URSULA'S COLLEGE: Ms Erin Lee

ST URSULA'S COLLEGE TOOWOOMBA: Mrs Kathy Sperling, Ms Teree Hawkins

STUARTHOLME SCHOOL: Ms Annabelle Irrin, Ms Andree Rice

TACAPS: Mr Simon Lees, Mr Ian Basset

THE CATHEDRAL COLLEGE: Mr Ronald Armstrong, Mr Andrew Stein

THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL OF ST ANNE & ST JAMES: Mrs Toni Lanphier, Mr Ian Gamack

THE GLENNIE SCHOOL: Mrs Jo Matherson, Mrs Jodi Blades

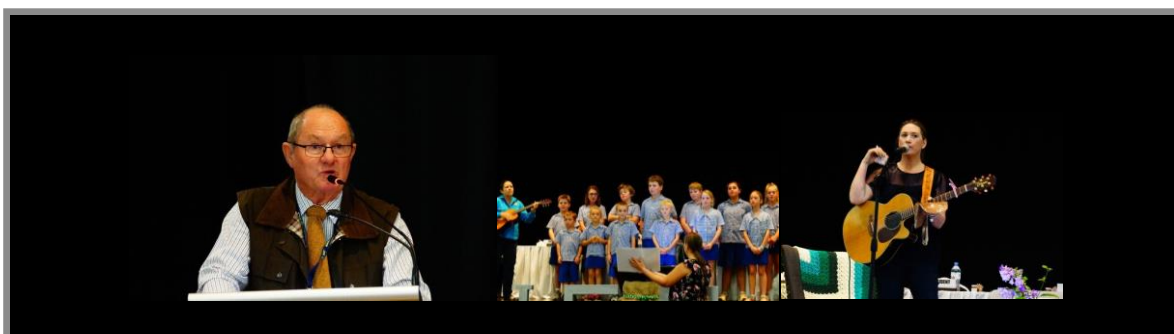
THE ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Mr Stewart Norford, Dr Phillip Moulds

THE SOUTHPORT SCHOOL: Mr Tony Watt

TOOWOOMBA GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Mr Peter Hauser, Mr Jim Noble

TOWNSVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL: Mr Timothy Kelly, Mr Chris Wilson

WINTON STATE SCHOOL: Mr Jason White



GUESTS

Anwen Hughes

ABC LONGREACH: Ms Aneeta Bhole, Ms Melinda Groves

AUSTRALIAN BOARDING SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION: Mr Richard Stokes, Mr Tom Dunsmore

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS AND THE ARTS: Mr Philip Mason

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: Ms Kim Fredericks, Ms Leanne Wright, Dr Regan Neumann

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - IMPACT Centre: Mr Glen Watt

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - IT BRANCH: Mr Jim D'Castro, Mr John Lockhart

DoE - CURRICULUM INTO THE CLASSROOM: Mr Brad Smith, Ms Janelle Matheson

DoE NQ: Mr Rudy Schumann

eKINDY QUEENSLAND: Mrs Amanda Jones

FAIRFAX MEDIA: Ms Sally Cripps

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT: Mr Scott Buchholz

ICPA QLD INC LIFE MEMBER: Mr Mac McClymont

ICPA QLD INC LIFE MEMBER: Mrs Rose Philp

ICPA QLD INC USO ADVISOR: Mr Andrew Pegler

ICPA QLD INC IT ADVISOR: Mr Jeffrey Little

JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY: Professor Sabina Knight

McKINLAY SHIRE COUNCIL: Mrs Belinda Murphy

nbn Co: Mr Ryan Williams

P&CS QLD: Mrs Margaret Leary

PLAYGROUP QUEENSLAND: Mrs Paula Castle

Qld INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS PARENTS NETWORK: Mrs Susan Kloeden

QUEENSLAND AGRICULTURAL TRAINING COLLEGES: Mrs Lauren Dwyer, Mrs Kayci Delaney

QUEENSLAND TEACHERS' UNION: Mrs Jenny Swadling

RFDS: Ms Karen Sherlock, Dr Tim Driscoll, Mrs Patricia McKenzie

GUESTS (Cont.)

SPELD Qld: Mrs Marion McMahon

SPOT RURAL: Miss Heidi Begg, Mrs Gayle Begg

STUDENT ONE: Mr Liam Brizee

TEC-NQ: Mrs Joanne Hoskins, Mr Ross Jorgensen

TELSTRA: Mr Darren Clark

WINCHESTER FOUNDATION: Mrs Judy Harris, Mrs Ruth Bethel, Mrs Beryl Neilsen

WINTON BRANCH LIFE MEMBER: Mrs Helen Collins

WINTON BRANCH LIFE MEMBER: Mr Bruce Collins

CONFERENCE APOLOGIES

Mrs Simone Wilson	Shadow Assistant Minister for Education LNP
Mr Lachlan Miller	Member for Gregory LNP
Mrs Daphne Rich	ICPA Qld Inc. Life Member
Mrs Brittany Lauga	Assistant Minister Education/MP for Keppel ALP
Ms Elissa Read	Department of Employment, Small Business and Training
Mrs Jane O'Brien	Federal ICPA - Membership Officer
Ms Jacqueline Wilton	Director, Curriculum Services, QCAA
Minister Grace Grace	Queensland Minister for Education, ALP
Dr Lee-Anne Perry	Executive Director, QCEC
Miss Vera Zappala	Assistant Director Education, QCEC
Mrs Mandy Andersen	Assistant Director Education, QCEC
Mrs Jane Morton	Federal ICPA - Assistant Secretary
Mr Peter Kelly	Regional Director - Nth Qld, Department of Education
Ms Ann Leahy	MP for Warrego LNP
Hon. Anastacia Palaszczuk	Premier of Queensland ALP
Mr Tony Cook	Director General – Education, Department of Education
Mrs Frances Frahn	ICPA SA State Council, Secretary
Mr Mark Stoneman	ICPA Qld Inc Life Member and Cairns Radio Branch
Dr Dale Miller	Agforce
Mr Grant Maudsley	General President, Agforce
Mr Brian O'Neill	President, SPERA

PROFILES

KIM HUGHES, President ICPA Qld Inc

Kim has lived with her husband Brian and their three children on 'Harrogate', a cattle property between Richmond and Julia Creek in NW Qld for the past 16 years. Kim and Brian's children were educated via Charters Towers SDE and then Mt Isa School of the Air and the youngest two are currently at boarding school in Townsville. The eldest has finished and has returned to the land.

Kim became a member of the Richmond ICPA branch thirteen years ago, primarily to connect with a network of mums living similar experiences and educating their children in the bush. She held executive positions as Publicity Officer and Secretary (a position which has just passed on at the recent branch AGM). Kim attended her first conference as a delegate for her branch in 2006 in Mt Isa. It was here that she realised the lobby process of the organisation, its relevance to government and the change that a branch motion passed at conference could bring about.

Kim joined State Council at the Rockhampton Conference in 2011 where she took over the Distance Education portfolio. The following year saw the implementation of the Curriculum into the Classroom, which caused significant upheaval for many distance education families as they made the huge transition to an extremely hands on, complex and digital curriculum. The next three years saw the DE portfolio heavily involved with the C2C Writing Team to seek improvements and modifications to materials to make them more suitable for delivery by a tutor in the home schoolroom. The feedback of DE home tutors in this process was crucial and continues to effect change today.

Kim was elected State Vice President in 2012 and held that position for 3 years before becoming President at the 2015 Cloncurry Conference. During Kim's Presidency she has represented ICPA Qld on a number of stakeholder groups including the Senior Secondary & Tertiary Assessment Taskforce, the Telstra Regional Advisory Council and the Rural & Remote Education Stakeholder Reference Group. Kim has worked hard over the last 3 years to raise the profile of ICPA, modernise the organisation to attract the next generation, and to ensure Queensland Council lobbies fairly, respectfully and positively.

Ensuring there is a strong connection between branch members and state council representatives is important to Kim, as well as ensuring branches can easily access as many resources as possible to assist in the running of their Branch. Strongly encouraging members to bring issues forward that impact on the daily lives of their children and their educational experience is close to Kim's heart and critical for ICPA to remain relevant at the grass roots level, today and into the future.

WENDY HICK, President ICPA Australia

Wendy Hick and her husband, Lloyd, live on their family owned and run cattle property "Thorntonia Station", approximately 110 kms north-east of Camooweal near the Queensland/Northern Territory border.

Their two sons began their schooling with distance education through Mount Isa School of the Air with Wendy as their home tutor. The boys then went on to boarding school, followed by university. While her children were learning via distance education, Wendy was involved in Schools of Distance Education Alliance (SODEA), The Materials Development Forum (MDF) and the Strategic Planning Team (SPT) in Qld.

Wendy has been involved with ICPA since her sons were a very young age and she looked forward to the day that her children would finally start formal schooling so that the family would receive a School of the Air radio, which enabled her to finally join in the Mount Isa Branch of the Air ICPA meetings. Wendy was the President and Secretary of the branch for several terms and was on the Sports for Bush Kids Committee, helping run the sports week for rural and remote students which the branch organizes each year. Wendy became a Queensland State Councillor in 2010. She held the position as one of the Qld State Council Vice Presidents for four years and joined Federal Council in 2015 also becoming Federal President that year.

PATRICIA MITCHELL OAM, Patron ICPA Qld Inc

Mrs Patricia Mitchell is Patron and Life Member of ICPA-Qld Inc. She was instrumental in forming the Augathella ICPA Branch in 1973, was inaugural Secretary of Charleville School of the Air P&C ICPA Branch when it formed in 1976 and is a Life Member of Cloncurry Branch ICPA.

In 1977, Trish was elected to Queensland Council ICPA and was Queensland President from 1982 till 1986. From 1982 –1985 she was a Federal ICPA councillor and Federal President from 1985-1988.

As President of Queensland ICPA she was a member of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on Distance Education in Queensland which recommended the formation of a School of Distance Education from the existing four Correspondence Schools and five Schools of the Air. She was then on a number of committees that implemented the recommendations of the Advisory Committee and planned new Schools of Distance Education.

During this time, she was also Commissioner on the Commonwealth Schools Commission and member of the Catholic Education Commission Committee for the Education of Country Children, member of the Home Schooling State Review Committee and numerous other State and Federal committees.

As well as her ongoing commitment to education in rural and regional Australia Trish has been very involved with the arts. She is a Vice Patron and a former President of Regional Arts Australia as well as being a Life Member and former President of Queensland Arts Council (now Artslink Queensland). She helped establish Arts House in Canberra and Chaired the Regional Arts Fund Panel in Queensland.

