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ANNUAL REPORT



RUGBY LEAGUE BRISBANE



Rugby League Brisbane would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of Meanjin; the Turrbal and Yuggera peoples on whose land we work and live on.

We pay our respects to the Elders of the Turrbal and Yuggera peoples, both past and present and thank them for all their hard work, sacrifice and contributions that they have put before us in order for us to have the opportunities that we now have.

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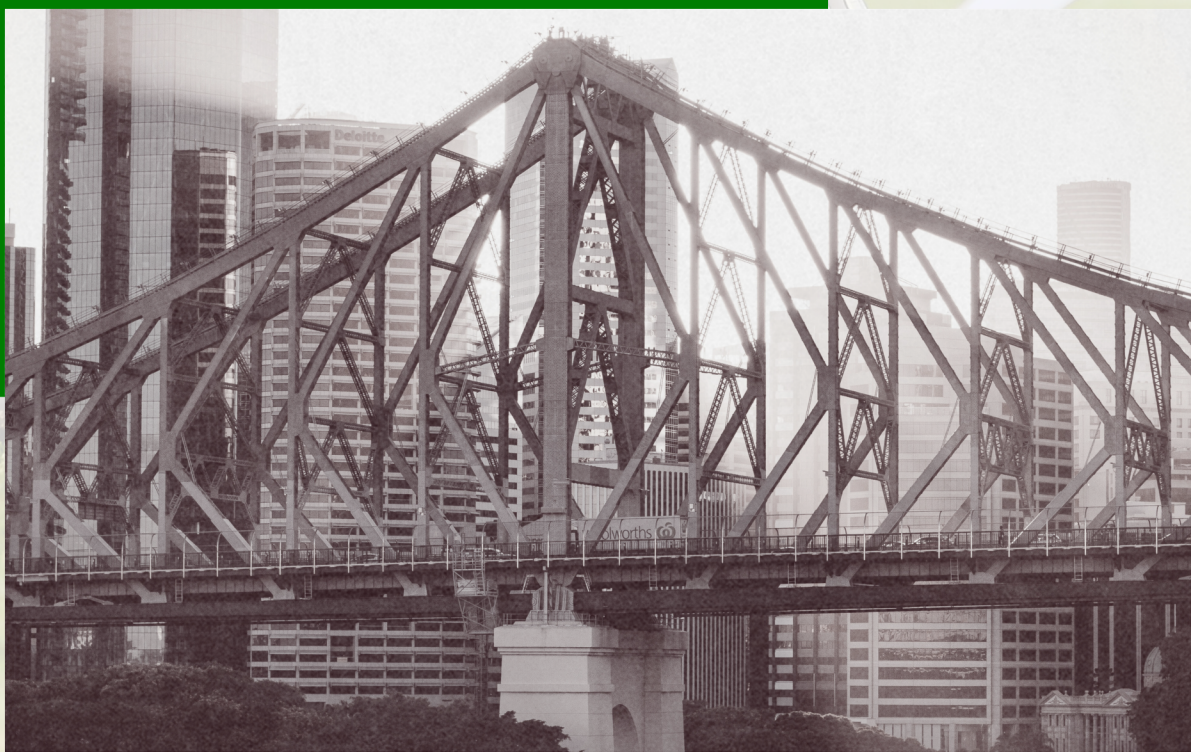
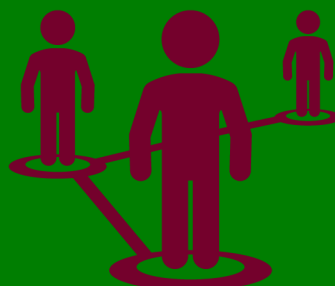


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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

With 51 Clubs here in Brisbane this season we are still the biggest competition in the world having 991 registered teams from our U6 teams to our A Grade teams. This meant 489 games being played each weekend and 6865 games played without including the final series for 2025.

This is amazing for the 5,142 registered volunteers and over 17,000 registered participants. However, we also had 47 Judiciary and 22 Code of Conduct hearings this season. Thank you to our Match Review panel and our Judiciary panels for volunteering their time each week.

The Board listened to feedback received from clubs and in response, sought additional administrative support. As a result, Rugby League Brisbane now pay for two full time staff which are employed by the QRL, bringing in Alice Evans as our Football Support Administrator. Josh Vlcek has returned taking over the senior men competition from Junior Keki who is now our South East Integrity Officer. We also welcomed Sam Unicomb over from Ipswich to join Eloise Ayre in the Junior competition and Jordan Swepson has joined Jay Smith and Shane Dunne in our League Club Support Co-ordinators.

The RLB Governance Committee has reviewed and updated our Corporate Governance Charter which sets out the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors and each Committee. They are also in the process of reviewing and updating the RLB Board's risk register and the RLB's operational risk register.

The Game Development and Competitions Committee introduced an U10 All Girls competition with great success and in 2026 we will also have U9 and U11 girls only competitions in Brisbane. The U21 Mens will have two separate competitions with one offered for all clubs and another with the A-Grade Competition. The Committee also reviewed our Special Considerations requirements and made recommendations regarding changes that were adopted by the Board. The Committee was also involved in monitoring and updating the Board on the Rise Program, the criteria for Female clubs and NRL training programs.

In 2025 affiliation and team nomination fees remained the same and hadn't increased for 5 years. Duty Official and Ground Controller vests were made available along with signage, touch judge flags and new game balls for those clubs hosting finals. Gala days for U6, U8 and U9 were removed but following recent club feedback surveys they will now return in 2026.

Congratulations to everyone involved in the Grand Finals this year; not only to the players but the staff and of course every Club and their volunteers who participated in hosting the finals.

To everyone who attended our Presentation Evening thank you for coming and sharing our event to recognise our Award winners.



I would also like to thank Nick and Brendan for ensuring we have officials each week. To Mitch Kent our Area Manager for his loyal support and guidance throughout the year, his staff in the Brisbane office thank you for all your efforts. To Jarrod and Shannon and their NRL crew for the work they have done to ensure the team officials are compliant and our little U7s get through their tackle ready program. Your 2025 Directors for their support during the season: Jess Fantin our Company Secretary, Michael Besgrove our Chair of the Game Development and Competitions Committee, Stephen Case our Chair of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee, Gyanne Hodges our Chair of the Governance Committee, as well as Jessica Gregg, Steve Casey and Danny Walker. Thanks also to Michelle Turner, our Administration Officer.

Lastly I would like to say thank you to everyone in Brisbane that has put their hand up whether to take on a Committee role at a club, or to become a coach, trainer, manager, referee, touch judge or support squad member, mark the fields, sell a raffle, clean dressing sheds, put on a duty official or ground controller bib, ensure kids get to games on time, help out in a canteen or a parent to wash jerseys every week, your time and efforts don't go unnoticed because without all of you we wouldn't be here today in this greatest game of all.

Looking forward to seeing you all back in 2026 for another great season

Thank You
SHARON HICKEY

AREA MANAGER'S REPORT

2025 was another big year for Rugby League in Brisbane, with many achievements across our competitions, clubs, and community to recognise and celebrate. As you read through this year's Annual Report, I'd like to highlight some key moments that demonstrate the strength, inclusiveness, and spirit of our game.

Growth of the Girls' Game - This year saw the introduction of the U10 Girls-Only Competition, with 10 clubs nominating teams – five each from North and South Brisbane. The Gala Day at season's end was a fantastic celebration of the players' enjoyment and love of the game. I look forward to seeing these girls continue their journey in the new U9 and U11 Girls-Only Competitions that Rugby League Brisbane will offer in 2026.

BRL Premier Grade Competitions - Significant changes to the BRL Premier Grade competitions created one of the most competitive seasons we've seen in years. Congratulations to Redcliffe Dolphins A Grade on winning the Premiership, and to Carina Juniors on their Reserve Grade victory. The competitiveness of the A Grade competition helped strengthen our representative program, with Brisbane Red crowned Chairs Challenge Winners. It was especially pleasing to see 15 men and 6 women selected to play for QLD City, with both teams securing impressive wins.

