



49th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 19 August

2025

This booklet is the official annual report for the Maitland Touch Association Incorporated for the year of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Enclosed are the official reports of the association as per NSW Fair Trading guidelines and regulations.

MAITLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION





AGM Agenda

**49th Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 19 August 2025, 6:30pm
Club Maitland City**

1. Welcome -
2. Apologies -
3. Minutes from previous AGM -
4. Annual Reports
 - a. Presidents Report
5. Technical Reports
 - a. Technical Director
 - b. Director of Referees Report
6. Financial Statement / Report
7. Election of Board of Directors
 - a. Vice President -
 - b. Technical Director -
8. Appointment of Public Officer -
9. Appointment of Office Bearers
 - o Administrator -
 - o Director of Referees -
 - o Director of Selectors -
 - o Director of Coaching -
 - o Public Relations Officer -
 - o Judiciary Chairperson -
 - o Competition Supervisors -
 - o Child-safe Officer -
10. Appointment of General Committee -
11. Appointment of Life Membership -
12. Special Resolutions -
13. Notice of Motions -
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President's Report 2024/25

I can't believe another year has flown by — and what a year 2024/25 has been for Maitland Touch! We've continued to experience growth in player numbers at the grassroots level, increased strength in our representative teams, and maintained a strong presence within the community. Touch Football remains a highly sought-after and eagerly anticipated sport in our local area, and I'm proud to lead this great club as it continues to thrive.

This year has brought many exciting moments and new chapters in Maitland Touch history. In 2024, we took two teams to Vawdon Cup in Sydney — the first time in 30 years that MTA has entered this competition. We were thrilled from the outset, especially as we secured a grant from DoorDash, which covered weekly bus transport to Sydney. Our Vawdon experience was incredible, and many embraced the 'Vawdon romance.' Even more impressively, we were crowned 2024 Vawdon Champions in both Men's Division 1 and Youth Boys Division 2 — an undeniable highlight of the year!

Our 2024 Junior Competition continued its upward trajectory and made history yet again in the grassroots division. We saw an increase of 27 teams from the 2023 season, reaching our full capacity of 153 teams. Approximately 1,450 junior players aged 7–17 took the field every Thursday evening from October to December 2024. A competition of this size doesn't happen without the incredible support of our volunteers, referees, and valued sponsors. The Junior Comp is more than a competition — it's a weekly community event and a huge asset to our region.

Our Senior Summer Competition included 68 teams across men's, women's, and mixed divisions — an increase of 10 teams from the previous season. Notably, we fielded 4 women's teams, a division we were unable to fill in 2023/24.

In its second year, we also ran the AcroCert Maitland Premier League (MPL), with 9 teams participating, bringing our total number of summer teams to 77. A sincere thank you to AcroCert for their continued support of this prestigious competition, which offers valuable pathways for our representative players.

Our Mid-Year Competition just wrapped up, featuring 18 teams, consistent with last year's numbers. This year, we moved from monetary prizes to gift-based awards, which were well received by our members.

In the representative space, we fielded 8 Senior and 10 Junior Representative teams for the 2024/25 campaigns.

- 7 of our 8 senior teams competed at Country Champs in Wollongong, where our Women's 40s and Men's 20s teams were crowned champions.
- 5 teams competed at Hornets Regionals in Mallabula, with 4 reaching the semi-finals.
- At the Senior State Cup in Port Macquarie, 4 teams progressed to the finals series.

Our junior teams (10s–18s) competed in the Peter Wilson Memorial Champs in Nelson Bay in February 2025. Most teams made the finals at Regionals, and our 16s and 18s Boys were crowned 2024 Hornets Champions with sensational performances. A particular highlight has been the growth and depth in the girls' divisions at this year's representative tournaments — a joy to watch.

Our juniors also participated in Wallsend Gala Day, Hornets Minis, and several interclub trials and sessions. The 2025 NSW Junior State Cup Northern Conference in Dubbo was another standout event,

with 9 of our 10 teams reaching the finals series. The 16s and 18s Boys narrowly lost nail-biting Grand Finals to Manly, while the 14s Girls were crowned Northern Conference Champions, advancing to the state final the following week in a best-of-three playoff.

