

BRISBANE WOMENS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
*LIFE MEMBER*

**HEATHER SCRAGGS OAM**

Born: 11/03/1936



Heather started hockey in 1954 Playing for Kelvin Grove Teachers College, then Queensland University and finally St Andrews Ladies Hockey Club. Heather represented Brisbane, Queensland and Australia under the influence of coach Mary Nairn.

Heather became interested in umpiring and to now is still involved with umpiring at Australian level.

Life Membership awarded: 1980

**BWHA**

School Selector	1960
Fixtures Committee	1965-69, 71-83
Umpires Board	1964, 67-92
Grounds Committee	1968, 69
QWHA Delegate	1966
Umpires Steward	1971
Brisbane Coach	1975
Management Committee	1972-79, 82-90
Umpires Convenor	1972-91
OAM	1994
Brisbane City Council Award for	

Achievement in Sport	1991
TRIPLEM Dedication Award	2001

### **QWHA**

Umpires Board	1970–79, 83–95,
Council Member	1975–89
Life Member	1980
Umpires Grading Committee	1983
Grading Committee	1983–87, 89
Technical Development Committee	1992–95
Board of Management	1993–95
Competitions Committee/Director	1993–95

### **HQ**

Umpires Committee	1995–2009 (Conv 1995–2007)
Director Umpiring/Technical/Coaching	1996, 97
Director	1999–2000
Officiating	1999, 2000, 01, 02, 08
U13 Umpire Manager Coach	2000–2007
Premier League Umpire Manager	2001, 02
Veterans Umpire Manager/Coach	1995–2009
U18 Umpire Coach	2001, 02
U15 Umpire Coach	2001, 02
Competitions Committee/Director	2002, 04
Operating Committee	2005, 07, 08
Hall of Fame Induction	2005
U15 Manager	2008, 09

### **AAWHA**

'AA' Umpires Badge	1970
Testing Panel	1977–96
Umpires Committee/Board	1977–96
Member National Panel of Umpires	1983
Technical Committee Member	1984
Assistant Umpire Manager National Veterans	2008
Hockey Australia Life Membership	

IFWHA Tournament (NZ)	1971
-----------------------	------

IFWHA Tournament (Scotland)	1975
FIH Tournament (Madrid, Spain)	1977
World Cup Umpire (Canada)	1979
Olympic Umpire	1980
World Cup Umpire (Kuala Lumpur)	1983
Asian Championships (Seoul)	1985
4 Nations Tournament (NZ)	
Member of FIH Rules Board	1989–94
National Officiating Programme – Official Of the Year	1999

## MEMORIES THEN AND NOW

Heather recalls making many friends during her playing years through club games and afterwards meeting in the club house for drinks, and later having a good time on trips away with representative teams.

Heather played local hockey at Marchant Park, Downey Park and the State Hockey Centre.

Comments on changes to rules include the elimination of the off-side rule being for the good of the game along with ‘obstruction’ interpretation rule and the new self pass rule at the free hit.

Memories of club hockey include the great times both on and off the field with trips away to other centres and club carnivals and also the training sessions were all good.

Today's game lacks ‘club spirit’ with the split venues contributing to this.