Participation & Competitions - Rugby League Brisbane's core product is its competitions, and in 2025 we reached a remarkable milestone – over 17,000 registered participants resulting in 991 teams from U6s to Masters, making Rugby League Brisbane the world's largest league. Each week, an extraordinary 489 games were played in good spirits. A special thanks must go to the Brisbane Rugby League Referees Association and RLB's Referee Allocators for ensuring every game from U12s upwards was officiated by an accredited referee.



I extend my sincere gratitude to the Rugby League Brisbane Board particularly Sharon Hickey for her leadership and ongoing support, which continues to guide the growth of our game across the city.

I also want to acknowledge and thank my incredible staff –Alice Evans, Eloise Ayre, Jayden Smith, Jordan Swepson, Josh Vlcek, Sam Unicom and Shane Dunne. I am privileged to lead such a dedicated group, whose tireless efforts in supporting both clubs and competitions ensure that rugby league in Brisbane continues to run smoothly and successfully.

The 2025 season reinforced Rugby League Brisbane's position as a leader in grassroots and community rugby league, while also strengthening our representative pathways. With a strong foundation and an engaged community, I am confident the game will continue to grow and thrive in 2026 and beyond.

Thank You

MITCH KENT

OUR VISION

An inclusive game of choice for our greater Brisbane community.

OUR PURPOSE

We exist to enable a safe, positive and professional rugby league community.

OUR OBJECTIVES

POSITIVE

- *Harnessing the power of a community that is passionate about Rugby League*
- *Active communications with stakeholders across the game*
- *Inclusive leadership that drives and influences positive behaviours*
- *A positive experience playing the game*
- *Promotion of opportunities to collaborate with the NRL, QRL and SEQ*
- *Promotion of opportunities for Clubs to be involved in RLB*

SAFE

- *Parents who see Rugby League as a game of choice*
- *Volunteers who feel empowered to make a difference*
- *Women and girls that are an equal part of the game at all levels in all settings*
- *Risks that are managed proactively*
- *Issues that are managed proactively*
- *Policies and procedures that are well known across RLB operations, with high rates of compliance*

PROFESSIONAL

- *Clubs with the tools, training and capability they need to be successful*
- *Competitions that are run with excellence and resourced appropriately*
- *Sustainability of Club administration and financial positions*
- *Decisions informed by data and research*
- *A digitally-enabled content, brand and communications strategy that unlocks commercial growth*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Sharon Hickey
Chairperson

DIRECTORS



Stephen Case



Daniel Walker



Jessica Gregg



Michael Besgrove



Gyanne Hodges



Jess Fantin



Steve Casey

SEASON 2025

In 2025, Rugby League Brisbane continued its upward trajectory as the largest league in Australia.

The growth of female participation throughout Brisbane was a particular highlight for Season 2025. The introduction of the Under 10 Girls only competition was a huge success. Overall, there was an increase of 28% in female players aged 10-15, which is a terrific result for the future of the female game in Brisbane. Almost 12,000 junior boys participated in Rugby League Brisbane competitions in 2025, highlighting our biggest season ever.

No club is successful without the tremendous work of their volunteers and executive teams. Across the league, we experienced an almost 10% increase in registered volunteers with this increase shown in all age brackets. Registered volunteers under the age of 24 has increased 18% from 2024, showing that more young people are volunteering in our great game, safeguarding the future of our clubs and the league.

A special shout-out to Souths Graceville (+58.09%) Browns Plains (+33.16%) and West Arana (+13.55%) who experience large participant increases. Brothers (+40.91%), Mustangs (+34.68%) and Wests Mitchelton (+43.18%) all experienced a great jump in their number of registered volunteers.

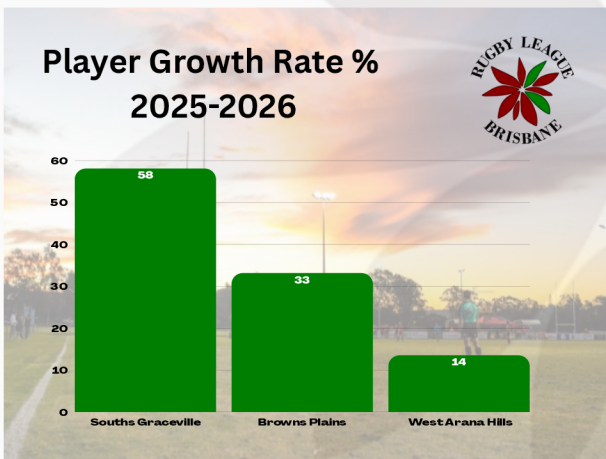


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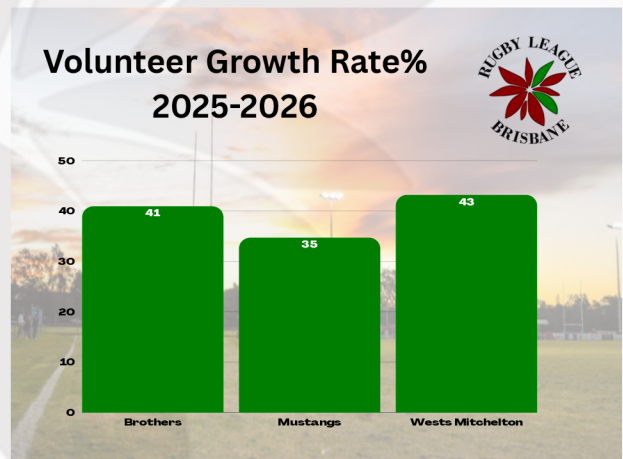
Clubs that completed Executive Inductions



Player Growth Rate %
2025-2026



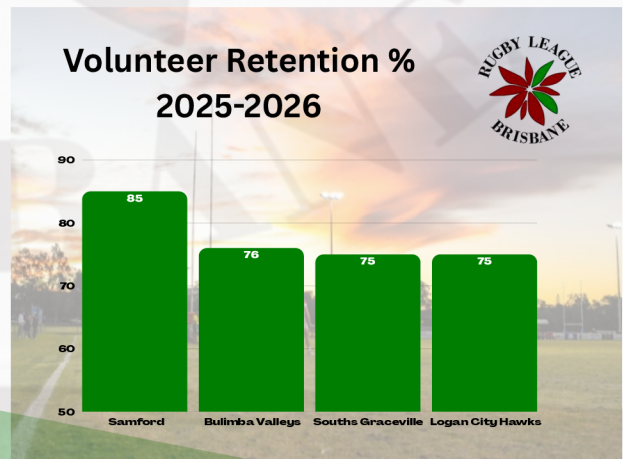
Volunteer Growth Rate %
2025-2026



Player Retention %
2025 - 2026



Volunteer Retention %
2025-2026



FEMALE PARTICIPATION

In 2025, Rugby League Brisbane celebrated a landmark achievement with the launch of its Under 10 Girls Rugby League program, featuring 10 enthusiastic teams from across the region. This initiative marked a pivotal moment in the sport's development, offering young girls a welcoming and supportive environment to experience the excitement of rugby league. The ten clubs that participated were:

- Aspley Devils
- Beenleigh Juniors
- Browns Plains Bears
- Greenbank Raiders
- Narangba Rangers
- Norths Juniors
- Pine Central Holy Spirit
- Slacks Creek Lions
- Valleys Diehards
- Wynnum Juniors

A Year of Growth, Fun, and Confidence

From the very first round, the Under 10 Girls competition captured the hearts of the community. The teams showcased not only their emerging skills and teamwork but also a genuine love for the game. The program quickly became a local favourite, drawing crowds and sparking conversations about the future of women's rugby league in Queensland.