We were thrilled to finish 3rd in the overall Club Championship standings at the NSWTA State Cup Northern Conference for the second consecutive year, and the only regional club to do so.

Our Redbacks continued to excel at regional, state, and national levels:

- 5 players were selected for Australia's Youth Pacific Cup (AYPC) in May — with 3 officially debuting due to other commitments.
- 1 referee officiated at AYPC.
- 2 former Maitland juniors represented Australia in New Zealand at the 2025 Trans-Tasman.
- In June, 4 players, 3 referees, and 2 coaches represented at the 2025 State of Origin.
- At The Championships in Coffs Harbour, 33 senior players, 6 coaches, and 5 referees represented Hornets.
- 25 junior players represented Hornets at the 2024 Regional Champs (and will compete at NYC later this year).
- In school sport, 1 player represented both NSWCHS and NSW CIS, and 3 played for NSWCCC in September 2024.
- Additional selections include 1 player for NSWCHS, 2 for NSW CIS, and 5 for NSWCCC for NYC.

We have seen record numbers of junior Redbacks excelling in school-level Touch Football, progressing through to Regional, State, and All Schools teams. We also achieved 6 referee upgrades and 8 coaching upgrades.

I'm incredibly proud of every player, coach, and referee for their achievements this year.

Beyond the field, the club has achieved tremendous success:

- Maitland Touch was named 2024 Regional Affiliate of the Year.
- Hayden Ryan-Hill received the 2024 Administrator of the Year Award.
- Leanne Polglase was named Senior Coach of the Year.
- MTA Women's 40s earned Senior Team of the Year.
- Tom Taylor and Beth Monk received 2024 Blues Awards.
- Phil Balcombe was inducted as a Maitland Touch Life Member.

We are sincerely grateful to our local community for financially backing Maitland Touch. Thank you to our 2024/25 sponsors, including:

- Club Maitland City (major sponsor)
- AcroCert (MPL sponsor)
- The Mutual Bank
- Nichols Electrical
- Yellow Coaching
- Bakers Delight Green Hills and Rutherford
- Lovey's Grocers
- CNW Maitland
- Heal Urgent Care
- Tranter Lawyers
- Highways Motor Group
- Burger Urge Green Hills

- Physio Studio
- Fit4Kids

Thank you for recognising the value we bring through inclusive community sport.

A heartfelt thank you to our referees. Your efforts on the field at both park and rep level are instrumental. A special shout-out to Ivan and Beth for your leadership and commitment in overseeing the referee group.

Our members are our stakeholders, and without them, we have no club. As I complete my 4th year as President, I am overwhelmed by the support and unity of our community. Your strength, belief in our vision, and unwavering resilience are the reason Maitland Touch continues to succeed across all areas.

Special thanks to Andrew Fishlock for over a decade of dedicated service as a committee member and Tech Director. While stepping down from his official role, I'm sure he'll continue to contribute in other ways. Thanks also to Matt Chapman for his service on the committee — though no longer in an official role, he remains a valued 'GrassCutters' team member.

To the entire committee — thank you for your time, energy, and belief in our mission. Our core business is Touch Football. We strive to play it well and fairly, and your ongoing commitment ensures we're positioned for future growth. A special mention to our club administrator, Hayden — your knowledge, support, and dedication have been invaluable. Thank you for backing my ideas and helping bring our shared vision to life.

Finally, to my incredible husband, Steve, and our kids — thank you for your unwavering love and support. You keep me going when the going gets tough, and I couldn't do this without you.

We move into the coming year with excitement, as we plan our celebrations of 50 years of touch football in our community. The future is bright, and it's my honour to continue this journey with Maitland Touch.

Sincerely grateful,



Shelly Rush-Nichols

President 2024/25





Technical Director Report 2025

Summer Comp 2024/25

- 63 teams across the Monday and Tuesday night competitions –
 - Monday Night Comp
 - 1. 33 Men's teams
 - A grade 6 teams; B grade 6 teams; C grade 11 teams; D grade 10 teams
 - Tuesday Night Comp
 - 1. 26 Mixed teams
 - A/B grade 7 teams; C grade 9 teams; D grade 10 teams;
 - 2. 4 Women's teams

The 2024/25 Summer competition continued with strong team numbers as per recent competitions. Although there were some interruptions due to weather the full competition was able to be successfully completed.