Because of her experience in these fields Trish was appointed to the Council of the Australian War Memorial from 1997 – 2004. Patricia was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) on Australia Day 1996 for service to rural education and the arts.

PROFILE: GUEST SPEAKERS

SARA STORER

2017 Female artist of the year, Sara Storer is recognised as one of Australia's finest singer-songwriters whose crisp observations of the Australian landscape and its people provide the solid foundation stone for her music. She is one of our country's finest musical poets.

She grew up on a wheat farm in Victoria, born to sing about real people, honest emotions, and the land she loves. Sara spent time in western Queensland, where she penned her first song, and worked as a school teacher in Katherine in the Northern Territory.

She now lives on a small rural property outside of Albury in New South Wales with husband Dave and their four young sons.

KATHLEEN NOONAN

Kathleen Noonan is a journalist and columnist. She writes the Last Word column in The Courier-Mail each Saturday, feature stories, and arts & music interviews and reviews.

Born in north Queensland, Kathleen grew up on a property and attended boarding school. Kathleen did her early reporting in the Mackay district, before moving to Brisbane. After working in South Africa through the dying years of apartheid, and a stint travelling and writing in the UK, Kathleen returned home, working as a freelance journalist for publications including The Australian Newspaper.

She returned to The Courier-Mail as a senior features writer eight years ago. Her weekly column explores everything from love, death, books, running, music, poetry, refugees and chooks. Anything really. Kathleen is one of five sisters (and a brother), and has 2 adult daughters.

ANDREA CROTHERS

Andrea Crothers is a country girl from Dirranbandi. She was educated in a small rural school, before attending boarding school and is now making her mark in her chosen career of journalism.

After various roles in print media and radio, which took Andrea back out into the bush, she is now Chief of Staff/Journalist with WIN Television in Rockhampton. Andrea also has experience as a Freelance Journalist and Photographer.

MR & MRS BRUCE and HELEN COLLINS

Bruce and Helen are Winton locals and Winton Branch life members (1990), and the only husband and wife who served on the Queensland Executive concurrently, serving from 14th October 1983 to 12th October 1990.

Bruce:

Committee: 14-10-1983 to 12-10-1984

Treasurer: 12-10-1984 to 22-10-1987

Vice President: 22-10-1987 to 12-10-1990 Significant moments:

- 1987 with Jeanne Mims, Mac McClymont, Bunny Powne, Di Palmer and Teresa Cobb rewrote Federal ICPA constitution.
- 09-11-1990 Life Member of Winton Branch ICPA.

Helen:

Assistant Secretary: 14-10-1983 to 22-10-1987

Committee: 22-10-1987 to 12-10-1990 Significant moments:

- 'News and Views' magazine (in its current format) was published in 1986. The first edition was in November 1986 with Diana Palmer, Cunnamulla as its Editor, in conjunction with Assistant Secretary, Helen Collins.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Madam Patron, Federal President Mrs Wendy Hick, Life Members, the Winton Branch convening committee, Distinguished Guests, fellow ICPA members, ladies & gentlemen. It gives me great pleasure to present my 2018 President's Report:

The last 12 months has been fast and furious, and extremely productive. ICPA Qld continues to be regarded as a respected, valued stakeholder in the Education sector. I would like to think this is a result of an appreciation of how ICPA does business. I have always been proud to be part of this organisation as it lobbies fairly, positively and professionally, and never approaches issues from a place of LACK. Members are proud to be rural and remote and have a vested interest in ensuring all decisions around the education system in Queensland ALWAYS considers this valuable sector of students.

I'll take the opportunity now to update you all on some developments over the last year:-

ICPA Qld State Council continues to work closely with the State Schools – Rural, Remote and International Branch lead by Dr Regan Neumann. This collaboration has streamlined the way State Council lobbies motions which relate to the department. The Rural and Remote Branch coordinate a day of meetings each term with State Council and relevant departments, including Human Resources, Infrastructure Services, State Schools Performance, State Schools Operations, Disability and Inclusion and Tertiary Education & Training. Regan and his team are briefed on all motions we pursue with the department, and also take part in all of the meetings, which adds a great deal of continuity and effectiveness to the transparency and progress of issues. Out of the 37 motions we have actioned directly through these channels since last year's Conference, 25 have been finalised and 12 are ongoing.

We continue to work closely with the Department's IT Branch and Jeff, Louise and I have monthly teleconferences to forward communications issues. Once again the team are here to answer your IT questions and can also give your student's laptop a check-up, so feel free to go and see John Lockhart and Jim D'Castro today.

The Dept. of Education has reinvigorated the Rural & Remote Stakeholder Reference Group and ICPA Qld is a key stakeholder. The Reference Group is chaired by Dr Regan Neumann and brings together rural and remote education and community stakeholders to consult and identify opportunities and strategies for the delivery of state schooling in rural and remote locations. This is a tremendous avenue for State Council to forward our members issues, as membership includes Qld Police, Qld Health and the Dept. of Public Housing, which means there are excellent opportunities for collaboration and information sharing of what works within other sectors, and how this could be implemented in relation to education.

In March this year State Council was advised that new Education Minister Grace Grace had signed off on the establishment of four Professional Wellbeing Centers for teachers and students across regional Qld. These Centres will provide professional development for teachers, teacher and student wellbeing support and also, in some instances, relief teachers to fill in when teachers are absent for extended periods. Centres have been established at Roma and Mt Isa, with two more to come on line next year, one in the FNQ region and one in the Central region.

Another election promise which has been fulfilled is the provision of internet for teacher housing, which has been a longstanding lobby for ICPA Qld. The Department will fund and install internet in all DoE owned teacher housing. A 50/50 funding agreement has also been established between DoE and the Department of Public Works and Housing, which will provide for internet for all teacher housing owned by Government Employee Housing and leased by DoE. These initiatives are a direct result of consultation by State Schools Rural & Remote Branch directly with rural and remote stakeholders, teachers, parents, students and staff and we believe a range of other strategies will roll out in the future as a result of this work.

I continue to sit on the Qld Telstra Regional Advisory Council, which includes rural and remote stakeholders from all over Queensland representing Agribusiness, Health, Indigenous and Education sectors. My role is to provide feedback and input around education delivery. The impact on education when telecommunications services don't work reliably is massive, as you all know, and a reliable landline is still the most important asset for many distance education families. I would like to thank everyone who has provided me with feedback to present to the RAC. Something really positive which has come out of this group so far is the establishment of a Regional Call Centre trial. This is a huge financial and personnel undertaking as front of office personnel need to be trained in all areas across Telstra services to be able to be a 'one stop shop' for rural and remote customers. So watch this space as some really positive outcomes are expected.

We have also cemented a strong relationship with the Head of Qld nbn Local's Ryan Williams. nbn Local was established to improve the customer experience for regional and remote Australia and better understand the community needs at a local level. Ryan is at conference so please feel free to seek him out for your nbn questions.

State Council continues to meet regularly with members of both sides of Parliament during Parliament sitting weeks. Leading up to the State Election in November last year, we published a 'Portfolio Manifesto', a comprehensive summary of our members' issues by Portfolio. This Manifesto was mailed out to all regional, rural and remote candidates, and also used at Parliamentary Delegations in March this year. The Manifesto has been an extremely useful way to share, not only with politicians, but other stakeholders and interested parties, the issues which need addressing to ensure rural and remote education is sustainable, progressive and most of all, equitable. You can find a copy of the Manifesto on the website, and it will be updated after Conference to reflect motion outcomes.

Thank-you to branches and delegates who have put motions on the Conference Agenda. Some are new, and some have been put forward for many years. Even though we may not have some of these longstanding lobbies over the line, you can rest assured we are chipping away at every opportunity. Internet connectivity for rural and remote schools, a full senior curriculum for secondary schools, and more allied health services are just a few of the ongoing issues we continue to raise. I can also assure you that in recent years, rural and remote education has really become a major consideration

within the department's consultation and decision making, and that 'appetite' continues to get stronger each year.

It is great to be in Winton, and it is wonderful that so many of you could make the journey. Fearless leader 'Tina the Convenor' and her committee have done a truly outstanding job. What you see here today, and what you will see over the next 2 days, is a result of 12 months of planning. Committee meetings, photocopying, accommodation, trade displays, sponsorship, catering - all leading up to the 13/14 June!!

A small event like a local Council bi-election where Tina was elected to the Winton Council didn't seem to break her stride in the least. There was even a casualty – 2 broken legs which belong to the Catering Queen Kerrie Turnbull!! Two weeks ago Kerrie couldn't carry a cup of tea – but going by the feast we've just had, who would know! I also must acknowledge our powerhouse secretary Gillian, whose quiet contribution to putting conference together is huge, overseeing every detail and ensuring everyone has what they need. Yes, it's true, by Monday she was signing her name 'Gillina' on her emails, but she is fine, no cause for concern whatsoever. She'll have some time off – she'll be fine, really!! Hopefully her name will come back to her in time. ☺

We are also extremely grateful to our sponsors. Your support and generosity make Conference possible, and also contribute to ensuring that ICPA has the resources to lobby as effectively as we can. It costs a lot to run an organisation like ICPA, where geographical isolation is not just restricted to our children. Face to face meetings, delegations and ensuring ICPA is represented widely and frequently is expensive when there are literally, thousands of kilometres to be travelled. We wholeheartedly thank our loyal sponsors, who make an event like Conference possible.

This is my last President's Report as I will be standing down at tomorrow's AGM, so I have some 'extras' to add. I want to acknowledge our Branches – all 46 of them! The volunteer hours Branch members put into fundraising and raising the profile of ICPA in their local area is amazing. As communities get smaller and volunteers get harder to find, ICPA Branch members always show up. It is your contribution that ensures the health of the organisation, and your issues which ensure our lobby is always current and based on the needs of communities today and into the future.

As I woke up this morning feeling like my stomach was a butterfly sanctuary, I had lots of negative thoughts going through my head – will I stuff up the chairing, will I make a fool of myself, will I forget some formality, will I forget my name – I had to stop myself. This is my last Conference in this privileged position. I have broken through fear of all the above over the last few years to achieve goals personally and for the organisation. I am not 'nearly' at the summit, if I get through the last 100m without a landslide or a snow storm. I'm already at the top! And I tell you what – the view is bloody AWESOME!!!