More than just a competition, the program focused on building confidence, encouraging participation, and creating a fun and inclusive space for young girls to thrive. Coaches and parents were inspired by the determination and joy these players brought to the field, proving that rugby league can be a powerful tool for personal growth and community connection.

The season culminated in a vibrant Gala Day during Round 14, celebrating the players' progress and the spirit of the game.

Expanding Opportunities: Under 9 and Under 11 Girls Teams

Following the success of the Under 10 program, Rugby League Brisbane is excited to expand its offerings with the introduction of Under 9 and Under 11 divisions. This growth reflects the increasing interest from girls of all ages and ensures that players can continue their rugby league journey in age-appropriate competitions.

The expansion is designed to boost female participation across Brisbane, providing more girls with the chance to play, develop their skills, and enjoy the camaraderie that rugby league brings. These pathways may even lead to future representative honours—including the possibility of one day wearing the maroon jersey for Queensland.

Why It Matters

This initiative is more than just sport—it's about creating opportunities, building confidence, and fostering a lifelong love of rugby league. By investing in community competitions and supporting young girls from the grassroots level, Rugby League Brisbane is laying the foundation for a stronger, more inclusive future for the game.

As the 2025 season wraps up and planning begins for next year, the commitment to growing female participation remains stronger than ever. With more girls stepping onto the field, the future of women's rugby league in Brisbane looks brighter—and bolder—than ever before.



JUNIOR COMPETITIONS



Junior rugby league continues to grow across Brisbane, with a 3% increase in total registered participants observed in 2025. Forty-three clubs entered junior teams in 39 competitions across Under 6 to Under 17 age groups, with over 400 games played in Brisbane each weekend during the regular season. Rugby League Brisbane would like to recognise and thank all community club volunteers who make it possible for over 13,500 junior players to enjoy the game of rugby league week in, week out!

Rugby League Brisbane introduced a new Under 10 Girls competition in 2025, which contributed to a notable increase in junior female participation across the game (+21% all age groups). It was encouraging to see 10 clubs participate in the inaugural competition. There were many highlights during the season including curtain raiser games to BMD Premiership fixtures, NRLW Mini League experiences and the season culminating in a Gala Day hosted at Pine Central Holy Spirit Hornets. We look forward to seeing this cohort of girls continue playing rugby league in a new Under 11 Girls competition in 2026, with a Under 9 Girls competition also being added.

This year again saw all Under 7 teams undertake NRL's TackleReady Program which prepares players and coaches to confidently and safely transition from tag to tackle. The program saw all teams come together at huge Gala Days, which were brilliantly supported and hosted by the following clubs: Brothers JRLFC, Browns Plains Bears, Albany Creek Crushers and Greenbank Raiders.



JUNIOR COMPETITIONS

This year Rugby League Brisbane implemented a new Top 4 and Top 6 finals format. Consistent season performances were rewarded with 70% of minor premiers proceeding to win Grand Finals. We'd like to acknowledge and extend appreciation to the following clubs for hosting junior finals matches in 2025. The tremendous effort and support of the club and many volunteers to host these finals days is greatly appreciated!

- Browns Plains Bears
- Capalaba Warriors
- Easts Springwood Tigers
- Mustangs Brothers
- Pine Central Holy Spirit Hornets
- Pine Rivers Bears
- Redcliffe Dolphins Juniors
- Rochedale Tigers
- Valleys Diehards
- Waterford Demons
- West Arana Hills Panthers

Finally, we'd like to extend our appreciation to Brisbane Rugby League Referees Association and all match officials for their efforts and dedication ensuring junior matches can proceed every week.



SENIOR COMPEITIONS

The 2025 season saw the introduction of the Community Under 21 competition. The U21s moved away from BRL for the first time in several years, to allow for more clubs to be a part of the age group.

All 7 BRL clubs entered an U21s team in the community competition, but we also saw Samford, Pine Central and Aspley jump on board and compete.

Along with the community U21s competition, we saw Under 19 Division 1 and 2, Open Men's Division 1, 2 North, 2 South, 3 North and 3 South. All competitions were incredibly competitive and created a fun and interesting 2025 season. Our team numbers in each division were strong.

A change in the finals structure (Top 4 and Top 6) resulted in the final series being played across 3 weeks. Each game of the finals' series counted for more and increased the excitement around each fixture. Our Grand Finals were played at Mathieson Park (Pine Rivers) and John Frederick Park (Capalaba). Both venues saw terrific spectator turn-out with four games played at both venues. Congratulations to all teams who competed in the 8 games. A special thank you to all clubs that hosted across the finals series, your effort and support is very much appreciated!

Our open men's competitions in Brisbane are alive and strong. Thank you to all volunteers who give up your time to contribute to individual teams and game days across Brisbane!



SENIOR COMPETITIONS



BRL PREMIER



2025 brought about a major change to the BRL structure with the removal of the U21s competition and a smaller number of teams in the Reserve Grade and A-Grade competition.

The Under 21 competition moved back to the Community senior structure with non-BRL clubs joining the 10-team competition. We saw Normanby and Bulimba drop out of the BRL competition, Brighton move forward with just the Reserve Grade team, Wynnum Manly Seagulls take over the A-Grade side from Wynnum Juniors and Beenleigh Seniors rebrand as Logan Pride. This brought a new excitement to the competition.

Cyclone Alfred postponed Round 1 of the season which was slated for March 15. The season finally kicked off on the weekend of March 22nd before another bout of horrible weather washed out Round 3. Thankfully from Round 4 onwards, it was full steam ahead, including getting the chance to replay Round 1 on Saturday 24th May. This meant our teams only missed out on one game throughout the 2025 season.



Despite a decent amount of movement between HostPlus Cup and A-Grade, we did see consistent talent battle it out week after week in our BRL Competition. Redcliffe and Carina both started the season strong and never looked back. A strong end to the season saw West Brisbane Panthers lock up the home elimination final in 3rd place while Wynnum Manly Seagulls rounded out the finals positions.

The Reserve Grade competition was incredibly competitive all year with the final round of fixtures needed to determine the top 4. 2024 Premiers Wynnum Juniors fell short to Valleys Diehards in Round 21 for Valleys to snag the 4th position.

Grand Final Day was held at BMD Kougari Oval, home of the Wynnum Manly Seagulls. The day started off with a threat of rain but that quickly disappeared as the action began for Reserve Grade. An incredibly competitive game from start to finish between Brighton Roosters and Carina Tigers. Carina created an early lead before leading 12-10 at the break. A second half try to Zaen Edmonds pushed the lead out to 18-10. Brighton were able to close the gap with a try to Inga Limoni but Carina fought hard to hold on and take the spoils with a 18-16 win. A tight game was a fitting end to a competitive reserve grade season for 2025. Impact forward for Carina, Charlie Kwock-Sun Barker was named Player of the Match.

The A-Grade Grand Final saw the top two teams all season face off for glory. Redcliffe Dolphins showed an incredible amount of class as they dominated from start to finish, leading 18-6 at the half before storming home to a 32-12 victory. The Tigers never gave in, showing their heart and grit, recording the last try of the game but ultimately falling short of glory. Redcliffe half-back Thomas Casey was awarded man of the match, off the back of an incredible individual effort for a try and one of the great cut-out balls to set up Caleb Jackson's first try. Congratulations to Dunamis Lui in his first year as A-Grade Head Coach, taking out the trophy.

Thank you and congratulations to all BRL clubs for another successful season and best of luck for 2026.

CHAIR'S CHALLENGE

This year's carnival, held right in our own backyard at the Logan Metro, was a fabulous success. Mitch Edwards, Ian Turner, and Paul Nieuwenhuyzen assembled strong, competitive sides, and from the moment teams were selected, the planning and preparation were exceptional—from top-notch training venues to a series of inspiring guest speakers.

The women opened the carnival on Friday evening with a courageous, hard-fought match. On Saturday, Brisbane Red and Brisbane White delivered powerful, clinical performances, putting Brisbane firmly in the box seat for overall victory. Sunday's final clash was full of heart and determination; though our women played valiantly, they fell just short.