The high team numbers in the lower grade competitions for Mixed and Mens demonstrated a continued influx of new participants who were a part of a very well run and managed competition - ably supported by good quality referees assisting in their development and learning.

Mid-year (Winters) Comp 2025

- 18 teams across 2 Grades
 - 1. 9 Mens
 - 2. 9 Mixed teams

Although the number of Mixed teams reduced from 12 the previous year, the overall team numbers remained strong for both competitions.

The competition was interrupted for 3 weeks due to rain and subsequent ground closures. The grounds were able to be made up with double headers toward the back end of the competition and moving the overall competition back one week.

Special note - Monday night 9 June (long weekend). Forever to be known as the 'night from hell' – cold, extremely windy, unpleasant, an absolute shocker.

Junior Comp 2023

Another strong Junior competition with an additional 28 teams run across the entire competition

- 152 teams (Under 7 through until Under 17)
 - 1. 62 Girls teams
 - 2. 90 Boys teams

2024 Maitland Premier League (MPL)

The MPL commenced on 17 September and run through until 12 November when the Semi Finals and Grand Finals were held for both the Men's and Women's competitions.

The competition consisted of 4 Women's teams and 5 Men's teams.

General feedback was there was a drop off in intensity across each of the divisions, along with some teams not always having a full complement of players.

Technical Director

After holding the role of Technical Director at MTA since 2018 I believe it is time to step aside and allow another enthusiastic Redback to take the role and club forward. When I took on the role it was explained to me that the primary focus of the role was 'dispute' resolution. It's fair to say that is somewhat accurate because as we all know trying to navigate the minefield of amateur sport, volunteering, parents, kids, senior players, coaches and all with high expectations can be at times very challenging. I think we've done alright.

This decision has not been made lightly, and I believe it is the right time for me to step aside. I want to ensure that the role is filled by someone who can dedicate the time and energy it deserves to continue supporting the growth and success of our club, coaches, social competitions, and representative teams.

It has been a privilege to serve in this role and contribute to the development of our club. I am proud of what we have achieved together, particularly in strengthening our development programs and supporting our representative pathways. I am grateful for the support and collaboration of the Board, the Committee, and the broader MTA community.

I remain committed to a smooth transition and am happy to assist in any way I can during the handover period.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve Maitland Touch Association. I look forward to continuing my support of the club and wish the incoming Technical Director every success

DIRECTOR OF REFEREES REPORT 2024-25

Maitland's referees had another outstanding year as is evident by the following.

1. **Life Member.** At Maitland's 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM), Phil Balcombe was recognised for his continued commitment to the club as a player, official and committee associate by becoming a Maitland Touch Association (MTA) life member. Congratulations!



2. **NSWTA Referee Awards.** The 2024 NSW Touch Football Referees Awards Night saw the festivities once again at Bankstown Sports Club on the evening of Saturday 17th of August. Maitland was represented by eight (8) members with referee accolades being presented to:

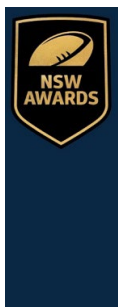
- Caleb Walz – Referee of the Tournament – JSC (Northern Conference)
– Referee of the Tournament – Referee of the Year – Hornets
- Amanda Crowley – Referee of the Tournament – Country Champs
- Ivan Cole – Referee of the Tournament – Hornets Champs
- Beth Monk – Referee of the Tournament – Don Green Western Junior Champs



3. **NSWTA Blues Awards.** The 2024 NSWTA awards night was held on Saturday 19th of October at Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG). As well as the many accolades that Maitland walked away with on the night:

- Administrator of the Year – Hayden Ryan-Hill
- Hornets Affiliate of the Year – Maitland Touch
- Senior Coach of the Year – Leanne Polglase
- Senior Team of the Year – Maitland W40's

Two (2) of our finest were presented Blues Awards in the respective fields. Well done Beth Monk, Tom Taylor and the entire Maitland Touch Community.