I get to spend the next 2 days with all of you. People who aren't sitting at home wishing their community offered more, or their school was better staffed, or whingeing to the neighbour of the shopkeeper. You joined a branch and you're here! You probably have similar fears as I grapple with – what if I make a mistake, I don't want to stand up and talk – but you'll do it anyway. Because the desire to make a difference blows fear apart EVERY TIME. You just need the courage to listen to your instincts. SO GO FOR IT!! (For those of you who can't wait to get hold of that microphone, that last part wasn't for you)! You are the heart and soul of Conference, and this all for you. This is

your platform; this is your opportunity. Please do not go home wishing you said something, or contributed to something, and didn't. It's your lived experience that provides the backbone to our lobbies.

STATE COUNCIL – I have been so privileged to work with this amazing group of people over the years. Having them look to me for guidance and leadership for the last 3 years, has been an honour. You all juggle home, family, businesses and jobs, and other volunteer roles, but ICPA is always at the forefront of your mind, and always a priority. Ladies and gents, I am honoured to have been a part of everything you have all achieved and I know that ICPA will continue to go from strength to strength. Thank-you each and every one of you for being the amazing people you are. I will stay on the Executive as the Immediate Past President so I am so glad I will still hang out with you all.

I would also like to acknowledge my husband Brian. You may not have seen him at a conference, but ICPA has been as much a part of his life as it has been mine. He has kept the ship sailing at home while I have been off pursuing my passion. My kids' have also been amazing, having literally grown up with me on the phone, on the laptop, or on the road!! Their encouragement has so often been what has got me taking action on things I am scared of. Kids are so black and white; they just say what they think! And my mum, who is sitting up the back at her very first Conference. Every News & Views Presidents Report over the last 3 years has been edited by my mum, and she has sat through hours of phone calls about, you guessed it, ICPA. Thanks Mum!

ICPA has given me more than I have ever given it! Through this organisation I have faced, what was for me, huge challenges. Leadership, speaking in public, meeting with Ministers, talking to the media - WOW! Talk about getting uncomfortable! But I did it. I have contributed and my life will be forever changed because of this experience. Thank-you for your acceptance of me, your kindness, your passion and for believing in me as your fearless leader.

Mrs Kim Hughes

Outgoing ICPA Qld President 2018

SECRETARY'S REPORT

State President, Mrs Kim Hughes, Patron Mrs Patricia Mitchell, Federal President, Mrs Wendy Hick, distinguished guests, fellow Councillors, members of the Winton Branch and Qld Branch members, I present the Secretary's report for the 2017/18 year.

It is hard to believe we are all gathered together again for another conference – the last 12 months has rocketed by in a whoosh of motions, meetings, submissions, and reports. It has indeed been a full sky, with so many bright moments – so let's begin;

The St George conference delivered another successful event, and also some new smiles for State Council. Susan Bellingham from Richmond Branch and Jessie Persse from Dirranbandi Branch took that brave step – their smiles have slotted in very well.

Immediately following conference, the freshly minted Council met for the post conference meeting in St George, the first of only 3 face-to-face meetings for the Council year. This time traditionally handles general administration, proposed delegations and preparations for the coming year. After a full conference week, it's a long day at the office, however the undercurrent of anticipation for what the coming year will hold sustains the meeting – and good caffeine!

The past year has been the first full 12 months for Council following the change to the financial year and conference date. The reshuffling meant the calendar also had to be rearranged, which really means the Councillor brain has had to be rearranged! After so long, it will take a little while to get used to having a midyear conference and an end of year midyear meeting! Delegations are now held after conference in July, during October and the following March. The meetings are loosely grouped into department meetings and 'associated' meetings. As Queensland now has a fixed term parliament, parliamentary meetings occurs either in July, if not after a state election, or during October if it is an election year.

Council was back in the saddle in July and down to Brisbane for the first round of delegations and the second face-to-face opportunity. The turnaround from conference is quick but it works well to fully set the year as the one-day council meeting is used for important policy revision discussion. This is where your motions yesterday and today get written into the policy ICPA Qld will be guided by tomorrow. The delegation meetings arranged for the remainder of the time kicked off the lobby-year for Council and included time with many branches of the Education Department, including early childhood, tertiary and the invaluable Rural and Remote Branch. The USO was on the agenda with LGAQ and Telstra, and school transport was discussed with Translink. Meeting with ABSA and QCAA rounded out the full spectrum ICPA covers, from kindy through to tertiary and putting kids on buses and in boarding schools.

To get the Submission engine cranking for a new year, Council prepared a submission for the important Independent Review into Regional, Rural and Remote Education – I've never quite worked out how to say the acronym; IRRRR – I Quad R just doesn't roll off the tongue!

By September, election fever was starting to infiltrate conversations. This meant Council started discussing the lobby approach and the Portfolio Manifesto was born – with a name like that, it does sound a little like it should have a moustache! It is a hefty little document that State Council is very proud of – created as a key issues/solutions combination, the professionally presented work was distributed to MP's and stakeholder's pre-election and as an introduction post-election.

Due to family commitments, Councillor Edwina Hick resigned from Council and Kim Hughes assumed the Distance Education portfolio.

Kim Hughes and Jessie Persse attended the P&C's State Conference on behalf of ICPA Qld – both ladies agree it was worthwhile to see another element of the whole that makes education in our state – essentially, we are all striving for the same fundamentals, so it's important to have a broad understanding.

The Off-Council positions of Fundraising Officer so capably held by Suzi McQueen, Webmaster held by Lynelle Urquhart and News and Views Editor held by Zabby Appleton have all been well handled again this year. Thank you for the time you give to ICPA. Jeff Little remains the IT go-to-guy and this year, Andrew Pegler has held an advisory role regarding the USO. Thanks Gents, you are like Council's very own Communications Brains Trust! Thank you also to Natalie Slack. You know the little welcome parcel you receive when you become a branch member for the first time? Well, Nat put's those together – another one of the so many jobs that are quietly done in the background, but that are all so important to the whole.

A mini delegation in October called for a handful of Councillors to once again pack their wheelie case and head to Brisbane. A visit with the then Minister for Education, Kate Jones was a priority and proved to be the last meeting with her.

The conference minutes were again available in both hardcopy and digital versions. However, most people now opt for the digital copy. Di Selby once again put in many, many hours of work preparing the final file – and again the job is top class. The modern look Di injects is appreciated, and the photos add a little colour amongst a lot of words! Well before the final copy, there is the small team of proof-readers who are instrumental in ensuring the file is as accurate as possible. This job is too big for one person, well this one person anyway – I am most grateful for the help of Noela Wilson, and Rose Philp.

Di Selby has also been silently working away for a long time now, digitising the vast archives of ICPA Qld held in storage for the past 47 years – that's a whole lot of old paper, plastic boxes and cupboard space! The job was HUGE. The history of this organisation is so important and with the efforts of Di, it will now be accessible forever.

The third and final face-to-face meeting for Council convened in Clermont in early November for the mid-year meeting and it was smashing! Thanks to Clermont Branch for providing a fantastic venue for our 2-days. Lovely company and lively conversation abounded in down-town Clermont and the evening community meal was, in one word, gorgeous! This was the last time the full Council would be together prior to conference, and the agenda was massive – but I think you would all agree, the effort was worth it!

A submission into the Review to Achieve Education Excellence in Australian Schools was prepared. The Bush Christmas raffle, held in conjunction with the annual event in Toowoomba is a major fundraiser for State Council. Again, a huge thank you must go to Liz McClymont for including ICPA in the event and the ladies who coordinate the ticket sales and do the hours at the front door. If you are ever in Toowoomba on the market dates, do make a point of taking a look – it's well worth it!

It's now December and the new look Queensland Compass eNewsletter was released – retiring The Branch Briefings. The update continues the gradual modernisation of all ICPA Qld communications.

Another modern change, are the new ICPA Qld promotional flyers which are now on their second print run. The flyers come in both A4 and A5 size and give a great overview of what ICPA is all about. Also available are the 'Are You Aware' flyers in A4 size. These are a fantastic resource listing all the allowances available for rural and remote students, and how to apply for them. If any branches would like some of these materials, please see our Publicity Officer, Nat Kenny over conference as she has come prepared! There is no cost for branches.

2018 clicked over and Council clocked off for a few weeks of down time in preparation for the full-on 'up' time that heralded the start of the new school year and the rapid change of lanes on the highway to Winton.

Kim Hughes and I took our wheelie bags all the way to Sydney and joined Federal Council and Presidents/Secretary's from most of the other state councils for a two day ICPA immersion of sorts. Nationwide and state specific issues were discussed. The time was well spent and very valuable as another piece of the greater ICPA puzzle.

There have been 137 items of inwards correspondence and 71 items of outwards correspondence noted in the minutes.

A reminder to Branches to please send a copy of your AGM minutes to Assistant Secretary, Kim Donaldson. Please also provide an updated copy of your branch executive throughout the year if there are changes – it is important we keep the database current.

ICPA Qld continues to represent on many groups and attend countless events during the year. Currently, members of Council sit on; the Teacher Mobility Project Stakeholder Reference Group, Rural and Remote Stakeholder Reference Group, Remote Kindergarten Pilot Working Group, Telstra Regional Advisory Council, the Joint Parent Council, Darling Downs South West Professional Learning Hub Governance Committee, the Senior Secondary and Tertiary Entrance Taskforce and the USQ Board of Education Study.

During the year, Councillors represented ICPA Qld at numerous events, including Westech, the QUT Stepping Out Conference, the Early Years Forum, State Symposium with Michael Carr-Gregg and the Teach Rural Careers Fair and the Anti-Cyberbullying Taskforce community consultations. To blow the Christmas cobwebs, a submission into the Enquiry into Rural and Remote Airfares was prepared in February.

With military like precision, Qld state councillors touched down in Brisbane in March for a gruelling 2 ½ day campaign, meeting with parliamentarians and department staff in 33 meetings. Mr Manifesto was instrumental in increasing awareness! The rigours of the day were soon forgotten when, once again, our Patron Trish Mitchell joined Councillors for dinner. Time spent with Trish is always lovely, thank you Trish.

May was a big month for some members of the Blackall Branch. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Fiona Russell, Virginia Wacker and Branch Life Memberships were presented to Sally Campbell, Sally Gall and Roslyn Wood.

A submission was prepared for the Qld Anti-Cyberbullying Taskforce.

Conference this year carry's a tinge of sadness as we say good bye to 3 top chicks. Our big bird, Kim leaves the roost – it will be most different without her at the top. Thank you Kim for giving yourself to this organisation so entirely. Your integrity and intentions have so positively impacted the whole organisation and without doubt you have made a most significant groove in the structure of what ICPA is about, what is done and how we do it. You are an awesome bird!