The game of the day followed. Mitch Edwards' team was firing on all cylinders, defeating the Gold Coast side and placing pressure on Ian Turner's squad. Ian's team fought bravely but could not find the win, leaving the stage for Brisbane Red to claim a well-deserved victory and the celebrations that came with it.



The Poinsettias' dominance throughout the carnival was undeniable. Their efforts were rewarded with a strong representation in the City side selected for the prestigious end-of-year City vs Country match.

Congratulations to all players, coaches, and supporters for making the 2025 Chairs Challenge such a memorable achievement. Your pride and passion continue to define what it means to be a Poinsettia. Let's carry this fire forward. The spirit of the 2025 Chairs Challenge is now part of our story—a story of courage, unity, and unshakable Brisbane pride.

William Boland was awarded player of the Carnival for the Men. Congratulations to all players who were selected for the Men's and Women's City teams, who both took the victory over Country on QRL Grand Final Day!

PREMIERSHIP RESULTS

COMPETITION	MATCH	RESULT	PREMIERS
BRL A GRADE	Redcliffe Dolphins v Carina tigers	31-12	Redcliffe Dolphins
BRL RESERVE	Brighton Roosters v Carina Tigers	16-18	Carina Tigers
COMMUNITY UNDER 21	Carina Tigers v Wynnum Juniors	24-14	Carina Tigers
OPEN MEN'S DIV1	Wests Mitchelton v Redlands	40-18	Wests Mitchelton
OPEN MEN'S DIV2 NTH	Brisbane Natives v North Lakes	32-16	Brisbane Natives
OPEN MEN'S DIV3 NTH	Pine Central Holy Spirit v Albany Creek Crushers	18-26	Albany Creek Crushers
OPEN MEN'S DIV2 STH	Souths Sunnybank v Greenbank	44-10	Souths Sunnybank
OPEN MEN'S DIV3 STH	Logan City Hawks v Souths Juniors	32-16	Logan City Hawks
COMMUNITY UNDER 19 DIV1	Souths Juniors v Moreton Bay Raiders	22-30	Moreton Bay Raiders
COMMUNITY UNDER 19 DIV2	Carina v Redlandds	18-22	Redlands

PREMIERSHIP RESULTS

COMPETITION	MATCH	RESULT	PREMIERS
U17 NEV BLAIR	Wynnum Juniors v Norths Juniors	30-8	Wynnum Juniors
U16 DIV1	Norths Juniors v Easts	22-14	Norths Juniors
U15 DIV1	Easts v Aspley Devils	20-28	Aspley Devils
U14 DIV1	Burpengary Jets v Logan Brothers	18-28	Logan Brothers
U13 DIV1	Aspley Devils v Burpengary Jets	14-8	Aspley Devils
U17 DIV2	Redlands v Redcliffe Dolphins	20-21	Redcliffe Dolphins
U17 DIV3	Samford Stags v Pine Central Holy Spirit	50-10	Samford Stags
U16 DIV 2	Redlands v West Arana Hills	38-18	Redlands
U16 DIV3 NTH	Pine Rivers Bears v West Arana Hills	20-18	Pine Rivers Bears
U16 DIV3 STH	Capalaba Warriors v Easts	14-10	Capalaba Warriors

PREMIERSHIP RESULTS

COMPETITION	MATCH	RESULT	PREMIERS
U15 DIV2	East's v Mustangs Brothers	42-4	East's
U15 DIV3	Narangba Rangers v Valleys Diehards	26-4	Narangba Rangers
U15 DIV4	Brothers JRLFC v Pine Central Holy Spirit	30-26	Brothers JRLFC



DEVELOPMENT FINALS

COMPETITION	MATCH	RESULT	PREMIERS
U13 DIV 2 NTH	Brothers JRLFC v Burpengary Jets	28-6	Brothers JRLFC
U13 DIV 2 STH	Mustangs Brothers v Rochedale Tigers	28-32	Rochedale Tigers
U13 DIV 3 NTH	Narangba Rangers v Pine Central Holy Spirit	16-14	Narangba Rangers
U13 DIV 3 STH	Waterford Demons v Greenbank Raiders	4-22	Greenbank Raiders
U13 DIV 4 NTH	Moreton Bay Raiders v Albany Creek Crushers	26-0	Moreton Bay Raiders
U14 DIV 2	Wynnum Juniors v Burpengary Jets	26-20	Wynnum Juniors
U14 DIV 3 NTH	Redcliffe Dolphins v Pine Rivers Bears	14-22	Pine Rivers Bears
U14 DIV 3 STH	Souths Graceville Hounds v Capalaba Warriors	30-6	Souths Graceville Hounds
U14 DIV 4 NTH	Burpengary Jets v Brighton Roosters	14-18	Brighton Roosters
U14 DIV 4 STH	Greenbank Raiders v Slacks Creek	22-4	Greenbank Raiders

PRESENTATION NIGHT



PRESENTATION NIGHT



On the 3rd of October, the Rugby League Brisbane community came together at the impressive Victoria Park Marquee Room. The event served as an opportunity for all clubs, RLB Board and QRL Staff to celebrate another year of Rugby League. Watching club representatives and the board enjoying each other's company was a true highlight of the evening, reflecting the unity and spirit that Rugby League Brisbane embodies.

A key part of the celebration was the opportunity to recognize our Clubs, Volunteers and players whose dedication and commitment made a significant impact in 2025. We would like to congratulate all award recipients and highlight the below winners:

- **NEV ROTHERHAM VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR** - Marleis Sparey - Waterford Demons
- **CONTRIBUTION TO THE FEMALE GAME** - Laura Frassetto-Lea - Valleys Diehards
- **BRL A GRADE PLAYER OF THE YEAR** - Nathan Brown- West Brisbane Panthers
- **BRL COACH OF THE YEAR** - Dunamis Lui - Redcliffe Dolphins
- **TED BEAUMONT TROPHY** - Andrew De Jager - Wests Mitchelton Panthers
- **BOB GILDER JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR** - Mason Fisher - Wynnum Manly Juniors

The evening provided the perfect way to close out the 2025 season, highlighting the achievements and passion that define Rugby League Brisbane and inspire everyone involved to keep building on this year's success.

AWARD WINNERS 2025

Marleis Sparey



**Nev Rotherham
Volunteer of the Year**

Laura Frassetto-Lea



**Contribution to the
Female Game**

Dunamis Lui



**BRL A Grade Coach of
the Year**

Nathan Brown



**BRL A GRADE
Player of the Year**

Thomas Casey



**BRL A GRADE
Top Try Scorer**

Nathan Brown



**BRL A GRADE
Top Points Scorer**

Harry Spragg



**BRL Reserve Grade
Player of the Year**

Jackson Connelly



**BRL Reserve Grade
Top Try Scorer**

Mosiah Christian



**BRL RESERVE
Top Points Scorer**

Congratulations

AWARD WINNERS 2025

Will Boland



**Glen Oswald Rep
Player of the Year**

Isabella Manuofetoa



**Women's Rep
Player of the Year**

Mason Fisher



**Bob Gilder Memorial
Player of the Year**

Andrew De Jager



**Ted Beaumont Trophy
Player of the Year**

Jake Rogers



**Open Men's Div1
Player of the Year**

Nigel Junior Iro



**Open Men's Div2 N
Player of the Year**

Logan Finn + Ky Pearce



**Open Men's Div3 N
Players of the Year**

Jag Stephen



**Open Men's Div2 S
Player of the Year**

Kai McQuire



**Open Men's Div3 S
Player of the Year**

Congratulations

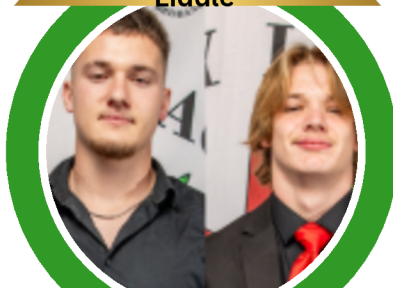
AWARD WINNERS 2025

Tarai Cherry, Lachlan
Mikulec, Lexus manuel-
Maliko



Community U19 Div1
Player of the Year

Caleb Holley + Cooper
Liddle



Community U19 Div2
Player of the year

Andrew De Jager



Community U21
Player of the Year

Elaina Saluni



SEQ Women's Premier
Best & Fairest

Lauren Di Giacomo



SEQ Women's Community
Best & Fairest

**RUGBY LEAGUE BRISBANE
CLUB OF THE YEAR - JUNIORS**

Greenbank Raiders

**RUGBY LEAGUE BRISBANE
CLUB OF THE YEAR - SENIORS**

Redlands Parrots

SERVICE

20 YEARS

BRISBANE 2ND DIVISION

- 1996 MICK TIERNEY
- 1996 LAURIE OBERHARDT
- 1999 NEV ROTHERHAM*
- 2003 KEV BUCKASTER*
- 2005 KEITH BEAUMONT
- 2016 IAN HARVEY

