



# Queensland Line Dance Association Inc.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT for Meeting on 27 October 2024

Hi everyone,

It has been an amazing month for us all after with our extremely successful 4<sup>th</sup> Annual QLDA Ball being held at the Morayfield Sport & Event Centre on Saturday 12 October. A brief summary is below.

### QLDA BALL – Saturday 12 October

- The weekend was well attended with 155 people dancing the night away.
- John Bishop from Cowboy Culture in Melbourne delivered a Workshop before the Ball started. He taught two Easy Intermediate dances that were well received by all in attendance.
- Jill Costello, the Founder of ManUp! For Prostate Cancer, addressed the Ball to talk about this Charity. She was accompanied by her daughter, Leah.
- The winner of the major Raffle (an Original Artwork from Peppa Piacun) was Lee Sanders from Childers.
- Everything ran smoothly with various Instructors leading brackets on the Main Stage and the Side Stage. This was very effective with the Split Floors. Apart from the QLDA Committee Members (Jo, Tracey, Cathy, Rebecca, Lorrae & Ruth), we had John Bishop, Jasmin Currie, Julia Fuller, Angie Harriss, Scott Hojer, Leah Matthews, Lorraine Riley, Ute Woods and Siobhan Wright leading the dance brackets. Many thanks to them for doing this.
- Tia Breed was the MC/DJ for the evening – that was wonderful. She kept the night moving along.
- The Morayfield Staff were superb – they had struggled with a massive storm earlier in the week that had actually shut the centre down. There was no power or access to computers, emails etc. We are very fortunate that they got things back up and running just before the event.
- The Food Platters that were pre-ordered were quite simply amazing. There was SO much food on each of them.
- There were many positive comments about the event both on the night and afterwards. The Facebook posts, videos, photos etc have reached many people.
- An email was sent to all attendees asking for feedback also. Thank you to those people who responded – you had nothing but positive comments for us.
- Once our expenses are finalised, we will let everyone know.

### SPECIAL PRESENTATION AT THE BALL

We had a very special presentation to make on the night of the Ball to our Founding Member, Lorrae Goding. The Committee presented her with a plaque to recognise her as the Inaugural Life Member of QLDA. QLDA was Lorrae's idea back in 2017. Her vision, tenacity, passion, drive, push, dedication and her belief that this association would work is why we are here today. Thank you so much Lorrae! **QLDA was your dream!!!**

On the plaque we have written: *"We exist because of you."* which really says it all.

### MEMBERSHIP

Our membership continues to grow with new members joining us every month. We are currently sitting at 254 members. That is wonderful news, and it is a credit to all our committee and our current members for their hard work in promoting QLDA whenever they can. Thank you all for supporting us.

### ONE MUSIC BLANKET LICENCE

We have 74 of our QLDA Instructors on board with our OneMusic Blanket Licence – a record number. There are just a few invoices outstanding, and these will be chased up in the coming week.

Take care everyone and stay safe.

Jo

Jo Rosenblatt (QLDA President)  
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