

Queen's Park Cricket Club

Management Report to Members

Annual General Meeting 2011

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Introduction

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Management Committee I am pleased to present to you the Report of Management for the year 2010/2011, which covers the year ended 30 June 2011, being the Club's financial year, and first quarter of 2011/12.

Your Management Committee during the year in question comprised the following:-

	<u>Chairmen</u>
Mr Bruce Aanensen - President	Grounds Committee
Mr Audley Walker - Vice President	
Mr Peter Inglefield - Honorary Secretary	Members Sub-Committee
Mr Roger Galt - Honorary Treasurer	Squash/Museum
Mr Richard Nieves	Hockey
Dr Nigel Camacho	Entertainment
Mr Colin Murray	Marketing/Bar
Mr Christopher Galt	Cricket/Indoor
Mr Ron Van Putten	Facilities Maintenance/Gym
Mr Colin Borde	Football
Mrs Lisa Abraham - CEO	

During the year the Management Committee met monthly and in addition a Weekly Executive Meeting was held comprising of the Officers of Club, the CEO and any Committee Member(s) who were available and wished to attend those meeting(s).

In total there were 14 Management Committee Meetings held during the period July 2010 to September 2011 with attendance ranging from 79% to 93%.

During the period Mr Dane Darbasie stepped down from the Management Committee and Mr Ron Van Putten was elected by the membership to replace him. There were no other changes to the Management Committee at the 2010 Annual General Meeting.

Mr Richard Nieves also resigned from Management in August 2011 to take up the vacant position of Facilities Maintenance Manager. The vacant position was not however filled due to the forthcoming AGM at which a permanent replacement would be elected by members.

Of significant note, the Club lost several of its membership in the course of the year including two of its most distinguished members and servants in Mr Sonny Murray and Mr Joey Carew. Our thoughts go out to the families and friends of all those who passed away during the last year.

Year 2010/2011 in Summary

The Club had an overall successful year in 2010/2011 notwithstanding the considerable challenges that the Club continues to face from several directions. While in prior years the overall focus has been on infrastructural development and managing the limited finances available, in 2010/2011 the primary focus was the improvement of Members facilities and related activities.

The Club's Strategic Business Plan was completed in draft and presented to the membership through several town hall meetings following which it was adopted by the Management Committee. This Plan now provides the roadmap on which Management is seeking to take the Club forward. While some progress has been made in respect of the several action items identified progress has been slower than planned as we have struggled to give concerted focus to the specific initiatives identified. The Plan is however a work in progress and will continue to attract Management's focus.

One element of the Plan which has been delivered on is to restructure the Club Administration to establish a separation between the Club Secretariat (dealing with Membership matters) and the Clubs Operations (dealing with the business activities). This separation has been effected with Indra Dormon being employed as the Club's Membership Administrator, working with the Honorary Secretary to address all Membership matters, while the Club's Business Operations remain under the purview of the CEO, Mrs Lisa Abraham allowing for a more focused and dedicated approach to maximizing the revenue generating potential of the Club's facilities.

Also on a positive note, the Club's Hospitality Box leases, which came up for renewal at the start of 2011, were all renewed for a further two year period which has provided some reassurance of a fixed revenue stream for this period. Management is however fully cognizant of the fact that the delivery of world class sport and other entertainment events at the Club is critical to the ongoing support and participation of its stakeholders. To this end it is important to note the very deliberate effort to encourage the active participation of all of our boxholders at Club events, including the recently concluded Football 8 A'Side Tournament and the forthcoming Windball Tournament.