GREATER BRISBANE JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

- 1974 J SHEEDY*
- 1975 F LIND*
- 1976 A ST CLAIR*
- 1977 N BLAIR*
- 1978 N J PHILLIPS
- 1979 N MOORE
- 1984 M MCGUINNESS*
- 1986 N ANDREWS
- 1989 J ASTILL*
- 1989 J LAWRIE
- 1990 K BUCKMASTER*
- 1991 K WELLER*
- 1993 S SULLY
- 1998 R GILDER*
- 2000 K MAUCLAN

10 YEARS

BRISBANE 2ND DIVISION

- 1986 MICK TIERNEY
- 1987 JOHN COLLINS
- 1988 LAURIE OBERHARDT
- 1989 NEV ROTHERHAM*
- 1990 TED BEAUMONT*
- 1991 DICK WLECH
- 1992 DARXCY ROBERTS
- 1992 LES SURAWSKI
- 1993 KEV BUCKMASTER*
- 1993 BARRY SMITH
- 1994 BILL HUNTER
- 1995 KEITH BEAUMONT
- 1997 BOB WILLIAMS
- 2004 PERCY DALE*
- 2004 DON LANCASHIRE
- 2005 TREVOR KNIGHT
- 2006 IAN HARVEY
- 2006 GEORGE LONG
- 2010 IAN CLARKSON
- 2011 BARRY HARRISON
- 2016 CATHERINE JONES

MERITORIOUS

BRISBANE 2ND DIVISION

- 2001 MICK MCGUINNESS*
- 2001 NORM MOORE
- 2002 JACK ASTILL*
- 2002 NEVILLE BLAIR*
- 2002 G VESELIS
- 2003 ROBERT GILDER*
- 2006 STEVE BROWN
- 2007 NEIL GILMOUR*
- 2008 MARGARET CARL
- 2009 JIM TOMLINSON
- 2010 JAN BOYS
- 2012 KAREN CONVENTRY
- 2014 NEIL CLARKE
- 2016 WADE CORE
- 2017 KAY THOMSON

*denotes deceased.

LIFE MEMBERS

- 1974 NORM MOORE*
- 1978 NEIL BUSH
- 1987 STEVE CARMODY*
- 1995 MICK TIERNEY*
- 1996 DAVID GLEDHILL
- 2001 BARRY ELLIS
- 2005 RAY LIND
- 2005 KEITH BEAUMONT
- 2006 MARCIA HILL*
- 2007 BRIAN WINNEY
- 2008 STEVE BROWN
- 2010 BOB BROWN
- 2010 GEOFF ORMAN
- 2010 IAN IRWIN
- 2012 IAN HARVEY*
- 2013 JAN BOYS
- 2013 LAURIE OBERHARDT
- 2015 JIM TOMLINSON
- 2016 BRAD HOGAN
- 2016 WAYNE SMITH
- 2017 JUDY ROBSON
- 2019 STEVE TIERNEY
- 2021 JEFF COUTTS
- 2024 DAVID BENNETT

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Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

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Directors' Report

30 September 2025

The directors present their report on Rugby League Brisbane Limited for the financial year ended 30 September 2025.

Directors -

The names, qualifications, experience and special responsibilities of each person who has been a director during the year and to the date of this report are:

Sharon Hickey

Qualifications and experience

Chairperson / Club-Elected Director

Chair Sharon was elected as a club delegate director for Rugby League Brisbane Board at the 2018 AGM. Sharon has three children and comes from having 15 years' experience along with a hands on involvement in undertaking roles of Manager of multiple teams both Junior and Seniors, First Aid & Referee Co-Ordinator, Club Secretary & President along with the growth of building young ladies and bringing back a senior women team at PCHS.

To which was instrumental for Sharon to win the 2019 QRL Women in league award and a finalist in the NRL Community Awards. 2020 & 2021 Sharon was Co-Chair on the Game Development Committee as well as Zone 1 Advocate for RLB with the RLB Female Delegate on the QRL South East Game Development Committee. 2022 saw Sharon be re-elected as a Club Delegated Director and to become our first Female Chairperson for Rugby League Brisbane, to which she also sits on South East Queensland Council. She was re-elected at the 2024 AGM and is the alternate chair for the South-East Region Council.

Sharon is quite passionate about our game and helping others so you will see her out and about at Clubs and always willing to help you. When not at league Sharon is a qualified chef and the sole trader for Daisies Snack Bar at Sandgate.

Angela Masson

Qualifications and experience

Elected Director (Resigned 2024 AGM)

Angela has always loved the game of Rugby League, which was extended from being an avid fan and supporter, to a Team Manager and Committee Member at West Arana Hills when her son took up playing several years ago in the under 6's. She became an elected Board member in November 2021 with the goal of improving communication between clubs and the Board during her tenure. Angela is a formally qualified Lawyer and Company Director, with over 20 years' experience in government and statutory bodies where she has successfully navigated complex delivery environments relating to the public sector, community and customer services. Known for her leadership skills, entrepreneurial flair, commercial acumen and outstanding communication, Angela brings experience and maturity, but also an open mind which fosters new ideas where innovation and collaboration thrive. Successfully working with the private sector and industry, Angela has established and led large-scale reforms and projects including Cross River Rail as both the Program Director and the Group Senior Manager of Commercial and Governance. Angela is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and the Chair of the Governance and Risk Committee.

Angela has always loved the game of Rugby League, which was extended from being an avid fan and supporter, to a Team Manager and Committee Member at West Arana Hills when her son took up playing several years ago in the under 6's to 9's and this year in under 10's for the Dolphins.

Directors' Report

30 September 2025

Directors -

Lachlan Smith

Qualifications and experience

Elected Director *(Resigned 2024 AGM)*

Lachlan has been passionate about rugby league his entire life and is a proud Maroons supporter. As Partner at Scyne Advisory (formerly PwC Consulting), Lachlan specialises in public policy-making in partnership with Queensland Government departments and agencies. Lachlan spent five years in senior roles at the National Rugby League in Sydney working on strategic projects such as delivering the 2018 collective bargaining agreement with players, developing the five year NRL Strategic Plan (Unite, Excite, Inspire) and leading the analysis of expansion of the game's footprint. Lachlan has held leadership responsibilities for setting strategy across diverse roles in the Queensland Government, private sector and not for profit sector. Lachlan holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Queensland and a Graduate Certificate in Business from Monash University.

Michael Besgrove

Qualifications and experience

Club-Elected Director

Michael has been involved in Rugby League for over 45 years as both a Player, Coach and volunteer at Easts Tigers. Michael played 23 seasons with Easts from under 7's to A-Grade before going on to coach junior teams for 7 years. Michael then continued to volunteer at the club including League Safe role for teams. He was awarded Life Membership at Easts in 2022. He also represented Queensland and Australian as part of the University Students teams in 1997 and 1998.

