Photographic Society of Queensland

Minutes

Management Committee Meeting
Sunday 17 May 2026

1. **Meeting Opened**: 7.04pm

2. **Attendance:** Ralph Brown, Victoria Purdie, John Staib, Danielle Morrish, Fran McFadzen, Greg Tungate, Debra Rychvalsky, Sue Bailes

3. **Apologies:** None

4. **Confirmation of Minutes:** Debra moved that the April 2026 minutes be accepted.
   Seconded by John AIF

5. **Business arising from the Minutes:**
   TASK: April 14.a Debra to ensure notices are sent to members for PSQ AGM (24 April). Completed
   Task: Greg to design a Budget spreadsheet to go with the Convention Information pack (Ongoing)
   Task: Fran/John An Authorised Representative of the Club, including Name and Position to be added to the PSQ Club Affiliation Form Completed

6. **Correspondence:**

a. Inwards: April/May 2026

Date	From	To	Details
17.4.26	PSQ Treasurer	PSQ Committee	Unaudited 2025-2026 Financial Report
17.4.26	Redlands Camera Club	JE Executive	Feedback form for Christina Robinson
18.4.26	PSQ Treasurer	PSQ Committee	Answers to queries on Financials report
18.4.26	Greg Tungate	PSQ Committee	Updated Convention From
18.4.26	Emerald Photography Club	PSQ Committee	Reporting Fake emails supposedly from Ralph Brown
18.4.26	Hervey Bay Photo Club	PSQ Committee	Reporting Fake emails supposedly from Ralph Brown
19.4.26	Danielle Morrish	PSQ Committee	Events Coordinators report for April meeting
19.4.26	Elaine Tilley	PSQ Committee and Clubs	Email to all clubs, accusations of cheating at Gympie Club
19.4.26	PSQ Web Admin	PSQ Committee	Web Admin report for April Meeting
19.4.26	PSQ Web Admin	PSQ Committee	Amended form for PSQ Grants
19.4.26	PSQ Secretary	PSQ Committee	April Minutes and Amended March Minutes
19.4.26	John Lomas	JE Exec PSQ Committee	Mentor report for USJ Marie Pantaleon presentation at Masters Apprentices Photography Club 4.2.26
20.04.26	PSQ President	PSQ Clubs	Reply to accusations of Gympie Club cheating, by Elaine Tilley
20.04.26	PSQ President	FCC Secretary NSW	Endorse PSQ support for submission for inclusion of Not - For-Profit sector for the next Arts and Culture policy
23.4.26	TPS President	JE Executive	Feedback form for Pam Bartlett-Munt
23.4.26	TPS President	JE Executive	Feedback form for Paul Balfe
23.4.26	TPS President	JE Executive	Feedback form for Andrew Swinfield
23.4.26	TPS President	JE Executive	Feedback form for John Lomas
24.4.26	Cairns Photography Club	JE Executive	Feedback form for Paul Tilley
Date	From	To	Details
24.4.26	Maryborough Camera Club	JE Executive	Feedback form for Belinda Kranz
3.5.26	PSQ Treasurer	PSQ Committee	PSQ P&L and 2027 budget
3.5.26	PSQ Treasurer	PSQ Committee	Comparison 2026 to 2027 budget
3.5.26	PSQ Treasurer	PSQ Committee	April Financials
4.5.26	McAfee	PSQ Treasurer	McAfee Total Protection for 5 devices – 1 yr subscription
6.5.26	PSQ President	PSQ Clubs	Email to clubs to thank Sunshine Coast Photography Club, Sponsors, Venue, Speakers, and Workshop Presenters for an amazing PSQ Convention

6.5.26	Tin Can Bay Camera Club	JE Executive	Feedback form for Suzanne Wacker
7.5.26	Victoria Purdie	PSQ Treasurer	Convention Expense Claim
8.5.26	Ralph Brown	PSQ Treasurer	Convention Expense Claim
10.5.26	Fran McFadzen	PSQ Treasurer	Request for reimbursement
11.5.26	Vice President / JE Chair	PSQ Committee	April Report
12.5.26	Vice President / JE Chair	PSQ Committee	2 Agenda Items for May Committee Meeting

b. Outwards:

March April 2026 Correspondence Out

Date	From	To	Details
25.4.26	PSQ Secretary	PSQ Clubs	AGM Notice
27.4.26	PSQ Secretary	Graham Meadowcroft	Decline offer to advertise in Art Guide Australia Digital Platform
14.5.26	PSQ Treasurer	PSQ Clubs	5th Annual Treasurers report to be voted on at AGM
14.5.26	PSQ Secretary	PSQ Clubs	Warning about scam emails from Ralph Brown and/or Victoria Purdie

7. Business arising from Correspondence:

a. TASK Ralph to reply to FCC Secretary re Consultation on Australia's National Cultural Policy Completed
b. TASK Ralph to contact Gympie Members re Club concerns Completed
c. TASK Debra to send email to clubs re emails, supposedly from Victoria and Ralph. These are credit card scams and the email address should be checked for authenticity before replying. Completed
d. TASK Debra to reply to Art Guide Australia, declining their offer for advertising. Complete
e. TASK Debra to reply to Daryl Newman re definition for nudity, and cruelty to animals (Not completed)

Debra moved that the Correspondence be accepted, seconded by Fran AIF

8. Presidents Report:

Update on the 2026 convention.

- The convention was a great success with positive feedback from most delegates.
- The Meet and Greet on the Friday night set the scene for the convention and created a positive vibe for the weekend.
- About 180 people attended the full conference and the gala dinner.
- The booking process went smoothly.
- There was a hive of activity to get the Trade Show set up, thanks to Adam and his team from Camera House.
- The Financials look sound with the event recording a modest profit for Sunshine Coast Club and PSQ.
- The workshops were well attended, and the Help Desk was busy sorting out any issues and moving people's bookings as required.
- The print presentation of the SEQ was popular, as was the slide show of the Digital entries.
- Official photos have been loaded on the PSQ Website.
- The exhibition of the images from the Queensland International Circuit was displayed during lunch on Monday and was popular with the delegates.

We still do not have a club willing to host the 2027 convention, and we will need to decide on how we will handle that. Toowoomba has agreed to host in 2028, and we may need to move to bi-annual conventions if no one comes forward.

The SEQ competition this year was a huge success, with print numbers the highest on record. We don't have a host club for 2027, and I have sent out an email asking for a club to nominate. I

received a call from Kaye Venton from PACT at Tweed, and she is talking to her team, but won't have an answer until after the AGM.

Committee members' nominations have been submitted for a vote at the AGM on 24th May. Debra has sent papers to all clubs, and the ZOOM link will be sent before the meeting.

This will be my last President's report as I hand over to Debra to take PSQ into the next chapter. I have nominated to remain as a general committee member, primarily to assist the transition and provide historical information.

Ralph Brown, PSQ President

Ralph moved that his report be accepted, seconded Greg AIF

9. Treasurers Report:

2026 to 2027
Financials report part summary
p &l 2026 to 2027
2 Month April Comments

3 Income	$0
4 Expenditure	$5
5 Excess income/expenditure	$5
9 Cash & Balance sheet Adjustment	$0
6 Depreciation	$5
8 Cash at bank	$24,648

These figures are for cash only. $0

Treasurers April Report and 2027 Budget were emailed previously to committee.

John moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Seconded by Greg AIF

10. Judges Executive Report:

May Report:

Between Fran and I we have been trying to get some other state judges onboard to help out our clubs by giving them some other judges to choose from. I emailed NSW, WA, Vic and SA. Had a few judges reply and want to be on our Interstate judge's list which Fran has set up at: https://www.psq.org.au/interstate-judges.html.
The page is not complete yet, but busy Fran is onto it. Once it is finished, I will email all the clubs and advise they have a few more judges to choose from now which will lighten our PSQ judge load, I hope. I see we have 51 judges and NSW and Canberra have 120, so more than double us.

The Vic people sent us their whole directory with a good selection of judges. NSW judges have completed ex AIPP training with Bill Bachman so have an asterisk next to their names on the website. This was proposed for us judges to do too with those that did Kris Andersen's training which would have been same/similar to the Bill Bachman training.