Management's focus during the past year has been to provide greater focus on the membership and consistent therewith three distinguished members were recognized by the Club with the dedication of:-

- The Willie Rodriguez End
- The Joey Carew Members Balcony, and
- The Bryan Davis Indoor Cricket Centre

There were also two additions to the Club's Hall of Fame

- Brian Lara (Cricket)
- Roger Gibbon (Cycling)

Membership facilities were also identified for improvement and included the following areas:-

- Upgrade to the general Bar area;
- Extension of deck and balcony
- Renovation to the Lounge to make this a more multi purpose area;
- Provision of new Gym equipment;
- Renovation of one of the Club's two tennis courts
- Renovation to the President's Box

Other major works under consideration/development include

- Re-development of the Dos Santos Stand and related area;
- Installation of the Carib Stand elevator;

The Member's Bar continues to receive considerable comment from the membership and consequently is an ongoing area of focus for Management. To this end the Bar Committee under the Chairmanship of Richard Nieves and more recently Colin Murray has worked assiduously to improve the overall 'bar experience' for members including in the area of bar service.

This also remains very much a work in progress and it is acknowledged that the bar experience, while improved, is not where it should be.

Other significant matters of note include the following:-

1. **Government Subvention** – Application has been made to the Government for a subvention to assist in financing the maintenance and upkeep of the Outfield as an International Cricket facility. This is consistent with the financial support provided to other stadia in T&T. However no response has been forthcoming to date.
2. **People's Canvas** – This exceptional project was fully taken over by the Club during the year following the withdrawal of the initial promoters Label House Limited. Notwithstanding initial promises of support from several of the major sponsors it has proved to be extremely difficult, in the current economic environment, to obtain the level of financial support for this very worthwhile project and we have been compelled to re-evaluate the viability of the project.
3. **Benevolent Fund** – The Club continues to support its members in times of need through the Benevolent Fund and during the period under review contributions were made to 9 members in the aggregate amount of \$93,818.96. Funds allocated to the Benevolent Fund are now separated from Club Funds to ensure that sums are available as and when required to support our members in need.

4. **Communication** – We do continue to struggle to communicate on a timely basis with the full range of our wider membership and while the email medium has been effective for the majority of the membership there is approximately 35% of the members who do not receive emails. An analysis is being done to determine those members not in receipt of emails and consideration is being given to reverting to a direct mail approach for those members, on a periodic basis.
5. **Members Survey** – A survey of members views on a range of matters was carried out earlier in the year with all members (3,000 plus) being circulated. Less than 120 responses were received which was disappointing but the results therefrom are being analysed to guide the future plans and directions of the Club.

Some of the responses of note include the following:-

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| (a) Is Club meeting expectations | - 52.8% Yes |
| (b) How often do you visit the Club | - 40.7% Once or twice per week |
| (c) Preferred time of visit | - 52.8% Friday pm |
| (d) What would encourage more use | - 43.1% More varied activity |
| (e) Should Club Lunches be re-introduced | - 70.7% Yes |
| (f) Condition of Gym Facilities | - 36.6% Good/ 27.6% Fair |
| (g) Pavilion Bar – Quality of Service | - 35.0% Good/ 40.7% Fair |
| (h) Tennis – Is there a demand | - 51.2% Yes |

A comprehensive report on the responses will be compiled once the full analysis has been completed

6. **General Membership Sub-Committee** – In the latter part of the reporting period Management approved the establishment of a General Membership Sub Committee chaired by the Honorary Secretary and comprised of representatives of the general membership with the objective of providing a closer link between the Management and the general membership as well as a direct conduit through which to channel matters of concern and recommendations for improvement. The Sub Committee has met three times to date and has brought a number of issues to management which are receiving consideration.

On the Facilities Maintenance front the Committee under the chairmanship of Ron Van Putten has done a tremendous job in identifying areas in need of upkeep/upgrade and working to have these completed in a timely and cost efficient manner. His efforts were given a major boost by the return of Richard Nieves to the post of Facilities Maintenance Manager and significant improvement has already been achieved with a more pro active maintenance programme being the target.

On the Sporting front our Sports Sections have all had a distinguished, if not exceptional year, as there own detailed reports to Management for 2010/11 evidence. From Cricket's clean sweep of all major trophies to the performances of Hockey, Squash and most recently our Footballers, all can be immensely proud. Management would therefore like to take the opportunity to recognise and congratulate all of the administrators, coaches, sub committees and players within all of the Club's sports sections for an excellent year's performance and one from which we expect to see the Club go from strength to strength.