After an impressive stint on Council, 6 years as Secretary, we say goodbye to Kate Twist. As my predecessor, I have always been in awe of Kate's secretarial prowess. The laptop that she handed me was well-ordered, uncluttered, ship-shape, concise – very much like the lady. I make a public apology to you Kate, your work of art is now somewhat abstract. I've often said to Kate, I would like to be just like her when I grow up – hiking boots and all! Have fun 'out in the big wide world' Kate! Thank you.

I need to indulge one more time and salute Nat Kenny as she too leaves this hen house. Nat, your energy is so infectious and your radiant, positive vibe is so lovely to be around. Having younger chicks in this flock is great – thanks Nat for sharing yourself with ICPA.

'Digging Deep' [for Education] is precisely what the convening committee has done to ensure this conference is a ripper. Led so capably by Tina Elliott, the bunch of ladies have excelled. As a collective, they had all the skills and energy to turn their ideas into what we now enjoy. Thank you ladies, it's been a pleasure working with you – be so very proud of what you pulled together. Thank you to your husbands and your children who loaned you to ICPA these last 12 months – you can have her back now – take care of her, she's pretty special!

I present my report for adoption.

Mrs Gillian Semple, Secretary ICPA Qld Inc

TREASURER'S REPORT

Madam President, fellow councillors, Life Members, distinguished guests, delegates and members, I am pleased to present my 2018 report to you all.

The 2017 membership year closed with a total of 1153 members, and at the time of writing this report, mid- May, there are 1181 members for 2018. It is fantastic to see an increase in membership numbers, and they are expecting to continue flowing in as the year progresses. As always, we would like to encourage branches to engage with both their new and existing members, and get them involved in any way possible to support ICPA, as this is what makes us such a strong organisation.

Online membership has had a great uptake, and although it has taken a little bit to get the hang of from my end, I am getting there slowly. It is great to see members utilising the website, and service. Just reminder to branches also, that if submitting your memberships manually, it would be fantastic if you could get them submitted before the 31st March each year, to ensure your members stay on both the federal and state mailing databases. And if your branch has Branch Life members, both State and Federal fees for these members are the branches responsibility, and must be paid each year. It is also very important for all members to keep their postal and email addresses up to date, this makes the delivery of information and publications to you much more effective.

ICPA Qld Inc has run at a profit this year of \$7,387, and sits in a very stable condition with over \$100,000 resting in a term deposit, and total funds available as at 31st March 2018 of \$169,550. For those of you who do not like wading through pages of figures in the audit report, following this report in your booklets is a profit and loss statement, which outlines a snapshot the income and expenditure, and bank balances, for the year ending 31st March 2018.

Bank balances as at 31st March 2018	
General	\$13,033.53
Fundraising	\$10,584.14
PayPal	\$5,385.00
Business Maxi	\$35,165.85
Term Deposit	\$105,381.67
Total available	\$169,550.19

With a total income of \$127,868, the St George State Conference donated \$60,500, whilst some very generous donations have been received from branches, including \$200 from the Arcadia Valley branch, for both 2017 & 2018, \$500 each from both the Mt Isa BOTA and the Belyando / Mt Coolon branch, \$1,000 from the Longreach branch, and \$5,000 from the Cloncurry branch. A large portion of the remaining income came from advertising in the News & Views magazine of \$7,350, Fundraising income, which includes art union ticket sales, Bush Christmas, souvenir sales, and sponsorship, of \$24,632, and branch membership state affiliation fees of \$25,477.

As noted above fundraising, which includes the running of two art unions, along with the purchase and sale of souvenirs, is a large contributor to our income each year. The job of Fundraising Officer is mainly done behind the scenes, so I would just like to acknowledge the time and effort Suzi McQueen puts into ensuring this part of ICPA runs smoothly and efficiently. She does an absolutely amazing job!

A significant amount of funds are required each year for State Council representatives to attend meetings, and lobby government departments, to achieve a better educational outcome for our members' children. Over the years ICPA has gained considerable respect within educational circles which has opened up different avenues of lobby, but all this comes at a cost as councillors spend more time travelling to, and attending meetings, for the most part many miles from home. So with total expenses for the year coming to \$120,481, \$19,234 went towards councillors attending delegations in Brisbane, \$5,873 to attend Federal conference in Alice Springs, \$5,874 towards our mid-year council meeting, and an additional \$6,486 to attending other meetings and conferences. Fundraising expenses came in at \$7,445, and insurance continues to be a large expense for the year at close to \$12,000.

Thank you to our News & Views editor, Zabby Appleton, as she has continued to compile an informative and interesting magazine each quarter for members. Zabby has also continued to work hard at retaining advertising, which is mainly taken up by boarding schools, which helps bring down the printing and distribution costs of News & Views to our members. Zabby is relinquishing her role this year, so I would like to sincerely thank her for taking on the position over the last three years, it is a tremendous job.

As State Treasurer, I am also the Risk Management officer, so please remember that if your branch is undertaking any activities be sure to have a risk management form completed, and returned to me at least 2 weeks prior to the event, if possible. If in doubt, do not hesitate to let me know, we are here to help. It is really important, that as members, you are covered, along with those attending your events. Branches have been busy hosting and undertaking events throughout the year, including the Arcadia Valley tennis day, Charters Towers branch hosting its Fit for Rural Futures camp and swimming clinic, the Kindon branch with The Cornflowers Picnic, Clarke Creek hosted its Ladies day, Clermont with its annual Sports Camp, the Mitchell- Tomoo/Dunkeld SWAG camp, the Winton Volunteer reunion, the Westmar/Inglestone Theatre restaurant, Springsure/Rolleston, Moonie, Dawson Valley, Cloncurry, Cunnamulla and Southern Downs branches were active with catering, and the Yaraka/Isisford branch hosted a Melbourne Cup luncheon, plus a car rally, and undertook a few raffles throughout the year, whilst Mt Isa BOTA keeps busy with their coffee machine, and catering, along with Rock Pope Mime concert and Sports for Bush Kids.

Finally, I would like to thank Winton for hosting the 2018 ICPA Qld Inc State Conference. Thank you, and I would like to move my report for adoption.

Mrs Anna Appleton, Treasurer ICPA Qld Inc

FEDERAL COUNCIL REPORT

Madam President, Qld ICPA Patron and State Life Member Mrs. Patricia Mitchell OAM, Qld State Life Members Mr. Mac McClymont and Mrs. Rose Philp, fellow ICPA members and guests, thank you for the opportunity to update you on the work of Federal Council. It has been an encouraging time for ICPA as there seems to be a rejuvenated focus on regional, rural and remote education in many areas.

After travelling to Alice Springs for the Federal Conference last August, Federal Council set to work actioning the 100 motions that were carried at the conference. With numerous federal government position changes earlier this year, it has at times been challenging, as we try to keep our foothold and maintain the momentum that we had achieved on several issues. ICPA (Aust) continues to work closely with numerous other organisations, as well as the various Commonwealth Departments and we have a good working relationship with many in government.

The Federal Motion Update, which outlines how Federal Council has been actioning Federal motions, the outcomes achieved and our future plans, was distributed to members in March and it can also be found on the ICPA website.

Besides the meetings, delegations, letters and consultations we have been involved in, Federal Council has worked on numerous written submissions. In the current climate, the federal government has been seeking input and discussion in many areas and there seems to be a submission available for comment on just about any topic imaginable. Attending to these submissions is keeping Federal Council very busy and also honing our proofreading and editing skills. We've completed 13 submissions since the Federal Conference.

Our largest submission undertaking by far was the Independent Review into Regional, Rural and Remote Education or IRRRRE as it's become affectionately known by.

A promise from the 2016 federal election, the IRRRRE saw, for the first time in decades, government showing a significant focus on rural and remote education. Professor John Halsey was chosen to lead the Review and members of Federal and State Councils met with Professor Halsey at the last Federal Conference. We also attended various consultations around the country to bring to the forefront multiple rural and remote issues. This Review provided ICPA with an avenue to seek address for the majority of the issues and concerns that members have raised over the past years. Trying to define and compile in their entirety the many educational challenges that our rural and remote students have faced for years and fit them into one document certainly tested the mettle of our Federal Council, particularly as submissions were called for almost immediately after our Federal Conference which had seen a number of new councillors join our team. (The 'newbies' pretty much were told to buckle up and hang on for the ride as we dove headfirst into working on the submission). In the end, we ended up with a 44 page submission (which far exceeded the 5 or so pages recommended by the panel, but fortunately they still accepted it) and our council had become cohesive in working through the submission process. The final report from the Review was submitted to the Australian Government in January 2018 and at the end of May, the Government responded that they would accept all 11 recommendations from the Review. It is encouraging to see regional, rural and remote education having such a focus at present and ICPA looks forward to seeing what comes about from the recommendations.

A section that we included in our IRRRRE submission referred to the Election Commitment funding pledged for geographically isolated families to help them access education which was made by the former Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon Barnaby Joyce. While the portion of the election promise around the 50% increase to the AIC Additional Boarding Allowance was fulfilled very quickly, (and of course our families who receive this portion of the allowance are grateful), ICPA continued to wait for the balance of the funding to be allocated. Federal Council took every opportunity to inquire about this funding and provide suggestions of how it might be used to best assist rural and remote families.

While not quite the increases to the AIC across the board that we had hoped for, what the Federal Budget announcement this year did include was the news that as a result of the IRRRRE Review \$53.9 million will be allocated to improve regional students' access to Youth Allowance by changing the threshold and assessment year for parental income. The regional independence criterion for parental income under youth allowance will increase from \$150,000 to \$160,000 and the "Family Pool" will also now be considered for students from regional and remote areas. ICPA (Aust) welcomed this announcement and we have also welcomed the national focus on regional, rural and remote education which will hopefully provide future improvements for our students.

Many of the concerns that Federal Council is working on are covered in the Motion Update that was sent out in March, so I'll only touch on a few points of information now in my report but I encourage all members to read the motion update if you haven't already done so and please contact us if you have further questions or want more information.

Communications continues to be a major sector of our efforts. ICPA (Aust) remains a member of the Regional, Rural and Remote Communications Coalition and this has been a very welcomed forum where we can take our members' issues. By being a part of the RRRCC, we have managed to strengthen our voice as the Communications Coalition now encompasses 21 member bodies. The RRRCC is calling for 2018 to be a year of action and we hope to see further development to communications services for those living outside of city centres.

Internet- our members seek adequate, affordable and reliable internet. ICPA has regular contact with nbn and we continue to put forward situations that our members bring to us. We continue to strongly advocate for the expansion of the Education Port to include all rural students who rely on a Sky Muster service at home regardless of whether they study via distance education, attend a small rural school, board away from home needing to use the service when home on school breaks for assignments, or study at the tertiary level. Federal Council has spoken to a number of other groups who now also have taken up this lobby.

