



2024/25 Gold Coast Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association Annual Dinner and Presentation Night

6.30PM 27TH MARCH 2025
THE SPORTING GLOBE ROBINA



Venue

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Master of Ceremonies

Rod Rice

Patron

Bruce Oxenford



2024/25 Executive

President

Bob Myatt

Vice-President

Peter Larter

Treasurer

Sam Goswami

Secretary

Michael Guy

2025 AGM

6.30pm 8th July 2025 at Cheltenham
Oval

Booklet Collated by: Michael Guy

2024/25 Management Committee

Appointments

Michael Guy

Rod Rice

Justin Cooke

Training Officers

Bob Myatt

Membership Facilitator

John Mathes

Member Protection Officer

Colin Eadie

Sponsorships

Michael Guy

Recruitment

Peter Larter

Website Development

Peter Larter

Justin Cooke

President's Message

Season 2024/2025 has been another successful season for Gold Coast Cricket Umpires & Scorers Association Inc. (GCCU&SA) due to the support of many people, among those being our Patron, Bruce Oxenford; Our Executive and Management Committees; Our members; and Cricket Gold Coast (CGC). Mention needs to be made of our office bearers, Secretary Michael Guy and our Treasurer Sam Goswami, who continue to provide the outstanding administration they carry out for the Association. Thanks are also due to our Selections/Appointments team of Michael Guy, Rod Rice and Justin Cooke who constantly work under pressure. I would also like to acknowledge all of our Life Members, whose efforts over many years have provided a solid foundation for us to build upon.

Queensland Cricket Association (QCA) through State Umpire Coordinator, Matthew Skinner provided much support, particularly the provision of the QCU&SA Training Team who attended our annual Regional Training day. Our relationship with Cricket Gold Coast, continues on a solid foundation.

It is pleasing to note that many of our members hold 'Representative Level' accreditation and that Sam Goswami for the past six seasons has represented us on the Qld Country Panel. Sam is clearly an outstanding umpire and a fine ambassador for GCCU&SA. Peter Larter has recently been recruited to the Country Panel.

I would like to acknowledge our sponsors; Nerang RSL; Kookaburra; Springbok Foods; Grill'd and Dr. Dean Guy, who, through various grant have enabled us to fund numerous programs and opportunities for our members.

Last, but certainly not least, I thank those members for the cooperation they have shown in ensuring their availability for matches, and attendance at meetings. Particular mention needs to be made of the Under 14 Southern Challenge held mid week between 16 – 20 December, 2024, where GCCU&SA fielded eight (8) umpires each day during a rain affected carnival conducted by Cricket Gold Coast Juniors. Between 29 March and 1 April, 2025 the Cooper Findlay Cup to be held on the Gold Coast and Rod Rice is energetically recruiting all available Umpires.

Additionally we have assisted Qld Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association (QCUSA) by supporting them on the Gold Coast, Brisbane, and also with GPS appointments at The Southport School home games.

Finally, the curtain has come down on my Umpiring career. After 23 years of continuous umpiring I need to devote much more time to my wife Alison, who unfortunately has diminished vision which is quickly becoming more of a challenge for her and the need for me to provide much more time caring for her. I have enjoyed my time umpiring and working with NSW Far North Coast and Gold Coast Umpires Associations.

I hope you enjoy your evening,
Bob Myatt

GCCUSA President

Secretaries' Message

Season 2024/25 has been another big season for the GCCUSA and our members and come Sunday evening another Summer season will be over. From the first match on 13th April 2024, our members have travelled to all parts of the Gold Coast, Logan, Brisbane, Northern Rivers and Beaudesert across Cricket Gold Coast, Veterans, Winter Cup, APS, GPS, Under 14s State Challenge, various Veterans State Carnivals and Inclusion Games.

The Selectors – Rod Rice, Justin Cooke and myself have made 1,096 appointments across this season – 855 during the Summer and 241 during the Winter. My records indicate this is the second largest season in terms of appointments since 2010 and an increase of 146 appointments from the 2023/24 season. This statistic is even more impressive given the number of active members has decreased from last season. I would like to personally thank Rod and Justin for their support and guidance throughout the season from covering last minute withdrawals to the selections discussions that seemingly are never ending. Between the three of us, we have spoken pretty much every day since September and without their support, the 1,096 appointments would not have happened.

Personal highlights from this season include the three First Grade debuts – Rob Krusvar (number 87), David Davies (89) and Peter Norman (90), 100th CGC Appointment (all Grades) for Rob Krusvar, Jim Griffin, Gary Stimpson and Rob Hayter, or Ken Lawler, 100th CGC Senior Appointment for Marty Orr and Greg Douglas and 50th CGC Masters Appointment for Bob Myatt and Neville Taylor. In addition, we welcomed both Daniel Hockings, Rob Milde, Peter Norman, Talvinder Raina and Karan Sachdeva to the Association.

As has been the case for the last couple of seasons, our members have officiated in many competitions outside of CGC matches. I would like to acknowledge those members who officiated at various carnivals and non-CGC Grand Finals: Peter Larter & Sam Goswami (GCCUSA representatives on QLD Country Panel), Stephen Fildes (Deaf and Hearing Impaired National Final, South Coast under 12s Final, Over 60s National Carnival, Under 14s State Challenge), Rob Krusvar & Rob Hayter (Last Man Stands World Championships), Bob Myatt (APS, South Coast under 12s and Under 14s State Challenge), Marty Orr (Winter Cup Under 12s Division 1), Greg Walton (Winter Cup Under 12s Division 2). Special acknowledgement is due to Mal Pearson who umpires in the Blind and Low Vision Ashes Series held on the Gold Coast in November, we wish Mal luck for the upcoming Blind and Low Vision international series between Australia and Pakistan.

The geographic area that our umpires covered regularly expanded significantly during the Summer season with the addition of Beaudesert in 2nd Grade and Loganholme, Logan Village and Jimboomba in 3rd Grade. I acknowledge that given our numbers are less than what would be ideal and this has meant all members have done their fair share of “roadtrips” this season. I would like to thank all members who have driven the extra kilometres to ensure we have been able to cover the larger Gold Coast region as best as possible.

