

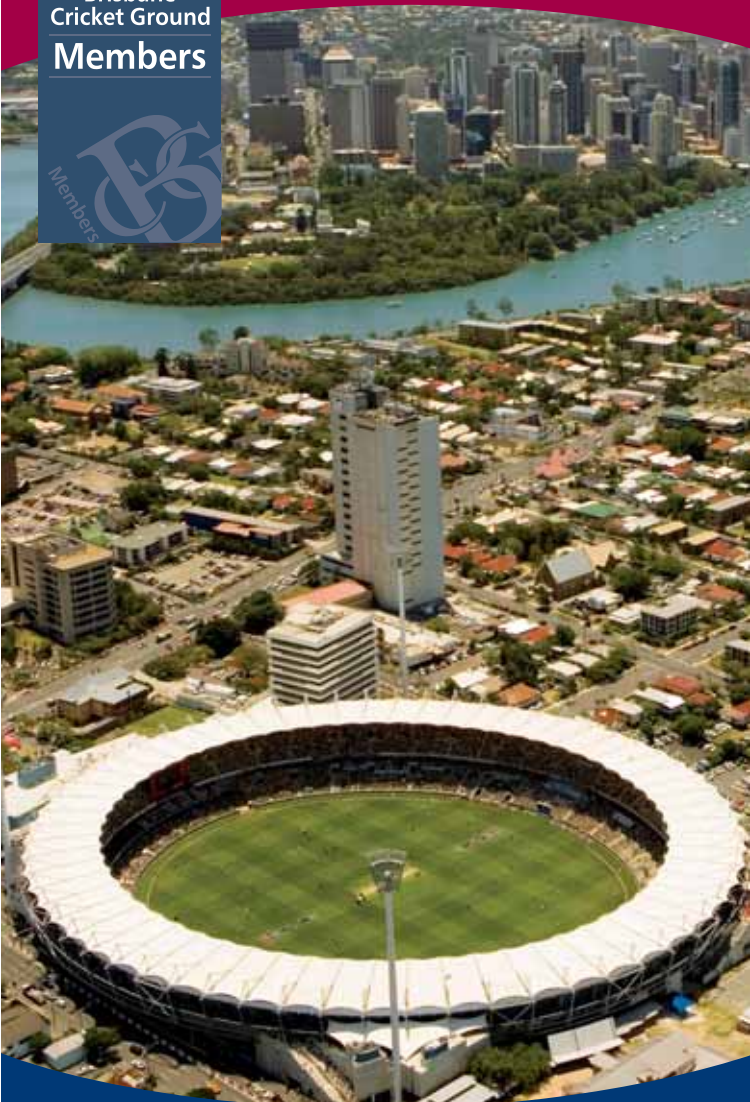


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Cricket Ground
Members



BRISBANE CRICKET GROUND

A venue of the Major Sports Facilities Authority



THE
GABBA

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MESSAGE FROM THE VENUE MANAGER

Congratulations on becoming a Member of the iconic Brisbane Cricket Ground, better known as 'The Gabba'.

For more than 110 years, patrons have flocked to The Gabba to enjoy the spectacle of elite sporting events. During this time there has been many memorable sporting moments which has seen The Gabba develop a reputation as one of the best sports grounds in the world. From the Tied Test to Queensland's first Sheffield Shield victory and in more recent times the Brisbane Lions march towards three successive AFL Premierships, the hallowed turf of The Gabba holds a special place in the memory of all sports fans.

The Gabba continually works hard to improve the experience of its Members by developing the facilities and services available to it's Members. Located near Gate 5 on the Vulture Street side of the ground, the Members Reserve provides Members with the best seats in the house with a view right behind the bowler's arm for the cricket and centre wing for the AFL.

The Members Reserve boasts a new Members Dining Room and bars on the upper and lower levels for the exclusive use of Members and their guests. The blend of elite events and quality facilities available to Members, make this an exciting opportunity for sports enthusiasts to become a part of The Gabba's history.

We welcome you as a new Member and trust you will enjoy all that the venue has to offer.

