

64th ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
BALANCE SHEET  
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Sporting Club Limited  
Burwood



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30A George Street, Burwood,  
on Friday 18th March, 1983

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R. W. MAY	.....	1936-1939
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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**Your Board of Directors and Management Committee present for consideration and adoption by members this 64th Annual Report of the Club's activities and of the Financial position for the year ending 30 September, 1982.**

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Our achievements for the year under review were well short of our expectations. You may recall from last year's report, our priorities were:

- (1) A vast improvement in House Trading and Club Attendance.
- (2) An interesting and well attended Social Programme.
- (3) Completion of House Renovations.
- (4) The involvement of new and younger members on Working Committees.
- (5) Success with more Cups and Pennants.
- (6) A punctual and self-financing Focus to assist in the above.

### **CRICKET**

Whilst our Chairman describes the Season as disappointing, we have continued to introduce more Juniors to our ranks, which lays firm foundation for our Shire Teams in the near future.

It is also pleasing to report successful arrangements have been made with Concord Municipal Council for provision of practice wickets at Majors Bay Reserve. Our thanks to Peter Mansford for completing the arrangements and to Concord Council for their co-operation.

### **FOOTBALL**

We almost made it. Fourth in the Club Championship and good performances from lower three grades. Unfortunately, out of our class with Kentwell. Four new coaches to settle in also made the challenge more difficult. A greater commitment to attracting and retaining new talent should be top priority for 1983.

Congratulations to John Jessup on receiving the Gordon Bevan Shield.

### **HOCKEY**

Yes, a disappointing result and we know the answer. Playing strength and lack of sufficient involvement by players in the administration. The ball is in that circle.

### **SQUASH**

Regrettably a reduction from ten to seven teams and not the results we are used to. It is however, good to see a few footballers discovering the joys of the game. Congratulations

once again to Geoff Bevan for winning the Club Championship for the third year in a row — a club record.

### **CLUB ROOMS**

An extensive refurbish was completed in the past year. A total of \$42,600.00 was out-laid to provide new bar equipment, carpets, office, re-painting throughout. Our thanks to Richard Crookes and Craig Hickey for "Getting it Done". Some minor cosmetics remain to be done together with further display of Club Memorabilia.

A significant feature of the "New Look" is the display of international rugby jerseys in the glass case over the main bar. Our thanks to R.E.M. (Bill) McLaughlin for making this donation.

### **PERSONNEL**

It is still of some concern to the Board of the number of players not adequately "processed" as financial members.

We should also be paying closer attention to the induction of new members, as I am sure our turnover of one-season players, in all sports, could be greatly reduced.

Bob Bishop retires after 3 years as Personnel Chairman and we thank Bob for his past work.

Our membership stands at 425, compared with 443 last year, and consists of the following:

	<b>1980/81</b>	<b>1981/82</b>
Full Members	337	321
City Associate Members	58	53
Country Members	<u>48</u>	<u>51</u>
	<u>443</u>	<u>425</u>

### **N.S.W. OPEN GOLF**

A record result. For our third year of participation, result \$6,000 — A great effort by Bob Bishop and his Committee.

Next year Concord Golf Club and we, expect an even better result.

### **SOCIAL**

We did not achieve "an interesting and well-attended social programme". However, the Annual Dinner was well-attended and has become a must for Members and Supporters.

### **HOUSE TRADING**

Steps were taken to reduce stock levels. However, we are still not able to make satisfactory

arrangements for bar stewards. We've got a great Club. Who wants to use it ?

## **FOCUS**

Top efforts by Greg McPhee and Ian Blair. Six good editions and slowly but surely approaching break-even with the support of our advertisers. There is absolutely no truth in the rumour that Greg is being sought as editor for the Australian.

I regret to advise members of a misappropriation of club funds that was revealed in October last year. The funds have since been fully recovered, together with interest outstanding. The Club has adopted measures which, if followed, should prevent a similar situation arising.

It was also sad to note the passing of Stan McGregor, a Vice-President of the Club and without doubt one of our greatest supporters. Further mention in detail, of Stan's membership is noted later in the report.

Two directors are retiring at the Annual Meeting. Keith Wearne and Richard Crookes. They have both been of great assistance to the Board and we thank them for their valuable contribution.

This year also will see Craig Hickey retire as Hon. Admin. Exec. Officer. Craig has given outstanding service to the Club, in various offices, and we thank him for his contribution in the above.

The Club is well placed financially. Major refurbish has been completed, and apart from some further minor interior decor additions, the only major expenditure would be on additional or replacement air-conditioning.

Income from new leases negotiated for the ground floor shops provide for annual C.P.I. reviews and should be a major source of income in future years.

As mentioned earlier, our bar trading position is not satisfactory. The clubroom refurbishing was undertaken to provide modern amenities to see us through the 80's.

The Club must encourage the introduction and bleeding of new members. As reported in the last edition of Focus, the average age of management is over 30. All new members should be encouraged to serve in some manner on sub-committees, to understand that the Club runs on their contribution and not just a weekly participation, in our various sporting activities.

I will be retiring as President at the Annual Meeting and wish to thank members, Board and Management, for the support given in the past two years.

In conclusion, we record our appreciation for the support received from our Municipal authorities in —

Burwood Council — Concord Council — Strathfield Council

We extend our congratulations to the successful clubs with which we have competed and to the others for the opportunity of enjoying our sporting contact.

We also thank the following sporting bodies for their assistance in making competitions available:—

*Sydney Rugby Union  
Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union  
Rugby Union Referees Association  
Sydney Hockey Association  
Sydney Hockey Umpires Association*

*N.S.W. Cricket Association  
Council of Municipal and Shire Clubs  
City and Suburban Cricket Association  
Squash Racquets Association of N.S.W.*

**JOHN EDMONDS**  
**President.**

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# CRICKET REPORT

## 1981 – 82 Season

**Sub-Committee –** P. Mansford (Chairman)  
I. Blair  
A. Thompson  
C. Dennis

The 1981–82 Season can at best be described as disappointing. After the magnificent results of the previous Season, the performance of all teams, with the exception of the Under 16 Juniors, deteriorated.

Granted, there was not much room for improvement, however the overall keenness and dedication of members left a lot to be desired.

A comparison of the 1980–81 and 1982 results is as follows:

	1980–81	1981–82
Club Championship	2nd	6th
A Shires	1st	6th
B Shires	2nd	5th
C Shires	1st	7th
City & Suburban	Won 7, Lost 12, Tied 1	
Under 16 Juniors	2nd	1st

As previously mentioned, the keenness that had been so much to the fore during 1980–81, evaporated during the winter recess when a complete team (eleven players) declared themselves unavailable at the start of the Season for the Shire teams, for a variety of reasons. This was a blow from which we never really recovered.

Despite the disappointing results, the policy was pursued of encouraging as much as possible the younger players and the A Shire Team has the nucleus of a top team for many years to come.

The B Shires salvaged some belated glory by winning the end of season Limited Over Competition (for teams not competing in Semi-Finals), which was some comfort for just missing out on the Semi-Finals.

Alan Thompson, in his first Season as Captain of the C's, had the unenviable task of taking the field every match with a new combination and bore the brunt of the beginning of Season "drop-outs", as well as the last minute withdrawals (colds, weddings, sore toes, etc.).

If players had a proper appreciation of the disruption caused by dropping out of a game at the last moment, I am certain that the practice would be less prevalent.

Our one premiership winning team was the Croydon — Briars Under 16 Team. I repeat the words that have been written on many occasions in the Annual Report, that our Association with the Croydon Cricket Club has been one of the most progressive moves in our history and has to be maintained if we are to survive as a major cricket playing Club.

The City and Suburban Team functioned in their own inimitable fashion and my personal thanks go to Col Dennis for removing from me any concern in getting a team on the field each week.

Regrettably the busy programme during the Season did not allow for the holding of a Double Wicket Competition, however we did entertain a team from Wagga, compete in the Macquarie University 6-a-side Competition, and played our now annual match at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

My thanks go to Ian Blair for his assistance in liaising with David Scoble in the organisation of the match against Wagga, which was a most enjoyable one and could become a regular feature of our Season.

In reporting on the 1980—81 Season, reference was made to the inadequacy of the Rothwell practice wicket, and the hope expressed for improvement in the near future. During the Season under review, agreement was reached with Concord Council for the provision of two (2) synthetic practice wickets at Majors Bay Reserve and these are scheduled for completion for the start of the 1982—83 Season.

With regard to mid-week practice at Rothwell Park, it is regrettable that the standard of the wicket did not allow for reasonable practice to be undertaken, however Steve Schomberg diligently looked after this function during the Season.

In conclusion, I wish to acknowledge the winning of the A Shires by Wentworthville, the B and C Shires by Epping, and the Club Championship by Lindfield — congratulations to those Clubs.

**PETER MANSFORD**  
Chairman

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### **"A" SHIRE CRICKET REPORT, 1981—1982**

After our premiership win of the previous season, the team was still on "cloud nine" at the start of this season. The side got away to a good start with a win in the first game but then the side came "back to earth" in a hurry by not winning a game until after Christmas. In the second half of the season we did not lose a game until the final round robin one-day game, which we lost by 3 runs and also lost that particular competition on a count back.

The introduction of younger players in the side took a while to settle in but by the end of the season they were performing admirably. Gerrard Price and Peter Caruanna came up from

the winning "C" grade side and Paul Thomas took over the gloves from David Walker. At one stage there were five players who were under twenty-one years of age and there is no doubt that with a year's experience in the "A"'s, the side should be back in the top four.

Over the fifteen games the side used seventeen players of which David Wright picked up glandular fever in the first game and David Walker made a brief return for one match, so the selectors to stay with a nucleus of players were rewarded with a fine performance after Christmas by the team, as mentioned earlier — only losing one game.

The weather in the first part of the season caused a problem, where one game was completely washed out and the following game the second Saturday was called off by Council the Friday before the match because damage could be done to the wicket, in hindsight, it was a hasty decision.

The captain again, had trouble with the toss, losing seven out of eleven. It has been noted that in our C & S side, they have a tossing captain.

It is also noted that while the captain was taking a leave of absence, trying to get some ideas on refereeing, Bill Hooker won three out of three.

Due to the lack of experience, the members of the side were run out on ten occasions, whereas we ran out the opposition on only five occasions. Experience will rectify this problem.

Another statistic which has been a problem area in this competition is the L.B.W. decision. We gave six and the opposition gave three — enough said on the subject.

Practice was not good this season, the main reason being the poor wicket preparation. We hope that a synthetic practice wicket area can be provided for next season, as was proven in 1980—1981, practice is most important.

The fielding generally was not up to the standard of the previous season. Too many catches were dropped and the ground fielding could have been better.

Many thanks to our resident 12th man, Col Dennis, filling in for players who had to miss games because of illness and injury.

Congratulations to Wenty for winning the "A" Shire Premiership for 1981—1982.

Finally, I would like to thank Peter Mansford for looking after cricket this Season and Bill Hooker captaining the side in my absence.

**IAN BLAIR (Captain)** Did not have a good season with the bat and a break mid-season did not help, but was pleased with the side's return to form in the latter half of the season.

**BOB STREETER** — Bob did not have a good season with the bat. An undefeated opening of 176 with Peter Caruanna against Auburn was a fine performance, Bob scoring 70. Did not field well in his customary position at first slip.

**PETER CARUANNA** — A fine season for Peter, coming up from the "C"s. Took a while to settle in but then played some fine innings. His 92 while batting with Bob Streeter was one of the highlights of the season. Must concentrate harder on his running between wickets and his fielding. Peter must make time to practice.

**BILL HOOKER** — The Captain left Bill in charge of a side that was not winning and deserves some of the credit for the good performance after Christmas. Bill started off the season in top form but this fell away until late in the season. Did not field as well as the previous season. Was given a bowl late in the season without luck.

**BART POZUELO** — As mentioned in previous reports, a player with a lot of potential but must keep his mind on the game. Had a fair season with bat and ball. The captain is convinced that Bart can lead the bowling and batting statistics each year if he concentrates. Always keen to practice.

**GERRARD PRICE** — Gerrard, like Peter, came up from the "C"s, and batted very well, scoring a fine 91 in his first innings in the "A"s. Fielded very well in all positions in the "A"s. Proved his all-round ability by bowling very well in the one-day games. Has a good future in cricket with the Club.

**ROD SMITH** — For the first time ever and very pleased to see, Rod leads the batting averages with a fine performance. Many words have been written about Rod throwing away an innings, but this season he had five not outs and good scores to go with them. Batting seven and eight saved the side on a number of occasions. Did not get much of a chance to bowl due to washed out games but when he did, bowled well. Did not field as well as usual.