I would like to thank all members of the GCCUSA, without you we would not have been able to cover as many matches and support the game of cricket on the Gold Coast and beyond. Particular thanks must go to all those members who have been willing to change their appointment at late notice or travel to wherever to cover matches that pop up late in the week.

I think at this stage of the season; it is important to reflect on our role as an umpire on the game of cricket. The role of an umpire in the game of cricket may be seen by some as strictly an impartial judge on the decisions required by the players to continue with the game, however as we are all aware our role extends far beyond this. We play the role of match official, weatherman, dispute

settler, coach, parent, voice of reason and occasionally as the seemingly the only adult in the room. Yes, there are some days that are tough, but we all are involved for a deeper reason, we all care about the sport and its continuation on the Gold Coast and development and success at a grassroots level. Quite frankly, without all of our members, the game would not be the same on the Gold Coast and more importantly it would not have as bright a future as it does now. That's your contribution to the game and I am for one extremely grateful to you all for playing your role for the sport.

Tonight is a great opportunity to celebrate Season 2024/25 and acknowledge everyone's efforts in making it so successful. Good luck to those members appointed to Grand Finals this weekend, it is a great achievement to be selected to umpire a Grand Final whether it is First Grade or Under 12s. Enjoy the experience of these matches. For those who are not umpiring this weekend, we could not have got to this part of the season without you; your contribution is not forgotten.

Finally, I would like to publicly acknowledge Bob Myatt who is stepping down as President at the 2025 AGM. Bob's contribution to the Association in his roles as President, Vice-President, Selector, Regional Umpires Coordinator and Training Officer has left the Association in a better place than where he found it. From a personal perspective, I thank Bob for all the support he gave me in my 8-year association with the GCCUSA as my mentor and later a fellow member of the Executive.

I hope you have a wonderful evening,

Michael Guy

GCCUSA Secretary & Selector

Preamble to The Laws of Cricket – Spirit of Cricket

Cricket owes much of its appeal and enjoyment to the fact that it should be played not only according to the Laws, but also within the Spirit of Cricket. The major responsibility for ensuring fair play rests with the captains, but extends to all players, match officials and, especially in junior cricket, teachers, coaches and parents.

Respect is central to the Spirit of Cricket.

- Respect your captain, team-mates, opponents and the authority of the umpires.
- Play hard and play fair.
- Accept the umpire's decision.
- Create a positive atmosphere by your own conduct, and encourage others to do likewise.
- Show self-discipline, even when things go against you.
- Congratulate the opposition on their successes, and enjoy those of your own team.
- Thank the officials and your opposition at the end of the match, whatever the result.

Cricket is an exciting game that encourages leadership, friendship and teamwork, which brings together people from different nationalities, cultures and religions, especially when played within the Spirit of Cricket.

Gold Coast Cricket Umpires and Scorers' History

An Umpiring Association was first formed on the Gold Coast in October 1980 in the garage of then-Secretary Ray Fowler and had at least 8 regular members throughout the 1980/81 Season. The Association was donated \$100 from the then Gold Coast and District Cricket Association with match fees agreed to be \$15 per afternoon and \$20 for a full day. The inaugural Committee was formed by Fowler, President Maurice Glassman and Ray Bignell. The then Gold Coast Umpires Association (GCUA) was first registered in 1989.

The GCUA was Incorporated on 1 July 2019 and was renamed to the Gold Coast Cricket Umpires and Scorer's Association Inc (GCCUSA). On 27th April 2021, former ICC Elite Panel Umpire and Queensland Bulls All Rounder Bruce Oxenford was named Patron of the GCCUSA. The GCCUSA has been affiliated with Queensland Cricket Umpires' & Scorers Association (QCUSA) since its registration and has held dual affiliation since 2021/22 when it formalised its affiliation with New South Wales Umpires & Scorers Association.

Since 1980 the GCCUSA has been led by Presidents Maurice Glassman, Wally Foster, Bernie Brennan, Alan Edwards, Laurie Bradley, Paul Baker, Les Garraway, Dave Johnson and Bob Myatt.

In season 2024/25, the GCCUSA acknowledged our 45th Season with commemorative text on all on- and off-field shirts.

Gold Coast Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association Life Members

Wally Foster	Tony Pettigrew
Morrie Glassman	Les Garraway
Ray Fowler	John Thompson
Paul Baker	Marty Orr

Gold Coast Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association Members 2024/25

Peter Blackburn	Peter Goodchap	John Mathes	Neville Taylor
Jason Bligh	Sam Goswami	Rob Milde	Greg Walton
Rod Cameron	Jim Griffin	Bob Myatt	John White
Justin Cooke	James Guy	Peter Norman	Fred Williams
David Davies	Michael Guy	Marty Orr	
Mark Davies	Rob Hayter	Mal Pearson	<u>LDCA Members</u>
Zac Dawes	Dan Hockings	Talvinder Raina	<u>Appointed to CGC</u>
Greg Douglas	John Irwin	Rod Rice	<u>Matches</u>
Colin Eadie	Bruce Jennings	Tony Richards	Cameron Bennett
Matt Edwards	Tony Kriel	Karan Sachdeva	Nathan Bennett
Stephen Fildes	Rob Krusvar	John Salter	Nathan Leaman
Ian Fisher	Peter Larter	Gary Stimpson	Craig Tatters

Order of Night's Proceedings

- 6.00pm Guests Arrive
- 6.30pm Gold Coast Cricket Umpires & Scorers Association President's Welcome Speech
- 6.35pm Outline of Proceedings and General Welcome
- 6.40pm Our Role & Spirit of Cricket
- 6.45pm Gold Coast Cricket Umpires & Scorers Association Secretary & Selector Speech
- 7.00pm Buffet Opens – Table by Table
- 7.45pm Buffet Closes
- 8.00pm Guest Speaker
- 8.30pm Junior Grand Final Appointments – Under 12s, Under 13s, Open Junior Divisions
- 8.45pm Dessert with Tea and Coffee
- 9.00pm Senior Grand Final Appointments – Masters, 1st Grade T20, One Day Finals, Community Cricket & Premier Cricket
- Presentation of the Senior Umpire Encouragement Award
- Presentation of the Les & Shaun Garraway Perpetual Shield – Most Improved Senior Umpire
- Presentation of the Life Members Award for the Best First Year Umpire
- Presentation of the President's Award for Dedication and Commitment
- Presentation of the Pat Carty Perpetual Shield - Junior Umpire of the Year
- Presentation of the Wally Foster Perpetual Shield – Senior Umpire of the Year
- Closing Remarks
- Official part of the evening concludes – bar closes at 10pm