For the last 3 years Michael has been a Director on Rugby League Brisbane. This role has included Chairing the Game Development Committee and part of judiciary as required. Michael has over 30 years' experience working across a range of portfolios in the Public Service at both State and Federal level, where he has delivered innovative solutions to complex policy and operational issues, and designed and implemented strategic risk management and corporate governance frameworks. Michael is currently the Director Strategic Priorities at Department of Primary Industries. He holds a Bachelor of Business Accounting and a Graduate Certificate in Public Sector Management.

Gyanne Hodges

Qualifications and experience

Club-Elected Director

For the last 21 years, Gyanne has had a strong association with rugby league at all levels - junior footy right through to the NRL. For four years, Gyanne held a number of Executive and Committee positions at Albany Creek Crushers, was Zone 1 Advocate and has also played an instrumental role in the Qld Murri Carnival (QMC). This experience provided a solid platform and a great pathway to join the Board.

Her time on the Board has enabled her to understand and shape the strategic direction and operational imperatives of the RLB Board and continues to drive her passion for the evolution and growth of the game.

During her time at Crushers and QMC, Gyanne acquired strong operational management experience, playing a key role across all competition, club governance and game day activities. Gyanne has a strong corporate background working for multi-national companies at a senior level currently working as a HR Executive.

Directors' Report

30 September 2025

Directors -

Steve Casey

Qualifications and experience

Club-Elected Director

Steve's been involved in Rugby League for over 46 years initially being drawn to the game as a junior player from Aged 6, Played for Brothers until aged 18. Steve has held many roles from Coaching at most levels of the game, managing teams and team support roles. Most of all after all these years he is still a passionate fan about the greatest game of all.

Steve also held positions in the front office and Executive Committee roles at Samford Stags, holding a committee role for over 17 years, including President for 5 years, Vice president 5 years, Junior liaison for 2 years. Steve also has extensive experience with management of club's finances and fiscal management. Steve has managed the Bar and equipment & jersey procurement at Samford Stags for the past 7 years.

Steve is known for his excellent collaborative approach and communication skills. Outside of Football Steve has held many roles throughout his life these include running courier and logistics business then moving into warehouse management, External sales and ultimately sales and marketing manager at large print company. 10 years ago, Steve began his own print and signage company.

Stephen Case

Qualifications and experience

Independent Director

With extensive experience in financial control, risk management, and corporate governance, Stephen has chaired the Finance Committee of the Rugby League Brisbane Board since his appointment in April 2024. A qualified CPA with a Master's degree in Governance and Public Policy, Stephen brings a strong background in governance and compliance, demonstrated through service on executive boards, investment committees, and audit and risk committees. Stephen is currently the CFO and Executive Director of the Queensland Department of Resources.

Stephen's lifelong passion for rugby league and community sport complements his professional career. Actively involved in a number of sporting clubs, including cricket, rugby, cricket, netball, swimming, and water polo, Stephen understands the pivotal role of sport in the community. This dedication to sport and community aligns with his commitment to serving on the Board of Rugby League Brisbane, where he aims to leverage his commercial, leadership, and governance expertise to drive impactful and sustainable outcomes for an organisation that holds a vital place in its community.

Directors' Report

30 September 2025

Directors -

Jessica Fantin

Qualifications and experience

Director/Company Secretary

Jess has had a lifelong passion for sport, growing up playing representative softball and filling every volunteer position she could from scorer to canteen assistant, umpire, coach as well as Head of Communications. After moving to Brisbane for university, her passion for rugby league grew through her participation in TRL and Oztag, resulting in her becoming a proud member of the Brisbane Broncos for the last 12 years. As a solicitor, GAICD and Partner at PwC, Jess identified an opportunity to give back to the community utilising her professional skillset through participation in sports governance. Through her day to day role, Jess collaborates with clients, charitable bodies and State Governments across an array of industries to solve problems.

Jess' extensive experience in the professional services industry has provided her with a strong background in governance, risk and compliance together with a high level of financial literacy and commercial and business acumen. Through Jess' time on the Board in 2024 and 2025, she has participated as a member of the Governance Committee and acted as the Company Secretary since November 2024. In doing so, she has utilised her legal background to assist with the updating of Rugby League Brisbane's constitution, corporate governance charter and risk register and collated and prepared materials to support new directors to the Board. Jess has also enjoyed growing her knowledge and understanding of grassroots rugby league in Brisbane. Jess is excited to continue to contribute to the sustainable growth and success of rugby league in Brisbane and looks forward to the day when her children can participate in the game she loves.

Jessica Gregg

Qualifications and experience

Elected Director (Elected 2024)

Jess has been involved with Rugby League her whole life following in the footsteps of her father who was patron of Carina Juniors Rugby League, and also a previous director with Queensland Rugby League and Australian Rugby League. When her boys were old enough to play she became heavily involved with Carina Juniors holding roles as team manager, age group coordinator, social media coordinator and registrar on their management committee and most recently held the role as secretary on their executive for 6 year.

Jess has been rewarded for her efforts in our game with life membership at Carina Junior Rugby League, she is a previous RLB Female Volunteer of the Year winner and also an Australia Day Award recipient for service to the game. Whilst neither of her children have played for several years Jess has stayed involved and contributed her skills to the strong operational management at Carina, playing a key role with club governance, communication, relationships and game day operations. Jess still has her youngest son Jacob who is part of the QRL High Performance Referee unit and has been for several years moving from the junior to senior squad which has also allowed Jess the insight into our referee system.

Jess brings a wealth of club experience and maturity with an open mind that fosters new ideas and is always open to communication and discuss. Jess holds a Bachelor of Human Services from Griffith University and a Graduate Certificate of Social Science from Swinburne University which she utilises in her senior customer management role in the Queensland Government working with the disadvantaged community and the not for profit sector, as a Director of the Carina Leagues Club and also as a member on our RLB Governance and Risk Committee.

Directors' Report
30 September 2025

Directors -
Daniel Walker
Qualifications and experience

Club-Elected Director *(Elected 2024)*

Daniel has been a proud member of Valleys Rugby League Football Club for over four decades, beginning his journey as a junior player in 1979 before progressing through to senior grades. His connection to the club continued through his son James, who became the third generation of the Walker family to represent Valleys from 2008, further deepening the family’s legacy within the Diehards community.

In 2009, Daniel joined the Valleys Committee and went on to become the club’s longest-serving President, leading the organisation for 11 years. During his tenure, Daniel played a pivotal role in driving the club’s growth and stability both on and off the field, overseeing major facility improvements, strengthening community partnerships, and fostering player pathways for juniors through to seniors. In addition to his leadership at Valleys, Daniel has also served the wider game as a Zone 2 Advocate and as a dedicated volunteer on Rugby League Brisbane’s Competition Games Committee, contributing to the ongoing development and governance of grassroots rugby league across the region.

Professionally, Daniel is the Human Resources Manager at the Corporate Administration Agency within the Queensland Government’s Customer and Digital Group. He brings to the Board extensive experience in human resources, governance, and community engagement, with a strong focus on people, culture, and organisational development. Daniel’s lifelong passion for rugby league, combined with his leadership experience and commitment to the game, continues to guide his contribution to Rugby League Brisbane’s vision of promoting participation, sustainability, and excellence across all levels of the sport.

Principal Activities and Financial Position

The principal activity of Rugby League Brisbane Limited during the financial year was the support and promotion of rugby league in Brisbane.

The Company recorded a loss for the year of \$40,310 (2024: profit of \$41,106). At the year end the Company's net assets total \$827,310 (2024: \$867,620).

Directors' Report

30 September 2025

Short-term and Long-term Objectives

RLB's directors have identified a number of priority areas where service delivery and resources need to be focused from 2022 to 2025 to achieve positive change. Addressing these priorities will better position the organisation to deliver a positive, united, inclusive and disciplined experience of our game.