**NIGEL STERRY** — Nigel returned to the Club after a short break from cricket and stood out more for his batting than bowling, with four not outs out of seven innings. He and Rod Smith took turns to save the side from batting collapses in some games. Lacked penetration in his bowling and gets upset easily, thus losing concentration which also affects his fielding.

**PAUL THOMAS** — Has taken over from David Walker and at the age of eighteen is proving a very capable keeper. Took 23 catches and one stumping, which is an excellent performance in his first season. Was not given much of a go with his batting until late in the season and put together a couple of good innings. Has a most promising future in batting and keeping with the Club.

**STEVE SCHOMBERG** — Steve was not available all season and then badly hurt his back late in the season, so for Steve, a most disappointing year. Did not get many opportunities with the bat, fielded well.

**RICHARD TREGEAGLE** — Another fine season by Richard, leading the bowling in aggregate and averages. Against Lane Cove, he took the first eight wickets in their first innings,

a fine performance, and against Warringah he took a hat-trick. For some reason he bowls better after Christmas than before, which seems to relate to the team's better showing in the latter half of the season. Fielded well.

### "A" SHIRE STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won O/R	Lost O/R	Won 1st	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
15	—	—	7	4	4	42	6th

Runs for	Wickets for	Average	Runs against	Wickets against	Average
2716	119	22.8	2298	123	18.7

### BATTING (x NOT OUT)

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest	50's	Aggregate	Average	Catches
R. Smith	13	5	41 x	—	238	29.8	3
P. Caruanna	17	2	92 x	3	406	27.1	3
G. Price	14	1	91	2	316	24.3	7
B. Pozuelo	16	2	58	2	307	21.9	6
W. Hooker	14	—	81	2	299	21.4	5
I. Blair	11	—	44	—	168	15.3	4
R. Streeter	13	1	70 x	1	183	15.2	3
R. Tregeagle	10	7	15	—	53	17.7	2
J. Catanzariti	10	1	34	—	129	14.3	2
P. Thomas	10	3	28	—	78	11.1	23c 1s

**Also batted:** N. Sterry — 3 for 108  
D. Walker — 1 for 18  
D. Wright — 1 for 20  
S. Schomberg — 5 for 85  
G. Schomberg — 3 for 119

## BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Most Wickets in an innings
R. Tregeagle	174.6	49	539	42	12.8	8
S. Schomberg	65	14	185	11	16.8	4
G. Price	54.3	5	202	11	18.4	3
B. Pozuelo	156	45	396	21	18.9	4
R. Smith	106	10	372	15	24.8	3
N. Sterry	95.1	21	298	12	24.8	3
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<b>Also bowled:</b>	A. Lax	—	6 for 71			
	I. Blair	—	0 for 24			
	W. Hooker	—	0 for 5			
	C. Dennis	—	0 for 10			

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## B SHIRE CRICKET REPORT 1981 – 82

At first sight the 1981–82 season for the B Shire team may be said to have been disappointing. The team finished in fifth place after completion of the preliminary rounds only two points away from the semi-finals and a clear eight points ahead of sixth place. In perspective however, this showed to be a commendable effort particularly having regard to the fact that of the twelve regular players from the previous season's final only five were available for selection in the B team in the 1981–82 season.

As often happens in circumstances such as these, an offsetting factor arose in the introduction or reappearance to the B side of young players with plenty to offer the Club for the future in Adam Lax, Paul Price, Joe Catanzariti, Mark Powell, John Jessup, David Young and Claudio Orlando. This group, together with Craig Smith and the old stalwarts Mansford, Holley, Price and Richardson provided a well-balanced stable side proving a strong base for the team in the immediate future.

The season started with an unconvincing first up win, followed by three straight losses. The team went through a strong mid-season recovery with no further losses until the last round played against bottom of the ladder team Bexley. In hindsight a first innings win would have sufficed in this game for a semi-final berth to be obtained. However, after losing the toss and being sent in, Burwood did not apply itself well with either bat or ball and a chance of a place in the semi-finals for the third year in a row, was lost.

However there was some consolation at the end of the season with the team convincingly winning the limited over competition amongst the non semi-final participants. After a draw in the first game due to the weather the team went on to record crushing wins over Roseville, Lane Cove and Wentworthville, to end the season on a particularly fine note. Unfortunately, this form arrived one game too late.

The batting during the season lacked any real consistency. No one batsman was able to consolidate after a good start, with only two individual scores during the season being over 60.

Although missing the outstanding strike power of Terry Finlay, the bowling attack found a ready substitute in Adam Lax. It is interesting to record that our two spinners contributed just under 30% of the total overs bowled by the team during the season. The Club has unearthed an outstanding leg spin prospect in young Paul Price who joined the team after the third game of the season. The opportunity to introduce the variation of leg spin bowling of this calibre to the bowling attack is certainly welcomed but unfortunately it is too seldom seen in the current cricket era.

The Club maintained its continuity of top grade wicket keepers with Claudio Orlando accounting for 37 dismissals behind the stumps.

Despite the disappointment of missing the semi-finals, the past season proved to be most enjoyable and the team which developed into a most harmonious and well-balanced unit was indeed a pleasure to lead. If we can demonstrate next season the confidence and will to win that was shown in the last three games of this season, the future looks particularly bright.

Once again, our congratulations to Epping in taking out premiership honours.

**PETER RICHARDSON (Captain)** — After a bright start with the bat preceded a mid season slump following a loss of form through injury. He showed a welcome return to form in the latter part of the season.

**KEVIN PRICE (Vice Captain)** — Following his premature retirement announcement at the end of the previous year, Kevin reappeared and provided a fine all round performance. Given limited batting opportunities, showed examples of his natural ability and timing in a couple of pugnacious efforts. Kevin's bowling, from the middle stages of the season went from strength to strength. Not quite the same force in the field, however proved thoughtful and most helpful in his role as Vice Captain.

**PETER MANSFORD** — After a poor start to the season which saw him relegated to the C's for one match Peter showed his resilience upon return with a fine half century. For the rest of the season, Peter displayed the unhurried consistency with which we have become accustomed over the years.

**DAVID YOUNG** — David has employed a far more dedicated approach to his game following recovery from a major knee operation and settled into the second wicket batting position well, particularly in the early part of the season. A natural left hander, shows particularly good timing with his strokes straight of the wicket, although an analysis of his dismissals shows a need to keep his head over the ball. Obviously enjoys fielding in covers with a good throwing arm; also showed to be a handy change bowler in the limited opportunities provided.

**MARK POWELL** — Struggled a little with his batting in his first season on turf; however in his undefeated innings of 51 against Pennant Hills, showed his potential, mainly with strokes square of the wicket on both sides. Needs to concentrate his efforts in meeting the ball with the bat coming through in a straight line, and placing his feet accordingly. Outstanding in the field, either close to the wicket where he took a couple of remarkable reflex catches, and in the outfield where his ability to speedily cover ground saved scores of runs during the season.

**CLAUDIO ORLANDO** — Claudio completed a highly successful season, having the highest aggregate and average of the front line batsmen and securing 37 dismissals as wicket keeper, 16 from stumpings. Possessing an ideal temperament, Claudio, on occasions, showed a maturity beyond his years. His cover driving, although at times lofted, was executed with perfect timing. Very seldom guilty of lapses as wicket keeper.

**KEVIN HOLLEY** — After several seasons, Kevin was asked to resume his former role as opening bowler and in this capacity did everything asked of him. Although lacking his pace of old, showed plenty of guile in limited spells; an admirable foil for Adam Lax. As in the past helped the side out of trouble on occasions, initially as low order batsmen and then later in the season at third wicket.

**CRAIG SMITH** — Craig again captured most wickets for the team with 37, albeit at a higher average cost than the previous season. Took the second most number of catches with 8, but proving human by putting a few down (most, incredibly off his own bowling). Did not quite live up to his promise of last season with the bat. A valuable team member with a fiercely competitive attitude.

**JOE CATANZARITI** — Displayed a high level of concentration with a straight batting line in early matches before elevation to the A's. With limited opportunity, showed capabilities as a wicket keeper.

**ADAM LAX** — Most capably filled the immense gap created by the return to Adelaide of Terry Finlay. The similarity between the two was often evidenced by the number of times batsmen were beaten without a resulting wicket. Safe in the field. Earned a well-deserved promotion to the A's for the limited over matches.

**PAUL PRICE** — Paul, still at school, certainly justified the selectors' faith in introducing him to the team early in the season. Given ample opportunity, his well-flighted leg spinners captured 18 wickets at a cost of less than  $3\frac{1}{2}$  runs for each of his 104 overs. Prefers to field away from the wicket where he was most reliable, leading the team for the season with nine catches. With limited opportunities, showed strong potential with the bat; his innings of 35 in a low scoring game against Wentworthville and later 41 as an opener against the same team, confirmed all that promise. An elevation in the batting order can be expected before long. A very welcome addition to the side.

**JOHN JESSUP** — Joined the side after the fifth game and obviously relished the opportunity



in the higher grade. Showed his full range of powerful hitting in his undefeated 77 against Lane Cove. However must concentrate on establishing his innings before taking to the bowling. A useful field and popular team man.

### B SHIRE STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost O/R	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
11	1	5	—	4	1	42	5th
4		3			1		1st
Runs for	Wickets for	Average	Runs against	Wickets against	Average		
2140	96	22.29	2522	159	15.86		

### BATTING (x Not Out)

Name	No. of innings	N.O.	Highest Score	Aggregate	Average	Catches
P. Price	5	2	41	99	33.0	9
C. Orlando	14	4	56	286	28.6	21C/16S
D. Young	10	1	62	242	26.9	7
J. Jessup	7	2	77	128	25.6	1
K. Holley	11	2	48	221	24.6	5
P. Mansford	14	3	56	270	24.6	4
K. Price	9	4	59 x	106	21.2	2
J. Catanzariti	5	—	43	105	21.0	1
P. Richardson	14	1	51	257	19.8	4
M. Powell	13	4	51 x	131	14.6	6

#### Also batted:

A. Cantori	1 for 24	A. Lax	3 for 20
C. Smith	6 for 28	G. Schomberg	1 for 21
N. Lee	2 for 1	R. Streeter	1 for 12
J. Guest	1 for 3	J. Price	1 for 1
G. Lippiatt	1 for 13	C. Hickey	1 for 1

### BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. Lax	200.1	71	430	34	12.6
K. Price	142.3	35	371	27	13.7
C. Smith	213	44	622	37	16.8
P. Price	104	5	353	18	19.6
K. Holley	152.3	34	415	19	21.8

## B Shire Statistics — Bowling Contd.

Also Bowled:	J. Guest	3 for 121
	N. Lee	— for 21
	D. Young	1 for 43
	R. Moller	2 for 35

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## C SHIRE CRICKET REPORT 1981-82

The question that must be asked is what happened to the previous year's champions ?

The easy answer is that they finished 7th and perhaps that may be the best place to stop, but after such a season what's a few pages more !

This season saw the 'C's removed to a permanent home ground at Majors Bay, where we were found on the carpet in more ways than one. Known affectionately by the cast of thousands that masqueraded there as "The Bay" as although it was not impossible, it was very difficult to get anyone out; the remark was made that being caught was the only way of getting into one and out on the other.

We were visited by some illustrious names, all wishing to inspect this synthetic surface, Gary Schomberg stayed for 3 runs and muttered something about it being easier in the 'A's, Col "T.F. was never like this". Dennis scored an exact same number, David Jamieson sat in silence for several minutes, Aldo Cantouri debunked to Queensland, Bob Moller saw some merit in it, David Wright married to miss an afternoon and Mansford being Chairman and living only a leg tickle away, played only an away game before managing to be selected in the 'B's. Never was the heavy vacuum-cleaner so oft requested. In fact, 28 players were tried of whom only four were of last year's side; the rest opted for higher grades or banished themselves into exile (also known as C & S). One megalomaniac was bribed with the captaincy as Michael Sterry declared himself unavailable at the start of the season as did David Guille at the start, in the middle of and shortly before the end of the season.

Throughout the season the side selected never actually took the field on the Saturday and special thanks go to all the people who turned out after a Friday night or Saturday morning phone call. Among these were a couple of the championship winning junior side who became regular members of the side proving once again the value of supporting junior sides.

At the end of the season we had 40 points, only ten behind the 4th placed side. With 2 matches washed out when looking good for at least first innings points and allowed several sides off the hook after having dismissed all but the last 2 or 3 batsmen, we may easily have made the semi-finals.

The fine bowling is borne out by the fact that during the premiership rounds, the

opposition was dismissed on six occasions for less than one hundred, only passed the 150 mark five times while no side managed to score 200.

It would be unfair to single out any one bowler but special mention must be made of Norm Lee's hat-trick against Lindfield.

The fielding in general was good but as with the bowling, players tended to relax with only the tail to be polished off. Never was this more evident than in the game when eight catches were put down trying to dismiss the last three batsmen.

