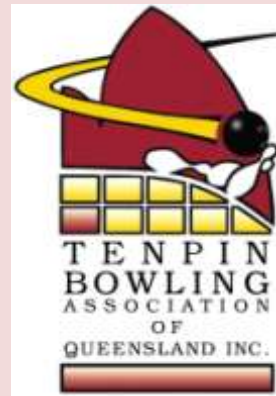


**TBAQ State Administrators report 2013 AGM –
Gail Torrens**

2012 TBAQ Operational report.



TBAQ have achieved a great deal in the year of 2012.

Funding:

Organisation development

The Board of Management and I continue to work with the State Government on organisation development and the promotion of Tenpin as a sport and as a result have positioned ourselves amongst the top performing volunteer organisations in Queensland.

A measure of how our organisation is viewed at Government levels is the amount of support we receive from the State. We successfully gained funding from the Queensland State Government of \$345,000, provided for many of our community based services. This support is critical as volunteers are unable to fund these services in a State the size of Queensland. Much of our community service activity not visible from local bowling centre levels, but statistically and strategically improving our sports profile across many sectors.

One of our community programs being our 'in-school' program Roll 'n Strike, exposing our sport to over 55,000 school children. Teacher training at Universities and at local Primary Schools plus AASC programs after school.

TBAQ were also able to strengthen our Roll 'n Strike brand and provide pathways into bowling centres through our newly launched Roll 'n Strike State wide league (full schedule and times and dates available on the TBAQ website. www.tbaq.org.au). The program provides a structured learn to bowl and bowl better program to school children, people with a disability and also those adults wanting to learn to bowl and bowl better through learning skills presented by an accredited coach.

Association support

The employment of 2 Club Support Officers full time, Steve Daw and Alexi Sachlikidis, who continue to provide a variety of support and services to local associations in South Queensland and Far North Queensland, assist TBAQ to grow the sport bringing talents to us from a variety of experiences. One of these achievements is to provide an Association Governance manual to assist those local associations access and provide information on the many services available and also provides templates to assist with day to day event management and recruitment.

Mt Isa has renewed its sport Association in 2012 and is now active once more, under new management and direction and keen to be involved in sport development opportunities, and we have more Centre associations coming on board in 2013 so our support systems are growing steadily.

Active Inclusion projects: (funding support for people with a disability)

Active Inclusion portion of this TBAQ funding allowed us to fill 300 places in the Roll 'n Strike 'in Centre' program across the State plus create partnerships through State Organisations providing activity and support for people with a disability such as, Endeavour, Sporting Wheelies and Disabled Association, Lifestream, Special Olympics, Rec Link, Deaf Sport and Recreation. Thank you to those organisations who partnered with us.

TBAQ also provided funding for AUSLAN Interpreter services at meetings, and also through the Roll 'n Strike in centre program we were able to put new coach Judy Buehow through her Level 1 Coaching accreditation successfully with the assistance of interpreters and many who assisted her.

Qld floods:

It has been a difficult year for many of our Associations given the considerable damage due to floods to venues in 2012 and we have again suffered into 2013 – We hope that those affected are able to recover quickly and those associations having difficulty as a result of the floods if you could contact me with your needs we would be able to ask for assistance through the flood relief strategies.

Funding:

With regard to recruiting volunteers

Volunteering Queensland on line has been developed to specifically assist the sporting and recreation industry to link with volunteers for both one-off and ongoing events or roles. TBAQ were successful in attracting 4 new volunteers working from the State office early this year(2013). We encourage each local association to utilise the portal to recruit more volunteers for events and other committee work in each calendar year to grow memberships. Please create your calendar of activity for the year and advertise this on the TBAQ tournament calendar or the bowler and coach education calendar for 2013.

TBAQ thank our outgoing part time Coaching Director Steve Arnold, for the time he gave us and welcome our new incoming part time Coaching Director Alexi Sachlikidis, both talented sport people we have been lucky to attract.

Membership numbers:

While Qld achieves many outstanding sport service outcomes our membership is still low compared to our figures from years past. Please support our membership drives. Membership is the only yard stick our sport is measured by at Australian Sports Commission levels against other sports. Vote with your pocket to put Tenpin on the map and receive the many benefits that membership brings with it. For a simple \$30 compared to other sports we should be the sport leaders in membership numbers. If you are free to talk to league bowlers at your centre to assist us – please volunteer with TBAQ to assist us get our message out to bowlers, league by league.