INTRODUCTION

The Gabba's management want all Brisbane Cricket Ground (BCG) Members to obtain the maximum benefit from their membership however, there are certain standards of conduct and dress to be observed for the overall good of all Members.

Privileges and requirements are current as at the date of publication, but may be changed at any time.

Members and guests are permitted access to public areas at the Ground via the crossover gates inside the Northern Stand; exceptions include Queensland Cricketers' Club, corporate suites and boxes, function rooms, media areas and areas reserved for players and officials. Please note that Members and guests are NOT allowed to occupy seats outside of the Members' Reserve unless they have purchased a ticket to do so.

The Brisbane Cricket Ground makes no representation whatsoever that a seat in the Members' Reserve will be available for every Member or Member's Annual Guest card holder. Seating is available on a first-come first-served basis, except where advised otherwise. Seats may not be reserved for persons who have not yet arrived at the Ground.

There may be an occasional time when Members will not be admitted to the Ground if capacity is reached, therefore it is recommended on those expected premium event days, Members arrive early at the Ground to improve the opportunity to enter that day.

Brisbane Cricket Ground reserves the right to issue access tickets via a ballot or any other method deemed fit for those events when demand for seats may exceed available seats in the Members Reserve.

MEMBERSHIPS

Membership Classifications

(a) Full Membership

Full Members have the opportunity, subject to availability, to obtain a second card (referred to as a "Member's Annual Guest" card) by payment of the appropriate annual subscription. Members are presently entitled to attend all Cricket Australia (CA) and Queensland Cricket Association (QCA) cricket matches and AFL fixtures held at the Ground for no additional fee, although an admission charge will be made to Members and guests attending AFL Finals, cricket testimonials or similar matches. Members are not entitled to free admission to events at the Ground other than the abovementioned events, although the BCG does attempt to secure a Members' priority booking period for any other such events.

(b) Junior Membership

Eligibility for Junior Membership begins on 1 September following the applicant's 12th birthday and ceases at age 18 at which time the Junior Member is invited to take up Full Membership, with a choice of one or two cards, which must be taken up in the year of eligibility. A Junior Member does NOT have the option of purchasing a Member's Annual Guest card or daily guest tickets.

When a Junior Member turns 18 during a membership year (1 September to 31 August), he/she will remain a Junior Member for that membership year. The Junior Member will be offered Full Membership at the beginning of the membership year after that in which he/she turned 18.

(c) Absentee Membership

Absentee Membership may be granted to Members who relocate greater than 400km from the Brisbane Cricket Ground. The relocation must be for at least 9 months of the membership year. Absentee Members are not entitled to free admission to the ground for any event.

Absentee Members may resume active membership on their return to within the 400km radius by paying the appropriate subscription. If they have already paid an absentee fee for that membership year, the amount paid will be deducted from the full membership fee in calculating the amount payable. Absentee membership is available for a maximum of 3 years.

(d) Honorary Membership

The Board of Directors of the Major Sports Facilities Authority may grant Honorary Membership for a specific occasion.

(e) Honorary Life Membership

The Board of Directors may, by a unanimous vote of the Directors, elect Honorary Life Members of the Ground.

Bequeathment

Full Members may bequeath their memberships only to a surviving spouse and Junior Members to a next of kin.

Membership Fees and Subscriptions

The membership joining fee and subscription rates are reviewed annually and invitations for membership renewal notices are generally dispatched in August of each year. A current membership card is required for access to the Members' Reserve.

Renewals

The membership year is from 1 September to 31 August; subscriptions are payable in advance. Should the subscription be in arrears for one month from renewal date (i.e. on 1 October), memberships are considered to have lapsed and will be suspended. It is recommended that Members pay subscriptions within this period to preserve membership privileges.

New Members

Any person wishing to become a Member must submit a written application on the appropriate form. Application forms are available from the Brisbane Cricket Ground office or from the website www.thegabba.org.au. Junior membership is available from the age of 12. A non-refundable application fee of \$25 is applicable for all applications. Applicants will receive confirmation in writing upon receipt of application.