Again special attention must be made of Herman Hitipeuw's wicket-keeping, having surely broken some records with 43 dismissals for the season, twice taking 5 catches in an innings and twice 6 in a match.

Regular readers of 'Focus' will recall that many words could be used to describe the following section, but we will in fact refer to it as "The batting".

It is not easy to go from a synthetic surface where anything short, even fractionally, rears to waist height no matter what the pace but this could also have been used to advantage. A far greater application by batsmen may well have reversed several results most notably against Epping (2) and Auburn-Lidcombe (1) losing each game by a dozen runs.

In the limited over competition our bowlers once again proved their worth as we finished the season with four very close games, most notably against the eventual winners, Pennant Hills who scored the winning run off the last ball, with nine wickets down.

Finally, congratulations must go to Tim Creer's Epping (1) side on winning the Premiership after being Runners-up the previous year and proving it is always possible to go one better.

**ALAN THOMPSON (Captain):** Lost the toss once all season but fails to see this as a reason for the team's lack of success; was invited to tour overseas several times during the season, mostly by the rest of the side.

**HERMAN HITIPEUW (Wkt.):** Gave another magnificent display behind the stumps. Showed late in the season that he can score runs when he plays his own particular style. Great team man, bakes a great cake and member of the punter's club.

**NIGEL KURZ:** The "Kurz of the Briars". Knows only one way to bat — attacking. Not the prettiest batsman but was effective. Needs to work harder on his fielding. Good team man.

**NORM LEE:** Took most wickets, second in batting aggregates and held some very good catches in close fielding positions, believed to have retired to Japan on the strength of it. Best of luck, Norm.

**GREG LIPPIATT:** Not the best of seasons for Greg. Settled at the wicket for some time but must learn to start playing his shots once he has his "eye in". Very good field, excellent team man.

**PAUL MATTICK:** Always looked as though he was going to make runs and take wickets but never quite fulfilled the promise. Needs to concentrate and think more about the game. Held some magnificent catches.

**DAVID GUILLE:** A good example to the younger players of how to apply yourself when batting. Great competitor and third member of the punters' club.

**JOHN PRICE:** Once again indicated that he may possess a lot of talent. Would be most welcome to the side on a permanent basis.

**ANTHONY FARINOLA:** One of our champion juniors, Anthony came into the side halfway through the season to help out and made a regular spot his own after a nervous start. Showed his ability by scoring 45 out of a total of 83 in the final match. Must improve his running between wickets.

**MICHAEL CLARKE:** Another champion junior. Leg spinner who showed remarkable coolness for one so young. Will make a fine bowler if he works at it. His batting and fielding will improve with his confidence but must practice at both.

**BOB MOLLER:** Not one of the juniors. Quite remarkably, Bob, not only talked his way into the side but also proved his bowling ability — quite probably first in the Briars. Finished the season helping out the 'B's.

**ROBERT ELLIS:** Came into the side for his batting but showed he has the makings of a good fast bowler. Unfortunately missed the second half of the season.

**CAMERON THOMPSON:** Started the season by almost winning the first game for us. Then faded quite badly. Very keen but must work for results.

**PETER WALLACE:** Rumoured to be spending a whole season in Australia next year and must surely play higher grades once more. A good team man for whom nothing was too much trouble. A pleasure to have in any side.

#### C SHIRE STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost O/R	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
11	3	1	—	5	2	40	7th
4	—	1	—	3		8	8th
Runs for	Wickets for		Average		Runs against	Wickets against	Average
2105	152		13.85		2410	193	12.49

# **BATTING (x Not Out)**

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	Aggregate	Average	Catches
J. Price	7	1	57 x	161	26.83	5
D. Guille	8	2	38 x	150	25.00	2
N. Lee	13	2	70	256	23.27	8
N. Kurz	17	3	68	287	20.50	2
A. Cantouri	5	1	28 x	73	18.25	3
P. Wallace	8	1	34 x	104	14.86	6
P. Mattick	10	1	44	108	12.00	9
A. Farinola	8	—	45	94	11.75	1
H. Hitipeuw	13	1	31	109	9.08	40/3 ST.
R. Ellis	12	2	20	80	8.00	4
G. Lippiatt	13	—	20	94	7.23	9
C. Thompson	9	1	23 x	42	5.25	1
D. Wright	9	3	10	30	5.00	2
A. Thompson	13	5	11 x	37	4.63	7

## **Also Batted:**

P. Mansford	2 for 47	G. Piggott	2x for 6	G. Schomberg	1 for 3
P. Price	4 for 85	E. Maher	2 for 12	C. Dennis	1 for 3
D. Jamieson	3 for 49	P. Webb	2 for 10	B. Stevens	4x for 7
J. Jessup	3 for 46	J. Kemp	1 for 3	M. Clarke	5xx for 1
A. Kanaan	2 for 17	R. Moller	2 for 6		

# **BOWLING**

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. Moller	49	17	89	19	4.68
R. Ellis	43.1	9	115	13	8.08
P. Mattick	81	26	151	17	8.88
N. Lee	140.1	35	328	34	9.65
P. Wallace	89	23	223	22	10.14
A. Thompson	189.5	73	424	31	13.68
D. Wright	52	17	129	9	14.33
P. Price	46.5	6	145	10	14.50
D. Guille	85	21	240	8	30.00

## **Also Bowled:**

M. Clarke	5 for 62	A. Cantouri	1 for 1
N. Kurz	4 for 17	G. Lippiatt	1 for 30
J. Guest	4 for 25	A. Farinola	0 for 11
J. Price	4 for 92	D. Jamieson	0 for 19
A. Kanaan	3 for 67	P. Webb	0 for 24

## CITY & SUBURBAN REPORT

Some people claim that they can tell the quality of a cricketer just by the way he runs. They say that in the running process, all the potential signals are released that will enable an astute judge to identify the timing, footwork and power, that produces the class batsman and the parallel skills for bowling success.

Fielding ability is a snack to assess this way, so they say.

Well if it's true that people claim to have this insight, and it may not be entirely accurate, due to the fact that I just made it up (but it might be), then those believers should witness the C & S Sprint. Quad erat demonstrandum.

The C & S Sprint is unique to our Club, and its history is as colourful as the exploits of our C & S teams have been. Rain has prevented a start a few times, and the trophy was pinched a couple of years back. But the race has been held often enough to qualify as a tradition in Briars cricket, and there have been some great winners, but no records have been kept.

The rules state that it is to take place at half time during the last match of the season. Runners must be in cricket gear (cap optional), obey the starter's instructions but breaks are tolerated, and the event is to be run on a straight course of 22 yards or whatever you can get away with.

It is a handicap event, which has never seemed wise, but that's the way it goes. They are the rules but they have been bent on occasions. The event has been run in the car park next to the clubrooms and on the road outside Noel Young's place. Around mid-night as I recall and uphill too. A memorable race it was. They are only two examples.

Well, this year everything was according to Hoyle. The weather was fine, the track firm. Everyone was warm and as supple as age would allow. The St. George Vets team were lounging around looking disinterested whilst Ralph Sadler was trying to settle the field down. If you don't know who Ralph is, it doesn't matter.

Let's look at the field as taken from the day's scoresheet, and in no particular order:—

- Craig Hickey:** Not looking forward to the run, but he never does. Feigning apathy in an attempt to throw the handicapper a dummy, but Ralph holds firm and bingo, he's off minus two yards.
- Graham Ireland:** Had the Actuary at QBE calculating his mortality rate if he couldn't crack six yards, but worried about the absence of David Walker, who had offered to block for him. Looking toey.
- David Jamieson:** Complained about everything which upset Ralph, who gave him the flick and zapped him back with Hickey. Acts as if he hasn't a show but secretly favours himself.

- David Brooks:** Demonstrates that a good bribe can still work by pulling first place on the grid. Ireland threatens to pull out. Ignored. Ralph looks lucrative.
- Trevor Parker:** Being Mr. Nice Guy, offers to run from any position and promises not to be a threat. Laughing and joking but his right eye's jumping and he's twisting hell out of his cap.
- Marty Watts:** His best distance and frankly, most of the other batsmen are terrified of competing against him over this yardage. Jamieson gets abusive and Mal Croughton moves well away. Gets five yards. Could be a place.
- Colin Dennis:** Everyone is intensely interested in this runner's placing. Ralph is under great pressure. Modestly he will not accept any favours due to his tragic knee injury and is put on scratch mark. Insists on carrying the kit.
- Laurie Yeomans:** Breaks twice and is thrown out. Appeals that the crowd only came to see him run and the whole event would be a farce if not re-instated. Conducts his own appeal. Re-instated, but fails to get away well due to lack of breath.
- Bob Moller:** Badly handicapped and given a severe penalty as well. Put on scratch which was only to be expected. There's never been a Victorian winner yet and no precedents are about to be set today.
- David Blair:** Just taken a wicket. Bowled six overs. Off two yards and smirking as only a Pom can. Could win if it was a clean event but this is Carrs Park, not Old Trafford.
- Mal Croughton:** Given four yards but has to run in the lane between Marty and Laurie. The pressure's too much. He overtenses, loses his rhythm and misses the photo.

Brooks wins and that may well be the only official result ever recorded. A rather subdued group of losers clap politely, as David is rewarded with a cup of tea and a pillow biscuit.

There's a lot of bickering actually.

Where was Magrath ?

What if Barrett had run ?

Ralph would have given Dunc a big shot if he'd started.

And what about Roger Bailey ?

And so on . . . . .

In hindsight, too much administration and strategy planning went into the sprint this year, to

the detriment of our match ambitions. Consequently our win-loss record is not as we would have wished.

A small number of pleasing wins, coupled with quite a number of "good" losses, in the C & S tradition. Three times we were heavily outgunned on the day and overall it might be argued that we should field our best XI more often. No doubt that would bring greater rewards, in a competitive sense. But it would also remove, or greatly reduce, the opportunity for thirty or so members to share some cricket together during the year.

That's the way it should stay.

## CITY & SUBURBAN STATISTICS

### MATCH RESULTS

Played 22:	Won 5	Lost 14	Drawn 3
Runs for	2343	Runs Against	2438
Wickets for	187	Wickets Against	164
Average	12.53	Average	14.87

### BATTING AVERAGES (min. 10 innings)

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	Aggregate	Average
D. Brooks	13	2	75	272	24.73
G. Ireland	12	1	55	210	19.09
C. Hickey	15	1	68	249	17.79
J. Magrath	14	1	57	200	15.38
D. Jamieson	17	1	29	213	13.31
R. Bailey	13	1	30	119	9.92
C. Dennis	17	—	52	149	8.76
R. Moller	10	2	18	65	8.13
I. Duncan	10	4	11	32	5.33
M. Croughton	10	5	8	24	4.8
D. Blair	12	2	8	29	2.9
J. Barrett	10	—	6	25	2.5

### Also Batted:

T. Parker	7 for 80	G. Schomberg	1 for 31	C. Orlando	1 for 4
D. Guille	4 for 43	N. Young	7 for 10	J. Evans	4 for 2
L. Yeomans	9 for 70	I. Blair	1 for 5	D. Walker	9 for 102
M. Watts	7 for 37	R. Smith	1 for 62	J. Kemp	1 for 14



### Also Batted (Contd.)

A. Thompson	2 for 21	L. Calloway	3 for 7	P. Burt	2 for 13
P. Caruana	1 for 5	P. Toner	1 for 22	J. McPherson	1 for 2
C. Burt	1 for 18	H. Brooks	1 for 1	P. Thomas	1 for 29

### BOWLING AVERAGES (min. 20 overs)

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
C. Dennis	104	15	325	30	10.83
D. Blair	65	9	216	17	12.71
R. Moller	107	23	246	18	13.66
M. Croughton	50	10	155	11	14.09
N. Young	78	12	262	18	14.56
L. Yeomans	79	15	230	11	20.90
D. Jamieson	41	3	184	7	26.29
J. Evans	34	2	152	5	30.4

### Also Bowled:

J. Barrett	4 for 69	C. Hickey	6 for 94	D. Guile	4 for 86
J. Magrath	3 for 49	M. Watts	0 for 11	I. Duncan	1 for 11
R. Bailey	0 for 5	J. Kemp	2 for 37	G. Ireland	0 for 3
D. Walker	1 for 13	A. Thompson	8 for 40	L. Calloway	3 for 53
P. Burt	0 for 16	J. McPherson	0 for 6		

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### CROYDON CRICKET CLUB UNDER 16

The Under 16's were able to go one better than 1980-81 by winning the Competition. The performance by the boys was a great team effort and just reward for the application displayed, particularly in the latter part of the Season.

Able led by Anthony Farinola, the Team was undefeated and whilst it may have been slightly disappointing to have won the Semi-Final and Final on position in Competition (draws resulted in each match), there is no doubt that moral victories were obtained.