An area of disappointment and which will be of concern to Members is the status of the Club's initiative to enter the Football Pro League and the much publicized collapse of the merger between St Ann's Rangers FC and Queen's Park Football Club. This development, while a disappointment, is also something of a blessing which enabled QPFC to refocus its attention on what was always the initial goal for QPFC ...i.e. establishing a first class youth academy. The academy has commenced operation and the objective is to put this on to a sustainable footing before expanding the focus of QPFC to include the development of a Pro League team, which is the 2012 goal.

The Football Committee Report will provide further coverage of this initiative but members are reminded that QPCC's participation in this venture is as a shareholder in QPFC and **only on the basis that no cost or liability attaches to QPCC in any way.**

The reports of the various sub-committees summarized below will provide further insights into the extensive range of activities engaged in by those sub-committees. They have not been idle. In this regard Management wishes to extend its gratitude to those many members who have given their time selflessly whenever the need has arisen.

It is also appropriate at this time that Management express its appreciation on behalf of the Club to all members of the Club's staff for their tireless support during what has been, at times, a challenging operating environment. There remains a considerable amount to be done to achieve the goals that have been set and our staff remains an integral part of the team that is required to get us there.

Year 2010/2011 Financial Outcome

The Club's Honorary Treasurer has provided a comprehensive report of the Club's financial position and accordingly this Report will address only a few significant elements thereof.

The Club's operating results improved significantly when compared with the prior year with Net Income (before depreciation) of \$3,736,586 (2010 - \$2,025,684), boosted to a large extent by increases in Entrance Fees (\$850,000) and Subscriptions (\$1,800,000) approximately.

The Club Fund now stands at \$82.2 million versus \$78.5 million in 2010.

The Club Loan continues to reduce and is being paid down on schedule.

All Covenanted Loan commitments continue to be met on time.

Full details of the financial results for the year can be found in the Honorary Treasurer's report.

Activity Summary

An ongoing criticism of Management is that it continues to do little for the membership and has not marketed the ground sufficiently to maximize its revenue potential. To assist in addressing this concern a summary of the Club's activities over the past year has been provided in an Appendix to this report.

It is of course relevant to note that the utilization of the Club's facilities are constrained by a number of factors including:-

- The terms of the Lease for the Club's Facility;
- The maintenance and use of the Ground as an International Cricket Ground;
- The Environmental Laws currently in force;
- The Membership and Boxholder's vested interests;

In 2010/2011 events in the following categories/areas were held at the Club.

- ✓ Members Functions
- ✓ Outfield Events
- ✓ Car Park Events
- ✓ Century Ballroom Events
- ✓ President's Box Events

A detailed listing of these events is attached as Appendix 1 to this Report.

Sub – Committee Reports

Membership Report 2011

The Club Membership profile at the end of October 2011 was as follows:-

Total Membership – All Categories

Comprised of....

Ordinary members	- 2549
Life Members	- 199
Honorary	- 24
Family Members	- 74
Overseas	- 275
Corporate	- 9
Junior	- 104
Temporary Playing Members	- 74

In the course of the year under review there were four (4) ballots held and 82 new members were accepted into the Club.

There were 56 resignations.

Also in the course of the year 241 non-financial members were removed from the membership list of which 89 were re-instated.

Facilities Maintenance and Upkeep Report

The past year (2010/11) has been spent addressing a number of repairs that were long overdue due to the Club's financial constraints in the past, with the overall objective of putting a comprehensive preventative maintenance programme in place for the future.

Work was carried out in a number of areas including the cladding of the eastern side of the pavilion; outside wall has been restored and repainted in order to facilitate the Wall Art Project which is now under the purview of the Club; the lounge has been refurbished in such a way as to make it into a multifunctional area to maximise its use.

Capital works are also being undertaken which include the installation of the second elevator in the Carib Stand; a tennis courts is being refurbished; the President's box has been upgraded with separate male and female washrooms; and the water supply for several stands is also being upgraded.