There is still confusion and difficulty in reporting internet faults and Federal Council continues to advocate for a simpler, direct process along with the necessity for the creation of a Rural and Remote Communications Help Centre that understands rural and remote customers' needs and can assist them with troubleshooting problems in addition to providing correct information for securing communications products and services.

Phones and Mobile- A major concern for our members has been the uncertainty of the future of landline services for voice. ICPA (Aust) and RRRCC have met with numerous government representatives and strongly voiced our members' concerns over a potential loss of landlines and the possibility of landlines being replaced by VoIP services which currently do not adequately meet the need of those living in rural and remote Australia. ICPA (Aust) also maintains that Australians living outside of large metropolitan centres must have at least two methods of accessing communications (i.e. landline and satellite internet) due to the distance to other means of communication and the implications for safety when one service fails. This message seems to have been understood and supported by many in government and we are hopeful that this consideration for voice services for those in regional, rural and remote areas will continue to be upheld. Federal Council met with the office of the Minister for Communications in May and we were reassured to hear that "Current USO arrangements will remain in place unless and until robust and workable alternatives that are more cost-effective are identified, proven and able to be implemented".

At the 2017 Federal Conference, Telstra Country Wide offered to investigate mobile possibilities in areas containing a rural school with no mobile coverage and they asked ICPA to provide information on rural schools outside the mobile service footprint. ICPA State Councils have assisted in providing lists where possible of these schools and the lists have been passed on to TCW and we continue to have discussions with them on this.

With the announcement of the 4th Round of the Mobile Blackspots Program, we will be advocating loudly for rural schools that do not have mobile service to be considered a priority under this and any future rounds.

ICPA (Aust) has recently negotiated with Telstra Country Wide to be able to offer ICPA members a discount on the purchase of Telstra Go Repeater units which are transportable mobile signal boosters (often used in vehicles) similar to the discounts that have been offered to our members when buying Smart Antennae for increased mobile coverage at home. More details on this will be coming out in a future Federal Branch Bulletin.

The last few months have been very busy in the area of Early Childhood Education and Care. Federal Councillor, Jane Morton has attended numerous meetings and sessions around the new program that is set to replace In Home Care and the Nanny Pilot Program. At the moment the new program seems to be keeping the name "In Home Care" and should be in place from 2 July 2018. A few things have changed with the revised program. There are a couple of positives- The Activity Test has been widened to enable unpaid workers in the family business to receive the new Child Care Subsidy.

In addition to this, ICPA (Aust) has continued in discussions with the Department of Education and Training and the Minister's office for clarification of supervision of Distance Education lessons and what is considered "homework" which can be supervised under In Home Care by an educator. ICPA also continues to monitor the transition from Budget Based Funding for mobile playgroups and other mobile services utilised by rural families to the new model.

Another very positive result in our tertiary portfolio was the welcome change in Youth Allowance at the start of this year for those rural and remote students qualifying for independent Youth Allowance through part-time work or earnings, in the reduction of the Gap Year from 18 months to 14 months. Thus effectively allowing a student who has earned the necessary amount of income to attend study the next year instead of needing to begin during the middle of the year or following year, as was often the case previously. Members can visit the Youth Allowance website for further information. ICPA (Aust) has been lobbying for this change for many years and now these efforts have been rewarded.

Another of other Federal Council initiatives that I'd like to quickly mention is the Distance Education Tutoring Document which was created by the Distance Education Portfolio to try to help families seeking a Distance Education Tutor, as well as those interested in becoming a tutor, with information around how to go about filling those positions.

One of ICPA's strengths is the way we unite and support each other. State and Federal councils have continued to work together this year in various ways including teleconferences between the state and federal portfolios and executives. In mid- February, representatives from most State and Federal Councils met in Sydney for face to face meetings and an information session at the nbn Discovery Centre. It was a very productive few days and extremely rewarding.

Federal Council would like to thank the Queensland State Council for their ongoing support of federal issues and their dedication and commitment. Qld State Council does a terrific job in keeping the issues of Qld families being talked about and Kim as you step down from your role as Qld President, I'd also like to personally thank you for all of your dedication and hard work that you've put in for ICPA.

Federal Council looks forward to continuing to work with State Councils, Branches and Members. Federal Council hopes to see many of you at this year's Federal Conference which is being hosted by New South Wales State Council and held in Canberra on August 1 and 2.

I'll finish with a quote from Helen Keller. Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much. ICPA will continue to work together at all levels to bring about better educational outcomes for our rural and remote children... together we **can** do so much. So Let's Dig Deep together for the education of our children and we are sure to hit the treasure buried below. Thank you.

Mrs Wendy Hick, President ICPA Australia

VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING COUNCILLORS

Mrs KIM HUGHES

Retiring President

When Kim Hughes attended her first conference in 2006 at Mt Isa, you would have been forgiven for thinking she had been skating all her life when she annihilated the rest of the volunteers on stage when Steven Bradbury asked them to 'hold position' for as long as possible. The same could have been thought about her lobbying skills when Kim joined State Council in 2011 at the Rockhampton ICPA State Conference. I don't think joining state council had even been on her radar until a conversation with a State Councillor just before the AGM. When she asked that State Councillor if she had anyone in mind that she would like to see join State Council that year, the State Councillor, in a moment of clarity, looked Kim in the eyes and said, 'You!' Naturally, Kim was probably a little taken aback by this direct suggestion, so queried why. The reply was along the lines of, 'I can see you have the passion in your eyes, we can teach you the rest.'

Due to constitutional procedure, when Kim came over a few minutes later to say she was keen, just as the AGM was about to begin, we couldn't accept her last minute nomination, but we could co-opt her onto State Council the next day at the post-conference meeting. So, after a flurry of changing flights, Kim Hughes joined State Council the next day.

After being told new councillors are given 'quiet' portfolios while they find their lobbying feet, Kim Hughes took on the Distance Education Portfolio as 'not much happens there.' Well, wasn't that the statement disproven quickly with the announcement of sweeping changes to education with Australian Curriculum and the introduction of C2C into Queensland schools and in particular Distance Education.

12 months later, after Kim had proven her abilities as a State Councillor so well, when an opening came up for a Vice-President position on State Council, she was asked if she was willing to fill it, even though she may have been considered relatively new. Kim took on this new role with her usual professionalism and became an inspiration for all those State Councillors that followed that were to benefit from her mentoring.

2015 saw some exciting changes within ICPA both Qld and Federal with one of the Qld Vice-Presidents, Wendy Hick stepping up to be President of Federal ICPA and the other Vice-President, Kim Hughes stepping up to be President of Qld ICPA. Both of these amazing women have grown into great leaders and the organisation is stronger for the roles they have within it.

During Kim's time as the President of ICPA Qld, she has received some interesting requests and invitations. The one that stood out to the other councillors was the invitation to not only attend a dinner at the Qld Government House but to also 'sleep over.' So Kim not only had to consider what to wear to the dinner, but also if her PJ's would pass muster at Government House.

Another task Kim took on with maybe not so much gusto, but at least determination, was the updating of the constitution. Kim may have developed a slight twitch if she hears the word 'constitution' these days, but she did a great job that we can all be proud of, with how much easier the new and improved version of the constitution is to work with.

Thankfully, that very constitution states that the President has to continue in the role of Immediate Past President for 2 years after stepping down from President. Therefore, we don't actually have to say good-bye to Kim just yet, however, I would like to thank her for all the time and effort she has put in on behalf of the members so far. The Australia Day award Kim received in 2017 is testament to the high esteem she is regarded with by both ICPA and her wider community. ICPA Qld is a stronger and richer organisation for having State Councillors such as Kim Hughes amongst its members and when she does eventually step off council, she will be greatly missed.

Mrs KATE TWIST

Kate joined Qld State Council in 2010 at the Charters Towers State Conference. Well, actually, she sent in her nomination form, but she did not actually show up until our next face-to-face meeting in November. So I first remember meeting Kate in the reception area of Ruth Fairfax house and hoping I wasn't accosting a total stranger rather than meeting one of the new additions to State Council.

Kate is from the Mitchell-Tomoo/Dunkeld branch, but we quickly learned that if she introduced herself as coming from Mungallala, it created much greater interest from those we were lobbying. After spending a year on council, holding the Hostels portfolio, Kate decided to utilise her past life occupation working as a court house Clerk and took on the State Council Secretary position. She ably held this position from 2011 – 2016. At this time Kate decided it was time to try her hand as a State Councillor again, taking on the Curriculum portfolio for the past two years.

While on council, you not only get to know those you are working beside, but also you get to know, though normally by proxy, their partners and family. Dan, Kate's husband, featured in many stories when we got to put our feet up and relax at the end of the day. He may have considered himself long suffering, but I am sure he gave as good as he got when it came to working together on the property. One thing we learnt early on with Kate, when discussing what nights would be suitable for having our monthly teleconference meeting when the original date was not suitable, was that Friday nights were a firm NO! from her, as that is red wine night, and she wasn't that dedicated to ICPA to give it up.

Over the years we have gotten to hear much about the trials and tribulations of raising 3, I will assume, headstrong girls and the relief as each one left school and moved onto the next stage of their lives.

Kate has now also decided it is time to move on with the next stage of her life which includes heading off to England in a weeks' time to go hiking, a passion that comes a close second to ICPA.

Thank you Kate for spending the past 8 years of your life as part of the Qld State Councillor family. We will all miss you greatly and wish you well on your travels.

CONFERENCE OPENING ADDRESS

Thank you for those kind words. I feel privileged to be here today with so many people from all corners of the state, working together for the future of our isolated children.

Many years ago, Bruce and I attended our first State Conference in Rockhampton, as Winton branch delegates. I remember being absolutely terrified at the thought of speaking in front of so many people, most of whom I had never met. However I soon realised that those attending were people just like us, people who believed that children from rural and remote areas deserved educational opportunities, regardless of where their parents lived and worked.

Fast forward 37 years and ICPA is still leading the way in advocating to all levels of government, for shared solutions to the issues that are specific to our way of life. By and large, the basic issues of access remain the same but the solutions are changing and will continue to do so.

State Conference is where we as parents can raise current issues for discussion, whether it be supervising a child at home on one of our Schools of Distance Education, supporting student prac teaching in rural schools, financial assistance for boarding students, telecommunications, and curriculum – the list goes on. The delivery of services through advances in technology in particular, requires constant vigilance to ensure that the solutions proposed for our children are appropriate to our needs.