Suspended/ Cancelled Memberships

Suspensions and or cancellations of membership can occur for a number of reasons including:

- lapsed membership payments
- behavioural issues
- card misuse.

The Gabba reserves the right to suspend or cancel membership at its discretion. If a Member is suspended, all cards will be deactivated thereby excluding ground access for the membership cards until the suspension is lifted.

Suspension is normally for a minimum of a three (3) month period while the venue management reviews the case.

If a membership is cancelled, any further application for membership in the future, will be at the discretion of venue management.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS AND GUEST TICKETS

Member's Card

Membership of the Brisbane Cricket Ground is valuable and highly sought after and you are urged to respect the rules concerning its usage.

Members are reminded of the strictly non-transferable provision of the Member's card. This is without exception and precludes lending of the card within the family.

It is the Member's duty to ensure that his/her non-transferable card cannot be "borrowed" by anyone else; if it is, the onus is on the Member for not having adequate security over the card.

Misuse of a Member's card may result in the suspension or cancellation of the membership.

Member's Annual Guest cards are, however, fully transferable.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS AND GUEST TICKETS

Member's Annual Guest Card

A Full Member may subscribe for either a single card or 2 cards - the Member's card is NOT transferable. The second card or "Member's Annual Guest" card is transferable on a daily basis to any person subject to:

- the guest conforming with dress requirements
- the guest's conduct conforming with standards required
- the Member being responsible for the guest's compliance with BCG membership rules, whether the Member is present or not.

Members have a responsibility to ensure that their guests observe these requirements.

"Member's Annual Guest" card holders are NOT entitled to bring guests into the Members' Reserve - that privilege is reserved for Members.

Holders of Member's Annual Guest cards do not need to be accompanied by the Member.

Member's Daily Guest Tickets

Members, other than Juniors, are permitted to invite up to 2 guests per day on payment of the prevailing entry fee to most events. Members' daily guest tickets are available prior to the match through Ticketek for AFL fixtures and Ticketmaster for cricket matches* as well as from the Gate 5 Match Office on match days. (*Ford Ranger Cup and Pura Cup tickets are only available on the match day from the Gate 5 Match Office).

Exceptions to this general rule, and which are subject to variation at the discretion of the Brisbane Cricket Ground, include:-

- First Day of the Test Match
- One Day Internationals involving Australia
- Other matches which are expected to draw exceptionally large crowds.

For those matches anticipated to draw exceptionally large crowds, Members are advised to visit the Members Information page on the website www.thegabba.org.au or call the office on 07 3008 6166 to confirm if restrictions have been placed on the sale of Members' daily guest tickets.

Please note that only Members (other than Juniors), may purchase daily guest tickets. The Member's card may NOT be used by anyone other than the Member to purchase guest tickets. To lend the Member's card is considered a breach of the membership rules and this may result in suspension or cancellation of the membership.

Wearing of Cards

Membership cards are issued with a plastic card holder enabling Members and Members Annual Guests to wear their cards. The wearing of cards is voluntary, however, wearing your Member's or Members Annual Guest card does assist staff in ensuring that everyone who is in the Members' Reserve is entitled to be there.

Photo identification must be presented with the Members card upon entrance to the Members' Reserve when requested from time to time. Junior Members will be required to provide student identification or signature for verification. Members and guests are required to show their membership card or guest pass on request to any employee of the Brisbane Cricket Ground.

Card Replacements

Members, in all categories, seeking replacement of cards due to loss or for other reasons, are required to advise the Brisbane Cricket Ground in writing and pay the replacement fee of \$35.

MEMBERS' RESERVE

Member's Seats

Members and their guests are not permitted to occupy seats outside of the Members' Reserve unless they have purchased a ticket to do so. However, Members and their guests are welcome to visit the public area via the internal crossover gates as long as they do not occupy seats in that area.

In the interest of safety and for the convenience of Members and guests, please:

- stand to allow other patrons to pass where you are seated
- take care when in the process lowering the seat and sitting down
- do not attempt to step over or between the backs of seats.