2012 TBAQ summary of achievements:

The TBAQ website will be reconstructed during 2013 and will offer the viewing of video for some of our education process to alleviate the costs of travel. TBAQ's website recorded over 390,000 hits from January to December 2012. Thank you to Andrew Shinnie for his fine work keeping the website current.

The TBAQ facebook site now has over 2,000 friends from a slow start of 300 and now thanks to our photo albums of TBAQ events and links to our Committees facebook albums it is easy to see how many happy and devoted sport fans tenpin has of all ages.

Top performing Qld Association in the State recognised – Kirwan Bowl in Townsville is the top TBA membership centre in Queensland, Congratulations Kirwan, Thuringowa Association Inc and Proprietor Robbie Buckley. A Presentation plaque will be presented to Kirwan at our 16th March meeting in Cairns.

Junior and Youth Development Camps: 233 juniors and youth attended development camps across the state. 3 camps were provided with additional clinics provided in regional areas for those unable to travel. Professional Dartfish video footage provided to all attendees to mark developments in skill from year to year.

Primary and High School Interschool Competition: 210 participants entered into the TBAQ Inter School competition in 2012 – 19 teams competed in the finals. Format changes for 2013 include teams of 3 instead of 5 and open qualifying period from Jan – end June 2013. Results on the TBAQ website – school pathway entry forms available at www.tbaq.org.au / Schools.

Subsidised coaching accreditation distributed to coaches wishing to supply services to persons with a disability. A total of 173 persons entered sport specific training and education in 2012. 51 Level 1 Coaches and 10 Level 2 Coaches entered into accreditation and re accreditation programs, plus instructor certificates and teacher in service training. Officials Training: attracted 18 persons, State Team Managers, & Ball drilling Pro shop course.

Sport Expos: TBAQ and bowling centres provided resources to attend 12 sport expos targeting school children with attendance of 917 through Active Inclusion funding with our partnership with Lifestream and school contacts.

Mentoring: TBAQ regional coaches provided **mentoring of new coaches** through the new Roll 'n Strike State wide league. This system is clearly visible for new coaches wanting more experience while being guided by a mentor coach. We encourage all coaches to set up a Roll 'n Strike league at their local centre.

Talent ID and State Training Squad Qld: 63 bowlers entered into State Training Squad events in 2012, we have professional bowlers touring the state in 2013 – please keep watch on our Website and facebook page for these tours to be advertised. 3 professionals will be in attendance in our December State Training Squad on the 7th & 8th.

Qld Athlete and Team achievements:

TBAQ would like to congratulate the many Qld teams successful in 2012, notably 4 Qld seniors making the Australian team for 2013, 2 Qld Adults making the Australian team for Asian Championships in Hong Kong, 2 selected for World Championships in 2013 and our Adult Ladies Rachuig team taking Gold at the 2012 Adult Nationals. 2 Qld Juniors making the Australian team for Australian team for the Asian Schools and our SQ Junior President Shield team taking Gold also (back to back) in April at the Junior Nationals 2012, Qld Disabilities team taking Gold for the team event in both Open and Graded divisions at the TBA Nationals in Hobart – well done to players, officials, parents, supporters and committees we are extremely proud of you all.

Thank you: I would like to thank our **TBAQ Board of Management**, who volunteer countless hours, planning and supporting the strategic operations of TBAQ 'the organisation'.

I would like to thank the many people who support and **provide membership services** on behalf of The Board of Management and myself. Thank you to the **many local Associations** providing membership benefits to TBA members, to the **TBAQ Staff**, Ryan Xia, Ian Renfrey, Steve Daw, Alexi Sachlikidis, Steve Arnold, plus our new office volunteers and our regional coaching Directors. Thank you to our **many Volunteers** working in centres who offer support for our Juniors, Youth, Adult, Senior and persons with a disability who have chosen Tenpin to be their sport of preference.

Thank you to the Committees for their planning, and event management. Hours not gone unnoticed and deserving of special commendation on results from an amazing small number of dedicated persons willing to give time and expertise.

Proprietor and Managers of Bowling Centres across the State a special thank you to you for your support of the sport in many ways, sponsorships, and providing a venue for our sport in difficult financial times.

TBAQ look forward to a great 2013 and wish all our people, a happy, prosperous and healthy coming year.

Gail Torrens

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