In analysing the success of the team, sound all-round performance is obvious — six (6) batsmen with averages of approximately 20 or more, and three top-line medium pace bowlers ably supported by a number of handy spinners. On top of this the bowlers were supported by an outstanding wicket keeper in John McGuire, and many good fieldsmen.

The opening pair, Anthony Farinola and Andrew Langdon, commenced the Season in unbelievable fashion with a stand of 190, and whilst they never reached these dizzy heights

again, they generally got the side away to a sound start. Anthony's innings of 50 and 55 in the Semi and Final bore testimony to his determination. Andrew, unfortunately, tended on occasions to be slightly impetuous.

Anthony complemented his batting with 18 wickets and Andrew also bowled the occasional handy over of medium pace, when given the opportunity.

Robert Flood and Sean Pracey each performed consistently well with the bat, as well as collecting a few wickets each. Robert has the application to be a very good high order batsman as does Sean, who possesses a vast array of classy attacking shots.

Abraham Ergun and John Kanaan, as opening bowlers and middle order batsmen, could be relied upon to make a break through with the ball (31 and 25 wickets respectively), as well compile runs when required, particularly John who displayed considerably more application from Abraham.

John's 33 not out in the Semi was a great innings and had Abraham displayed attitude and application to match his talent, his record for the Season would have been quite remarkable.

John McGuire as wicket keeper and middle order batsman was an invaluable member of the team and there is no doubt (at least in my mind) that John has the ability to go on to much bigger and better things as a wicket keeper, as well as a batsman where he displays admirable concentration.

Unfortunately players like David Barnes, Claude Lopino, Michael Clarke and Tony Achmar did not get a lot of opportunities as evidenced by the fact only 57 wickets were lost during the Season, however each was a valuable team member who contributed his utmost on all occasions, as did Graham Barnes, Joe Darrigo and Fabio Rebecchi.

Michael Clarke emphasised his value with ten wickets, bowling leg spin and Michael will also develop into a very good bowler in the future, given the opportunity.

<b>Matches Played</b>	<b>Won O/R</b>	<b>Won 1st</b>	<b>Drawn</b>	<b>Bye</b>	<b>Lost O/R</b>	<b>Lost 1st</b>	<b>Position</b>
11	2	4	3	2			1st
<b>Runs For</b>	<b>Wickets For</b>	<b>Average</b>		<b>Runs Against</b>	<b>Wickets Against</b>	<b>Average</b>	
1,300	57	22.81		1,109	106	10.46	

# **BATTING (x Not Out)**

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	Aggregate	Average	Catches
A. Farinola	9	1	101 x	287	35.88	7
J. Kanaan	8	4	37	99	24.75	5
J. McGuire	5	2	21	68	22.67	10c, 2s
A. Langdon	9	—	101	184	20.44	5s, 3c.
R. Flood	7	1	50 x	120	20	1
S. Pracey	7	—	45	134	19.14	5
A. Ergun	8	1	34	108	15.43	4
D. Barnes	6	1	26	65	13	2

## **Also Batted:**

J. Darrigo	1	—	22	22	22	—
C. Lopino	3	2	20	21	21	1
M. Clarke	3	2	9	15	15	—
T. Burton	3	1	20	28	14	3
G. Barnes	2	1	10	11	11	1
T. Achmar	1	—	3	3	3	2
F. Rebecchi	1	—	3	3	3	1

# **BOWLING**

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. Clarke	22.3	2	79	10	7.9
A. Ergun	128.1	43	258	31	8.32
J. Kanaan	132	41	263	25	10.52
A. Farinola	72.1	14	199	18	11.06
A. Langdon	21	1	79	5	15.8

## **Also Bowled:**

S. Pracey	10.1	—	39	4	9.75
R. Flood	5	—	13	2	6.5
D. Barnes	11.4	—	50	2	25
J. Darrigo	6	4	5	1	5
F. Rebecchi	1	—	—	—	7
T. Achmar	1	—	—	—	4
T. Burton	1	—	—	—	2

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## FOOTBALL ANNUAL REPORT 1982

The smell of liniment no longer lingers, the jock straps have been hung up and uncleaned boots put away. Jovial quips between players in the dressing room before games have finished for the year. Opportunities have come and gone. A mixture of success and failure.

Briars had another consolidating season this year, unable to improve on the success of 1980. Winners are grinners as the story goes. Once again this year we entered the semi-final race with the right credentials but failed to come away smiling.

Results were as follows:—

Club Championship	—	4th
Kentwell Cup	—	9th
Burke Cup	—	4th
Whiddon Cup	—	5th
Judd Cup	—	3rd

Success in Rugby is built on experience, enthusiasm and hard work. These talents are attributed to a particular individual in the last three annual reports that I have and were recognised in the awarding of the J. H. Stone Trophy in 1980. Unfortunately this member was forced to sever his ties with Rugby this year. I certainly missed his guiding influence and I am sure the various coaches would have been appreciative of his knowledge of forward play and ability to assess players.

Coaches for 1982 were:—

**Kentwell** — Ken O'Brien — Ken finally got his chance with the top side after coaching Burke Cup for two years and before that, Judd Cup. It has been a frustrating year for Ken. However, he is resilient enough to bounce back next year and take advantage of the experience gained.

**Burke** — Rex Harris — This was Rex's first taste of coaching. He proved to be a masterful tactician who quickly gained the respect of the players. Rex has a wealth of experience and executed his duties with a similar precision to his famous dummy pass.

**Whiddon** — Dusty Saunders — Dusty's transition to coaching was difficult. The personalities that tend to play Whiddon Cup make it in many ways the most difficult grade to coach. I am sure that Dusty is wiser from the experience gained.

**Judd** — John Staniforth — Stanno became a permanent temporary replacement coach after sensing the opportunity to revenge the performance of Judd Cup under his guidance in 1980. Team morale throughout the year was high and the running rugby style produced was superb. A close contender for the Gordon Bevan Shield.

Coaches invariably have 101 things of concern. These burdens were minimised aptly by the respective team managers.

**Kentwell** — Dave (Marathon) Blair — the fastest can in the west.

**Burke** — Charlie (shorts) Williams — the most agreeable manager.

**Whiddon** — Ralph (ligaments) Toyer — the slowest can in the west.

**Judd** — Terry (take a dive) Daly — the best purveyor of miracle water in the west for sudden recoveries.

I would like to thank the various committee members who supported me throughout the year.

**Bob Hanthorne** — performed the duties of Canteen and Ground Organiser which is probably the most time consuming job. Record profits were made.

**John Jessup** — Raffles and Jaffles. A worthy winner of the Gordon Bevan Shield for his constant efforts on and off the field.

**Dave Blair** — Statistics. Dave once again was correct regarding a discrepancy in the Sub-District records.

**Tony Wozniak** — carried out the unenviable task of extracting fees from players.

**Chris Murray** — had the endless job of seeking players to go behind the bar.

Thanks are also extended to the supporters of the Club. This consists mainly of wives, girl friends and other family members with a few older club members. I hope to see more of the latter next year. Sub-District Rugby is still entertaining.

This season has been a prosperous one financially for Rugby. After all expenses a surplus of \$1,605 was produced to commence a tour fund.

It was intended that a tour be held in January 1983, however, this is not going to eventuate. A greater commitment is required in the current circumstances from players to ensure that a tour occurs in the next twelve months.

Once again this year Rugby celebrated the passing of another season in fine style with a presentation night at the Sydney Rowing Club.

Best and Fairest results were announced as follows:—

<b>Kentwell</b>	—	John Jessup
<b>Burke</b>	—	Joe Lancuba
<b>Whiddon</b>	—	Phil England
<b>Judd</b>	—	Scot Cardwell

**Encouragement Award** — Dave Garrity

As a final thought, I believe a comment regarding our prospects for 1983 is warranted. Sufficient players will be available, the quality will be good and they will be organised

by capable coaches. What is lacking is a sense of urgency, enthusiasm and an air of expected success that creates positive results.

What do you intend to do to make 1983 a success ?

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## KENTWELL CUP REPORT

The 1982 rugby season saw the Kentwell Cup team embark on a playing style somewhat different to the traditional Briars methods. This style based on an attacking attitude to both offence and defence was a considerable change to several players in the team. To their full credit they stuck to that task completely, even though the results were not coming our way.

A great deal was learnt throughout the season by all players and particularly by the coach. Many players discovered new facets of their game which they had not previously enjoyed the use of. The coach learned from mistakes a great deal in the areas of pre-season preparation, training methods, scrummaging and the importance of a tight-forward platform.

As far as the season is concerned we again suffered from our inability to win a good percentage of games during the first round of the competition. Being on four points at the half-way mark in the competition again put enormous pressure on ourselves to make the semi-finals, although it was not until the second last round that we were out of contention.

My personal thanks goes to David Blair for the great job done as Manager of the team,, making the coaching of the team an uncomplicated affair. I would also like to thank Bruce Robinson for his support throughout the season, as well as Peter Dunlop for his confidence.

The players who contributed to the Kentwell Cup season are:—

**DAVID GUILLE: (3)** Was playing well until hit with an injury that virtually ended his season.

**ROSS THOMPSON: (4)** Handling still a problem but showed a lot of improvement in the second half of the season.

**LINDSAY CALLOWAY: (6)** Played well early but lost form and confidence midway through the season.

**OWEN MOORE: (4)** One of the most incisive backs in the club but needs to improve his defensive technique.

**TONY RODI: (15)** A new player to the club who gave the team everything. I think next year he could be a first class Kentwell Cup player.

**JOHN HURLEY: (16)** Greatly improved his all-round game showing new found attacking abilities. Who could forget that try.

**JOHN MAGRATH: (15)** A good job done as team captain. Throughout the season he consistently trained the house down.

**BOB BISHOP: (16)** A great season by Bob playing the way Bob likes best but on a much more consistent basis.

**JOHN JESSUP: (15)** The Kentwell Cup best and fairest player, who along with Bob Bishop next year should be the best attacking back-rowers in Sub-District.

**GORDON BROWN: (14)** Part of our "Mighty Mite" back row who throughout the season did more than he was asked and more than the opposition cared for.

**KIM PIEFKE: (1)** Unfortunately his season was again hit by injury. A player the team did miss.

**PETER RUTLEDGE: (10)** A player we really missed when he went back to Norfolk Island who, when he played, gave 200%. If only he had some heart.

**TONY WOSNIAK: (13)** Tony did not have one of his best seasons mainly due to lack of fitness. Hopefully next year we will see the real "Captain Tony".

**NEIL QUINLAN: (7)** Up until his unfortunate incident with the Hunters Hill hooker, Neil was playing quite strongly.

**JOHN HEALY: (13)** A great season surprised many including myself. Next season should really establish himself as a Kentwell Cup player to be reckoned with.

**IAN RICHARDS: (7)** Plagued by injury but has a lot of ability.

**JOE LANCUBA: (3)** Limited opportunities but next season could see him establish himself a Kentwell Cup half back.

**CHRIS KUBARA: (10)** Showed a great deal of potential as a top line-out jumper but needs to work at his general play.

**DAVID VAUGHAN: (4)** This season was affected by study commitment which resulted in limited opportunities.

**GREG STEVENSON: (1)** Had injury problem but hopefully next season should see him have a good go at Kentwell.

**BOB STEPHENSON: (2)** Unfortunately back problems hindered Bob's ability to play prop, therefore limiting his Kentwell Cup appearances.

**DAVID GARRITY: (13)** A new player to the club who displayed great all-round ability. David's tremendous kicking game made him our forwards most popular player.

**MAL WEBER: (14)** Mal had some fine games this season in both attack and defence. Still needs to improve his consistency.

**TIM O'REILLY: (8)** Tim's opportunities were fairly limited in attack but he still made the most of them as usual.

**PETER DUNLOP: (11)** Peter gave the team great strength in determination which had a great effect on the forwards. A good team player.

**GARY PIERCE: (6)** Gary took things easy this year in preparation for his honeymoon, but when called on, gave his best.

**PAUL BEVINS: (5)** Paul's late start to the season effected his Kentwell appearances but Paul still proved he is one of the strongest scrummagers in Kentwell Cup.

**BRUCE ROBINSON: (8)** Bruce's final rugby season, outside special promotional appearances, was fittingly finished, playing in the club's first grade team. Bruce's influence improved our scrummaging by 200% on his arrival.

Overall, the season must be seen as a disappointing one from the point of view of our competition standing. We were not able to win the close games and the games we won were by comfortable margins which was belied by the fact that we had the fifth best for and against in the competition. But that doesn't win competitions and a rugby trophy we need. I believe if we can retain our current players, learn from our experiences and maintain belief in our ability and playing style, we WILL win Kentwell Cup in 1983.