Reserving of Seats on Match Days

The reservation of seats in the Members' Reserve for friends and/or guests who have not yet arrived at the Ground is NOT permitted.

General

Once Members and guests have selected a seat, they may reserve that seat for themselves should they need to leave the seat. Members and guests will be allocated one reserved seat sticker each, upon arrival through the Members' entrance.

Members should ensure the details on the sticker are complete before vacating their seat and retain the proof of reservation portion of the sticker.

The seat reservation sticker is for Members and guests reserving their seat whilst vacant for up to two hours, enabling them to use the facilities within the Gabba as they wish. If a seat has been vacant for a period greater than two hours, the stickers will be removed.

The spirit of fair play is essential if amenities are to be shared for the benefit of all Members.

Dining Room Patrons

When a meal is served before play begins, an area of seats in the upper level of the Members' Reserve will be reserved for dining room patrons, who should request a Dining Room Seating Pass on leaving the Dining Room. Access to this seating area is available only to persons in possession of a Dining Room Seating Pass.

Dress Standards

The Gabba considers it desirable that a reasonable standard of dress, consistent with the prestige of being a Member of a major sporting venue, is maintained by both its Members and their guests.

The minimum standard of dress is neat, smart casual for both men and women.

Dress Standards - continued

Males (12 years and over) must wear a collared shirt irrespective of whether or not a collared jacket or sweater is being worn over the shirt.

Shorts and pants must be of dress style. Denim is acceptable. Football style shorts, brief or tight shorts, boxer shorts, tracksuit pants or leggings are not acceptable. Swimsuits, midriff tops and clothing with offensive words or symbols are not acceptable. Ragged, torn or unclean clothing is not acceptable.

Males: Sandals (with back/strap) and "runner" type shoes are permitted providing they are clean and in good condition. Thongs (both rubber and fashion dress), masseurs, scuffs, slides, slippers, ugg boots and dilapidated footwear are NOT acceptable.

Females: Fashion shoes (not rubber), sandals and "runner" type shoes are permitted providing they are clean and in good condition. Rubber thongs, masseurs, slippers, ugg boots and dilapidated footwear are NOT acceptable.

Notwithstanding the outlined Dress Regulations, management reserves the right to refuse entry to the Members Reserve to any person considered not suitably attired.

Conduct of Members and Guests

Members and guests are expected to observe a standard of behaviour which will enhance the standing of the Brisbane Cricket Ground. Inappropriate behaviour exhibited by the Member or their guest/s may result in the suspension or cancellation of the membership.

Members and guests are requested to show consideration to others by limiting movement whilst a match is in progress. This is particularly important during an over at a cricket match; Members and guests should remain seated until an over has been completed or alternatively, wait until an over is completed before returning to their seat.

Standing or sitting in aisles, stairways or vomitories is NOT permitted due to safety regulations.

Children

Children under 12 years are permitted in the Members' Reserve providing they are accompanied by an adult. To ensure that the enjoyment of fellow Members is not impaired, parents have a responsibility to control the movement and behaviour of children within the Members' Reserve.

Children are not permitted in the Members' bars unless under the direct supervision or control of an adult. Parents should ensure that appropriate dress standards for children are observed. Children under 12 may wear T-shirts without collars.

For the cricket season, children under five are admitted free of charge to the Members' Reserve, provided they do not occupy a seat to the exclusion of another patron. For the AFL matches, children under four are admitted free (on the same basis).

Liquor Consumption

The bringing of alcohol into the Ground is NOT permitted.

Certain seating areas within the Members' Reserve may be declared "Unlicensed" or "Dry" areas within which alcohol may not be consumed. These areas will be designated by signs.

The Members Dining Room and Members Bars serve a range of alcoholic beverages.

Smoking

The Gabba is a no smoking venue (penalties apply).

