

# The Game Plan

'The Game Plan' is Queensland Representative School Sport's bulletin designed to deliver news, once per term, to the dedicated players in our sporting arena.

QRSS has provided Queensland school students opportunities to access quality competitive sporting pathways for over 100 years. With district, regional, state and national level events supported by over 4,000 team officials and 200 Board, Committee and Executive members, no wonder the program delivers a world class product.

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## **Our Teams, Our People!**

Queensland Representative School Sport takes pride in individuals who harbor a passion for our program and is delighted to spotlight the personal journeys of some of our inspiring individuals, shedding light on the positive influence our representative school sport program has on people, in their own way.

### **Grace Brimelow - 'her journey to the Paralympics'**

Grace Brimelow is an 18-year-old Australian para-triathlete and swimmer from the Sunshine Coast, Queensland. Diagnosed with Cri du Chat syndrome—a rare genetic disorder affecting her physical coordination, strength, and speech—Grace has defied expectations to become one of Australia's most promising young para-athletes.

Grace's athletic journey began early, with swimming lessons at just four months old and involvement in Little Athletics by the age of five. Her passion and drive for sport flourished during her time at Sunshine Coast Grammar School, where she actively participated in school sporting events across swimming, cross-country, and athletics. Grace's talent was soon recognised by her physical education teacher, Maureen Cummings, who

encouraged her to explore aquathlon and later triathlon.

She has represented her district and Sunshine Coast region in track and field, cross country, triathlon and swimming since she was 10 years old. Through school sport carnivals and interschool competitions, Grace gained the confidence and competitive experience that laid the foundation for her elite para-sport career. One the national stage, she has represented QRSS in Cross Country, Swimming and Triathlon throughout her time in the program on numerous occasions.

She has consistently competed in both para and able-bodied events, demonstrating her remarkable determination and versatility. In 2024, Grace made her Paralympic debut in Paris in the Women's PTS4 triathlon. Although disqualified due to a bike leg error, the experience deepened her commitment to international competition.

Outside of triathlon, Grace has achieved notable success in swimming. A member of the 2024/25 Swimming Australia National Para Flippers Squad, she has her sights set on representing Australia in both swimming and triathlon at future Paralympic Games.

Balancing elite sport with academics, Grace continues to train under coaches Toby Coote (triathlon) and Charles Barry (swimming) while completing her education at Sunshine Coast Grammar School. Her long-term ambition is to compete in both disciplines at the Los Angeles 2028 and Brisbane 2032 Paralympic Games.

Her story is one of resilience, talent, and the power of school sport to launch exceptional young athletes toward global success.



[Hear from Grace Brimelow](#)

**Montana Aitkinson 'breaking records'**

Montana Atkinson from School Sport South Coast had an outstanding and highly successful 2025 Queensland Representative School Sport (QRSS) swimming campaign earlier this year.

Montana is not only an exceptional athlete but also a kind, humble, and supportive teammate who brings a positive energy to the pool deck. Her encouragement of others and dedication to her sport exemplify true sportsmanship and leadership. She consistently strives for excellence, pushing herself to be the very best in every event she enters, demonstrating unwavering focus, discipline, and determination.

Montana’s hard work and commitment paid off in a remarkable way—she broke an incredible seven QRSS records and claimed seven gold medals across her events. This is a truly extraordinary accomplishment and a fitting highlight to mark her final year competing within the school sport pathway.

We are incredibly proud of Montana and everything she has achieved. Her success is a testament to her talent, perseverance, and the support of those around her.

Well done, Montana—we look forward to cheering you on and witnessing more of your success as you represent at the SSA Nationals later this year at Chandler. Best of luck!





# Scorecard

## Celebrating State Championship Success

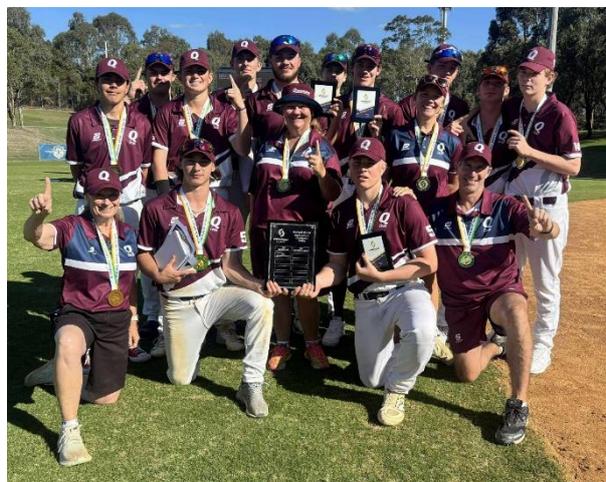
All results, placings and Queensland team lists will be published on the Queensland Representative School Sport website after the events take place and teams are finalised.