On a personal level, membership of ICPA has been immensely rewarding, working with like-minded people passionately interested in ensuring our children have the opportunity for an education that will allow them to make informed choices for their future. Bruce and I spent a number of years on Queensland State Council, where we met many wonderful people, and learned so much from senior Council members. At this point, I would like to pay tribute to ICPA mentor, the late Bunny Powne, whose ability to relate to people from all walks of life and persuade them to understand ICPA's point of view, was an invaluable asset to bush people.

I remember an amusing incident involving Bunny. At the time, I was still teaching our youngest daughter, so she often came with us to Council meetings, and would sit at the back of the room doing her Correspondence papers while we worked. As many of you would know, Bunny was always interested in young people, so at smoko he went over to Juliet to chat and give her a few tips on her schoolwork. Afterwards she confided in me "Mum, I didn't know what to say – Mr Powne was doing the maths all wrong!"

I guess that just shows you how education is always changing!

This is the third State Conference to be held in our small community of Winton, and I congratulate the organising committee members for their commitment, when seasonal conditions are still well below par. To all those who have travelled to be with us, I trust that you will participate in stimulating debate, renew old friendships and make new ones, while enjoying the facilities that Winton has to offer.

It is with much pleasure that I officially declare open the 47th Annual Conference of the Queensland Isolated Children's Parents' Association.

Mrs Helen Collins

TRIBUTE – Bunny Powne, MBE

I have been asked to say a few words about the late Bunny Powne MBE. Where do you start with someone like him when you've only got a few minutes? I had the good fortune to travel with other ICPA people to Bunny's funeral in Toowoomba early in March where his family delivered a lot of interesting and at times amusing information and anecdotes regarding Bunny's life. He was born in 1929 in Charters Towers and grew up at Aramac, learning by correspondence before attending Toowoomba Prep and then Toowoomba Grammar School where he excelled in sport – rifle shooting, athletics, swimming and tennis.

After a wool classing course, a stint of jackerooing and working on the family property at Aramac, Bunny married and he and his wife, Eileen, built a service station in Bollon after an agistment deal took them to that area. He began a fuel run, which took him over the border into New South Wales as well as west to Cunnamulla and beyond.

In hindsight it is not hard to see how and why Bunny was quickly involved in ICPA when it was formed in Bourke in 1971 for he would have known well the difficulties that his business customers were experiencing in the midst of an extended drought and wool price slump. He would have seen the tragedy of kids leaving boarding school early because their parents couldn't find the fees. He knew these people personally because he would have undoubtedly shared meals and smokos with them whilst delivering fuel. They were his friends.

Bunny was very genuine and a good judge of character. He had the ability, with his good humour and ready grin, to strike a rapport with many people of differing personalities. He was just as comfortable speaking with a Minister of the Crown as he was talking to a drover or someone working on the road.

He made a point of saying hello to new delegates, helping to put them at ease and went out of his way to encourage and provide advice to new State Council members. I found him the sort of person whom, on meeting him for the second or third time, you felt totally relaxed and it was as though you had known him for some years.

In dealing with governments of all persuasions, Bunny had developed a few sort of rules of thumb. Firstly, don't ask for benefits or services that are not available to the mainstream community. He stressed that it should be ICPA's endeavour to gain EQUALITY of access, not better access to an education. While he believed it beneficial to invite the Minister for Education and local member to Conference to listen to debate and to speak with delegates, his main effort was to convince the Minister's advisors that our arguments were good and equitable policy. They were the people to get to know and to convince you were worthy of trust. Shout them a beer after a day at Conference, don't feed them any tall stories and make a point to remember them when you them next met. It proved a very successful formula.

Bunny was very self-effacing. I recall him recounting a meeting in the early days in Canberra whilst arguing for AIC allowance with other members of Federal Council. There were a number of graziers on Federal Council at the time including one or two from WA who measured country in millions of acres and upon meeting him, this gentleman from the Federal department of Education said, "I suppose you own a station, too," and Bunny replied, "Yes, a service station"! He was half way to a win!

Bunny told his children that whilst on this earth they should endeavour to do something worthwhile to improve the lives of others. There is no doubt that he achieved that in spades.

He was involved in many good causes throughout his life and we are indeed fortunate that it was to ICPA that he chose to devote so much of his effort.

Mr Bruce Collins

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

Audit Report

For the year ended 31 March 2018





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Independent Audit Report

To the Members of the
Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.

Scope

We have audited the accompanying financial report being a special purpose financial report of the **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** which comprises of the Committee's Report, Trading Account, Income and Expenditure Statement, Detailed Balance Sheet, Depreciation Schedule, Statement by Members of the Committee, Certificate by Members of the Committee and Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended **31 March 2018**.

Qualified Audit Opinion

In our opinion, subject to the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the limitation discussed in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report of **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** as at **31 March 2018** and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended is in accordance with the constitution and the *Queensland Associations Incorporations Act 1981*,

Basis of Qualified Opinion

As the organisation is entirely dependent on the internal controls exercised by the management committee and members, no warrant can be given that all entitlements of revenue have been received or that all services or goods paid for have been utilised for the **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** The **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** has determined that it is impractical to establish control over the revenue received or that all services or goods paid have been utilised for the **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** Our audit of income and expense account items extends only to vouching the receipts and payments. We have not sighted cash on hand or assets owned by the association but have relied on a statement by the committee as to their existence. We have relied on a committee statement that there are no mortgages and charges over the assets of the association. Our audit was conducted on the records of the **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** reporting responsibilities under the *Queensland Associations Incorporations 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 Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

The **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the *Queensland Associations Incorporations Act 1981* and for such internal control as the **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** Committee of Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** Committee of Management is responsible for assessing the Entity'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 **Isolated Children's Parents' Association Qld Inc.** Committee of Management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process

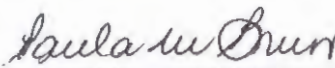
Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when 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.

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Dear Members,

RE: AUDIT REPORT

I wish to congratulate the committee on achieving the goals for the organisation for the year. **Congratulations must go to your Treasurer who has undertaken the job and has taken on board any suggestions previously suggested**, there are several things that need to be brought to the attention of the committee and the Treasurer, for you to discuss

1. We have prepared the financials as we have included a Balance Sheet and Depreciation Schedule. If there is anything else that needs removing or adding please advise at the next audit. Please be advised we have prepared the financials on a cash basis however if you feel that an accruals basis is warranted please advise. The cash basis actually reflects what happened during the year. The only 2 exceptions to this is the outstanding deposit from the fundraising officer and the purchase of 2 new laptops purchased in the year but not reimbursed until the next year.
2. I would like to thank the Treasurer and the Fund-Raising Treasurer for writing the receipt numbers on the deposit slips and in Xero this has made the job of checking the deposits that much easier.
3. There has been a profit made in relation to merchandise this year, congratulations to the fund-raising officer in turning this around this year.
4. Could you please review whether GST should be charged on your art union tickets, raffles etc. I thought this was not applicable as a non-profit organisation. There have been quite a few adjustments made to the GST adjustment account as the amount of GST owing in the previous year was not reflected in the opening balance of the new program.

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5. This has been a very challenging year and you have risen above adversity congratulations. This has been reflected in the profit you have made this year and this is due to the large donation given from the state conference committee.
6. There have been a few challenges in preparing the audit this year as there has been a change of program and the comparative year only being 8 months. I would like to congratulate the Treasurer on all her work in uploading all the invoices and keeping the program up to date and reconciled.

Your audit has been **qualified** due to a lack of internal controls over income and expenditure. This means that I have been unable to establish that all income, i.e. cash, has been received and receipted and that all cheques, and cash, have been used correctly.

I am here to help the Treasurer at anytime so if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact this office on the above number, by fax or email.

Yours faithfully,

Paula McChurn

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

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Committee's Report**For the year ended 31 March 2018**

Your committee members submit the financial accounts of the ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC. for the financial year ended 31 March 2018.

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The names of committee members at the date of this report are:

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 Kim Donaldson
 Natalie Kenny
 Kylie Camp
 Jessie Persse
 Kelly Ostwald
 Kate Twist
 Louise Winten
 Susan Bellingham

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: To promote Education for Isolated Children and Parents.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The profit from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to

	Year ended	Year ended
	31 March 2018	31 March 2017
	\$	\$
	8,858.52	(19,711.00)

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Committee's Report

For the year ended 31 March 2018

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:

Kim Hughes

Kim Hughes

Anna Appleton

Anna Appleton

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Trading Account

For the year ended 31 March 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Trading Income		
Sales	1,252.73	824.55
Postage Paid	56.23	12.27
Total Trading Income	1,308.96	836.82
Cost of Sales		
Add:		
Opening Stock	2,947.52	4,092.46
Purchases	1,496.35	71.56
	<u>4,443.87</u>	<u>4,164.02</u>
Less:		
Closing Stock	3,421.60	2,947.52
	<u>3,421.60</u>	<u>2,947.52</u>
Cost of Sales	1,022.27	1,216.50
Gross Profit from Trading	286.69	(379.68)

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Income and Expenditure Statement

For the year ended 31 March 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Income		
Trading profit	286.69	(379.68)
Advertising	7,350.00	3,350.00
Bush Christmas	9,535.44	
Sponsorship	1,500.00	7,700.00
Donations - Branches	9,315.00	9,700.00
Donations - Other	51.00	10.00
Donations - Conference Branch	60,150.00	16,736.84
Fundraising - Art Union Ticket Sales	11,953.58	8,030.00
Fundraising - Minor Art Union, Raffle et	570.00	8,436.85
Interest received - WBC General Account	11.22	6.60
Interest Received - WBC Fundraising Acct	8.12	7.32
Interest Received - WBC Term Deposit	1,993.47	1,655.05
Interest Received - WBC Maxi Acct	330.89	255.66
Other income	165.00	
Subscriptions	27,391.04	11,514.51
News and Views Subscriptions	345.00	
Total income	<u>130,956.45</u>	<u>67,023.15</u>
Expenses		
Advertising and promotion	2,047.81	181.82
Archival Information		45.45
Audit fees	2,942.48	2,901.16
Badges & Certificates	896.64	212.45
Bank Fees And Charges	234.74	8.34
Federal Conference Expenses	2,699.22	5,316.65
State Conference Expenses - Registration	3,091.33	
State Conference Expenses - Other	2,125.13	5,054.94
State Conference Expenses - Travel etc	16,594.37	8,077.31
Other Conferences	1,441.54	410.00
Depreciation - other	2,796.73	1,131.00
Fundraising Officer Expense - Petty Cash	36.65	
Gifts and Floral Tributes	734.22	316.33