GCCUSA First Grade Umpires (from 2010/11-2024/25)

Number	Umpire	Season	Number	Umpire	Season	Pre-2010/11
1	Paul Baker	2010/11	46	Scott Truelove	2015/16	Ken Anderson
2	Tony Pettigrew	2010/11	47	Mark Reynolds	2015/16	Basil Anthony
3	Marty Orr	2010/11	48	John White *	2015/16	John Attridge
4	Les Garraway	2010/11	49	Jim Crum	2016/17	Neville Banner
5	Stephen Fildes *	2010/11	50	Colin Eadie *	2016/17	Merv Barton
6	John Fitzgerald	2010/11	51	Peter Towney	2016/17	Bill Battese
7	Scott Hoens	2010/11	52	Brendan Callaghan	2016/17	Ashley Benson
8	Bruce Jennings *	2010/11	53	Josh Thompson	2016/17	Laurie Bradley
9	John Mathes	2010/11	54	Steven Grazier	2016/17	Bernie Brennan
10	Campbell Petrich	2010/11	55	Stephan Gleeson	2016/17	Barry Dawes
11	Stewart McGettigan	2010/11	56	Daryl Brown	2016/17	Ray Day
12	Bob Clark	2010/11	57	Denis Hide	2016/17	Alan Edwards
13	John Millar	2010/11	58	Samrat Goswami *	2017/18	Ron Faulks
14	Mark Case	2010/11	59	Rex Evans	2017/18	Wally Foster
15	Chris Suter	2010/11	60	Justin Cooke *	2017/18	Ray Fowler
16	Alan Blackman	2010/11	61	Keith Amos	2018/19	Keith Gent
17	Robert Verhoeve	2010/11	62	Michael Guy *	2018/19	Maurie Glasman
18	Eddie Doherty	2010/11	63	Peter Larter *	2018/19	Alan Graver
19	John Thompson	2010/11	64	Shane Maxwell	2018/19	Sam Loxton
20	Pat Carty	2010/11	65	Andrew Martin	2018/19	John McCue
21	Ken Lawler	2010/11	66	Chris Howe	2019/20	John Miller
22	Chad Mayer	2010/11	67	Rod Rice *	2019/20	Bill Phippen
23	Bob Myatt *	2011/12	68	Leigh Buckingham	2019/20	Robert Pook
24	Jack Love	2011/12	69	Yash Kapoor	2019/20	Gary Reilly
25	Rod Kampmann	2011/12	70	Jim Griffin *	2020/21	Tom Rossiter
26	Michael Campbell	2012/13	71	Josh Wilson	2020/21	Robert Ryan
27	Norm Murray	2012/13	72	Rod Cameron *	2021/22	Vince Shackell
28	Mick Cook	2012/13	73	Matt Rimmer	2021/22	John Sidie
29	Ian Clark	2012/13	74	Salman Anis	2021/22	Richard Toar
30	Paul Ewart	2013/14	75	Tony Richards *	2021/22	Danny Tripp
31	Andrew Fildes	2013/14	76	Chad Bridge	2021/22	Barry Turner
32	Justyn Martin	2013/14	77	Rob Maierhofer	2021/22	
33	Dennis Milling	2013/14	78	Zac Dawes *	2021/22	
34	Kevin Haddrick	2014/15	79	Rob Hayter *	2022/23	
35	David Johnson	2014/15	80	Peter Blackburn	2022/23	
36	Andrew Reddich	2014/15	81	Warren Martin	2022/23	
37	Gary Stimpson *	2014/15	82	Mal Pearson *	2022/23	
38	Wayne Millar	2014/15	83	John Salter	2022/23	
39	Jim Kelly	2014/15	84	John Irvine	2022/23	
40	Davin Castle	2014/15	85	Ian Fisher *	2022/23	
41	Greg Douglas *	2014/15	86	Tony Kriel	2023/24	
42	Daniel McMahon	2015/16	87	James Guy	2023/24	
43	Jill Shephard	2015/16	88	Rob Krusvar *	2024/25	
44	Tony Williams	2015/16	89	David Davies *	2024/25	
45	Neville Taylor	2015/16	90	Peter Norman *	2024/25	

* Denotes Umpires who have stood in Taper Premier League Division 1 or All Ballports T20 Cup
Fixtures in 2024/25

This list was collated with the utmost care using appointments on MyCricket. Records are incomplete particularly in early seasons and members who are on MyCricket have been retrospectively acknowledged; however, they have not received a number due to the uncertainty of order of debut. GCCUSA acknowledge any umpire who has been left off this list due to incomplete MyCricket Records.

Appointment Milestones (since 2010/11)

300+ Appointments (All Grades)

Stephen Fildes – 374
Pat Carty – 371

John Mathes – 324
Marty Orr* – 320

200+ Appointments (All Grades)

Les Garraway – 295
Bob Myatt – 280
Bruce Jennings* - 229

John White – 217
Colin Eadie* - 211

100+ Appointments (All Grades)

Justin Cooke – 186
Dave Johnson - 164
Neville Taylor - 161
Justyn Martin – 156
Jim Carpenter - 156
Paul Baker – 149
Sam Goswami - 145
Rod Rice - 144

Michael Guy – 142
Tony Richards - 141
Peter Larter - 140
Ken Lawler – 137
Rod Cameron - 137
Leigh Buckingham -
133

Bob Clark - 126
Rob Verhoeve - 126
Wayne Millar - 126
Mark Case - 126
Greg Douglas – 126
Rob Krusvar* - 125
Dan McMahon - 121

Tony Pettigrew - 116
Jim Griffin* - 115
Gary Stimpson* - 111
Ian Clark - 107
Stewart McGettigan –
100
Rob Hayter * - 100