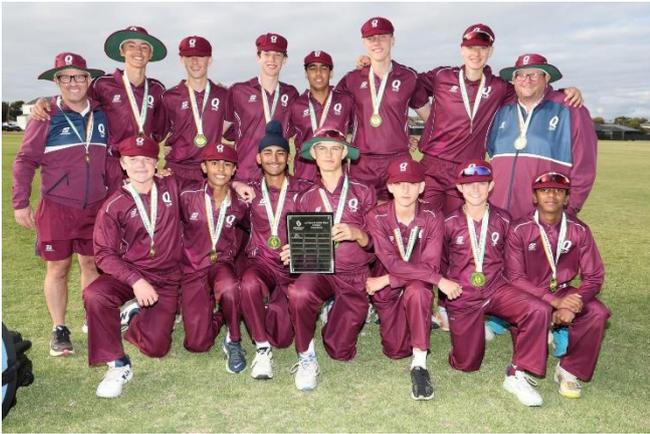
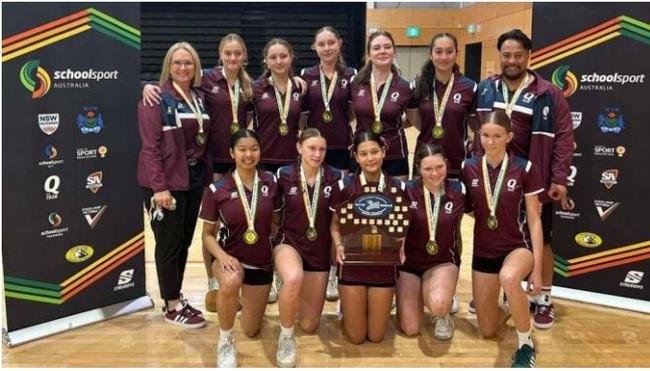
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- Navigate to the sport. You can find them under the “Sports” tab by selecting the relevant sport (e.g., swimming, athletics, rugby league)



## Celebrating National Championship Success

- Triathlon 10-19 years - CHAMPIONS
- Cricket - 15 years Boys - CHAMPIONS
- Softball - 18 years Boys - CHAMPIONS
- Volleyball - 15 years Girls - CHAMPIONS
- Softball - 18 years Girls - 3rd place
- Volleyball - 15 years Boys - 2nd place
- Tennis - 18 years - 4th place
- Baseball - 18 years Boys - 4th place





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## Boys 13-19 years Netball Selection Weekend

After 2 days of skills and match play, QRSS have announced the 13-15 years and 16-19 years Boys Netball teams for 2025.

This is the first 'in person' selection event hosted by QRSS for 13-19 years boy's netball with a great turnout of 85 boys at Nissan Arena, held alongside the Girls State Championships.

Thank you to all the families and athletes as well as the specialist coaches and Australian Kelpie, Jordon Webb for supporting the trial process.

The 15 years team will compete at the SSA National Championships while the 19 years team will participate in a high performance training weekend.



## Sport Competition Procedures

Are you looking for information on Queensland representative school sport competition procedures? The most up to date and recent documents are located on the website for all levels of the representative school sport pathway.

### 📌 How to Access:

1. Visit the [Queensland School Sport website](#).
2. Navigate to the sport. You can find them under the “Sports” tab by selecting the relevant sport (e.g., swimming, athletics, rugby league).
3. Access the document titled “Competition Procedures. Each sport has its own set of rules and competition procedures.





# Around the grounds

## QSEC Touch Football Championships

Thank you to Metropolitan East School Sport, Queensland Touch Football and Redlands Touch Football Association for the successful running of the first ever Queensland Special Education Championships.

The 2025 QLD Special Education Championships lit up Redlands, with the first-ever collaboration between QRSS and Queensland Touch Football.

We can't wait for QSEC 2026! This is truly what it's all about ✨

[View the smiles, laughs and fun here](#)



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**Struddys - Official Queensland Team uniform provider**

Struddys is the Queensland team uniform supplier for Queensland Representative School Sport.

The apparel best represents our program through the classic Queensland maroon and navy design with the newly developed 'Q Est. 1920' logo.



Struddys is the official state championship merchandise supplier for Queensland Representative School Sport.

Across all 21 sports, families have the opportunity to purchase souvenir apparel from State Championships or online.

The new apparel best represents our program through the classic Queensland maroon and a consistent design across all 21 sports.

Keep an eye out for these items at State Championships across the state!

We look forward to continuing to develop this partnership with Struddys for all things QRSS

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**Capturing moments**



Queensland Representative School Sport will highlight moments from State and National Championships throughout the year on [Facebook](#).

Memorable moments of staff and students at State Championships may also be captured.

Take a look at the recent highlight reels and photo albums on [Facebook](#).