Facilities for Persons with Disabilities

Provision has been made in the Northern Stand for people in wheelchairs and for one accompanying person per wheelchair patron. Limited parking is available for the vehicles of Members with disabilities. Please telephone the BCG Reception a week prior to match day to make the necessary arrangements. Vehicles must display the official disability sticker to be allowed entry to the car park.

MEMBERS FACILITIES

Members' Dining Room

The Members' Dining Room is located on level 3 overlooking the playing arena. Members and guests can enjoy marvellous stadium views, easy grandstand access and a high quality a-la-carte menu.

The Members' Dining Room is also open outside dining times on most match days allowing Members to enjoy the quality bar service and watch the action through the glass windows or on one of the plasma screens located throughout the room or just browse through the stadiums superb memorabilia collection.

The Dining Room is open on match days only, except for Pura Cup matches.

Bookings are recommended for the Members' Dining Room. For reservations please contact Michael O'Brien Catering (MOBC) on 07 3249 2000. When a meal is served prior to the start of the event, a block of seats in the upper level of the Members' Reserve will be reserved for dining room patrons.

Members' Bars

The Members' bars on levels 2 and 4, close thirty minutes after the finish of play for both cricket and football.

Lift

A lift is located within the Members' Reserve near Gate 5, for Members' usage between the lower level, the Members' Dining Room and the upper level.

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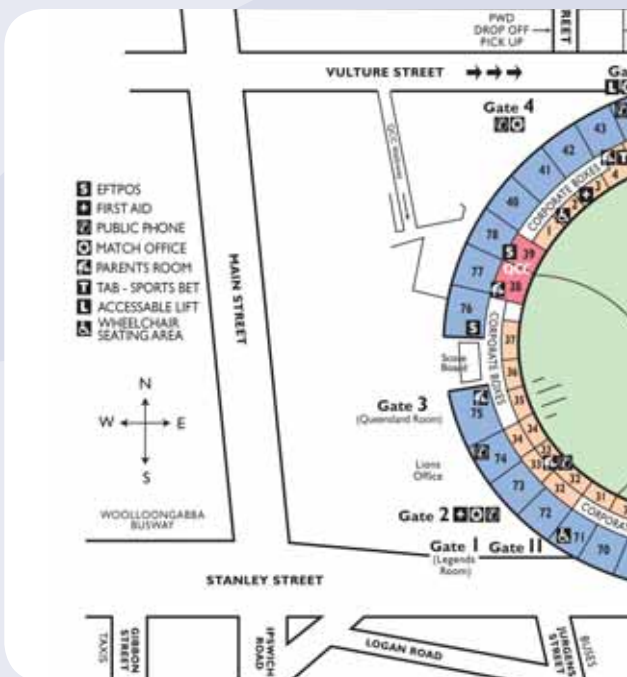
An ATM is located on the concourse near Gate 4 (Section 2).

TAB

The TAB outlet is located on the ground level of the Northern Stand opposite Section 4 and adjacent to the Members' Reserve.

Lost Property

On match days, the Match Office near Gate 5 will assist Members who lose or find property. Lost property enquiries may also be made to the Brisbane Cricket Ground Office during business hours.



GROUND ACCESS

Members' Entrance

Members must enter the Ground through the Members' Entrance (Gate 5) in Vulture Street opposite Duke Street. If Members intend to re-enter the ground, they must ensure their Members card or ticket is scanned out at Gate 5 to allow for re-entry.

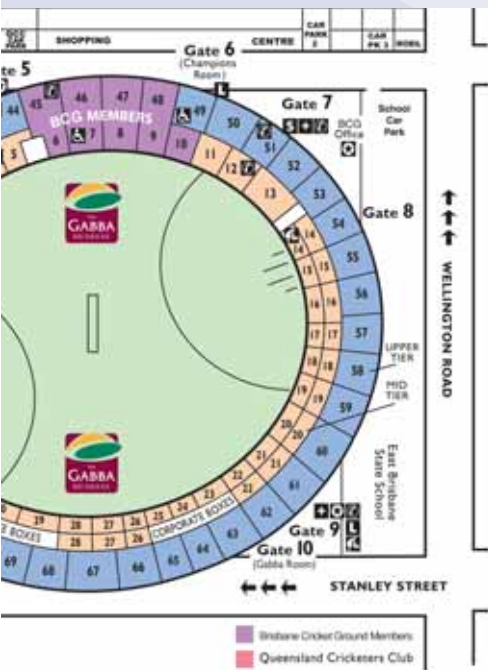
Members Conditions of Entry 2007 AFL Season