100+ First Grade Appointments

Stephen Fildes - 226
Bob Myatt - 158

Colin Eadie - 114
Dave Johnson - 101

100+ Senior Appointments

Stephen Fildes – 279
Bob Myatt - 225
Pat Carty – 200
Colin Eadie – 187
John Mathes - 170

John White – 166
Bruce Jennings - 161
Les Garraway - 158
Justin Cooke - 153
Dave Johnson - 127

Mark Case – 125
Peter Larter – 121
Sam Goswami - 112
Paul Baker - 110

Marty Orr* - 110
Rob Verhoeve - 108
Greg Douglas* - 106
Wayne Millar - 102

100+ Junior Appointments

Marty Orr – 149
Pat Carty - 130

Ken Lawler - 107

50+ Masters Appointments

Les Garraway – 96
John Mathes – 84
Stephen Fildes – 75

Marty Orr – 61
Neville Taylor* - 54
Bob Myatt* - 52

* Denotes Members who achieved this Milestone during the 2024/25 Season.

Records are updated up to appointments made for all matches up until 15th March 2025

This list was collated with the utmost care using appointments on MyCricket (2010/11 Season onwards). Records are incomplete particularly in early seasons. GCCUSA acknowledge any umpire who has been left off this list due to incomplete MyCricket Records.

Previous Grand Final Appointments

First Grade/Cricket Gold Coast Premier League Division One

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Reserve	Grand Final
2008/09	John Thompson	Tony Pettigrew		Southport Labrador v Palm Beach Currumbin
2009/10	Tony Pettigrew	Chris Suter		Mudgeeraba Nerang v Broadbeach Robina
2010/11	Tony Pettigrew	Chris Suter		Palm Beach v Alberton
2011/12	Stephen Fildes	Rod Kampmann		Broadbeach Robina v Southport Labrador
2012/13	Stephen Fildes	Chris Suter		Broadbeach Robina v Mudgeeraba Nerang and Districts'
2013/14	Stephen Fildes	Bob Myatt	John Fitzgerald	Alberton Cricket Club v Mudgeeraba Nerang and Districts'
2014/15	Bob Myatt	Robert Verhoeve		Coomera Hope Island v Queens
2015/16	Bob Myatt	Stephen Fildes		Southport Labrador v Queens
2016/17	Robert Verhoeve	Greg Douglas	Colin Eadie	Queens V Surfers Paradise
2017/18	Dave Johnson	Josh Thompson	Brendan Callaghan	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Burleigh
2018/19	Josh Thompson	Scott Truelove	Shane Maxwell	Alberton Ormeau Cricket Club v Broadbeach Robina
2019/20	Samrat Goswami	Stephen Fildes	Yash Kapoor	No Final Played
2020/21	Samrat Goswami	Stephen Fildes		Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Palm Beach Currumbin
2021/22	Peter Larter	Samrat Goswami	Justin Cooke	Runaway Bay v Surfers Paradise
2022/23	Peter Larter	John White	Rod Rice	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2023/24	Justin Cooke	Stephen Fildes		Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Palm Beach Currumbin

All Ballsports T20 Cup/ 1st Grade T20

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Reserve	Grand Final
2018/19	Josh Thompson	Samrat Goswami	Michael Guy	Alberton Ormeau Cricket Club v Southport Labrador
2019/20	Samrat Goswami	Stephen Fildes	Michael Guy	Southport Labrador v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
2020/21	Samrat Goswami	David Johnson		Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2021/22	Samrat Goswami	Peter Larter	Leigh Buckingham	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
2022/23	Peter Larter	Samrat Goswami	Leigh Buckingham	Palm Beach Currumbin v Mudgeeraba Nerang
2023/24	Samrat Goswami	Mal Pearson	John White	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Mudgeeraba Nerang
2024/25	Greg Douglas	Michael Guy	John White	Queens v Gold Coast Dolphins

Cricket Gold Coast Premier League One Day Final

Premier League Division One

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Reserve	Grand Final
2022/23	Justin Cooke	John White	Ian Fisher	Mudgeeraba Nerang v Broadbeach Robina
2023/24	Greg Douglas	Stephen Fildes		Mudgeeraba Nerang v Palm Beach Currumbin
2024/25	Greg Douglas	Mal Pearson	Jim Griffin	Queens v Mudgeeraba Nerang

Premier League Division Two

2022/23	Bob Myatt	Mal Pearson	Ian Fisher	Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Currumbin
2023/24	Justin Cooke	Bob Myatt		Mudgeeraba Nerang v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2024/25	Stephen Fildes	Rod Rice		Queens v Palm Beach Currumbin

Second Grade/Premier Cricket Division Two

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2010/11	Stephen Fildes	Campbell Petrich	Broadbeach Robina v Southport Labrador
2011/12	John Mathes	Jack Love	Burleigh v Broadbeach Robina
2012/13	Rod Kampmann	Bob Myatt	Queens v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2013/14	Norm Murray	Robert Verhoeve	Queens Centaurs v Surfers Paradise
2014/15	Stephen Fildes	Norm Murray	Runaway Bay v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts
2015/16	Rod Kampmann	Andrew Reddich	Burleigh v Runaway Bay
2016/17	Josh Thompson	Scott Truelove	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Palm Beach Currumbin
2017/18	Scott Truelove	Colin Eadie	Surfers Paradise v Burleigh
2018/19	Brendan Callaghan	David Johnson	Queens v Broadbeach Robina
2019/20	Leigh Buckingham	Shane Maxwell	No Final Played
2020/21	Leigh Buckingham	Josh Wilson	Queens v Loganholme
2021/22	Stephen Fildes	Greg Douglas	Palm Beach Currumbin v Broadbeach Robina
2022/23	Samrat Goswami	Justin Cooke	Palm Beach Currumbin v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2023/24	Rod Rice	Mal Pearson	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'