The Dos Santos stand has been professionally checked out by an engineering firm and was reported unfit to be used and that repairs will be almost as expensive as building a new stand. This issue will be further explained by our executive and put before our membership in order to arrive at a permanent solution for this area.

It is also noted that our facilities manager Mr. Rodney Khan has moved on to greener pastures and in the meantime Mr Richard Neives has taken over his position.

Marketing Report

The Marketing Committee was very active over the last year with many successes as the club moves forward to sustain itself with funding other than donations, sponsorships and cricket. It has become clearer that we can no longer depend solely on cricket as a source of revenue and the club has got to attract more sporting and cultural events either promoting ourselves or jointly promoting with individuals and organisations.

To this end several events were undertaken including a successful carnival fete jointly promoted with Red Ants; a Sporting Heroes brunch was also held on Carnival Sunday and T&T's sporting heroes from all different sports and varying generations descended on the Oval for a great day of fun, entertainment and camaraderie; the inaugural annual 8 A side Windball Tournament was organized along the lines of the 8 A side Football and was a great success; a Schools 5 A' side Soccer Festival was held which was sponsored by the Ministry of Sports and Kenwyn Jones and was an excellent PR opportunity for the Club being supported by 64 schools boys and girls, which included Tobago; and finally Rugby was re-introduced to the Club with two very successful games being staged on the outfield.

The State Of Emergency and curfew impacted many other events such as a mega Soca Parang fete which has been postponed but the committee will be looking into many more events for 2012. Plans include more rugby events, a hockey festival; a 20/20 cricket tournament; a culinary evening as well as numerous cultural events.

Bar Report

The Bar Committee understands the many challenges expressed by Members over the past year and is very much aware of the concerns that exist currently and is working diligently to improve the overall bar experience.

Specific areas addressed this year by the Committee were as followed and action taken:

1. Poor customer service and unfriendly bar attendants.

ACTION:

There was staff training held over a specific period. Training addressed the way they approached and spoke to members. This in our view has improved tremendously.

2. Lack of specific training in bar techniques, skills etc.

ACTION:

The bar staff was trained in the art of mixing cocktails which has been introduced to the club and has proved to be a valuable asset to the bar drinks list.

3. Unsuitable furniture

ACTION

This has been sourced and placed in the respective areas.

4. Absence of proper storage area for stock supplies.

ACTION: An area has been built for the proper storage of stock supplies.

5. Absence of proper lunch area for bar staff

ACTION: This has been identified and an area has been approved for the bar staff.

6. Attractive uniforms for the bar staff and the implementation of rules and procedures.

ACTION: New uniforms were agreed for the staff and they all look smart and certainly well attired and uniformed.

7. A special cocktail evening was organized and there was to be an implementation of a Friday afternoon happy hour as well as a cheese and wine evening.

ACTION: The happy hour and the Cheese and Wine evening was put on hold due to the State of Emergency however as soon as the 8A Side ends the cheese and wine evening as well as the happy hour will be introduced on Fridays.

The bar committee recognizes that there is a lot of work still to be done which we hope to achieve in the coming year, which includes the following:

1. Improve the lighting in the pavilion area.
2. Continue to train staff in mixing of drinks and improved customer service.
3. Improve the ambience in the bar area.
4. Improve the atmosphere of the entire pavilion area.
5. Review the role of the bar personnel
6. Review the equipment needed for better service.
7. Appropriate music for the area.
8. Inappropriate layout of the bar and placement of product and equipment.

Football Report

QPCC Football had a busy and eventful year in 2011 to date. There were also several Club firsts including a failed attempt to enter the pro league, a youth tour to Barbados, a box holders tournament and a new 8 a side website and wholesale bar.

North Zone

Following last year's demotion from Super league, QPCC's 1st team competed in the Zonal League in 2011. At the start of November, the team sits on top of Group A. The two top teams of Group A and B compete in a Big 4 competition with the winner representing the North Zone in the Champion of Champions. The team looks set for a Zonal playoff and hopefully a place in the Champions of Champions.