RESTRICTIONS

- The use of recording equipment such as cameras and audio and video recorders for professional purposes is not permitted in the venue without permission
- Cameras for personal use are permitted however the use of images taken in the venue for commercial purposes are prohibited
- Management reserves the right to refuse entry to any person who does not comply with the conditions
- Management reserves the right to conduct bag and body searches.

SAFETY

- For your safety and security, random electronic surveillance is in use at this venue
- To ensure both patron and player safety unauthorised entry to the field of play is prohibited (Penalties Apply)
- The throwing of any object in the venue (including on to the field of play) is prohibited and may result in the patron responsible being evicted (Penalties Apply).



PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Deliveries and product from external caterers is not permitted.
- Patrons are allowed to bring homemade items such as sandwiches, biscuits, cake provided they are packaged appropriately. (Small juice, milk or water bottles are permitted provided the item is contained in a cardboard or plastic container with the seals unbroken)
- Hard eskies
- Folding Chairs
- Alcohol – Fines apply to patrons caught trying to smuggle alcohol into the venue
- Crockery, cans, opened bottles, glass containers, dangerous or illegal substances, flares, fireworks, laser pointers, loud hailers and musical instruments including horns and whistles
- Flags and flagpoles displaying political or offensive messages
- Potential weapons such as knives, chains, studded belts, etc
- Any items which are regarded as offensive, or which can be used as a projectile or create litter (this includes pizza cartons, streamers, confetti and ticker-tape)
- Items, which in the opinion of Management, have the potential to cause injury or a nuisance or inconvenience to any other person
- Oversized items will not be permitted into the venue, that is items which are unable to fit under your seat.

OTHER

- An adult must accompany children under the age of 12.
- Patrons are not permitted to raise umbrellas in viewing areas during play.
- The maximum dimensions for an item to fit under a seat are:
Height - 39.5cm or 15 ½ inches, Length - 41cm or 16 inches,
Depth/Width - 41cm or 16 inches.

RECIPROCITY

Members Visiting Other Grounds

Members (other than Juniors) who reside in Queensland and northern New South Wales have reciprocal rights to the following Grounds throughout Australia. Members must produce their current membership card and proof of residency outside of the state you are visiting. Please note that some interstate grounds do not recognise the Member's Annual Guest card.

Members are advised to confirm reciprocal arrangements with the Ground you intend to visit as restrictions do occur from time to time.

Melbourne Cricket Ground / Melbourne Cricket Club

Telephone (03) 9657 8888 or (03) 9657 8821

Fax: (03) 9650 5682

Email: membership@mcc.org.au

Sydney Cricket Ground

Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust

Telephone (02) 9360 6601 or 1800 801 155

Fax (02) 9380 0398

Email: membership@scgt.nsw.gov.au

Adelaide Oval

South Australian Cricket Association

Telephone: (08) 8300 3800 or (08) 8300 3812

Fax: (08) 8231 4346

Email: msutton@saca.com.au

W.A.C.A. Ground

West Australian Cricket Association

Telephone (08) 9265 7222

Fax (08) 9221 1823

Email: membership@waca.com.au

Bellerive Oval, Hobart

Tasmanian Cricket Association

Telephone (03) 6211 4000

Fax (03) 6244 3924

Members Visiting Overseas

Brisbane Cricket Ground Members are advised that when visiting overseas, in particular the United Kingdom, arrangements can be made, through the Venue Manager, for a "Letter of Introduction" to any Ground. From past experience, Brisbane Cricket Ground Members have always been made most welcome, although space limitations usually make it impossible for other Grounds to assist in relation to Test Matches or One Day Internationals.



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