**KEN O'BRIEN**

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## **BURKE CUP**

I am proud to report that Burke Cup reached the semi-finals. Although the game concluded at 17—all, we lost the match on a count-back to Chatswood. The result was disappointing because we displayed in the second half of that game, the potential of the Burke Cup side. The application of the players to come back after being 14—3 down at half time to 17—all at full time is certainly an achievement.

In analysing the season, I note that 54 players participated in the Burke Cup. Despite injuries, the major reason for the number of participants was caused by the lack of commitment by members to attend training. Consistency in training and playing usually culminates in winning games. Unfortunately, the four straight losses three-quarter way through the season, as it turned out, cost us dearly when deciding who was to proceed to the finals.



Other statistics of note were the achievement of Rod Smith whose total points for the season amounted to 43, made up of 14 conversions, 13 penalties, and two field goals. Owen Moore with seven tries was next, followed by David Garrity with 22 points.

Despite missing the last few games, Joe Lancuba again demonstrated his football ability by winning the Best and Fairest for the second consecutive year. A good effort, Joe, and best of luck next year. Other players who scored well in this competition, in order, were:

**Larry Thompson  
Andrew Steele  
Terry O'Kane**

Our game hinged around obtaining possession and this was ably done by the three "happy hookers", Mark Brown, Bruce 'Born Before Everyone Else' Robinson and Terry 'Striker' O'Kane. Assistance in the front row was provided by Larry 'Mighty Mouse' Thompson, Gary 'Tight or Loose Head' Pierce and Bobby 'Never Lose a Head' Hanthorne.

On winning the ball, it was supposedly controlled by the "Engine Room" of Graham 'Stamp on your Foot' Johnston and Adam 'Jumping Jack' Lax.

If ever the opposition got the ball, it was re-posessed by Gary 'Never Miss a Tackle' Sly, picked up by Andrew 'Spewer' Steele and driven forward by Graham 'Not Only a Prop' Stevenson.

This whole charade was directed by Captain Leo Purtill for which I am grateful. The ball was despatched to Paul 'Queensland' McMahon who has a habit of kicking the ball in the same direction that bananas bend — backwards. On other occasions, the cherry proceeded to our fleet-footed centres of Brian 'Mr. Cool' Hurley, Ron 'Always a Centre' Thompson and Lindsay 'Not a Winger' Calloway.

The running game continued with the ball in the hands of our wingers, Owen 'Crash' Moore, Agro, 'Muscles' Potbury and Greg 'Flasher' Wallace.

The final act concluded with Rod 'Heart Attack' Smith guiding the ball through the up-rights.

On reflection, an enjoyable season and my special thanks to Charlie Williams for his assistance. I wish you all an enjoyable summer and good luck for the 1983 season.

**REX HARRIS**

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### **1982 BRIARS RUGBY WHIDDON CUP REPORT**

The 1982 Whiddon Cup team proved to be a replica of the 1981 side. After being undefeated for five rounds, we finished the season with a total of 21 points in fifth position

just one point short of a semi-final position. Had we maintained the majority of our players after the initial rounds, I have no doubt we would have made the grand final.

There was only one side in the competition, Hunters Hill (the eventual premiers) who, I felt, had a slight edge over us although we only lost the first round to them 13-9. The only other side to beat us, both rounds, was Bondi-Bronte, both very close games, 7-3 and 6-0, which could have gone either way. We convincingly beat every other side in the competition. I felt our best performance this year were 9-0 win against Colleagues at Woollahra and a loss of 13-11 against them at Rothwell, although we won everywhere except the two points (not one of "Jamo's" better days). Beating St. Patricks O.B. 21-0 and Chatswood 23-6 were also very good wins, where some fine tries were scored. Both these games were in the first round. One might ask where we went wrong. A mid-season slump, or something worse than that, resulted in only 3 competition points between rounds 6 to 12 inclusive.

No doubt many Briars, players and supporters, have many reasons and remedies and some were not bashful in their suggestions, but it all boils down to the availability of players and their commitment each Wednesday night and Saturday afternoons. Selecting Whiddon Cup sides each week was purely academic on many occasions as the selected team, the team (or half a team) that trained, and the team that got to trot out on Saturday afternoons were all different to a large degree.

Thus approximately 65 or more players participated in Whiddon Cup teams at some stage during the season caused by the no training/no playing rule in the higher two grades, depleting the 3rd grade. Also, injuries and unavailability due to various reasons seemed to happen at vital games for Whiddon. It should be mentioned that some of our normal "vintage" Whiddon regulars.

Bruce Robinson, Larry Thompson and Leo Purtill excelled themselves in our early games, that the higher coaches offered them bigger contracts, in Robbo's case the fee must have been enormous, (what was he paying Ken?) and thus they did not play Whiddon for the rest of the season, only the odd guest appearance if I put free beer on for them at the club. Oh, to have one's rugby ability recognised so late in life !

Because of the reasons previously mentioned, we had seven official and many unofficial captains throughout the year, thus maintaining cohesion and team spirit was extremely difficult. Apart from all that we did manage to play rugby on occasions which consisted of 15 participants, all committed to winning by scoring tries and when we had the side to do it, we played 15 man rugby not 8 to 10 man rugby as is normally the case in sub-district football by the majority of 2nd and 3rd phase possession and maximum use of that hard won possession not giving it back to the opposition as seems to be the easy way out for many players.

I'd like to thank all those players who played with and for me this year, especially to the many players from Judd Cup who doubled up and filled in when we were short in numbers towards the end of the season.

Mentioning all players individually would only be repetitious as most played other grades as well, but a few warrant special mention, together with a few of the year highlights.

**Ross Pearson** for turning up each Saturday to play.

**Phil England** for staying back in Whiddon to help us out of our slump or was it the lure of winning yet another best and fairest trophy. Whatever the reason, it worked. Congratulations Phil on winning the best and fairest yet again.

**Peter Stewart** for helping out at team selections. Also played a fair game at breakaway and vice captain.

**David Jamieson & David Guille** for forming a good inside centre combination so late in the season.

**Frank Walters** giving up the touch judge's position at Rothwell, pulling on the jumpers and nearly snatching victory with a try against Hunters Hill.

To the following players a special thanks for their great efforts towards Whiddon Cup this season:—

**Chris Murray** — Lock/Breakaway — 100 percent effort in every game. Unfortunately Chris suffered concussion in a try-saving tackle against Hunters Hill in the first round which put him out of action for some weeks.

**David Jamieson** — Fullback/Five-Eight — Also 100 percent effort at training and in the games. His goal kicking throughout the year was generally consistent and contributed greatly to the side. Also took over the captaincy towards the end of season.

**Bob Hanthorne** — Prop/Hooker — played well in all matches. Did what he was asked to do in the match for 60 minutes.

**Paul McMahon** — Five-Eight — Showed a lot of talent and should have been a regular in higher grades this year.

**David Guille** — Unfortunately nursed bad ankles all the year. We had some memorable games in the centres which I enjoyed immensely.

**John Boyle** — Hooker — Came to Whiddon later in the season and took over the captaincy. Did a fantastic job and full effort in every game.

**To Craig Hickey & Steve Hansen** — Half Backs — Full effort.

**To Adam Lax, Steve Bardwell, Scott Hipwell & Bruce Ferguson** — 2nd Rows — Well played.

**Bob Stevenson & Ross Henry** — Locks — Had some outstanding games when available.

**To Ian Richard, Derrick Nix & Brian Hurley** — Centre & Wings — All played well.

**Paul Bevins** — Prop — Thanks Paul for the few games with us.

**To Bruce Robinson, Bruce Ferguson, John Boyle & David Jamieson** — I would like to express my appreciation for standing in as coach on occasions when I was unavailable due to injury or unforeseen business commitments.

My experience as player/coach this year has been a most enjoyable one for me and many thanks for all the support from our football chairman Graeme Johnson throughout the year.

Finally, I would like to thank Ralph Toyer for coming to Whiddon's aid as manager and seeing out the season with us. A great assistance Ralph — thanks.

**DUSTY SAUNDERS**

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### **JUDD CUP REPORT 1982**

The 1982 season proved to be the second in succession during which the Judd Cup side showed considerable spirit and talent. We again reached the semi-finals but were unable to fully adapt to the "big match" pressures. In retrospect, I feel that more attention to early season fitness training is needed to equip the players to supplement their football skills with an ability to play in top gear from kick-off to final whistle.

This season produced some of the finest tries that I have ever seen in Judd Cup and I hope that the precedent is now firmly established for open running Rugby in the 4th grade.

I would like to thank Gary Sly and Steve Hansen for giving us the benefit of their experience and ability before being elevated to higher grades. Terry O'Kane and Greg Wallace also added greatly to our side while they were with us. Also a special thanks to Rex Harris for the Chatswood game and to Neil Quinlan for the last two games.

Obviously a large number of players pulled on a Judd Cup guernsey this year but dropped out for various reasons — they all contributed to an enjoyable season.

Players who finished off the season in Judd Cup included:—

**CHRIS PERCIVAL:** Caught and ran the ball superbly from full back on many occasions — tactical kicking needs more attention.

**"CHANG" BOWYER:** After experiencing the horrors early in the season "Chang" came good and had several very strong games after accepting the coach's instructions not to kick until beating at least three opponents.

**ROGER FISH:** A very versatile back and kicker with a deceptive running style. Fishy filled many back line positions this year but showed in the semi his considerable ability as a centre.

**PETER PAYNE:** Peter is an ideal centre — he tackles, he runs, he passes and he mauls when required, he does not kick, he does not complain. A top player in my book.

**JACK ELLISON:** Jack is an exciting player who added considerably to our attacking game. Maybe a full season next year?

**DAVID WRIGHT:** Dave patiently waited his turn on the paddock, took his chance and became a fixture at five-eight. He played very well in a tough position and should go on with the job next season.

**GREG STEVENSON:** Stevo had a strange season — up one week — injured the next — down the next week — but he added a great deal of "stick" to our back-line when available.

**CRAIG HICKEY:** What can I say? When all other half-backs were unavailable for one reason or another, Hickey (after stuffing about in Whiddon Cup earlier in the season) came trotting out of the mist from the direction of the sheds at Goddard Park one Wednesday and announced his availability. He got the game, quickly got into the Judd Cup spirit and consolidated his spot to the end of the season — thanks, mate!

**ROSS SEABROOK:** Another versatile player who played wing and breakaway this year. Has the commitment to become a good breakaway but should concentrate on the backs at present weight as shown by a very neat try in the semi.

**TONY ASMUS:** Tony made a few guest appearances this year being a victim of the Billy Burns school of milk vending and added measurably to our forward strength. Finished off the try of the season against Colleagues in the second round and scored another try against Hunters Hill.

**GARY STEWART:** "Drain" is a good style of reliable player who quietly gets on with his job. Showed ability in line-outs and has the ability to play higher grades with a little more experience.

**CHRIS MURRAY:** Returning after injury, Shirl found himself seeking selection in Judd Cup in the second round. Added experience and his own brand of enthusiasm and improvisation to our side. Unfortunately, the season ended for us before his ability could be fully utilized.

**GEOFF MOSS:** In the first season for the Briars, Mossy showed glimpses of form which, no doubt, he will capitalise on next season. Has learnt the necessary techniques and with more aggression Geoff could become a very capable tight forward.

**TONY SWANSON:** Swany earned a great deal of respect after playing on the wing in the

first game and then established himself in the side as a prop forward. His build and strength caused him to be a worry to many opposing props and I think he will distinguish himself next season in any position.

**BRUCE EVANS:** Bruce played with considerable physical problems this year but had several top games in the tight play.

**WARREN BRYAN:** Warren is sometimes criticised for his mobility around the field but his scrummaging and tight play was valuable to our side this year. He will continue to hold a position in the front row especially if he remembers the coach's theory on selective second-phase play.

**JOHN STANIFORTH:** His play on occasions left the coach speechless !

Now I come to three members who deserve special mention:—

**SCOTT CARDWELL:** A deserving winner of the best and fairest award. Scotty's conversion from an out-of-form winger to yet another Briars backrower was, in all honesty, a stroke of good luck. Scott has a job in front of him to play breakaway for Briars in the top two grades at present, as the Club has always had ample talent in that position. However, I am sure he can make it if he takes his time and supplements his attacking ability and speed to the breakdown in play, with effectively decking the opponent in all tackles thereby negating the necessity to have a verbal altercation. Congratulations, Scotty !

**PETER STEWART:** Peter supported the Judd Cup effort admirably throughout the season notwithstanding Tech. commitments. His knowledge of the ability of the new players was a valuable help to the coach in team selections. Pete is a top team man whose application to the game serves as a fine example to the other players. During the season Pete established credentials as a very competent hooker who, like all hookers, can vividly recall all tight heads won and full details of how he did it on each occasion.