None of the knockout competitions have begun as yet and most are scheduled to begin in November.

Youth Academy

QPCC had a very successful year in terms of Youth Football at the club with over 120 kids in six teams participating in the Youth Super League Division. They performed well initially, and while the teams did not win many games, the kids and parents really enjoyed the opportunity.

QPCC also formed a partnership to represent MaPau in the youth pro league with some positive performances against the more established programs such as Jabloteh and W Connection. The feedback received from the parents was extremely positive.

The Club also arranged a very successful tour to Barbados. Two teams participated in the Barbados Youth Cup and the U-15 reached the quarter finals and the U-13 the semi-finals and Parkite Andrew Abraham was awarded Best Striker and MVP. The Club received several letters of positive feedback regarding the tour from parents who thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

8-A-Side

2011 hosted the largest 8-a-side tournament in the history of the Club. This year's edition surpassed all previous marks for participation, attendance and revenue.

There were three tournament hosted this year – Youth, Corporate and Members.

The Youth Tournament is in its third year and was well supported by sponsors – Ministry of Sport and NLCB, Beacon, Blue Waters and Pizza Boys. There were three age groups – U-11, U-14 and U-16 and had over 130 players.

The Corporate Tournament was hosted for the first time and was open to QPCC box holders only. There were 16 teams and the event was well attended. The tournament ran for three nights during the week prior to the members tournament. The event was won by Carib who defeated Media 21 in a penalty shootout after the final ended in a draw.

We expect this tournament to grow significantly this year as it was well received by those in attendance and we expect additional box holders to participate next year.

The Members tournament comprised of 39 teams has become a feature event on the Trinidad social calendar and we continue to look for avenues for added value to member and the Club.

This year the committee incorporated a tournament website into QPCC's site to provide tournament information and the response was overwhelming. During the tournament the website received over 20,000 hits.

The overall tournament comprised 65 teams in all categories with 852 registered players playing in 356 games in which 621 goals were scored.

QPFC

QPFC was formally launched in August 2011 at a media function at which its entry into the pro league through a merger with Superstar Rangers was announced. This initiative was however short lived as Superstar Rangers withdrew from the merger almost immediately afterwards citing financial concerns.

While this was a significant disappointment and embarrassment to QPFC and QPCC it has served to re-direct the QPFC focus towards its stated goals of...establishing an international class youth academy...securing a defined level of financial support...and thereafter, seeking entry into the pro league.

Consistent with the decision taken by Management to partner with QPFC to develop football at the Club QPFC has proceeded to establish the QPFC Youth Academy which has since hosted a very successful 2 week summer camp which was attended by some 40 kids, with very positive feedback from parents, and its operations are ongoing..

In the course of these developments Mr Alan Cabral and Mr David O'Brien resigned from the QPCC Football Committee to pursue other football opportunities.

Hockey Report

Our Hockey Section has once again had a very successful year both on the field of play and in the area of fundraising with a very successful J'Ouvert Band in 2011.

The year commenced with the Carib Magnolias Indoor Tournament in November 2010, in which we participated in three categories, viz., Open, Vets and U21. The results would show that we placed second in the Open, first in the Vets and third in the U21.

On to the Ventures Invitational Indoor, and here we placed third in the open and second in the Vets. There was no youth tournament.

At the National Indoor we placed third in the open and second in the vets.

In the Outdoor competition, all our teams started quite well, and at the end of the first round, we were second at the Championship level, and unbeaten and leading in the Trinity and Veterans Divisions. However we faltered in the second round and ultimately finished fourth overall in the Championship; first in the Veterans and our Trinity teams.

In August, we travelled to Barbados, to participate in the annual Banks International Hockey Festival. No team from Trinidad & Tobago had ever won the Open division, whilst one team won the Veterans division in the inaugural tournament in 1985. Both of our teams reached the finals, only to be beaten in different circumstances. Defeated but not at all disgraced.