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Income and Expenditure Statement**For the year ended 31 March 2018**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Hire/rent of Plant & Equipment	2,500.02	
Insurance - Liability	11,976.63	11,976.63
Interest - Australia	2.00	
Legal fees		1,500.00
Licenees, Registrations, Permits - Incor	71.20	51.70
Meeting Expenses	38,103.76	28,920.53
Memberships	1,818.18	
News & Views Magazines	15,737.80	6,721.72
Postage	977.91	1,691.66
Publicity & Promotion		2,702.18
Raffle & Minor Art Union - Tickets	468.18	854.54
Raffle & Minor Art Union - Prizes Purch	4,236.35	7,000.00
Raffle Ticket Books - Bush Christmas	422.73	
Repairs & maintenance - Computer Etc	168.14	410.63
Software Expenses	1,362.07	
Stationary and Office Supplies	890.03	1,013.26
Subscriptions & Publications	193.64	113.64
Workshops & Training	7,528.43	
Web & App Expenses		122.21
Total expenses	<u>122,097.93</u>	<u>86,734.15</u>
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax	8,858.52	(19,711.00)
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
Net profit attributable to the association	8,858.52	(19,711.00)
Total changes in equity of the association	8,858.52	(19,711.00)
Opening retained profits	169,041.10	188,752.10
Net profit attributable to the association	<u>8,858.52</u>	<u>(19,711.00)</u>
Closing retained profits	<u>177,899.62</u>	<u>169,041.10</u>

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Detailed Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Current Assets			
Cash Assets			
Cash At Bank - General Account		15,807.53	15,477.20
Cash at Bank - Fundraising Account		10,324.14	8,161.30
Maxi Investment		35,165.85	34,834.96
Term Deposit 24 2432		105,381.67	103,388.20
Pay Pal Account		5,385.00	
Cash on hand - Fundraising Petty Cash		200.00	200.00
		<u>172,264.19</u>	<u>162,061.66</u>
Receivables			
Trade debtors		260.00	
		<u>260.00</u>	
Inventories			
Stock on Hand		3,421.60	2,947.52
		<u>3,421.60</u>	<u>2,947.52</u>
Current Tax Assets			
GST payable control account		(350.00)	1,160.00
GST payable adjustment control account		1,466.76	668.09
		<u>1,116.76</u>	<u>1,828.09</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>177,062.55</u>	<u>166,837.27</u>

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

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Detailed Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment			
Plant & equipment - at cost		24,870.74	22,605.28
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(19,891.55)	(18,637.55)
		<u>4,979.19</u>	<u>3,967.73</u>
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>4,979.19</u>	<u>3,967.73</u>
Total Assets		<u>182,041.74</u>	<u>170,805.00</u>
Current Liabilities			
Payables			
Unsecured:			
Trade creditors		2,142.01	
		<u>2,142.01</u>	
Financial Liabilities			
Unsecured:			
ICPA Qld Inc. - Mastercard		236.21	
		<u>236.21</u>	
Total Current Liabilities		<u>2,378.22</u>	
Total Liabilities		<u>2,378.22</u>	
Net Assets		<u>179,663.52</u>	<u>170,805.00</u>

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Detailed Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Members' Funds			
Reserves			
General reserve		1,763.90	1,763.90
Accumulated surplus (deficit)		177,899.62	169,041.10
Total Members' Funds		179,663.52	170,805.00

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2018

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act of Queensland. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does 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 this financial report.

(a) Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

(b) Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the entity reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

(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, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

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

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

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached financial statements and compilation report of Central Western Taxation Services.

ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

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Notes to the Financial Statements**For the year ended 31 March 2018**

(e) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

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

(f) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period, which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached financial statements and compilation report of
Central Western Taxation Services.

ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.
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Depreciation Schedule for the year ended 31 March, 2018

		DISPOSAL			ADDITION		DEPRECIATION			PROFIT			LOSS							
		Total	Priv	OWDV	Date	Consid	Date	Cost	Value	T	Rate	Deprec	Priv	CWDV	Upto	+	Above	Total	-	Priv
Plant & Equipment																				
2 Electric Stapler (News and Views)	200.00 01/07/89	200	0.00	0		0	0	0	P	7.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Microfishe Reader S/N NM1514SL	350.00 01/07/90	350	0.00	0		0	0	0	P	10.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Rapid 100E Electric Stapler	350.00 01/07/93	350	0.00	0		0	0	0	P	13.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Microfilm Records	500.00 01/07/86	500	0.00	500		0	0	500	P	0.00	0	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
44 Microsoft Office	319.09 02/12/03	319	0.00	0		0	0	0	P	40.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
46 Teleconference Headsets	715.59 29/11/04	716	0.00	11		0	0	11	D	30.00	3	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
47 Teleconference Headsets	511.14 13/12/04	511	0.00	8		0	0	8	D	30.00	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
52 Canon PC950 Photocopier	362.73 05/10/05	363	0.00	8		0	0	8	D	30.00	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56 Retractable Banner System	608.00 03/09/07	608	0.00	127		0	0	127	D	15.00	19	0	108	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
58 Retractable Banner 2nd	609.00 17/08/08	609	0.00	179		0	0	179	D	15.00	27	0	152	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
63 Samsung R540-JD01AU Notebook + warranty	990.91 09/09/10	991	0.00	2		0	0	2	D	66.67	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
64 Black Notebook Bag	22.73 09/09/10	23	0.00	0		0	0	0	D	100.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
66 Microsoft Home & Business 2010 software	245.45 09/09/09	245	0.00	0		0	0	0	D	100.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
68 Toshiba L650D/02Y Laptop	635.45 19/02/11	635	0.00	2		0	0	2	D	66.67	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
71 Ricoh Aficio Multifunction SN S9019300404	2,999.00 03/01/12	2,999	0.00	220		0	0	220	D	40.00	88	0	132	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
73 Toshiba Satellite Ultrabook PSUARA	862.73 29/10/12	863	0.00	8	31/03/18	0	0	8	D	66.67	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
74 Toshiba Satellite Pro i7/4Gb	908.18 29/11/12	908	0.00	11		0	0	11	D	66.67	7	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Depreciation Schedule for the year ended 31 March, 2018

	Total	Priv	OWDV	DISPOSAL		ADDITION		DEPRECIATION				Priv	CWDV	PROFIT		LOSS		Priv
				Date	Consid	Date	Cost	Value	T	Rate	Deprec			Upto	+	Above	Total	
75 Canon EOS 500D and Lens 18-20mm Camera	800.00	0.00	311		0		0	311	D	20.00	62	0	249	0	0	0	0	0
76 HP Photosmart 5520 Inject Printer	70.00	0.00	14		0		0	14	D	40.00	6	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
77 Rapid 90EC Electric Stapler	454.36	0.00	74		0		0	74	D	40.00	30	0	44	0	0	0	0	0
78 ICPA Flags	0.00	0.00	0		0		0	0	D	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
79 Reckon	0.00	0.00	0		0		0	0	D	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
80 Toshiba Satellite Laptop C500-A	643.64	0.00	15		0		0	15	D	66.67	10	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
81 HP Deskjet 3520SN	61.82	0.00	10		0		0	10	D	40.00	4	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
82 Toshiba Satellite 550t-A No 1	815.45	0.00	26		0		0	26	D	66.67	17	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
83 Toshiba Satellite 550t-A No 2	815.45	0.00	26		0		0	26	D	66.67	17	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
84 Toshiba Satellite 550t-A No 3	815.46	0.00	26		0		0	26	D	66.67	17	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
85 Toshiba Satellite 550t-A No 4	815.46	0.00	26		0		0	26	D	66.67	17	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
86 Toshiba Satellite 550t-A No 5	815.46	0.00	26		0		0	26	D	66.67	17	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
87 Toshiba Satellite 500t-8008	999.09	0.00	54		0		0	54	D	66.67	36	0	18	0	0	0	0	0
89 Toshiba Satellite L50D-C (1)	680.00	0.00	192	31/03/18	0		0	192	D	66.67	128	0	0	0	0	0	64	0
90 Toshiba Satellite L50D-C (2)	680.00	0.00	192		0		0	192	D	66.67	128	0	64	0	0	0	0	0
91 Toshiba Satellite L50D-C (3)	680.00	0.00	192		0		0	192	D	66.67	128	0	64	0	0	0	0	0
92 Asus P555LJ-X0857T NB X154	680.00	0.00	680		0		0	680	D	66.67	453	0	227	0	0	0	0	0
93 Leader Companions SC501 Notebook	726.36	0.00	278		0		0	278	D	66.67	185	0	93	0	0	0	0	0
94 Lenovo Idea's Ipad	862.73	0.00	779		0		0	779	D	66.67	519	0	260	0	0	0	0	0

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.
ABN 65 411 031 053

Depreciation Schedule for the year ended 31 March, 2018

	DISPOSAL		ADDITION		DEPRECIATION			PROFIT			LOSS					
	Total	Priv	OWDV	Date	Cost	Value	T	Rate	Deprec	Priv	CWDV	Upto	+	Above	Total	-
95 MacBook Air	1,362.73	0.00	0	02/11/17	1,363	1,363	D	66.67	373	0	990	0	0	0	0	0
96 HP15BA015A Laptop	498.18	0.00	0	01/04/17	498	498	D	66.67	332	0	166	0	0	0	0	0
97 Inspiron 15 5000 series (1)	973.64	0.00	0	05/03/18	974	974	D	66.67	48	0	926	0	0	0	0	0
98 Inspiron 15 5000 Series (2) Lap top	973.64	0.00	0	05/03/18	974	974	D	66.67	48	0	926	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>26,412</u>		<u>3,997</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>3,809</u>		<u>7,806</u>		<u>2,730</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,009</u>				
								Deduct Private Portion	<u>0</u>							
								Net Depreciation	<u>2,730</u>							

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

ABN 65 411 031 053

Statement by Members of the Committee

For the year ended 31 March 2018

The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

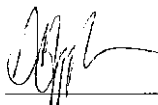
In the opinion of the Committee the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC. as at 31 March 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association 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:



Kim Hughes
President



Anna Appleton
Treasurer

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ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

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Certificate by Member of the Committee

For the year ended 31 March 2018

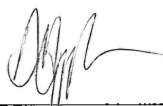
I, Kim Hughes of Richmond, and I, Anna Appleton of Alpha certify that:

- a. We attended the annual general meeting of the association held on 13 June 2018 .
- b. The financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 were submitted to the members of the association at its annual general meeting.