**TERRY DALY:** Terry backed up for his second year as manager and provided all necessary services without fail. His efforts in reviving injured players and assisting those who failed to respond to his magic sponge from the field had to be seen to be believed. Once again the jumpers were maintained in immaculate condition which I suspect was largely due to Terry's wife, Ann. Terry made sure the traditional port was served at half time in the last comp. game. Unfortunately, Terry did not get a run this year but I believe he may announce his availability for selection next season ?

My final comment is to express the hope that after two years in the final four, Briars can continue to capitalise on the depth of present talent in the Club and put together a premiership winning Judd Cup side in 1983.

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## HOCKEY REPORT – 1982 SEASON

It is fervently hoped that the season just passed is not as vital to the future of Briars Hockey as it was expected to be at the conclusion of the previous season. The challenges faced during 1981 were generally perpetuated in 1982 and in fact (apart from the Damoclean sword of deficit financing hanging over the 1981 Chairman's head, which problem having been redeemed prior to the start of 1982) the absolute number of challenges to surmount actually declined in 1982.

Thank heavens they did, because in 1982 there were considerably less heads available for problem-surmounting !

Subsequently the 1983 administration is now facing a situation highly reminiscent of the 1970–71 period when Briars Hockey was pulled back from the rim of the precipice and experienced seven highly successful seasons through to 1980.

The format of the 1982 season was not as revolutionary (and potentially damaging) as expected, and in fact apart from the formation of an S.H.A. Under–17 Competition, run in conjunction with senior hockey, the introduction of a Premier B Division of three grades composed of most of the previous year's 1st Division but excluding any clubs that were already represented in the (renamed) Premier A Division, actually saw a weakening in the strength of the Premier B Division in which your teams participated.

On that basis alone the 1982 results should have been superior to the previous season's results.

In fact, in a weaker competition in 1982, Briars scored 14 more goals than in 1981 and reduced the opposition goal average from 2.7 per game to 2.4 per game, but concurrently won 3 fewer games and finished 27 Club Championship points behind the 1981 figures.

This in a climate in which some of the stronger Premier B Division clubs agitated against the disparity between the playing standards of their 1982 Saturday's opposition, and the S.H.A. Development Committee supported this contention with the specific proposition (detailed in the October Focus) to quote "Keep competition format same as 1982 with the hope that the performance of clubs like Wests and Briars will strengthen in 1983" unquote.

Player strength is the simple reason for most of the 1982 on-the-field maladies, and remedying the lack of numbers on the subscription rolls is the major task of the incoming administration !

The other major problem in the season just passed was the lack of sufficient involvement by players in the administration of the sport within the club, to the extent that a submission involving a restructuring of responsibilities was circulated by two of the more genuine club men, with sufficient impact to (hopefully before this correspondence goes to press) promote the installation of an organised dedicated administration of rather more than the previous two effective "wheels".

It is debatable how much the sudden player loss affected the functioning of a reasonable machinery controlling the club's destiny in the 1982 season, but the bare facts are that of the 38 players profiled in the 1982 Annual Report, 10 were totally lost to the 1982 effort and 6 more played on a very restricted basis! That is uncomfortably close to a 33% decrease in player strength, and the old bogey of doubling up became the norm rather than the abhorrent exception.

On the brighter side, some of the junior players benefitted from having two seasons experience added to their belts in just 17 games (or was it 34 games?).

It is perhaps indicative of the way things were that a special point was noted in the previous season's report when one player managed to represent in all three of the Club's grades at various stages of the season, whereas in 1982, an incredible 6 players performed the same feat! That is another statistic that would be wonderful if it meant that 6 3rd graders had performed well enough to earn a 1st grade spot. . . . . !

Because of the polyglot nature of the season's activities, it is pointless to attempt the usual team by team player profiles.

Instead, the relevant statistical analysis is detailed, followed by some pertinent observations on the season's highlights.

## RESULTS

	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals		Pts.	Position
					For	Against		
<b>1sts</b>	17	5	2	10	30	43	12	7th
<b>2nds</b>	16	3	1	12	24	46	7	8th
<b>3rds</b>	16	2	1	13	14	76	5	8th

## LEADING GOAL SCORERS:

<b>1sts</b>	A. Walker (12)
<b>2nds</b>	D. Hendren (7), M. Tass (5)
<b>3rds</b>	M. Shorter (5)

## LEADING BEST AND FAIREST:

<b>1sts</b>	R. Wood (19), R. Streeter (15), W. Widger (11), P. Jones (10).
<b>2nds</b>	G. Price (12), G. Wager (11), M. Tass (9).
<b>3rds</b>	P. Price (17), R. Coghlan (15), W. Sharp (12), P. Thomas (9).



- \* If all grades B & F points were tallied, Robert Wood would have pipped Paul Price by one solitary point.
- \* Richard Coghlan and Robert Wood each earned five major B & F awards spread over the grades.
- \* On eight occasions goalkeepers (Warren Widger, Laszlo Kovacs and Wayne Smith) claimed major B & F awards, indicating their increased involvement in the games in 1982.
- \* Against Sutherland on July 17 Colin Huggett and Michael Sterry claimed the principal B & F points in both 1st and 2nd grade.
- \* Against Ryde on June 20, Robert Wood scored 2 points in 1st grade B & F and 3 points in 2nd grade.
- \* Neil Huggett, a highly thought of centre-half prospect made his debut in 1st grade on the left wing against Easts on May 15 and promptly netted 3 good goals — then three weeks later split the scene for Adelaide!
- \* Peter Jones rapidly cemented a 1st grade fullback spot that simply did not look on two years ago.
- \* Nigel Sterry came back from a knee operation to add much needed strength to the 2nd grade half line and prompt a strong season's finish for that team.
- \* On only approximately 7 occasions out of the 49 times a senior Briars team ran onto the field in 1982 was there not a member of the Price family involved — and of course they played all the morning junior games as well!
- \* Andre Declase found a new challenger for most sideline sorties during the season, and that worthy would prefer to remain un-named in this report!
- \* 1st grade's memorable games were mainly first round efforts, a 3—3 draw against Bankstown and close games with Northern Districts, Sutherland and Manly, plus the enjoyable local derby victories over Wests.
- \* 2nd grade highlights was undoubtedly a great win (3—1) against North Sydney at Primrose Park, with several other games qualifying as memorable for all the wrong reasons, except for strong end-of-season performances against Northern Districts, Bankstown and Ryde.
- \* 3rd grade enjoyed greatly, wins over Macquarie University, a draw against Bankstown at Burwood after a first round 9—0 drubbing, and a gallant 3—4 loss against Northern Districts at Pennant Hills in a thrilling game.
- \* Special mention must be made of the players who formed the backbone of both the 2nd and 3rd grade games for the bulk of the season, namely Paul Price, Richard Coghlan, Warren Sharp, Paul Huggett, Sandor Kovacs, Eric Wade and Lew Martin.

- \* The Annual Briars — Barton encounter in Canberra saw the locals win all three games, with the 2nd grade game being the only close contest. Barton have, in fact, amalgamated with the Woden club and nowadays circulate under a "Valleys" tag, while preserving the "Barton — Woden Hockey Club" title for auspicious occasions (like Briars contests). The hospitality on the June long weekend was up to its usual high standard, but the weather was not, although the locals loved us for bringing the rain to their parched climes. For 1983, moves are underfoot to schedule the annual event for a mutually compatible normal weekend, in order to minimise the ravages of family commitments on players' required hockey responsibilities.
- \* Budgetry—wise, Hockey finished the Briars financial year with a deficit of \$110.00 caused principally by an increase in equipment inventory of some \$446.00 over the previous year. An additional cause was the shortfall of drink sales receipts at games to the amounts budgeted for, and tightening up of this area is obviously necessary.  
  
Expenses for training also increased significantly over 1981 and reinforced the contemporary cost spiral in sports accounting, e.g. 1978 expenses were \$994.00 compared to the current \$3680.00.
- \* At last, the good news! As detailed in an early edition of Focus, Hockey 1982 saw a team of Briars players carry off the Metropolitan B Division Sydney Indoor Hockey Association Competition against the more financial State Bank (North Sydney) team. The final score of 7—6, with the winning goal scored after the final whistle does not indicate the play of the team on the night when just a few touches would have us comfortably clear of the State Bank challenge. That was a most satisfying win, and it was thought at the time that it would set us up for a strong field hockey season!

In 1983, Briars Hockey would do well to heed the advice of one Robert Louis Stevenson, viz:

"To travel hopefully is a better thing  
than to arrive, and the true success  
is to labour".

**BOB STREETER**  
**Hockey Chairman.**

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## **BRIARS JUNIORS HOCKEY REPORT**

### **1982**

For Briars Junior Hockey team, 1982 was the year that could've been, considering the fact that 99% of the time, only eight or nine players were available, therefore giving the opposition a huge advantage before the game had even started.

The team was once again entered in the Parramatta Hills Junior Hockey competition. Because of the small number of teams in the competition, there were no semi-finals, only a grand final. This proved to be very unfortunate because the team finished a magnificent **third**, narrowly missing out on the **GRAND FINAL**.

After a slow start, due mainly to the fact that many players were playing hockey for the first time, the team settled down and showed some brilliant form out of the 16 rounds the team **WON NINE**, including a magnificent 5-1 win over the eventual winners; **DREW TWO**, and lost five. Imagine the difference if Briars were able to scrape up eleven players.

For any hockey team to succeed or even exist, there must be some form of organisation, and without Robbie Wood, that task, of organising players, umpires and supporters to sacrifice their Saturday mornings would be difficult. So special thanks must go to Robbie Wood and all other Briars who gave their time and help.

**PAUL PRICE:** (Captain) — (Centre Half)

He was the main organiser of both attack and defence. Had a top season and picked up the **BEST AND FAIREST AWARD**.

**GERARD PRICE:** (Centre Forward).

He was a goal-scoring machine, won many games for the team because of his superb ability, had a top year.

**PAUL THOMAS:** (Right Half).

Thommo had a great season for only his second year of hockey, showed enormous improvement and is quickly picking up all the skills.

**KEN HEGGARTY:** (Goal Keeper).

Started the year off in the forwards, then made the incredible change to goalie and adjusted magnificently. Has improved out of sight, so therefore won the **MOST IMPROVED AWARD**.

**DARREN NASH:** (Left Half)

Another startling improvement in his second year of hockey. Has picked up all the skills and shows great potential.

**PAUL HUGGETT:** (Right Fullback)

Was the mainstay of the backs and saved many goals with his skill and determination.

**DEAN SMITH:** (Right Wing)

Showed incredible ability for his size and age. Surprised many supporters and opposing teams with his skill. Picked his first goal in the final game.

## **Briars Junior Hockey Report (Contd.)**

### **DAVID DIBIASE: (Inside Right)**

Played well on some occasions but must work a little harder otherwise a pretty good season.

### **ANDREW LANGDON: (Left Fullback)**

Didn't play very often but when he did, he showed a lot of skill and experience.

Special thanks must also to Michael Conway, Wayne Smith, Todd Nash and Noel Mancuso, who filled in on various times of the year. If the nucleus of the '82 side can be kept, plus a large increase in playing strength, well, anything could happen in '83.

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## **SQUASH ANNUAL REPORT**

The results of the 1981 spring competition were quite disappointing to us all as we didn't manage to win any pennants, quite unusual I must admit. The closest we got was the A1 grand final which we expected to win but due to a reversal of form from two consistent performers, we lost. The year thus ended with Briars Squash winning the A2 pennant in the autumn competition.

### **AUTUMN 1982**

This year we started with a full complement of ten teams. We expected A grading in State 5 and A1 with our top two teams but ended up competing against each other in A1. Our balance was still acceptable with teams competing in the A1, A4, B4, C4, C8, C12, D6, E8 and E10. Unfortunately this competition echoed results of the previous year's Spring Pennant and we were only able to score one semi-final berth, with the top five teams even though we tried hard with extra practice, the competition proved better. Again it was the "Bridesmaids", the A1 side with George Kozis, Tony Pearce, Arthur Krallis, Joe Caristo and Frank Pearce, who made the grand final for the third time in succession and lost again — keep trying chaps. The lower five teams fared much better even though they didn't win a pennant. Four out of the five managed a semi-final berth with the C12 team consisting of John Jessup, Greg Kelly, Ken Bell, Eddie Moore and Brian McGuren losing to the minor premiers in the finals. The C8 team of Bert Houston, Grant Heggarty, Brian Douglas, Peter Rae and Brian Eddy made the semi-finals, as did the D6 team of John Healy, Gary Nicolls, David Stone, Lindsay Brookes and Dan Power. Our two E grade teams which were loaded with new and raw players fought back after early losses, to make semi-finals, only to be defeated in closely contested matches. The E8 team was Gary Signor, Peter Faga, Ross Pearson, Alan Haynes and Bill Barnwell, with the E10 team made up with Robert Cornish, Mal Orman, Owen Moore, John Pearson and Tony Wozniak.