This was a very successful tour in all ways, as we also joined with the Barbados Maple ladies team to participate in the mixed tournament which, provided valuable exposure to our younger players.

Since our return home we participated in a UWI organized 5 a side one day Indoor Tournament at Chinese Club where we were victorious, playing unbeaten in all our games. We consider this also to be good preparation for the National Indoor tournament which begins in November.

Squash Report

The 2010 squash Committee was re-appointed in 2011, with a mandate:

‘To offer a secure and efficient Squash facility for the club’s members, to facilitate member events and activities, to produce top players for the Inter-Club league for QPCC success, to produce players to represent the Nation at the highest level in this sporting discipline and to develop the ‘next generation’ of squash members’.

To this end, a number of tournaments, junior developmental events and camaraderie building events were planned for the calendar 2011 year, with the following events being staged:

- **QPCC May ‘World Class’ squash event**
QPCC hosted World Junior Champion Amanda Sobhy, for a week of exhibition matches and squash clinics with our juniors, with the primary goal of the event being to provide an inspiration for the upcoming youth and to assist with the development of squash amongst our club juniors. The event was a resounding success, with the squash courts being packed to capacity (and overflowing) every night.
- **QPCC Juniors shine in Caribbean squash 2011**
At the Junior Caribbean Squash Championships which was hosted in Guyana in July 2011, Kale Wilson won the Boys Under 19 competition and Charlotte Knaggs won the Girls Under 17.

- **2011 National Squash League wins**
QPCC won the B division and placed second in the A division in the 2011 National Squash league
- **Squash – Members Individual Tournament**
The annual members' individual tournament is currently in progress.

We have continued to boast the majority of the top 10 ranked players in the country for the last decade, contributing significantly to the regional junior, senior and veteran successes of our national teams.

Indoor Report

The Indoor Season kicked off with the Annual Peter Waithe Memorial All Fours Tournament with a total of twelve (12) pairs participated in this year's tournament, and was won by the pairing of Michael Dowden and Ed Espinal who defeated Tom Garcia and Randall "Swami" Galt in the final. Third place went to Dr. Nigel Camacho and Sheldon Cockburn.

This was followed by the annual JJ Rodriguez Rummy Tournament and for the first time since the untimely passing of Peter Waithe in January 2005, an indoor tournament took place without the presence of the committee's long standing and loyal chairman, Mr. Georgie Wilcox who resigned in May 2011 after many years of service both as assistant to the late Peter Waite and then chairman.

A total of twenty eight (28) members turned out for the day's proceedings and after thirty five games of competitive rummy, the tournament was won by Richard Commissiong with Henry "Foxy" Govia and Kwesi Bekoe placing second and third respectively.

The third event carded for the year is the APR Associates sponsored Team Bullseye Tournament which takes place on November 20th was only introduced last year and was very successful from all reports.

The remaining members of the last indoor committee would like to humbly apologise to the entire indoor fraternity for their inability to put on more scheduled events. After the resignation of Mr. Wilcox, no one has since been appointed by Management to lead this Committee and hopefully after the AGM some kind of structure can be put in place for the continuity of this very arm of the club's culture.

Gym Report

This year has been a year of restructuring of our gym procedures and goals, with the main focus on appraising and expanding our cardio equipment which at this point in time is fully operational with the addition of two new elliptical machines. Earlier issues with our maintenance supplier seem to have been put to bed.

Our ongoing concerns are the frequent leaks stemming from inferior plumbing in the building which have seriously affected the Gym and together with Rodney Khan and Richard Nieves, we have embarked on replacing all inferior connections. We are also undertaking repairs on the a/c lines in the ceiling and the changing of the effected ceiling tiles.

Our committee is organizing a Christmas lime based on our original concept where the members themselves take an active part in the organizing and cooking. This function will be a “bring a cooler” event.

Thanks are extended to all gym committee members for their time and effort that they give to the club.