4. **Maitland's Premier League.** On Monday 17th of September, the second year of AcroCert's MPL Competition commenced. The seven-week competition had four (4) female spider teams and five (5) male spider teams compete for supremacy. This year saw more Maitland referees join the nest with cameo appearances from Singleton and Nelson Bay. MPL24 concluded with Grand Finals played on 12th November followed by presentations and a massive feast of pizza with refreshments. The GF referees were:

MPL Mens:	Caleb Walz	Beth Monk	Adam Dangle
MPL Womens:	Andrew Burrows	Hillary Robertson	Bayley Underwood

- Leading Referee for the 2024 MPL Competition awarded to Beth Monk.



5. **Summer Competitions.** The clubs 2024 Junior Summer Competition continues to grow and as a result, the call went out for more referees. An impressive thirty-six (36) junior and eighteen (18) senior referees answered. The Junior Grand Finals were contested on Thursday 12th December 2024 with the referees appointed listed below:

Boys 17:	Caleb Walz	Beth Monk	Ivan Cole
Girls 17:	Carol Loh	Abbie Turner	
Boys 15:	Beth Monk	Ivan Cole	Abbie Turner
Girls 15:	Abbie Turner	Annie Lidbury	
Boys 13 (Red):	Braith Punton	Andrew Masi	
Boys 13 (Black):	Max Fortunaso	Lars Meskauskas	
Girls 13 (Red):	Liam Lucas	Max Fortunaso	
Girls 13 (Black):	Liam Lucas	Anna Fortunaso	
Boys 11 (Red):	Max Fortunaso	Xavier Hicks	
Boys 11 (Black):	Lars Meskauskas	Andrew Masi	
Girls 11:	Ivan Cole	Anna Fortunaso	



The 2024 Senior Competition saw a roster of over twenty-nine (29) referees spreading their talents across both Monday and Tuesday nights. The Men's and Women's Grand Finals were contested on 24th February 2025 and Mixed on the 25th with GF's awarded to the below referees:

Women's:	Tom Taylor	Carol Loh	
Men's A:	Caleb Walz	Bryce Lucas	Adam Dangel
Men's B:	Caleb Walz	Adam Dangel	Tom Taylor
Men's C:	Bryce Lucas	Beth Monk	Telia Buckton
Men's D:	Beth Monk	Ivan Cole	



Mixed A:	Beth Monk	Adam Dangel	Phil Hanley
Mixed B:	Adam Dangel	Phil Hanley	Liam Lucas
Mixed C:	Hillary Robertson	Carol Loh	Max Fortunaso
Mixed D:	Carol Loh	Liam Lucas	Anna Fortunaso



6. **Senior Referees End of Season Function.** The senior ref function occurred on Sunday 9th February 2025 at Quad Bike King – Williamtown. It was an action packed thrill ride enjoyed by all that attended. A reinvigorating feast with ice-cold refreshments followed at the Bull & Bush Medowie. Cannot wait until next year... Segway anyone.



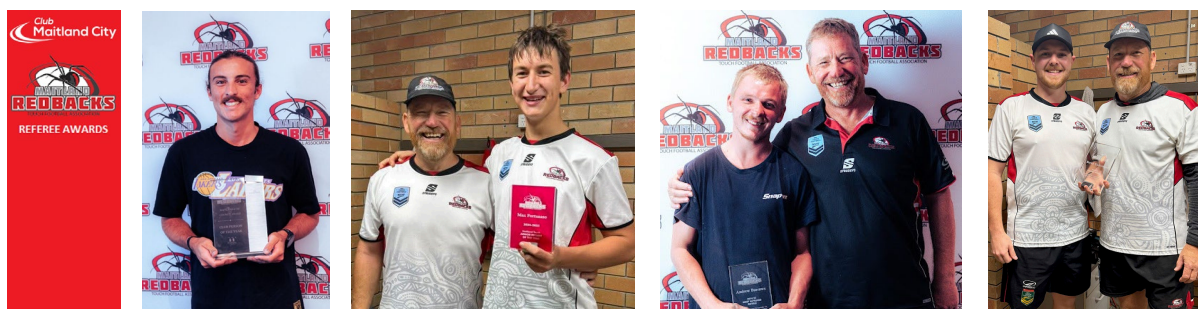
7. **Junior & Senior Referee Awards.** In 2023, Tom Taylor was presented with the Maitland City Council Award for Club Person of the Year and during the Senior Representative Awards evening at Club Maitland City on Friday 13th December 2024, we had another outstanding club member receive this highly coveted award. Congratulations:

- Caleb Walz – Maitland City Council Award - Club Person of the Year

The 2024-25 Referee Awards were presented during the Junior Representative afternoon at Club Maitland City on Sunday 16th March. This year's three outstanding referees were:

- Max Fortunaso – Maitland's Junior Referee of the Year
- Andrew Burrows – Maitland's Most Improved Referee
- Bayley Underwood – Maitland's Leading Referee.

Well done team.



8. **Winter Competition.** The 2025 Senior Winter Competition saw fourteen (14) referee's battle flooding, torrential rain and bitterly cold Monday nights to officiate both mixed and men's games. The referee contingent included Maitland's Junior Referee of the year, Max Fortunaso and his gifted sister Anna. Both junior referees stepped up to the task and managed the senior players with ease. Semi and Grand Final games were played on the 7th July over four timeslots in surprisingly pleasant, but still chilly conditions. The referee end-of-season luncheon was held at the Bradford Hotel on the Sunday prior, where those that attended enjoyed a wholesome feed with plenty of joyful banter. Congratulations to the below Grand Final Referees:

Mixed:
Matt Turner Phil Hanley Liam Lucas
Men's:
Beth Monk Ivan Cole Bayley Underwood



9. **A New Initiative.** Run in conjunction with the Winter Competition, a six (6) week pilot program known as Redbacks Academy was introduced for juniors to improve their skills and stay connected with touch during the 'off season'. Games were played during these sessions, which were conducted by division coaches with senior referees providing support.



10. **Tournaments.** Maitland's referees officiated at numerous tournaments around the State and abroad. With the relaxation of NSWTA Referee Pool Policy, Maitland were once again able to assist affiliates within our region to meet their referee requirements. Berkeley Vale, Doyalson, Dubbo, Central Coast, Forster, Newcastle and Defence Touch were extremely grateful. Tournaments officiated by MTA referees throughout 2024/25 being:

Event	Location & Date	Number Ref'd
Defence Touch Nationals (DEFNATS)	Randwick, Sep 2024	6
Vawdon Cup (VC)	Sydney, Oct-Nov 2024	8
National Youth Championships (NYC)	Coffs Harbour, Sep 2024	3
Country Champs (CC)	Wollongong, Oct 2024	10
Hornets Regional Champs	Mallabula, Oct 2024	10
Don Green Western Junior Champs (DGWJC)	Mudgee, Nov 2024	5
Senior State Cup (SC)	Port Macquarie, Dec 2024	11
Central Coast Junior Champs (CCJC)	Doyalson, Dec 2024	2
Peter Wilson Memorial Champs (PWMC)	Nelson Bay, Feb 2025	13
WA Senior State Champs	Mt Claremont WA, Feb 2025	3
Junior State Cup (JSC) - North	Dubbo, Feb 2025	11
Junior State Cup (JSC) - Finals	Tempe, Mar 2025	3
Junior Regionals	Mudgee, Apr 2025	1
Northern Territory Titles	Darwin NT, May 2025	2
Asia Pacific Youth Cup	Redcliffe QLD, May 2025	1
National Touch League (NTL)	Coffs Harbour, Jun 2025	5
State of Origin	Coffs Harbour, Jun 2025	3



Grand Final appointments for the above tournaments were awarded to the below Maitland referees:

2024-25					
DEFENCE	VAWDON	NYC	COUNTRY	HORNETS	DGWJC
WO A.Crowley	MD1 C.Walz MD3 I.Cole WD2 B.Monk	18G C.Walz	MXO C.Walz M30 B.Monk W40 D.Crowley M50 A.Crowley M55 I.Cole	MO C.Walz WO A.Cowley WO B.Monk WO I.Cole M30 D.Crowley M30 A.Burrows W20 C.Ollerton W40 H.Robertson M50 M.Turner	18B C.Walz 16B A.Burrows 16G I.Cole 16G B.Monk 12G H.Robertson
SENIOR STATE	PWMC	JSC	JSC FINALS	JNR REGIONALS	NTL
MO C.Walz WO B.Underwood WO A.Crowley WO I.Cole MXM J.Gilewski W40 B.Monk M50 P.Balcombe	18B C.Walz 14G B.Monk 10B B.Punton	18B C.Walz 10B I.Cole 10G B.Monk	18B C.Walz 16G B.Monk 14B I.Cole	14G A.Burrows	M20 C.Walz AA1 B.Monk

11. As with previous years, Maitland's referees also officiated at other events around the region throughout 2024-25. These included:

- The PSSA Touch Knockout
- Numerous School Events
- Wallsend Gala Day
- Port Stephens NAIDOC Touch Championship.



12. **Asia Pacific Youth Touch Cup.** Launched in 2023, the APYTC returned to the Touch calendar in mid-May showcasing the best emerging youth talent on the international stage at Kayo Stadium Redcliffe QLD. With teams competing from across the South Pacific region including Australia, Cook Islands, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Samoa, and Tonga. Sixteen (16) of the best referees from Australia were given the honour to officiate and Maitland's Top Gun, Caleb Walz was part of this elite group. Caleb was untouchable on the field which saw him awarded the W20 GF. Well done Maitland's Maverick.



13. **State of Origin.** Amongst all of Australia's referees, the top fifty-four (54) are selected to officiate the annual State of Origin Series. 2025 saw three (3) of Maitland's finest showcase their skills over the weekend of 20-21 June. This is a tremendous achievement and Maitland Touch is extremely proud of all who were selected to represent NSW. Congratulations:

- Referees - Caleb Walz, Beth Monk, Ivan Cole

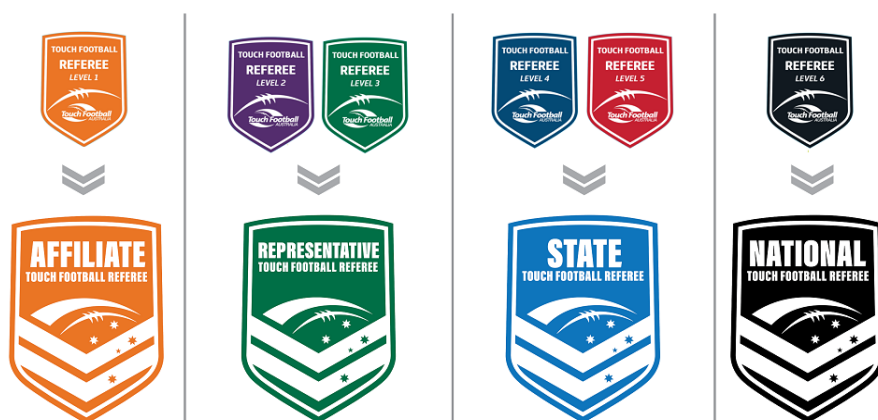


14. **Referee Upgrades.** Well done to the below Maitland referees that received their respective upgrades throughout 2024-25:

Level 4	Level 4	Level 2	Level 2	National
State Cup Port Macquarie	State Cup Port Macquarie	PWMC Nelson Bay	PWMC Nelson Bay	NTL Coffs Harbour
08-Dec-24 Bayley Underwood	08-Dec-24 Drew Crowley	02-Feb-25 Braith Punton	02-Feb-25 Max and Anna Fortunaso	01-Jun-25 Amanda Crowley
				

15. **Referee Training.** Ivan Cole and Beth Monk facilitated one (1) course throughout 2024-25. From this course, Maitland Touch welcomed an additional eleven (11) juniors to its referee team.

16. **New TFA Referee Accreditation.** From Monday 3rd March 2025, the current six (6) tier badge system transitioned to four (4) including the removal of the numbering system for the tiers of accreditation. This change aligns with the new Referee Education and Development Framework to enhance the experience and grow the sport. The new Framework streamlines the referee pathway and provides opportunities for ongoing development.