Third Grade/Premier Cricket Division Three

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2010/11	John Mathes	John Fitzgerald	Southport Labrador Black v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' Red
2011/12	Stewart McGettigan	Tony Pettigrew	Burleigh v Palm Beach Currumbin
2012/13	Mark Case	John Fitzgerald	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Burleigh
2013/14	Bob Clark	Mark Case	Burleigh v Runaway Bay
2014/15	Stewart McGettigan	David Johnson	Surfers Paradise v Palm Beach Currumbin
2015/16	David Johnson	Stewart McGettigan	Mudgeeraba v Southport
2016/17	Stephen Fildes	Brendan Callaghan	Southport Labrador v Coomera Blue
2017/18	Andrew Reddich	Wayne Millar	Queens v Coomera Blue
2018/19	Justin Cooke	Samrat Goswami	Loganholme v Alberton Ormeau Cricket Club
2019/20	Chris Howe	Peter Larter	No Final Played
2020/21 N	Colin Eadie	Bob Myatt	Mudgeeraba Blue v Southport Labrador
2020/21 S	Peter Larter	Bruce Jennings	Bonogin Cricket Club v Burleigh
2021/22	Leigh Buckingham	John White	Runaway Bay v Burleigh
2022/23	Mal Pearson	Colin Eadie	Bonogin Cricket Club v Mudgeeraba Red
2023/24	Greg Douglas	Rob Hayter	Palm Beach Currumbin v Alberton Ormeau

Fourth Grade/Community Cricket Division One

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2010/11	Les Garraway	Chad Mayer	Southport Labrador Black v Queens Centaurs
2011/12	John Thompson	Josh Thompson	Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Currumbin
2012/13	Robert Verhoeve	Michael Campbell	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' Red v Queens
2013/14	Paul Ewart	Wayne Millar	Mudgeeraba Nerang Blue v Palm Beach Currumbin
2014/15	Justyn Martin	Greg Douglas	Southport Labrador v Mudgeeraba Nerang Blue
2015/16	Justyn Martin	Scott Truelove	Palm Beach Gold v Southport
2016/17	David Johnson	Andrew Reddich	Broadbeach Robina v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2017/18	Bob Myatt	Les Garraway	Surfers Paradise v Palm Beach Gold
2018/19	Colin Eadie	Dennis Milling	Broadbeach Robina v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
2019/20	Colin Eadie	Mark Case	No Final Played
2020/21	Pat Carty	Michael Guy	Mudgeeraba Blue v Helensvale Pacific Pines

Fourth Grade/Community Cricket Division One

2021/22	Rod Rice	Colin Eadie	Mudgeeraba Blue v Broadbeach Robina
2022/23	Michael Guy	Ian Fisher	Palm Beach Currumbin v Broadbeach Robina
2023/24	Bob Myatt	Colin Eadie	Broadbeach Robina v Queens

Fifth Grade/Community Cricket Division Two

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2010/11	Paul Baker	Marty Orr	Broadbeach Robina v Coomera Hope Island White
2011/12	Paul Baker	Bruce Jennings	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' Blue v Palm Beach Currumbin
2012/13	Paul Baker	Tony Pettigrew	Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Currumbin Gold
2013/14	Paul Baker	Ian Clark	Palm Beach Currumbin Gold v Runaway Bay
2014/15	Kevin Haddrick	Mark Case	Palm Beach Currumbin Gold v Surfers Paradise
2015/16	Jill Shephard	Mark Reynolds	Surfers Paradise v Runaway Bay Navy
2016/17	Wayne Millar	Mark Reynolds	Surfers Paradise v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2017/18	John White	Justin Cooke	Surfers Paradise v Mudgeeraba Blue
2018/19	Michael Guy	Peter Larter	Broadbeach Robina v Runaway Bay Navy
2019/20	Denis Hide	Jim Carpenter	No Final Played
2020/21	Jim Griffin	Mark Case	Broadbeach Blue v Southport Labrador
2021/22	Michael Guy	James Guy	Runaway Bay v Helensvale Gold
2022/23	Bob Myatt	Tony Richards	Runaway Bay v Broadbeach Robina
2023/24	Michael Guy	Ian Fisher	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Surfers Paradise

Sixth Grade/Community Cricket Division Three

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Pat Carty	Mark Case	Tamborine Mountain v Runaway Bay Orange
2012/13	Ian Clark	Michael Coe	Runaway Bay Orange v Runaway Bay Navy
2013/14	Justyn Martin	Barry Turner	Runaway Bay Navy v Runaway Bay Orange
2014/15	Andrew Reddich	Jim Kelly	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts v Runaway Bay Navy
2015/16	Tony Williams	Peter Towney	Queens v Palm Beach
2016/17	Tony Williams	John White	Broadbeach Robina v Surfers Paradise Red
2017/18	Mark Reynolds	Jim Crum	Runaway Bay v Mudgeeraba Blue
2018/19	Wayne Millar	Bruce Jennings	Mudgeeraba Red v Runaway Bay
2019/20	Marty Orr	Wayne Millar	No Final Played
2020/21	Jonathan Smith	Matt Rimmer	Bonogin Cricket Club v Runaway Bay
2021/22	Les Garraway	Matt Rimmer	Broadbeach Robina v Runaway Bay
2022/23	Leigh Buckingham	Michael Duncanson	Palm Beach Currumbin v Coomera Hope Island
2023/24	Rod Cameron	John Salter/Leigh Buckingham	Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Currumbin

Masters – Over 40s

Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Abhi Arunachalam	Bob Clark	Broadbeach Robina v Tamborine Mountain
2014/15	Bob Clark	Ian Clark	Logan Village v Tamborine Mountain
2015/16	Wayne Millar	John White	Southport Labrador v Logan Village
2016/17	Colin Eadie	Stephan Gleeson	Broadbeach Robina v Southport Labrador
2017/18	Stephen Fildes	Brendan Callaghan	Southport Labrador v Logan Village

Masters – Over 40s Division 1

2018/19	Bob Myatt	Andrew Martin	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Broadbeach Robina
2019/20	Leigh Buckingham	Pat Carty	Broadbeach Robina v Logan Village