Tennis Report

Management is pleased to report that we were able to secure the much needed sponsorship to cover the cost to rehabilitate one of the Club’s two tennis courts. This is expected to be completed and opened for play by the end of November. Efforts will continue to secure the funding required to rehabilitate the second court as it is recognized that the optimal number of courts required to promote the sport within the Club is two.

It is also recognized that the reopening of the tennis court(s) will impact the number of parking spaces available for members and efforts to address this significant issue will therefore continue as we seek a long term solution.

Entertainment/Indoor Report

2011 was a very quiet year for the Entertainment Committee and after a few poorly attended events, the Entertainment Committee has decided to change its approach for 2012.

The Indoor Committee continues to put together quality events for the membership, mainly in the form of cards, billiards and table tennis. In 2011 we saw the stepping down of the stalwart chairman of the Indoor Committee, Georgie Wilcox. Georgie has done yeoman’s service for the club over the last decade, and the club is indebted to him for his dedication and would like to formally thank him for his magnanimous efforts. Richard Commissiong, who worked closely with Georgie for a number of years, is the new Chairman of the Indoor Committee, and we are certain he can turn to Georgie for advice and support.

The three sporting events hosted by the club provide much entertainment for the membership, being the first annual windball tournament (a huge inaugural success), the Cricket Festival hosted by Bryan Davis and the Cricket Committee, and of course the 8A’side football tournament, that has turned into the biggest family event for members of QPCC. One is certainly heartened by the numbers children that attend the Friday evening games at the club. The future of the club looks secure based on this event alone.

The advent of the Marketing Committee under the chairmanship of Colin Murray has created some new ideas in terms of Entertainment for the members of the club, as well reformulating some old ideas initially put forward by the Entertainment Committee. The mandate of the Marketing Committee is to utilize the facility to generate much needed revenue for the club, whereas the mandate of the Entertainment Committee is to utilize the facility to provide entertainment for the membership. There will be some overlap achieving these objectives and as a result it is necessary these two committees work closely together.

The Treasurer often comes down hard on us for putting together mostly quality events that end up in the red, due to poor patronage from the membership; we hope to change this in 2012.

Museum Report

The general rate of visitors to the Museum has been somewhat limited during the year with the Minister of Education placing temporary “limit” on school children’s extra circular activities.

We were however able to showcase the Museum and Trophy area to several V.I.P’s who came from the U.K., Australia and other West Indies islands, as well as Touring Teams from Cornwall (U.K.) and New South Wales (Australia), who all expressed their great impression with both the quality and quantity of historic exhibits contained in the Museum area. Also visiting was world rated junior female squash player Ms. Amanda Sobhy and her family.

The Archives room is still a work in progress and now has a reduced but comfortable space in the upper area of the east buildings.

We have commenced limited marketing of the museum by the way of the TTARP News Letter which is circulated to over 20,000 TTARP members as well the 2012 T&T INNS and OUTS Visitors Guide. Also in the works is a short video clip showing the various historic milestones of the evolution of Queen’s Park Trinidad and West Indies from the year 1891.

As 2012 is being celebrated as the 50th Anniversary of Trinidad and Tobago’s Independence (1962), we are working with the National Trust Museum to try to mount large picture displays of all the club’s photographs which are still kept in storage due to space constraints. These photographs of Brian Lara Memorabilia have been kept in boxes and are looking forward to seeing the light of day.

Peter R. Inglefield - Honorary Secretary – 31st October 2011

Appendix 1

Queen's Park Cricket Club Detailed Schedule of Events 2010/2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS HOSTED AT OUR VENUE FROM NOVEMBER 2010 TO NOVEMBER 2011

OUTFIELD EVENTS:

- Feb. 18th-21st – Trinidad & Tobago vs English Lyons (WICB Regional Match)
- Mar 11th – 14th – Trinidad & Tobago vs Leeward Islands (WICB Regional Match)
- Apr. 14th – QPCC vs New South Wales 30 Over Match
- May 14th – International Concert featuring :-
 - o (Michael Bolton, Richard Marx, Rick Springfield, Jimmy Jamison)
- Jun. 3rd – 8th West Indies vs India – Twenty/20 & O.D.I. Digicel Series
- Jun. 10th – Atlantic LNG sponsored National Primary School's Cricket Final
- Jul. 8th – 10th – Jehovah Witnesses District Convention
- Sept. 3rd – Balls of Fire 11 (Double Header)
- Oct 9th & 16th – 2 North Zone Football League Matches
- October 23rd – Intercol Reunion Fundraiser Event
- October 30th – Bruno Browne Cup featuring Northern Rugby Club vs Carib Rugby Club

CAR PARK EVENTS:

- The main car park hosted 6 Events & Bg/Scotia car park 5 during this period, most during the Carnival season.

MEMBERS' FUNCTIONS:

- Nov. 26th – Annual Awards Function
- Dec. 15th – Launch of Deck
- Dec. 23rd – Members' Christmas Lime
- May 18th – Induction of Members to Hall of Fame & Unveiling of Signs
- Jul. 14th – Movie Night featuring Fire in Babylon (The rise of the West Indies Team)
- Jul. 24th – Members' Appreciation Function (Members joined from 1965-1969)
- Jul. 25th – 29th – Launch & Exhibition of the People's Canvas, phase 11

ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS:

- Dec. 11th – Christmas Concert featuring Wendy Sheppard
- Feb. 17th – Oh Kaiso Boy Competition
- May. 21st – Annual Seafood Dinner & Dance

MARKETING EVENTS:

- Jan. 22nd – " Stumped" Cooler Fete hosted in collaboration with RED ANTS
- Feb. 22nd – Two-way Clash of Tents (Revue vs Kaiso House)
- Mar. 6th – Carnival Sunday (Semi-Inclusive) National Heroes Brunch
- Jun. 27th – 30th – Members' Windball Tournament
- Jul 2nd – Poker Fundraiser Tournament
- Jul 2nd – National Schools Football Festival (56 primary & secondary schools participated)

INDOOR GAMES:

- Nov. 7th - Nadur sponsored Sancho Pedro Tournament
- Dec. 1st - Bic sponsored Snooker Tournament
- May 1st – Peter Waithe All Fours Tournament
- Jun. 12th – JJ Rodriguez Rummy Tournament
- *Nov. 13th – All Fours Tournament (QPCC vs Touring Team)
- *Nov. 20th – APR Associates sponsored Bullseye Team Tournament

HOCKEY EVENTS:

- Dec. 10th - Fundraiser Party organized by juniors of the section
- Dec. 31st - Old Years Night Bling
- Feb. 18th – Fundraiser Cooler Fete
- Feb. 25th – Bat D Bumper 111
- Mar. 6th – Annual Jouvert Band
- Apr. 17th – Hockey End of Season Awards Function
- Aug. 19th – Hockey Tour & Farewell Lime

CRICKET EVENTS:

- Raffle Fundraiser – To assist annual U-19 tour to Barbados
- Jun. 9th – Jul. 25th – Cricket Festival 2011
- Jul 2nd – Cricket Coaching School Awards Function
- Oct. 8th – Cricket End of Season Awards Function

FOOTBALL EVENTS:

- Mar 1 9th – Fundraiser “Possession” Party (to facilitate Under 13 tour to Barbados)
- Aug. 2nd – 12th – Youth Football Camp
- Sept. 17th – Oct. 29th – 8-A-Side Football Tournament inclusive of Corporate Box Holders and Youth Tournaments

SQUASH EVENTS:

- Mar 15th – 17th – Squash Team Knock-out
- Mar. 19th – Squash Open Day
- May 23rd-28th – Squash May World Championship Event with Amanda Sobhy (World Junior No.1)

ROOM RENTAL EVENTS:

Ballroom & President’s Box –

These areas hosted numerous varied events from workshops to seminars, press conferences, dinner parties, wedding receptions etc. on a regular basis.