Dated 14/06/2018



Kim Hughes
Committee Member



Anna Appleton
Committee Member

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CENTRAL WESTERN TAXATION SERVICES

PAULA M. BRUN

BBUS FCPA FIPA TAX AGENT C.DEC
ACCOUNTANT

03 April 2018.

Mrs Anna Appleton

ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

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ENGAGEMENT AS AUDITORS ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATIONS ACT 1981

You have requested that we audit the financial statements of **ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.** for the year ended **31 March 2018** which comprises the Financial Statements and any notes presented which are subject to audit – i.e. Audit Report, Trading Statement, Income & Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet and Depreciation Schedule for the year ended **31 March 2018**, and notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the declaration of those charged with governance. We are pleased to confirm our acceptance and our understanding of this engagement by means of this letter.

Our audit will be conducted with the objective of expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The responsibilities of the auditor

We will conduct our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, there is an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

In making our risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Association's preparation of the financial statements 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. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

Liability limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation



Our audit is not designed to be a complete examination of all aspects of your accounting system. Accordingly, any matters that are reported to you verbally or in writing should not be regarded as all-inclusive.

Responsibilities of those charged with governance

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that [management and, where appropriate, those charged with governance] acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

- a) For the preparation of the financial statements that present fairly the results of the Association for the reporting period and the financial position of the Association as at the end of the reporting period.
- b) To provide us with:
 - i. Access to all information of which the directors and management are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial report such as records, documentation and other matters;
 - ii. Additional information that we may request from the directors and management for the purpose of the audit; and
 - iii. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- c) To advise us of any material and/or contentious issues relating to the preparation of the financial statements and any known or suspected frauds which have occurred within the Association.
- d) To maintain adequate accounting records, to ensure that proper internal controls are in place, to ensure the accuracy of all financial records, and to maintain and safeguard the entity's assets to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Such internal controls reduce but do not eliminate the risk of misstatements in the financial statements from fraud or error. Those charged with governance assume responsibility for such risk. While the conduct of an audit may act as a deterrent against fraud or error we cannot be held responsible for preventing them.

Those charged with governance are responsible for adjusting the financial statements to correct identified material misstatements. At the conclusion of each financial reporting engagement we provide those charged with governance with a summary of any uncorrected misstatements we identify and request to confirm in writing that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Representations from those charged with governance

As part of our audit process, we will request from those charged with governance written confirmation concerning oral representations made to us ***ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.*** in connection with the audit and ***ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.*** acknowledges that such representations would be relied upon by us during the audit.

Reporting

We anticipate the issue of an unqualified audit report in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, however the form and content of our report may need to be amended in the light of our audit findings.

Independence

We have established policies and procedures designed to ensure our independence, including policies on the provision of non-audit work.

Fees

Our fee for the audit of the financial report of ***ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.*** for the year ending ***31 March 2018***, is \$150 per hour, exclusive of GST and out-of-pocket expenses, as agreed.

This fee assumes that all accounting transactions will have been processed and we will be presented with a final trial balance/set of financial statements at commencement of the audit.

If we incur additional costs as a result of factors such as:

- information not being provided to us within agreed time limits
- significant errors in the information that is provided
- the scale of the business significantly changing
- a material issue arising which was not reasonably contemplated at the time of the fee quote then this additional time will also be billed.

Our fees will be billed as the work progresses.

Health and safety

We are required to comply with Occupational Health and Safety legislation by taking all practical steps to ensure the health and safety of our people. Our firm's policy expects mutual responsibility for our people to ensure their own safety and that no harm is caused to others in the workplace, but the Act places responsibility for their safety on your Association when they are visitors to your site.

Other services

We are pleased to provide any additional services that may be required from time to time, provided such services do not impair our independence. We note that this engagement letter applies only to the work described in this letter. Should further work be required over and above such work, separate terms of engagement will need to be agreed. In particular, this letter does not deal with accounting advice or assistance with accounts preparation.

Presentation of auditing financial statements on the internet

If, ***ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.*** presents the audited financial statements and auditors' report electronically on a web site, the security and controls over information on the web site should be addressed by the Association to maintain the integrity of the data presented. The examination of the controls over the electronic presentation of audited financial information on the Association web site is beyond the scope of the audit of the financial statements. Responsibility for the electronic

presentation of the financial statements on the Associations web site is that of the governing body of the entity.

Other financial information in reports

We read the financial information contained in the documents or statements that are issued with any of the financial statements, including the Committee reports, to identify material inconsistencies with the financial reports. However, we will not verify such other information.

General matters

The terms of this letter apply to all work carried out by us in connection with this engagement prior to the date of signing this letter.

This letter will be effective for future years unless we advise you of its amendment or replacement or the engagement is terminated.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgement of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statements, including our respective responsibilities.

Yours sincerely

Paula M. Brun

CENTRAL WESTERN TAXATION SERVICES

Acknowledgement

We hereby acknowledge that the engagement letter dated *03 April 2018*, is in accordance with our understanding of the arrangements for the audit of ***ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.*** Financial statements.

Signed for and on behalf of the members by:

Signature:  _____

Name: ***Mrs Anna Appleton*** Title: Treasurer

Date: 14/06/2018

ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.

'ISLAY PLAINS'
PRIVATE BAG 9007
ALPHA QLD 4724

7 June 2018

Central Western Taxation Services
Mrs Paula Brun
PO Box 145
Longreach Qld 4730

Dear Mrs Brun,

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial report of **ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENT'S ASSOCIATION QLD INC.** for the year ended **31 March 2018**, for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial report is presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the relevant Australian accounting standards and the Incorporated Associations Act 1981 - Queensland.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, having made such enquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves, the following representations made to you during your audit:

Financial report

- We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement dated **03 April 2018**, for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as per note 1 in particular the financial report is fairly presented in accordance therewith.
- We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial report may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
- Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
- We have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
- Any related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standards.
- All events subsequent to the date of the financial report and for which Australian Accounting Standards require adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
- The effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial report as a whole. A list of the uncorrected misstatements is attached to the representation letter.

Information provided

- We have provided you with:
 - a) access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial report such as records, documentation and other matters.
 - b) all requested information, explanations and assistance for the purposes of the audit.
 - c) unrestricted access to persons within the Association from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial report.
- We have disclosed to you all known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial report; and accounted for and disclosed them in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

General

- We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying values or classification of assets and liabilities.
- The Association has satisfactory title to all assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor have any assets been pledged as collateral that have not been disclosed in the financial report.
- There have been no known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations or contractual agreements whose effects should be considered in preparing the financial report.
- We are not aware of any going concern issues of the Association.

Fraud

- We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud and confirm we have disclosed to you:
 - a) the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial report may be materially misstated as a result of fraud
 - b) all information in relation to fraud or suspected fraud that we are aware of and that affects the entity and involves:
 - i. management
 - ii. employees who have significant roles in internal controls or
 - iii. others where the fraud could have a material effect in the financial report and
 - c) all information in relation to allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the entity's financial report communicated to us by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.

Commitments

- There were no material commitments for goods or services at year end, other than those disclosed in the financial report.

Impairment of assets

- We have considered the requirements of AASB 136: Impairment of assets when assessing the carrying values of assets and in ensuring that no assets within the scope of AASB 136 are stated in excess of their recoverable amount.

Liabilities

- There are no financial guarantee contracts in place to third parties which could be called upon in the event of a default, other than those disclosed in the financial report.

Inventory

- We have no plans to abandon lines of product or other plans or intentions that will result in any excess or obsolete inventory, and no inventory is stated at an amount in excess of net realisable value.
- Provision has been made for material losses arising from the fulfilment of, or an inability to fulfil, any sale commitments or as a result of purchase commitments for inventory quantities in excess of normal requirements or at prices in excess of prevailing market prices.

Property, plant and equipment

- Rates of depreciation, applied to reduce book values of individual assets to their estimated residual values, reflect the probable useful lives of those assets to the association.
- Allowances for depreciation have been adjusted for all significant items of property, plant and equipment that have been abandoned or are otherwise unusable.
- The association has no 'make good' obligations in respect of its property, plant and equipment for which it would be required to make a restorative provision under AASB 137 Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets which have not been included in the financial report.

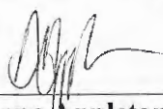
Taxation

- Adequate amounts have been accrued for all local taxes on income including amounts applicable to prior years not finally settled and paid.
- Deferred tax assets in relation to tax losses [have/have not] been brought to account as it [is/is not] probable that they will be realised.

Electronic presentation of financial report

- With respect to presentation of the financial report on our website, we acknowledge that:
 - a) we are responsible for the electronic presentation of the financial report
 - b) we will ensure that the electronic version of the audited financial report and the auditor's report on the website will be identical to the final signed hard copy version
 - c) we will clearly differentiate between audited and unaudited information in the construction of the entity's website as we understand the risk of potential misrepresentation
 - d) we have assessed the controls over the security and integrity of the data on the website and confirmed that adequate procedures are in place to ensure the integrity of the information presented and
 - e) we will not present the auditor's report on the full financial report with extracts only of the full financial report.

Yours sincerely,



Anna Appleton

ICPA QLD INC. MEMBERSHIPS & DONATIONS 2018

BRANCH	NO.
A/B/C	32
Alpha	29
Aramac Muttaborra	35
Arcadia Valley	18
Augathella	23
Belyando/Mt. Coolon	52
Blackall	33
Bollon	19
Boulia/Bedourie/Birdsville	22
Capricornia BOTA	20
Channel Country	3
Charleville	20
Charleville BOTA	10
Charters Towers	55
Clarke Creek	18
Clermont	54
Cloncurry	6
Cunnamulla	20
Dawson Valley	17
Dirranbandi	29
Far North Qld	32
Hughenden	24
Julia Creek	31
Kindon	30
Lone Members	25
Longreach	39
McKinlay	0
Mitchell/Tomoo/Dunkeld	36
Moonie	25
Mt. Isa BOTA	36
Nebo	7
North Burnett	18
Quilpie	32
Richmond	18
Roma	29
Springsure/Rollestone	21
Southern Downs	30
St. George	41
Talwood	9
Tambo	22
Taroom/Wandoan	38
Thargomindah	1
Western Downs	36
Westmar/Inglestone	72
Winton	40
Yaraka/Isisford	32

BRANCH DONATIONS

1st April 2017 - 31st March 2018

Branch	Donation
Arcadia Valley	\$400
Longreach	\$1,000
Mt Isa BOTA	\$500
Cloncurry	\$5,000
Belyando/Mt Coolon	\$500
Clermont	\$1,500
Total	\$8,900

Total Members **1239**