Masters – Over 40s Division 1			
2020/21	Stephen Fildes	Leigh Buckingham	Broadbeach Robina v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2021/22	No Umpires Selected		No Final Played
2022/23	Leigh Buckingham	Rob Hayter	Queens v Albertain Ormeau
2023/24	Mal Pearson	Leigh Buckingham	Albertain Ormeau v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
Masters – Over 40s Division 2			
2018/19	Les Garraway	John White	Burleigh v Loganholme
2019/20	Yash Kapoor	Neville Taylor	Surfers Paradise Blue v Southport Black
2020/21	Pat Carty	Josh Wilson	Surfers Paradise Blue v Southport Labrador
2021/22	No Umpires Selected		No Final Played
2022/23	Mal Pearson	Pat Carty	Burleigh v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2023/24	Rod Rice	Rob Hayter	Burleigh v Tamborine Mountain Canungra
Masters – Over 40s Division 3			
2020/21	Les Garraway	Rob Krusvar	Queens v Southport Labrador
2021/22	No Umpires Selected		No Final Played
2022/23	Bob Myatt	Tony Richards	Bonogin Valley v Runaway Bay
2023/24	Neville Taylor	Tony Richards	Bonogin Valley v Tamborine Mountain Canungra
Masters – Over 50s			
2021/22	No Umpires Selected		No Final Played
2022/23	John Mathes	Neville Taylor	Logan Village v Southport Labrador
2023/24	Bob Myatt	John Mathes	Surfers Paradise v Albertain Ormeau

Junior Open Turf			
Open Turf Division 1			
Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2020/21	Warren Maxwell	Rob Krusvar	Surfers Paradise v Broadbeach Robina
2021/22	Warren Maxwell	Andrew Goldie	Runaway Bay v Surfers Paradise
2022/23	John Mathes	Warren Maxwell	Surfers Paradise v Mudgeeraba Nerang
2023/24	John Mathes	Peter Larter	Burleigh v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
Open Turf Division 2			
2020/21	John Mathes	Justin Cooke	Queens v Coomera Hope Island
2021/22	Rob Krusvar	Tony Richards	Burleigh v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
2022/23	Rob Krusvar	Ken Lawler	Southport Labrador v Coomera Hope Island
2023/24	Rob Krusvar	Ken Lawler	Palm Beach Currumbin v Bonogin Valley
Open Turf Division 3			
2020/21	Les Garraway	Salman Anis	Runaway Bay v Palm Beach Currumbin
2021/22	John Mathes	Rob Maierhofer	Southport Labrador v Coomera Hope Island
2022/23	Ian Fisher	John Salter/Neville Taylor	Burleigh Maroon v Bonogin Valley
2023/24	Gary Stimpson	Jim Griffin/Michael Guy	Tamborine Mountain Canungra v Palm Beach Currumbin
Open Turf Division 4			
2022/23	Rod Cameron	Salman Anis	Palm Beach Currumbin v Southport Labrador
2023/24	Tony Kriel	David Davies	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Burleigh

Under 17s			
Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Barry Turner	Les Garraway	Broadbeach Robina v South Tweed Colts
2012/13	Les Garraway	Pat Carty	South Tweed v Burleigh
2013/14	Les Garraway	Bob Clark	Burleigh v Palm Beach Currumbin Gold
2014/15	Les Garraway	Wayne Millar	Surfers Paradise v Palm Beach Currumbin
2015/16	Tony Pettigrew	Josh Thompson	Palm Beach Gold v Colts JCC
2016/17	Samrat Goswami	Ken Lawler	Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Purple
2017/18	Justyn Martin	Rob Krusvar	Mudgeeraba Red v Broadbeach Robina

Under 17s Division 1			
2018/19	Pat Carty	Bob Myatt	Broadbeach Robina v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
2019/20	Warren Mallory	Justin Cooke	No Final Played
Under 17s Division 2			
2018/19	Jim Crum	Mark Reynolds	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Runaway Bay
2019/20	John White		No Final Played

Under 15s			
Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Shane Thompson	Marty Orr	Mudgeeraba Nerang Red v Burleigh
2012/13	Bob Clark	Andrew Fildes	Queens v Surfers Paradise
2013/14	Stewart McGettigan	Pat Carty	Coomera Hope Island v Southport Labrador
2014/15	Pat Carty	Stephen Goodman	Southport Labrador v Broadbeach Robina
2015/16	Pat Carty	Samrat Goswami	Broadbeach Robina v Coomera Blue
2016/17	Peter Towney	Josh Densley	Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Gold
2017/18	Steven Grazier	Keshavkeerthi Chandrasekaran	Surfers Paradise Red v Coomera Hope Island

Under 15s Division 1			
2018/19	Rob Krusvar	Justyn Martin	Coomera Blue v Broadbeach Robina
2019/20	Jim Crum	Les Garraway	No Final Played
Under 15s Division 2			
2018/19	Les Garraway	Marty Orr	Palm Beach Currumbin v Surfers Paradise Blue
2019/20	Ken Lawler		No Final Played

Under 14s			
Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Gary Stimpson		Broadbeach Robina v Palm Beach Currumbin Gold
2012/13	Marty Orr	Gary Stimpson	Palm Beach Currumbin v Coomera Hope Island
2013/14	Tony Pettigrew	Daniel McMahon	Palm Beach Currumbin Maroon v Runaway Bay
2014/15	Gary Stimpson	Bruce Jennings	Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' Red v Broadbeach Robina
2015/16	Daniel McMahon	Ian Clark	Colts JCC v Palm Beach Gold
2016/17	Marty Orr	Rob Krusvar	Broadbeach Robina v Ormeau Junior
2017/18	Keith Amos	Craig Butler	Helensvale Pacific Pines v Mudgeeraba Blue
2018/19	Andrew Goldie	Ken Lawler	Burleigh v Palm Beach Gold
2019/20	Noah McTaggart (D1)	Simon Paul (D2)	No Final Played
2020/21	Pat Carty	Jack Luke-Paredi	Broadbeach Robina v Surfers Paradise Red
2021/22	Rod Cameron	Chad Bridge	Palm Beach Lions v Runaway Bay