## **SPRING 1982**

Now to the present and this spring competition we managed to field only seven teams because quite a few of our regulars decided to either retire or take a rest for a competition with the first round over, we are now well into the run home and we have to date, these positions:—

**A1:** Gary Cornish, Frank Pearce, Ken Axtell, Ray Pontifex and Arthur Krallis running in 3rd position and big chance for winning a pennant.

**A4:** Ken Kable, Cliff Priest, Alan Cameron, Ray Barros and Pat Long in 3rd position and a good chance to make the finals.

**C5:** Bert Houston, Peter Rae, Eddie Moore to make the semi-finals.

**C10:** Grant Heggarty, John Healy, Brian Douglas, Brian McGuren and Ken Bell with a big chance for the pennant.

**D4:** Brian Eddy, Dan Power, Greg Kelly, Garry Nicolls and David Stone to make the semi-finals.

**E6:** Gary Signor, Alan Haynes, Bill Barnwell, John Pearson and Paul Quinn an outside chance to make the semi-finals.

**E10:** Mal Orman, Ross Pearson, Tony Wozniak, John Powell and John Fripp have had too many players out through injury and business commitments to make any impression in their grade. Let's hope we can pull a few out of the hat this time.

## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Club Championships were played between competitions this year for the first time with good support and some exciting matches in two divisions. The first division and club champion was again Geoff Bevan who set a club record in recent times by winning three years in a row, with Frank Pearce again runner-up after an exciting five set battle. Unfortunately, Geoff Bevan had decided to settle in Orange and the Briars have lost an exciting player. In the second division, Wayne Rastall defeated Bert Houston in another close match. The best all-round performance award for the Autumn Competition was won by Peter Rae, a very good result for his first competition with the Briars.

On the social side, the Briars renewed their association with the Dubbo R.S.L. Club, by sending a team of ten players there for a weekend of squash and social activities. The team with a mixture of old hands, in Ray Pontifex, Ken Axtell, John Barry, Pat Cole, Eddie Moore, Ken Bell, and new young bloods in John Healy, Tony Wozniak, John Jessup and Brian McGuren, performed really well. The oldies concentrated on the squash, while the others enjoyed themselves. A similar return visit to our club is planned for late October this year.

To sum up we certainly aren't happy with our performance in the past competitions, but as sure as hell will be trying to rectify this situation to once again restore Briars Squash to where it should be — winning.

**ARTHUR KRALLIS**

## THE BRIARS GOLF DAYS

To date we have held two golf outings with a third still to come (November).

Attendance has been fair with 23 fronting in May and 27 in July; however we do need to get a few more on the bus so as to cut down on the individual expense.

Actually the bus now costs \$290.00 which means we require 30 bodies on board.

I'm sure you would agree that a charge of \$8.00 — \$10.00 is quite reasonable for a day's outing. Perhaps some of those people who drive up to Blackheath might reconsider their position the future, also I know there are a lot of club members (Hockey & Squash) who would love to come out for a very enjoyable day! Wouldn't you?

As for the chaps who did get along I know for a fact that they had a great time, particularly Dusty Saunders and Steve "Fatty" Bardwell, our two winners who both played some great golf to end up with the victor's spoils.

Special mention to Marty Watts and Noel Young, also "Slim" Calloway who picked up the minor prizes.

At the other end of the scale, Bruce (Bradman) Ferguson, was superb in taking out the Braddy on both occasions although Greg McPhee is looking to snatch that honour away from Fergie.

Naturally, with so many characters playing, there were certain happenings that perhaps require mentioning (for those who missed Focus) namely:—

- (1) Dusty Saunders' incredible whinging about his handicap.
- (2) Noel Young's improved golf, perhaps due to his family having grown up and more time spent at home and not in the Marshall Islands.
- (3) Calloway and his brisk walking between shots.
- (4) Calloway's choice of adjectives when questioned about the abovementioned.
- (5) Herman (Barefoot) Hitipeuw's novel method of flagging down the bus.
- (6) Dusty winning after whinging.
- (7) Hurley (John) cracking under pressure at the 16th.
- (8) Bardwell almost losing his bottle of scotch.
- (9) David Blair's misfortune in the car on the way up to golf.
- (10) Bill Hooker's plus fours.
- (11) Exclusive rights to Hodder Stoughton for a short story about Blairey and his adventures.
- (12) Saunders is now whinging about me whinging about his whinging.
- (13) Bill Hooker's toupe.
- (14) Junior Beast and Hurley and their novel sleeping arrangements.

- (15) Saunders and his technicolor yawn under the emergency sign on the F4 expressway.
- (16) Only joking, Noel and Elaine.
- (17) Bob (Magilla) Bishop's powerful driving iron-play and putting.
- (18) Dave Walker almost having to play with his son-in-law (golf).
- (19) Steve "Fatty" Bardwell and that incredible hole-in-one.
- (20) Please stop Dusty please stop.

In closing, I would like to thank all and sundry for their patronage and sincerely hope to see you again next year.

**DAVID JAMIESON**

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### **1982 N.S.W. OPEN GOLF**

Once again The Briars has participated in the running of the N.S.W. Open Golf Tournament, our third in succession.

Our total raised this year was just over \$6,000.00 bringing our three years total to approximately \$10,500.00.

My sincerest thanks go to all those club members, and their friends who gave up some of their time to support us in this year's event, our largest commitment so far. In all, 128 people worked for the Briars over the five days, a tremendous effort by all those concerned.

Special thanks must go to Greg McPhee and Graeme Johnson for their assistance in the organisation of our numbers and their work at the tournament, and also to the following members who contributed at least 4 days — Chris Murray (5), Milton Howell (5), Ian Steele (4), Ian Richard (4), Lindsay Calloway (4), Tony Wozniak (4) and Aub Taaffe (4).

All in all, a most successful year again which has benefited the club and the individual sports on a pro-rata earnings basis.

Next year we have again been asked to help out this time at our home course — CONCORD. So note your diaries around the end of October to keep as many days as possible, free.

**BOB BISHOP**

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### **SOCIAL REPORT**

1982 has been yet another quiet year socially, owing mainly to poor attendances at functions organised early in the year.

## **Social Report (Contd.)**

The first function was held at Mr. & Mrs. Larry Thompson's place with only 43 people attending. Those who attended had a good afternoon, come night.

The second function was a Chicken/Champagne night held at the Club, with a good night had by all those who attended. Sorry about those headaches the next day but I feel we should blame the local brew.

The Annual Dinner was yet another great success, with a best ever attendance of 171 being recorded. Tony Greig did a great job as guest speaker.

On the 27th October, we held an old members' night at the Briars Club, with a good roll up of those with 15 years and over, membership.

Our next social function is the Annual Christmas Picnic, to be held at Cabarita Park.

**BOB STEPHENSON**  
**Social Chairman.**

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### **BRIARS SKI CLUB THREDBO**

**DIRECTORS:** R. Anstey, B. Darragh, R. Vanderfield, M. Kennedy, J. Edmonds, P. Arnold, A. Clifford.

**AUDITOR:** C. G. Jones, F.C.A.

**SECRETARY:** M. Catt

The Ski Club has now completed its twenty-first season. Membership of the Club rose to fifty-one during the year, the Board approving the transfer of a portion of Don Walker's shareholding to his son, Chris Walker and granting Chris full membership rights.

The Balance Sheet for the year ended 30th September, 1981, showed a surplus of \$7,058.82. The current season however, was a very poor one as far as snow cover was concerned, and occupancy rate suffered. Also, costs are escalating (maintenance, electricity, oil, etc.) but is anticipated that a break even situation will be achieved for the year ending September, 1982. There were problems caused by late cancellations, and to eliminate these in future, the following conditions of booking will apply:

- \* Fifty per cent of the fee must be paid on booking, and ten per cent of the fee is non-refundable.
- \* A cancellation received two to six weeks prior to the booked date will mean the forfeiture of the full deposit.



- \* Two weeks prior to occupancy, the full fee is to be paid and becomes non-refundable unless suitable substitution is found.

The Fire Escape construction, as required by the New South Wales Fire Brigades Report has been completed and up-grading of the upstairs Bathrooms, is complete.

No final decision has been made by Kosciusko Thredbo Pty. Ltd., concerning the extension of our lease (currently running to 2004) or extension of the lodge accommodation, and negotiations on both matters are to be undertaken as soon as K.T.P.L. are ready to proceed.

If our proposed development plans are approved, it will be necessary to re-structure membership somewhat, to finance the project. Naturally this would require a special General Meeting, as a move of this nature would require the full support of at least two-thirds majority of the membership.

Brian Darragh, who has given exceptional service to the Club as Chairman of Directors for over ten years, has stepped down from that position, although he remains a Director, so his experience is still available to the Board.

Peter Arnold has relinquished the position of Secretary due to increased Family and Business commitments and has been elected to the Board.

The Club is indebted to Brian and Peter for their work over the years.

Ross Anstey was elected Chairman and is guiding the Club through this period where such important developments are to be undertaken.

Sadly, the passing was noted during the year of one of our Foundation Members, Mr. B. A. Grace.

Mr. Grace was instrumental in giving strong support to our Founder, Doug Vanderfield, in the formation of Briars Ski Club. Our sincere condolences are extended to his family.

As reported, earlier bookings were slow during the winter due to the poor season, but we should remind you that the lodge is an excellent base for Fishing Holidays and also Tennis Courts and Golf Course are only a few minutes from the lodge if you would like to "get away from it all", during the summer.

Andy Clifford, the Bookings Officer, has very little to do, so is just awaiting your calls on: Business — 766 766 or Private — 427 2673.

**M. E. CATT**  
**Secretary.**

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## **ANNUAL REPORT HOUSE COMMITTEE — 1982**

1982 has been the busiest year for the Briars since the Clubrooms' doors first opened. Some changes have been obvious, some not so obvious.

The obvious changes has been the upgrading of the facilities offered to the members. A modern and comfortable club has been achieved by a very substantial investment in bar and drink dispensing equipment, carpet, furniture, curtains and wall and ceiling painting. A new roof has been installed. A refurbished cellar allows a perfect Reschs to be drawn. It also allows the Club to cater for the Tooheys draught drinkers — both of them. The refurbishing has allowed the Club's historic memorabilia, such as team photos, pennants and trophies, to be more significantly and decoratively displayed.

These changes did not come cheaply, both on terms of the Club's financial resources and in human resources. The details of the financial resources are detailed elsewhere in this report. The time and energy expended by Briars on the Management Committee and Board is inestimable. However, the contribution of two members is noteworthy. The business backgrounds and expertise of Craig Hickey and Richard Crookes, plus their devotion to the task, was the key factor in the success of the refurbishing project.

The responsibility of the tasks the Club's management set themselves with this project, challenged their available personal resources. It could be said that this challenge was not met on all occasions. The consequence of this will always be reflected upon, by some members.

It can never be said too often, the Briars is unique — four sports and a voluntary run licensed club. It isn't done by magic. Every member must make a contribution. Your contribution could be small, but never insignificant. A significant contribution ranges from returning an empty glass to the bar to putting in 100% on the sports field. Please don't wait to be asked to make a contribution.

The Briars now has the best clubrooms around — please use them, and please use them correctly.

**DAVID A. LEWIS**  
**House Chairman.**

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### **PERSONNEL REPORT**

This year has been somewhat of a mixed bag in terms of personnel. While processing more new members than in the previous couple of years, there are a number of people participating in the various sports who have yet to nominate for membership. It is the responsibility of all members to ensure that those people participating alongside them in sport are financial members of the Club. In future, the attitude of the Club will be to bar these people from further participation in sport with the Club until such time as they are financial.

As this will be my last year as Personnel Chairman, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who have supported me over the last 3 years, especially the President, Sporting Chairman, Craig Hickey and David Blair and all members of Management.

**BOB BISHOP**

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### **"FOCUS ON THE BRIARS"**

**Editor:** Greg McPhee

**Advertising:** Ian Blair

At the time of writing this report, negotiations on Focus' future are still in progress with two major publishing syndications. Rupert Murdoch's group initiated discussions after receiving our six editions this year. Impressed with the standard of the articles by our sporting chairman, engrossed by our regular and informative features, excited by our promotional quizzes, crosswords, Focus has been seen as a means to boost declining readership numbers.

Kerry Packer, the main opposition to Mr. Murdoch, and at the moment highest bidder, was thoroughly surprised with our advertising/article ratio and the depth of sporting knowledge lacking from our publication.

So, in reviewing the phenomenal success this year, thanks must sincerely be made to a number of people.