This was mentioned at the Judges Forum session at the convention. One of our judges mentioned that we hadn't done the 'endorsed' next to a judge's name for those that undertook the judging, so I got Debra to put this on the agenda for our Sunday night meeting. The people at the forum supported the initiative too. The NSW guy told me it was mostly younger and female judges who undertook the training and that clubs soon learnt who to reach out to. Toowoomba have already reached out to a judge in Victoria to judge for them and other clubs probably do it too. The ones who replied all said it was a good initiative to foster relations between the states.

Eric, our newest understudy, is off to a good start as I gave him one of my judgings to do, so he has started the process, and he was at the convention. It was a great time for those who weren't there.

At the convention, Fran secured Graham Martin to teach us about Judging High Key and Low Key for our Judge's forum on Zoom later in the year, and I secured Peter Michellson to teach on how to judge Street Photography and what to look for. I was busy trying to twist his arm into becoming an accredited judge too, as he does panel and club judging. He might in the future.

We were all working the room hard to also find a club to host next year's convention and to become judges. I emailed off information to one guy regarding the process of becoming a judge.

The main issue with the small towns like Maryborough, Bundaberg and Gympie were the lack of community facilities to host a big crowd, people told me. Gympie said their motel had closed down and their RSL had been closed for 3 years due to repairs.

Over the convention weekend, I had a few chats with Margaret Hamwood and she told me she used to be a judge but got bullied by Ben Stoffl years ago and quit to Stewart Parker. He told her 'once a judge, always a judge' so I am sure he would be happy she feels confident enough to ask to be put back on the Retired list for now and then move back onto Active in a little while or when she retires from work, as she has been doing panel judging. We will discuss this at Sunday night's meeting too. She showed me a copy on her phone of her Judge certificate.

I have nominated again for Vice President to support Debra, and we had lots of chats over the convention weekend.

Let me know any thoughts you have and see you all on Zoom at some stage.

Victoria, JE CHAIR

Victoria moved that: Margaret Hamwood be placed onto the Judges Inactive List, and that her PSQA Certificate which was lost in a house fire be replaced.
Seconded Fran AIF
TASK: Victoria to contact Margaret for the date on the previous certificate so that TASK: Fran can print a new certificate and send it to Ralph for a signature

Victoria moved that her report be accepted, seconded John AIF

Note: Ralph will remain as a member of the JE Committee

11. Web Admin Report:

Web Administration Report: May 2026

20 Apr
- Change Stephan Labushagne's locate from Bribe Island to Bribie Island. Thanks Victoria.
- Email "2027 Grant Form" to psq-committee

21 Apr
- Post Laszlo Fabri's Badge to his home in Ipswich

28 Apr
- Provide links to Sue Gordon for Judges Forum's videos

23 Apr
- Download feedback Toowoomba to Pam Bartlet-Munt

05 May
- Create INTERSTATE JUSGES page and upload three judges. Let Victoria know that it is done
- Update PSQ ALL ACCREDITED JUDGES list. Add to the judge's webpage

06 May
- Email a copy of all judges to Kaye Venton at PACT
- Correction to Eric Brandseth's email address on the webpage. Email Victoria that it is done

• 2026 Convention photos from Nina Prospero uploaded to website. Email her that it is done.
• Add post to Facebook that Convention Images are on the website
• Correction to Caboolture Club's citation. Email Tina that it is done

07 May
• Provide ZOOM Link to Stanthorpe Club for 12 May

10 May
• Request for Grant Form from Stanthorpe Club. Replied that it is not available yet.

15 May
• Received PSQ Convention images from Ty Fox
• Update the INTERSTATE JUDGES PAGE with VACs hyperlink
• Create Zoom Link and forward it to psq-committee

16 May
• Create buttons with hyperlinks on the SEQ 2026 Results webpage that take you to the Pixoroo website for SEQ. Looks very bare compared with 2925.
• Email Margaret Hamwood to ask for PowerPoint from award night. Says Ralph should have it
• Email Ralph to request the SEQ Award PowerPoint.
• Email "2027 Alliliation Form" to psq-committee

17 May
• Individually downsize 198 images from Ty Fox. Load onto 1016 Convention Page in seven slide shows.
• Add post to Facebook that MORE convention images are on the website
• Update Angela Gregory's citation on the accredited judge page. Achieved FAPS and AFIAP. Let her know that it is done

There are no issues which require support or decisions from the Committee this month.