Under 13s			
Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Ron Hynd		Broadbeach Robina White v Surfers Paradise
2012/13	Barry Turner	Daniel McMahon	Palm Beach Currumbin Maroon v South Tweed Colts
2013/14	Justyn Martin	Ken Lawler	Surfers Paradise v Broadbeach Robina Blue
2014/15	Ken Lawler	Marty Orr	Palm Beach Currumbin Gold v Broadbeach Robina
2015/16	Paul Baker	Ken Lawler	Palm Beach Gold v Surfers Paradise Red
2016/17	Les Garraway	Tony Pettigrew	Broadbeach Robina v Coomera White
2017/18	Pat Carty	Andrew Goldie	Broadbeach Robina v Burleigh Maroon
2018/19	Mathew Stratton	Andrew Martin	Palm Beach Maroon v Mudgeeraba Blue
Under 13s Division 1			
2019/20	Neville Taylor		No Final Played
2020/21	Andrew Goldie		Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts' v Southport Labrador
2021/22	Bob Myatt	Bruce Jennings	Broadbeach White v Mudgeeraba Nerang & Districts'
2022/23	Chad Bridge	Jim Griffin/Tony Kriel	Surfers Paradise v Helensvale Pacific Pines
2023/24	Bruce Jennings	John Irvine	Surfers Paradise v Queens
Under 13s Division 2			
2019/20	Josh Wilson		No Final Played
2020/21	Tony Richards	Travis Dilger/Neville Taylor	Colts JCC v Alberton Ormeau Cricket Club
2022/23	Pat Carty	John Irvine	Bonogin Valley v Palm Beach Currumbin
2023/24	Greg Walton	Tony Richards/Neville Taylor	Coomera Hope Island v Helensvale Pacific Pines
Under 12s			
Season	Umpire 1	Umpire 2	Grand Final
2011/12	Dennis Milling	Darren Coyne	Palm Beach Currumbin Maroon v Palm Beach Currumbin Gold
2013/14	John Mathes	Marty Orr	Surfers Paradise v Coomera Hope Island
2018/19	John White	Jim Carpenter	Surfers Paradise Red v Runaway Bay Navy
Under 12s North			
2019/20	John Mathes		No Final Played
2020/21	Marty Orr		Helensvale v Mudgeeraba Blue
2021/22	Marty Orr	Peter Blackburn	Helensvale Gold v Runaway Bay
2022/23	Rob Hayter	Laurie Bradley	Helensvale Gold v Southport Yellow
2023/24	Marty Orr	Laurie Bradley	Coomera Hope Island v Queens
Under 12s South			
2019/20	Bruce Jennings		No Final Played
2020/21	Jim Carpenter		Surfers Paradise v Broadbeach White
2021/22	Jim Carpenter	Pat Carty	Burleigh Maroon v Surfers Paradise Blue
2022/23	Marty Orr	John Irwin	Palm Beach Lions v Mudgeeraba Blue
2023/24	No Umpire Appointed		Broadbeach Robina v Surfers Paradise

2024/25 Senior Semi Finals Appointments

<u>Cricket Gold Coast Premier League Division 1 (First Grade)</u>		
Queens v Helensvale Pacific Pines	Greg Douglas	Rod Rice
Mudgeeraba Nerang v Surfers Paradise	Stephen Fildes	Justin Cooke
<u>All Ballsports Premier Cricket T20 Competition</u>		
Queens v Mudgeeraba Nerang	Justin Cooke	Bruce Jennings
Coomera Hope Island v Gold Coast Dolphins	John White	Jim Griffin
<u>Cricket Gold Coast Premier League Division 2 (Second Grade)</u>		
Palm Beach Currumbin v Surfers Paradise	Bob Myatt	Gary Stimpson
Helensvale Pacific Pines v Queens	Jim Griffin	Peter Norman
<u>Cricket Gold Coast Premier League Division 3 (Third Grade)</u>		
EF: Tamborine Mountain Canungra v Mudgeeraba Nerang	Bob Myatt	John Irwin
EF: Logan Village v Surfers Paradise	Peter Larter	Dan Hockings
SF: Jimboomba v Logan Village	Ian Fisher	John Irwin
SF: Broadbeach Robina v Tamborine Mountain	Peter Larter	Peter Blackburn
<u>Cricket Gold Coast Community League Division 1 (Fourth Grade)</u>		
Palm Beach Currumbin v Queens	John Salter	
Bonogin v Surfers Paradise	David Davies	
<u>Cricket Gold Coast Community League Division 2 (Fifth Grade)</u>		
EF: Helensvale Green v Alberton Ormeau	Ian Fisher	John Mathes
EF: Broadbeach Robina v Helensvale Gold	Gary Stimpson	Marty Orr
SF: Southport Labrador v Broadbeach Robina	Rob Hayter	
SF: Runaway Bay v Helensvale Pacific Pines Green	Bruce Jennings	
<u>Cricket Gold Coast Community League Division 3 (Sixth Grade)</u>		
Broadbeach Robina v Bonogin Gold	Rob Krusvar	
Palm Beach Currumbin v Helensvale Pacific Pines Green	Tony Richards	
<u>Master Over 40s Division 1</u>		
Helensvale Pacific Pines v Queens	Neville Taylor	
Loganholme v Mudgeeraba Nerang	Ian Fisher	
<u>Master Over 40s Division 2</u>		
Helensvale Pacific Pines v Mudgeeraba Nerang	Peter Blackburn	
Broadbeach Robina v Tamborine Mountain Canungra	Rob Milde	
<u>Master Over 40s Division 3</u>		
Tamborine Mountain Canungra v Burleigh	Tony Richards	
Coomera Hope Island v Helensvale Pacific Pines	John Irwin	
<u>Master Over 50s</u>		
Mudgeeraba Nerang v Alberton Ormeau	Rob Hayter	
Logan Village v Palm Beach Currumbin	Michael Guy	

2024/25 Junior Semi-Finals Appointments

Open Turf Juniors Division 1

Helensvale Pacific Pines v Broadbeach Robina	Jim Griffin
Burleigh v Surfers Paradise	Rob Krusvar

Open Turf Juniors Division 2

Helensvale Pacific Pines v Alberton Ormeau	Matt Edwards
Queens v Bonogin	Mark Davies

Open Turf Juniors Division 3

Runaway Bay v Southport Labrador	Tony Kriel
Queens v Helensvale Pacific Pines	Greg Walton

Under 13s Division 1

Coomera Hope Island v Palm Beach Currumbin	Karan Sachdeva
Surfers Paradise v Helensvale Pacific Pines	Marty Orr

Under 12s Gold

Runaway Bay Navy v Coomera Hope Island Blue	Bruce Jennings
Broadbeach Robina v Mudgeeraba Nerang Blue	Talvinder Raina

Description of Major Awards

Junior Umpire Encouragement Award – Awarded to a member who has predominately umpired juniors during the season who has shown significant progress in their umpiring journey. The Selectors view the recipient as having the potential to consistently umpire 1st Division Juniors and/or progress to umpiring Seniors.