Our Vision: An inclusive game of choice for our greater Brisbane community.

Our Purpose: To enable a safe, positive and professional rugby league community.

Our Objectives are:

Safe

- ☐ Parents who see rugby league as a game of choice
- ☐ Volunteers who feel empowered to make a difference
- ☐ Women and girls that are an equal part of the game at all levels in all settings
- ☐ Risks that are managed proactively
- ☐ Issues that are managed proactively
- ☐ Policies and procedures that are well known across RBL operations, with high rates of compliance

Positive

- ☐ Harnessing the power of a community that is passionate about rugby league
- ☐ Active communications with stakeholders across the game
- ☐ Inclusive leadership that drives and influences positive behaviours
- ☐ A positive experience playing the game
- ☐ Promotion of opportunities to collaborate with the NRL, QRL and SEQ
- ☐ Promotion of opportunities for Clubs to be involved in RLB

Professional

- ☐ Clubs with the tools, training and capability they need to be successful
- ☐ Competitions that are run with excellence and resourced appropriately
- ☐ Sustainability of Club administration and financial positions
- ☐ Decisions informed by data and research
- ☐ A digitally-enabled content, brand and communications strategy that unlocks commercial growth

Strategic priorities in 2025

In alignment with the long-term strategy, the priorities identified in 2025 that were a focus of the RBL Board included:

- ☐ Reinforced communication to clubs about the importance of the Positive Environment Program (Safe)
- ☐ Improved representation of women and girls (Positive)
- ☐ Enhancing the knowledge and practice of Club governance obligations, through alignment with the Healthy Club framework and QRL provided resources focussed on understanding financial statements and conducting AGMs (Professional)

Directors' Report

30 September 2025

Key Performance Measures

The Company measures its own performance through the use of a variety of qualitative success measures aligned with strategic priorities in the following areas:

Attendance and contribution

Representation to key events

Risk management

Capability development and

Upholding the game reputation

These measures enable directors to assess whether the Company’s short-term and long-term objectives are being achieved.

Members' Guarantee

Rugby League Brisbane Limited is a Company limited by guarantee. In the event of, and for the purpose of winding up of the Company, the amount capable of being called up from each member and any person or association who ceased to be a member in the year prior to the winding up, is limited to \$1 for members, subject to the provisions of the Company's constitution.

At 30 September 2025 the collective liability of members was \$ 105 (2024: \$ 105).

Meetings of Directors

During the financial year, 8 meetings of directors (including committees of directors) were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:


	Directors' Meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Sharon Hickey	12	12
Angela Masson	2	2
Lachlan Smith	2	2
Stephen Case	12	10
Gyanne Hodges	12	11
Michael Besgrove	12	12
Steve Casey	12	9
Jessica Fantin	12	11
Jessica Gregg	10	10
Daniel Walker	10	10

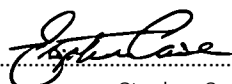
Directors' Report
30 September 2025

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, for the year ended 30 September 2025 has been received and can be found on page of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

Director: 
Sharon Hickey

Director: 
Stephen Case

Brisbane

Dated: 20/11/2025

Directors' Declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Rugby League Brisbane Limited, the directors of the Company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 10 to 22, satisfy the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and:
 - a. comply with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures; and
 - b. give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 30 September 2025 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. the consolidated entity disclosure statement presented on page 23 is true and correct.
3. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:



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Director

Sharon Hickey

Brisbane

Dated: **20/11/2025**

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

		2025	2024
	Note	\$	\$
Revenue	2	621,361	812,225
Other income	2	6,664	7,349
Game expenses	3	(364,723)	(504,218)
Employee benefits expense		(60,218)	(37,927)
Board expenses	3	(76,788)	(59,565)
Administration expenses		(119,336)	(17,257)
Function expenses		(30,726)	(50,734)
Other expenses		(16,544)	(108,767)
Current year surplus (deficit) before income tax		(40,310)	41,106
Income tax expense	1(c)	-	-
Current year surplus (deficit) for the year		(40,310)	41,106
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive surplus (deficit) for the year		(40,310)	41,106

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

As At 30 September 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	890,402	887,284
Trade and other receivables	5	21,869	83,291
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		912,271	970,575
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		-	-
TOTAL ASSETS		912,271	970,575
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	7	80,272	98,525
Employee benefits	8	3,884	3,884
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		84,156	102,409
Employee benefits	8	805	546
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		805	546
TOTAL LIABILITIES		84,961	102,955
NET ASSETS		827,310	867,620
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		827,310	867,620
TOTAL EQUITY		827,310	867,620

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

2025

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 October 2024	867,620	867,620
Deficit for the year	(40,310)	(40,310)
Balance at 30 September 2025	<u>827,310</u>	<u>827,310</u>

2024

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 October 2023	826,514	826,514
Surplus for the year	41,106	41,106
Balance at 30 September 2024	<u>867,620</u>	<u>867,620</u>

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

	2025	2024
Note	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from customers	746,207	821,451
Payments to suppliers and employees	(749,753)	(772,632)
Interest received	6,664	7,349
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,118	56,168
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents held	3,118	56,168
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	887,284	831,116
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	890,402	887,284

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

The financial report covers Rugby League Brisbane Limited as an individual entity. Rugby League Brisbane Limited is a not-for-profit Company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations Act 2001.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors of the Company on the date of signing the directors' declaration.

1 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and Other Income

The Company applies AASB 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB 15) and AASB 1058: Income of Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 1058).

Operating Grants and Sponsorship Income

When the Company receives grant income or sponsorship income, it assesses whether the contract is enforceable and has sufficiently specific performance obligations in accordance with AASB 15.

When both these conditions are satisfied, the Company:

- ☐ identifies each performance obligation relating to the grant or sponsorship;
- ☐ recognises a contract liability for its obligations under the agreements; and
- ☐ recognises revenue as it satisfies its performance obligations.

Where the contract is not enforceable or does not have sufficiently specific performance obligations, the Company:

- ☐ recognises the asset received in accordance with the recognition requirements of other applicable accounting standards (eg AASB 9, AASB 16, AASB 116 and AASB 138);
- ☐ recognises related amounts (being contributions by owners, lease liability, financial instruments provided); and
- ☐ recognises income immediately in profit or loss as the difference between the initial carrying amount of the asset and the related amount.

The Company assessed that the operating grants and sponsorship income is not enforceable or does not have sufficiently specific performance obligations and therefore recognises revenue under AASB 1058.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

1 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and Other Income

Functions and Game Income

Functions and Game income are recognised when the Company satisfies its performance obligations and when it obtains control of the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

All revenue is stated net of the amounts of goods and services tax.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is presented net of returns, discounts and rebates.

(b) Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is the date that the Company commits itself to either the purchase or sale of the asset (ie trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments (except for trade receivables) are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Trade receivables are initially measured at the transaction price if the trade receivables do not contain significant financing component or if the practical expedient was applied as specified in AASB 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest expense in profit or loss over the relevant period.

The effective interest rate is the internal rate of return of the financial asset or liability. That is, it is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash flows through the expected life of the instrument to the net carrying amount at initial recognition.

A financial liability cannot be reclassified.

Financial assets

Financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

1 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(b) Financial Instruments

Classification and subsequent measurement

A financial asset that meets the following conditions is subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- ☐ the financial asset is managed solely to collect contractual cash flows; and
- ☐ the contractual terms within the financial asset give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding on specified dates.

Derecognition

Derecognition refers to the removal of a previously recognised financial asset or financial liability from the statement of financial position.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

A liability is derecognised when it is extinguished (ie when the obligation in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires). An exchange of an existing financial liability for a new one with substantially modified terms, or a substantial modification to the terms of a financial liability, is treated as an extinguishment of the existing liability and recognition of a new financial liability.

The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset is derecognised when the holder's contractual rights to its cash flows expires, or the asset is transferred in such a way that all the risks and rewards of ownership are substantially transferred.