17. **Referee Recruitment and Retention.** A new incentive was introduced for the Junior Competition in an attempt to entice referees to hang back and officiate the later games. Rebel Sport gift cards were on offer for three lucky junior referees. The more games officiated, the more chances to win! During the last round of competition on Thursday 12th Dec, the lucky barrel was tumbled and three (3) tokens drawn... ★Congratulations★ Nate Rigby, Lars Meskauskas and Brady Carpenter. As with previous years, Maitland will continue to look for new concepts to help grow its referee family... Chocolate Wheel anyone.



18. **Coaching.** Maitland continues to offer coaching and mentoring to its referees. Under the guidance of John Taylor (JT), MTA Head Referee Coach, our referees learn valuable skills that help with game management, increased confidence, decision making and most importantly... enjoyment. Without Maitland's coaches, mentors and its committee, we would be just another club.

19. **Emerging Talent Squad.** This pilot program develops the next generation of referees that have shown the potential and talent to become the best. These referees are identified as the future of officiating, with the potential to achieve higher honours and elevate the standard of refereeing with in the sport of touch. Since his return, Bayley Underwood has tsunami'd the referee world and as such, was invited to the squad in September 2024. An amazing achievement Bayley, well done!

20. **In Closing.** Another outstanding season by Maitland Touch and its 'uber' amazing Committee. With our referees, players, staff and supporters smashing all country expectations and baffling the non-believers... Maitland continues to raise the bar across the NSW touch community.

A special mention to our referee panel below that continue to support the clubs ever growing team both at local competitions and tournaments... thank you:

- Julie Gee – DOR Assistant
- John Taylor – Referee Head Coach
- Beth Monk – Leading Female Referee
- Caleb Walz – Leading Male Referee.

Yours in touch,

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Finance Report, Financial Statements

2025 Annual General Meeting

By Steve Nichols

On 30 June 2025, the bank balances of the accounts were:

Working Account	\$92,541.36
Savings Account	\$16,434.09
Representative Account	\$2,668.50
Canteen Account	\$2,918.50
Term Deposit	\$30,358 (Re-invested again this financial year)

YTD Profit

We are still in a very strong financial position. The pre audit Profit for the 24/25 year is \$16,393.58.

Considerations

We are still in the very fortunate position of having cash reserves which allows us the option to spend in a targeted and responsible way. For the upcoming year we have the added revenue loss with NSWTA starting their "one fee model". This will make it harder for us to make our social competitions profitable and competitive for the community at least in the short term.

Sponsorship

In the 24/25 financial year we raised \$32,500.00 in sponsorship. A list of our contributors below

Club Maitland City	\$9,000
AcroCert (MPL)	\$5,000
Yellow Coaching	\$2,000
Nichols Electrical	\$2,000
Physio Studio	\$2,000
CNW Electrical	\$2,000
Highway Motors	\$2,000
Heal Urgent Care	\$2,000
Tranter Lawyers	\$2,000

Loveys IGA	\$2,000
The Mutual Bank	\$2,000
Fit 4 Kids	\$500

The upcoming financial year 25/26 we believe will have slightly decreased sponsorship and will be discussing how to distribute through the year.

Financial Audits

The 23/24 Audited financials are available for viewing. I am preparing the 24/25 figures for the auditor. They want them in October 2025 so they can be presented at the 50th AGM in 2026.

Financial Achievements

In the 24/25 financial year we continued the coaches travel subsidy and had a quite a lot of representative player subsidies. We paid out for the FIT Touch World Cup, Trans Tasman, State of Origin and NSW All Schools. This cost the club approx \$10,000 which we are happy to offer and can afford.

Summary

We are constantly trying to find the balance of making our social competitions profitable yet affordable. Representative costs are increasing with us competing at Vawdon Cup now and our quest to have both our Men's and Women's opens to be competing at the highest opens level. We are trying to heavily subsidise our representative program is a balance of levies, sponsorship and club funds. This journey will continue as the club grows. We are always mindful that we need to keep our cash reserves for the time we have a club space to fit out and maintain that we partner with the council to provide us in the future. That is why we are trying to stay in the black each year where possible.