Senior Umpire Encouragement Award – Awarded to a member who has predominately umpired seniors during the season who has shown significant progress in their umpiring journey. The Selectors view that the recipient as having the potential to consistently umpire 1st and 2nd Grade matches in the future.

Les & Shaun Garraway Perpetual Shield – This Shield was donated by and named after long time President, Life Member and Mentor Les Garraway and his wife Shawn and is awarded to the umpire who has shown the most improvement as an umpire. This award is voted on by the Selectors with consultation with Les Garraway.

Life Members Shield – This Award recognises the 8 Life Members of the GCCUSA and their respective service to the GCCUSA. It is awarded to a member who commenced umpiring with the GCCUSA during the last season. It is presented to the recipient by all Life Members in attendance at the Presentation Dinner.

The President's Shield – This Shield awarded by the current President of the GCCUSA and recognises a member who has shown significant dedication and commitment to the GCCUSA during the season. This award is selected by the President on behalf of the membership of the GCCUSA acknowledging the efforts of the recipient to assist with the functioning and promotion of the Association.

The Pat Carty Perpetual Shield – This Award is named after long time umpire and Mr Junior Cricket Pat Carty who consistently promoted umpiring in Juniors in his roles as Junior Delegate and as Juniors Selector of the GCCUSA. This award was named after Pat during the 2023 Presentation Dinner and is presented to the Junior Umpire of the Year.

The Wally Foster Perpetual Shield – is named after former President and the first Life Member of the GCCUSA Wally Foster. Wally was a long-time servant of the GCCUSA and continued to have an interest in the GCCUSA long after his retirement. This award recognises the Umpire of the Year and is voted on by Peers, the Clubs and the Selectors and is presented to a member who has had an outstanding Season umpiring Cricket Gold Coast matches and other matches appointed by GCCUSA.

2024/25 Major Award Winners

Junior Umpire Encouragement Award	
Senior Umpire Encouragement Award	
Most Improved Umpire <i>Les & Shaun Garraway Perpetual Shield</i>	
Best First Year Umpire <i>Life Members Award</i>	
Dedication & Commitment to GCCUSA <i>The President's Shield</i>	
Junior Umpire of the Year <i>Pat Carty Perpetual Shield</i>	
Umpire of the Year <i>Wally Foster Perpetual Shield</i>	

Previous Major Award Winners

Junior Umpire Encouragement Award

2019/20	Pat Carty
2020/21	Travis Dilger
2021/22	Tom Halloran
2022/23	Tony Kriel
2023/24	Not Awarded

Les & Shaun Garraway Perpetual Shield

2012/13	Rob Verhoeve
2013/14	Andrew Fildes
2014/15	Jim Kelly
2015/16	Jill Shephard
2016/17	Josh Thompson
2017/18	Sam Goswami
2018/19	Michael Guy
2019/20	Chris Howe
2020/21	Josh Wilson
2021/22	John White
2022/23	Chad Bridge
2023/24	Rob Hayter

The President's Shield

2020/21	John Mathes
2021/22	Sam Goswami & Michael Guy
2022/23	Sam Goswami & Michael Guy
2023/24	Sam Goswami & Michael Guy

Wally Foster Perpetual Shield

2020/21	Sam Goswami
2021/22	Peter Larter
2022/23	John White
2023/24	Greg Douglas

Senior Umpire Encouragement Award

2019/20	Peter Larter
2020/21	Justin Cooke
2021/22	Matt Rimmer
2022/23	Rob Hayter
2023/24	Tony Richards

Life Members Award

2012/13	Andrew Fildes
2013/14	Paul Ewart
2014/15	Greg Douglas
2015/16	John White
2016/17	Brendan Callaghan
2017/18	Justin Cooke
2018/19	Shane Maxwell
2019/20	Yash Kapoor
2020/21	Jim Griffin
2021/22	Michael Duncanson
2022/23	Mal Pearson
2023/24	Greg Walton

Pat Carty Perpetual Shield

2020/21	Warren Maxwell
2021/22	James Guy
2022/23	John Mathes
2023/24	John Mathes

Grade	Umpire 1	Umpire 2
1st Grade		
2nd Grade		
3rd Grade		
4th Grade		
5th Grade		
6th Grade		
1st Grade One Day	<i>Greg Douglas</i>	<i>Mal Pearson Reserve – Jim Griffin</i>
2nd Grade One Day	<i>Stephen Fildes</i>	<i>Rod Rice</i>
Premier T20	<i>Greg Douglas</i>	<i>Michael Guy Reserve – John White</i>
Community T20	<i>Michael Guy</i>	<i>Peter Norman</i>
Over 40s Division 1		
Over 40s Division 2		
Over 40s Division 3		
Over 50s		
Open Juniors Division 1		
Open Juniors Division 2		
Open Juniors Division 3		
Open Juniors Division 4		
Under 13s Division 1		
Under 13s Division 2		
Under 12s Gold		
Under 12s Blue		

Former Test Umpire Ian Gould was asked in an interview by ESPNcricinfo whether he would recommend players taking up Umpiring

The job's changed completely. I was talking to someone yesterday, about an old photo of Frank Chester - he had a trilby on, coat down to his ankles, and a pair of brogues. All he needed to do was take off his umpire's coat, put on a blazer and go straight to the pub. He didn't need to change.

I think the more people get to read books like mine, listen to podcasts with Richard Illingworth and Richard Kettleborough, and what's written by the press - umpiring's a very good job now. It can be exciting, exhilarating. I found umpiring, the day went quicker than playing, because you're always doing something. It is a worthwhile occupation. It's not the sort of job [where you can] play county cricket till you're 42 and think, "Do you know what, I'll go and do a bit of umpiring." You'd have missed ten years of fun. On my behalf it's a must, something that people should really look into.