[AFL](#)

[Basketball](#)

[Football - girls](#)

[Hockey - boys](#)

[Netball](#)

[Rugby Union](#)



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## Student Officials Program

**Queensland Representative School Sport runs a successful student official program.** The student officials' program was introduced to provide an alternative pathway for students to be involved in the QRSS program in the sport of their choice as a referee or umpire. This program has continued to provide valuable learning opportunities for students across the state that they may not get in club sport. The student officials program aims to:



- Provide a pathway for all students
- Grow excellence
- Strengthen pathways
- Maximise learning

In 2024, 343 students registered to be a student umpire or referee at State Championships with 77 students representing Queensland.

This year QRSS and the regions are working closely with State Sporting Organisations to ensure students have the opportunity to officiate, receiving education and mentoring throughout the State Championships. To date, approximately 200 students have officiated.

In Semester One 2025, 66 students have been selected to attend the National Championships to officiate for AFL, Basketball, Netball, Hockey, Rugby League, Softball, Touch Football and Volleyball. This is from their efforts at the QRSS State Championships and have been rewarded with the opportunity to represent Queensland in their chosen field of officiating.

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## **School Sport Australia Games 2025**

Following the resounding success of the inaugural SSA Games in 2024 on the Gold Coast, this prestigious event will once again bring together Australia's brightest young sporting talents for a week of outstanding competition and camaraderie.

School Sport Australia Games 02 will be held in City of Moreton Bay, Queensland from July 26th to August 2nd, 2025. This will also include the Aquatic Games to be held at

Chandler Swimming Centre, Brisbane.

School Sport Australia Games 03 will be held in Ballarat from the 24th October to 1st November 2025.

### School Sport Australia Games 02 Term 3 – 2025 City of Moreton Bay

- Australian Football 15 years and under (26 Jul – 2 Aug 2025)
- Basketball Combined age group (26 Jul – 1 Aug 2025)
- Bowls 18 years and under (26 Jul – 30 Jul 2025)
- Football (soccer) 18 years and under (26 Jul – 1 Aug 2025)
- Golf 18 years and under (26 Jul – 1 Aug 2025)
- Netball 15 years and under (26 Jul – 1 Aug 2025)
- Rugby League 12 years and under (26 Jul – 1 Aug 2025)



### School Sport Australia Games 03 Term 4 – Ballarat 2025

- Cricket 12 years and under (25 Oct – 31 Oct 2025)
- Football (soccer) 12 years and under (25 Oct – 30 Oct 2025)
- Golf 12 years and under (25 Oct – 29 Oct 2025)
- Netball 12 years and under (25 Oct – 31 Oct 2025)
- Softball 12 years and under (25 Oct – 30 Oct 2025)
- Swimming 10 – 12 years (25 Oct – 29 Oct 2025)
- Tennis 12 years and under (25 Oct – 1 Nov 2025)
- Touch Football combined age groups (25 Oct – 30 Oct 2025)



## Student Leadership Program

[Hear from the students](#)

📌 The Big Ideas Sport Challenge is here! 📌

We're excited to announce 'The Big Ideas Sport Challenge' proudly supported by [Broncos Club](#), in collaboration with [Future Anything](#).

As part of the Sports Leaders' Program, students from across Queensland networked yesterday in their first face to face session — developing innovative,



school-based projects to increase participation in sport at their schools.

Through creativity, curiosity, and entrepreneurial thinking, these young changemakers will now bring their projects to life in their school communities in 2025.



If your school is interested please contact [queenslandsschoolsport@qed.qld.gov.au](mailto:queenslandsschoolsport@qed.qld.gov.au) for further information.

## Sports Information

### Funding opportunities available

Funding for sporting opportunities are available. Please reach out to the below organisations or the students school for financial support to attend trials and Championships.

- [Emerging Athlete Pathway](#)
- [Local Sporting Champions](#)
- [Local Para Champions](#)
- [Sports Excellence Scholarship Fund](#)
- [South West Indigenous Network \(SWIN\) Pathways Program](#)
- School P&C associations



## Helpful Information



Sport has a place for everyone and delivers results that make Australia proud. [The Australian Sports Commission](#) is leading and enabling a united and collaborative high performance sport system.



Established in 1991, the [Queensland Academy of Sport \(QAS\)](#) is responsible for preparing Queensland elite athletes, teams and coaches for world class success. They are dedicated with a Vision of “Inspiring Extraordinary Sporting Success”.



[ACHPER QLD](#) (Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation Queensland Branch) is the leading professional association representing teachers and other professionals working in the fields of health and physical education in Queensland.



[Sport Inclusion Australia](#) has worked within the Australian sporting sector and is proud of the increasing numbers of sporting organisations and clubs taking responsibility for inclusion with the focus on ability and based on social inclusion principles.

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## Get in Touch

Have a story you would like to share? Feedback or other queries?



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