All the following criteria need to be satisfied for the derecognition of a financial asset:

- ☐ the right to receive cash flows from the asset has expired or been transferred;
- ☐ all risk and rewards of ownership of the asset have been substantially transferred; and
- ☐ the Company no longer controls the asset (ie has no practical ability to make unilateral decision to sell the asset to a third party).

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit or loss.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(b) Financial Instruments

Impairment

The Company recognises a loss allowance for expected credit loss on financial assets that are measured at amortised cost.

Expected credit losses are the probability-weighted estimate of credit losses over the expected life of a financial instrument. A credit loss is the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due and all cash flows expected to be received, all discounted at the original effective interest rate of the financial instrument.

The Company uses the simplified approach to impairment, as applicable under AASB 9: Financial Instruments.

The simplified approach does not require tracking of changes in credit risk at every reporting period, but instead requires the recognition of lifetime expected credit loss at all times.

This approach is applicable to trade receivables.

In measuring the expected credit loss, a provision matrix for trade receivables was used taking into consideration various data to get to an expected credit loss (ie diversity of its customer base, appropriate groupings of its historical loss experience, etc).

Recognition of expected credit losses in financial statements

At each reporting date, the Company recognises the movement in the loss allowance as an impairment gain or loss in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

The carrying amount of financial assets measured at amortised cost includes the loss allowance relating to that asset.

(c) **Income Tax**

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Company is exempt from income tax under Div 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

(d) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted by the Company

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet mandatory, have not been early adopted by the Company for the annual reporting period ended 30 September 2025. The Company's assessment of the impact of these new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations, most relevant to the Company, are set out below.

AASB 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

This standard is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027 and early adoption is permitted. The standard replaces AASB 101 'Presentation of Financial Statements', with many of the original disclosure requirements retained and there will be no impact on the recognition and measurement of items in the financial statements. But the standard will affect presentation and disclosure in the financial statements, including introducing five categories in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income: operating, investing, financing, income taxes and discontinued operations. The standard introduces two mandatory sub-totals in the statement: 'Operating profit' and 'Profit before financing and income taxes'. There are also new disclosure requirements for 'management-defined performance measures', such as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ('EBITDA') or 'adjusted profit'. The standard provides enhanced guidance on grouping of information (aggregation and disaggregation), including whether to present this information in the primary financial statements or in the notes. The company will adopt this standard from 1 July 2027 and it is expected that there will be a significant change to the layout of the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

At the date of this report, the applicability of this standard to entities preparing financial statements in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures is not yet to know.

(e) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The directors evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Company.

The significant estimate and judgement made have been described below.

Key judgment - Performance obligations under AASB 15

Performance obligations under AASB 15 - Note 1(a) outlines the policy for revenue recognition.

The Directors have made no other key judgments during the year ended 30 June 2025.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

2 Revenue and Other Income

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Revenue - Game		
Income (a)	606,679	739,498
- Grant Income (b)	-	20,000
- Functions Income	5,591	2,727
- Sponsorship Income	9,091	50,000
- Total revenue	621,361	812,225
Other Income		
- Interest received	6,664	7,349
Total Revenue and Other Income	628,025	819,574
(a) Game income:		
- Team Nominations	442,866	490,700
- Gate takings/hosting	101,099	162,529
- Other fees	62,714	86,269
	606,679	739,498
(b) Grant income:		
- QRL - South East Queensland Division	-	20,000
	-	20,000

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

3 Result for the Year

The result for the year includes:

Game expenses:

- Referees fees
- Game streaming A Grade
- Senior prize money
- Trophies and awards
- Subscriptions
- SEQ Women & Girls Nomination
- Finals & Chairman Challenge general expenses
- All other costs

Board expenses:

- Board/Zone Honorariums
- All other costs

2025	2024
\$	\$
219,554	285,656
45,000	77,450
21,500	22,800
15,585	16,476
1,640	1,328
40,386	43,136
11,326	37,597
9,732	19,775
364,723	504,218
67,012	57,014
9,776	2,551
76,788	59,565

4 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand

13 **890,402** **887,284**

5 Trade and Other Receivables

CURRENT

Trade receivables

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

20,869 100,291

- (20,000)

20,869 **80,291**

Other receivables - grants and loans to clubs

1,000 3,000

13 **21,869** **83,291**

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable in the financial statements.

6 Auditors Remuneration

Audit fees

9,360 **9,000**

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

7 Trade and Other Payables

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
CURRENT			
Trade payables		22,647	52,272
GST payable		21,951	29,042
Sundry payables and accrued expenses		35,674	17,211
	13	80,272	98,525

8 Employee Benefits

Current liabilities			
Provision for annual leave		3,884	3,884
Non-current liabilities			
Provision for long service leave		805	546

The movement in provisions in the period comprises:

2025	Long service leave (Non-current) \$	Annual leave (Current) \$	Total \$
Opening balance	546	3,884	4,430
Additional provisions raised during year	259	-	259
Closing balance	805	3,884	4,689

9 Members' Guarantee

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a Company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$1 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Company. At 30 September 2025 the number of members was 105.

10 Key Management Personnel Remuneration

The key management personnel of the Company are the directors. The Company also operates in close liaison with management and personnel of Queensland Rugby League.

The total remuneration paid to key management personnel of the Company is \$64,012 (2024: \$ 54,014) comprising honoraria paid to directors.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

11 Related Parties and Economic Dependency

- (a) The Company's main related parties are as follows:

Key management personnel - refer to Note 10, and Queensland Rugby League (Note 11(c)).

- (b) **Transactions with related parties**

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

- (c) **Economic Dependency**

The Company operates as part of the rugby league sports community in Queensland - consequently it has close association with the Queensland Rugby League and its affiliated entities.

The Company's revenue is sourced from these entities. The Company also operates with administrative support (free of charge) from QRL.

12 Events after the Reporting Period

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

13 Financial Risk Management

The Company's financial instruments consist of bank balances and trade receivable and payable. The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 9: Financial Instruments as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are set out in Notes 4, 5, and 7. Fair values equate to carrying amounts.

		2025	2024
	Note	\$	\$
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4	890,402	887,284
Trade and other receivables	5	21,869	83,291
Financial assets		<u>912,271</u>	<u>970,575</u>
Trade and other payables (excluding GST payable)	7	58,321	69,483
Financial liabilities		<u>58,321</u>	<u>69,483</u>

14 Company Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Company is:

Rugby League Brisbane Limited
83 Castlemaine Street
MILTON 4064

Consolidated Entity Disclosure Statement

For the Year Ended 30 September 2025

Rugby League Brisbane Limited does not have any controlled entities and therefore the financial statements presented are for a standalone entity. Consequently the Consolidated Entity disclosure required by s295(3A)(a) of the Corporations Act is not required.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

Under Section 307c of the Corporations Act 2001
To the Directors of Rugby League Brisbane Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 September 2025, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit, and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Terence Brueton
Director
Date: 20 November 2025

Moore Australia Audit (QLD) Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants

Independent Audit Report

To the members of Rugby League Brisbane Limited

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Rugby League Brisbane Limited (the "Company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2025, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of material accounting policies, consolidated entity disclosure statement and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Company is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 September 2025 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for Opinion

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 Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (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.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 September 2025 but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

When we read the annual report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to the directors and will request that it is corrected. If it is not corrected, we will seek to have the matter appropriately brought to the attention of users for whom our report is prepared.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of:

- a) the financial report (other than the consolidated entity disclosure statement) that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations Act 2001; and
- b) the consolidated entity disclosure statement that is true and correct in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, and

for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of:

- i) the financial report (other than the consolidated entity disclosure statement) that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- ii) the consolidated entity disclosure statement that is true and correct and is free of misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located on the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Terence Brueton
Director

Brisbane

Date: 20 November 2025

Moore Australia Audit (QLD) Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants

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