Fran moved that her report be accepted, seconded by John AIF

12. Events Coordinator's Report:

PSQ BBQ

- Queensland Camera Group has agreed to host the Annual PSQ BBQ.
- BBQ guidelines were forwarded to Twiggy Daniels - President - no reply att. Emailed Twiggy again this week for an update.
  Task: Danielle to advise Twiggy (QCG) that the date will be 13th September.

PSQ Convention 2027

- Do we have a list of which clubs have declined the option to host next year's
- convention?
  Mackay; Gold Coast; Maryborough; Bundaberg, Gympie; Ipswich; Tin Can Bay;
  Debra will talk to Cairns and Douglas Clubs next week.

PSQ Judge's Forum

- Scheduled 11th October 2026 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.
- Fran has secured Graham Martin to present a talk on judging high key and low
- key photography. Awesome job Fran!
- Arrange follow-up communications with Graham this month. Check how long his presentation runs, time allowed approx. 45-60 mins
- • Do we want a second presenter for the forum? Only one required this forum.
- Victoria to talk to Peter Mitchelson to speak about Street Photography, for next year.
- Commence preparing event program with Victoria in July.

PSQ President's Forum

- Scheduled 08th August 2026 at 4:00pm.
- Commence preparing event program Debra in June.

Regards
Danielle Morrish
PSQ Events Coordinator

Danielle moved that her report be accepted, seconded by Victoria AIF

13. General Business:

a. AGM – We currently have Committee Positions that have no nomination. Members can nominate from the floor at the AGM.

b. PSQ Convention 2027 – Check with clubs to see if one is willing to host the Convention in 2027, if not, possibly have a shortened ($1^1/_2$ days) or digital convention. To be discussed next meeting.

c. Fran moved that the update to the bylaws giving a profit split of 60% to the club, be applied to the 2026 Sunshine Coast Convention. Seconded Greg. AIF

d. Pixoroo does not allow for a slideshow to be downloaded from the site.
Task: Fran to contact Pixoroo to discuss if this will be able to be done going forward.

e. 2026 Grants Form update to be approved.
2027 Affiliation Form to be approved.
Forms approved.
Task: Fran to upload the forms to the website.

f. The committee discussed sections of the bylaws, Newsletter and Salon of Excellence
Greg moved that: the following Amendments be updated in the By Laws.

Remove existing Bylaw 9 regarding newsletter.

Update Bylaw 10 (now actually 9 after removal as above) to amend the Salon of Excellence profit split to 60/40 in favour of the hosting club, starting in 2027.

Seconded Debra AIF

Task: Greg to update the Bylaws.

14. New Business

a. Request from Sue Gordon if Judges training has been approved?
TASK: Victoria to ask Sue for a budget for the next Face-to-face Judges Training weekend.

b. Request from Sue Gordon, for Kris Anderson to be made an Honorary member of PSQ, for all he does for clubs and judging.
Ralph moved that Kris Anderson be made an Honorary Member of PSQ.
Seconded Danielle AIF
Task: Fran to send certificate to Ralph to sign and forward to Kris.

c. Judge's endorsement and training was discussed and decided that those judges who have completed PSQ Judges Training Days, will have an Asterix after their name on the website.
Task: Fran to check which judges completed the PSQ Judges training and update the website.

d. Fran will email the Conditions of Entry document for the 2026 Qld International Circuit to committee.

e. Ralph presented an interim balance sheet for the PSQ Conference, still waiting on final expenses.

15. Meeting Closed: 8.50 pm

16. Next Committee Meeting: Sunday 21st May 7.00 pm (Third Sunday of the Month).
PSQ AGM 24 May 2026 4pm via Zoom (Deb will be in Cairns)
Presidents Forum 8th August 2026 4-6pm
PSQ BBQ 13th September 2026 hosted by QCG - Venue TBA
Judges Forum (via Zoom) 11 October 2026 4-6pm