Thank you to our advertisers for their support throughout the year. Without them, Focus would be just too expensive to run. Thanks to:— Ray Pontifex — Pontifex Jewellers; John Boyle — James Boyle Plumbers; Bob Flynn — Flynn's Lottery Agency; John Edmonds — L. J. Hooker; Peter Olde — F. M. Olde Piano Removalists; Richard Crookes — Richard Crookes & Associates, Builder; Colin Bova — Colin Bova Chemist; Warwick Williams — Raine & Horne, Balmain and Drummoyne; Peter Young — Quickfit Exhausts; Andy Clifford — Clifford Real Estate; Col Dennis — Philips; Kim Piefke — Nurri Car Detailing; Mike Mathews — Pymble Timber Co.; John Mortlock — J. G. Mortlock Insurance Pty. Ltd.; Bill Hooker — Tegel Turkeys.

Also many thanks to our advertising co-ordinator, Ian (account exec.) Blair, for his work throughout the year.

But Focus also had articles — Some serious, some entertaining and some informative. To our regular contributors, thank you.

**SPORTS:** Graeme (pass it) Johnson, Rugby; Peter (duck it) Mansford and Bill (Tegel it) Hooker, Cricket; Arthur (hit it) Krallis, Squash and Bob (1 out of 6) Streeter, Hockey.

**CLUB:** Dave (replace it) Lewis, House; Bruce (drink it) Ferguson, Snr. Steward; Craig (type it) Hickey, Management News; Bob (enjoy it) Stephenson, Social.

**OTHER FEATURES:** Terry (interview) Daley, Members' Profile; Warren (what about) Bryan, Heard these?; Bob (obscure) Flynn, Briars Sports Quiz; Phil (fill in) England, Cross-word.

1982 saw Focus back in business thanks to all the individuals above. We hope it provided members with information and pleasure. Next year is Focus' Tenth Anniversary, and I hope we can continue to provide a magazine for the members, by the members.

Anyway, who knows what will happen to Focus, if we become syndicated — Focus Times or Focus World Series !!

**GREG McPHEE**

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### **ADMINISTRATION**

The Board met on 12 occasions and the Management Committee also met on 12 occasions during the period 1st October, 1981 to 30th September, 1982. Attendance by members was as follows:—

<b>BOARD —</b>	J. Edmonds	11	
	I. Richard	10	
	I. Blair	11	Leave of Absence 1 Meeting.
	P. Mansford	8	
	J. Staniforth	11	
	K. Wearne	11	Leave of Absence 1 Meeting.
	D. Crookes	11	
	M. Mathews	10	Leave of Absence 1 Meeting.
	C. Hickey	10	
	J. Magrath	8	
	D. Blair	1	
<b>MANAGEMENT —</b>	J. Edmonds	12	
	C. Hickey	11	Leave of Absence 1 Meeting.
	D. Blair	12	
	R. Bishop	10	
	D. Lewis	11	
	G. Johnson	10	Appointed 1st November, 1981.
	B. Ferguson	3	Appointed 7th June, 1982.
	W. Hooker	2	Appointed 5th July, 1982.
	R. Streeter	12	
	A. Krallis	4	Appointed 8th February, 1982.
	G. McPhee	1	
	R. Stephenson	7	Appointed 7th December, 1981.

## Administration (Contd.)

<b>MANAGEMENT —</b>	P. Mansford	7	Resigned 5th July, 1982.
	I. Duncan	6	Resigned 5th May, 1982.
	K. Kable	4	Resigned 8th February, 1982.
	P. England	2	Resigned 1st November, 1981.
	C. Dennis	1	Resigned 12th October, 1981.

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### **J. H. STONE TROPHY**

The trophy is named after the first President of the Club, the late John Stone. It can only be won by a member under the age of 25 years and who has made an outstanding contribution to the Club's welfare during the year. This Trophy was not awarded in 1982.

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### **CRICKET MEMORIAL TROPHY**

This trophy is intended as a remembrance of those who lost their lives during service in World War II. The trophy was donated by the late H. G. Whiddon. The basis of arriving at the winner is as follows:—

Value to team as a cricketer	— 35 points
Conduct	— 15 points
General Keeness	— 15 points
Value to a Club as a member	— 25 points
Neatness of dress	— <u>10 points</u> = <u>100 points</u>

This Trophy is won by Rod Smith. Rod has been a fixture in the A Shire team for many years and has greatly contributed to their success.

### **GORDON BEVAN SHIELD**

The Shield is presented each year to the footballer, who in the opinion of the Club, has done most towards football and to the Club in general.

It is presented in memory of a young "Briar" who was tragically killed in a road accident. Points awarded as follows:—

Attendance at training	— 20 points
Value to team	— 20 points
Most Improved Player	— 20 points
General keenness	— 15 points
Value as a Club member	— 15 points
Neatness of uniform	— <u>10 points</u>
	<u>100 points</u>

The winner this year was John Jessup. "J.J." showed the enthusiasm and determination needed to have an excellent year in Kentwell Cup.

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### **A. J. ROBINSON SHIELD**

This Shield was donated by the late A. J. Robinson ("Robbie"), is won by the player obtaining the most points allocated as follows:—

Value to a team as a member	— 35 points
Value in Hockey Administration	— 20 points
Value to Club other than hockey	— 20 points
Conduct on field of play	— 15 points
Neatness of dress	— 10 points
	<u>100 points</u>

The winner this year is again Bob Streeter. The Hockey Chairman has once again won this Trophy. Are there any other hockey players ? Congratulations, Bob.

### **DOUG VANDERFIELD TROPHY**

This trophy is presented to the squash player who has contributed the most to squash and the Club in general.

The trophy was donated by the late R. D. Vanderfield who was very instrumental in commencing squash in the Club and having it recognised as a major sport. Points are awarded as follows:—

Value as a team member	— 20 points
Value as a member of the Club	— 20 points
Keenness as a player	— 20 points
Improvement as a player	— 15 points
Conduct on squash court	— 15 points
Neatness of dress	— 10 points
	<u>100 points</u>

This year's winner is Alan Cameron. Alan was Treasurer for Squash and one of the most active within the Club. A deserved reward.

### **R. D. VANDERFIELD TROPHY**

This trophy is awarded to a member of the junior hockey team who has contributed most to the junior teams. It carries the name of our late past President, who showed great interest in the formation of the junior team.

Last year it was Gerard Price. This year brother Paul, part of the Price "takeover". Congratulations, Paul.

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## **ADDENDUM**

I wish to convey my personal appreciation and thanks to all the Honorary Office-Bearers for their loyal and devoted services during the year.

**J. H. Edmonds**  
**President.**

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## **CONCLUSION**

We convey to members, both collectively and individually, our best wishes for success in the forthcoming year at the respective sports and express the hope that the Club will continue to prosper and play its part in the life of the community.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors and the Management Committee.

**J. H. Edmonds**  
**President.**

**C. R. Hickey**  
**Hon. Executive Officer.**

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## **THE LATE STAN McGREGOR**

With the passing of Stan McGregor on 16th May, the Club has lost one of its more colourful members.

Stan joined the Club in its early years and played football as a second row forward in its first year in competition in 1923. He continued in this position for some ten years in our senior team until the famous "call up" case by the Western Suburbs Club in 1932, when he left our ranks rather reluctantly, to play with that Club.

Stan was noted for his intense enthusiasm and loyalty in anything he did and he had the gift of passing on these traits to his fellows.

He was a great character.

Stan is survived by two sons, one of whom, Ian, is a valued member at the present time.

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# **THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Your Directors submit herewith their Report with respect to the Profit and Loss Statement of the Company for the year and the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the year.

The Directors in office at the date of the report are:—

J. H. Edmonds (Chairman)  
J. Staniforth  
R. G. Crookes  
I. G. S. Blair

K. E. Wearne  
M. B. Mathews  
R. I. Richard  
P. Mansford

The Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year amounted to \$7,833 (1981 - \$4,369).

The principal activity of the Company during the course of the financial year consisted of promoting and playing amateur sport.

There was no significant change in the nature of that activity during the year.

During the year an amount of \$6,295 was transferred from gifts for Oval Development to the general reserve. This represented donations to the Company from club members for the development of the proposed oval that those members agreed to leave with the Company following the decision not to proceed with the proposal. The amount of \$5,000 in relation to the club's renovations costs was charged against provision for deferred maintenance. Apart from the foregoing there were no material transfers to or from reserves or provisions during the financial year.

No shares or debentures were issued during the year.

Before making out the Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet of the Company, your Directors took steps to ascertain what action had been taken in relation to the writing off of bad debts and the making of provisions for doubtful debts, and to cause all known bad debts to be written off and adequate provision, where necessary, to be made for doubtful debts.

At the date of this Report your Directors are not aware of any circumstances which would render the amount written off for bad debts or the amount provided for doubtful debts inadequate to any material extent.

Before making out the Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet the Directors took reasonable steps to ascertain whether any current assets other than debtors were unlikely to realise in the ordinary course of business their value as shown in the accounting records of the company. Where necessary, the Directors have caused the assets to be written down to an amount that they might be expected so to realise or have made adequate provision for the difference between the value shown in the accounts and the amount that they might be expected so to realise.

## Directors' Report (Contd.)

At the date of the Report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances that would render the values attributed to current assets in the accounts misleading.

At the date of this report there is no charge on the assets of the Company which has arisen since the end of the financial year to secure the liability of any other person.

No contingent liability has arisen between the end of the financial year and the date of this Report.

No contingent or other liability has become enforceable, or is likely to become enforceable, within the period of twelve months after the end of the financial year which, in the opinion of the Directors, will or may substantially affect the ability of the Company to meet its obligations as and when they fall due.

At the date of this Report your Directors are not aware of any circumstances not otherwise dealt with in the Report or Accounts which would render any amount stated in the accounts misleading.

The results of the Company's operations during the year were not, in the opinion of the Directors, substantially affected by any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature, apart from the misappropriation of funds dealt with in the President's Report.

In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this Report no item, transaction or event of a material or unusual nature has arisen which is likely, in the opinion of the Directors to affect substantially the results of the Company's operations for the next succeeding financial year.

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Director has received or become entitled to receive any benefit other than emoluments reported in the accounts by reason of a contract between the Company and himself, his firm or a Company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

**Directors:** Messrs. J. H. Edmonds and P. Mansford retire in accordance with the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Messrs. R. G. Crookes and K. E. Wearne retire and do not offer themselves for re-election.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

and in accordance with its resolutions

I. G. S. Blair — Director

Dated at Sydney this 21st day of  
February, 1983.

K. E. Wearne — Director

**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**  
**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1982**

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
<b>RESERVES AND ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT</b>		
General Reserve	\$19327	\$13032
<b>ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT</b>		
Balance 30/9/81	69026	64657
ADD: Profit year ended 30/9/82	7833	4369
Total Accumulated Earnings	\$76859	\$69026
Total Reserves and Accumulated Earnings	\$96186	\$82058
This is represented by:—		
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Land and Buildings (Note 5)	24187	24563
Furniture, Fittings, Air Conditioner		
Cash Register and Carpet (Note 6)	31476	3863
	\$55663	\$28426
<b>INVESTMENTS</b> (Note 7)	20059	49663
Trust Funds (Note 8)	2134	2006
	\$22193	\$51669
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Stock at lower cost or market value	4345	8295
Prepayments	3275	1848
Debtors (Note 9)	32303	3120
Cash at Bank	—	14466
Cash on Hand	260	260
	\$40183	\$27989
Total Assets	\$118039	\$108084
<b>LESS: LIABILITIES</b>		
Trust Funds (Note 8)	\$ 2134	\$ 2006
<b>Debentures &amp; Gifts</b>		
5% Debentures maturing 30th September, 1991	1200	1700
Interest Free Debentures maturing 30th September, 1991	2500	3000
Gifts for Oval Development	—	6495
	\$ 3700	\$ 11195
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Provision for Deferred Maintenance	—	5000
Trade Creditors and Accruals	8684	6325
Bank Overdraft	323	—
Subscriptions paid in advance	5512	—
Provision for Sport Development	1500	1500
	\$16019	\$12825
Total Liabilities	\$21853	\$26026
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	\$96186	\$82058

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**BAR TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1982**

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
<b>BAR RECEIPTS</b>		
Sales	38658	35055
LESS: Cost of Sales	<u>27744</u>	<u>24307</u>
Gross Bar Profit	<u>\$ 10914</u>	<u>\$ 10748</u>
<b>LESS: BAR OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Liquor Licence	1632	1495
Bar Expenses and Maintenance	882	755
Depreciation of Bar Equipment (Note 10)	360	97
Assets Scrapped (Note 10)	<u>485</u>	<u>—</u>
Total Bar Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 3359</u>	<u>\$ 2347</u>
Bar Trading Profit	<u>\$ 7555</u>	<u>\$ 8401</u>
<b>ADD: INCOME FROM</b>		
Property Rents	12690	9002
Members' Subscriptions	6578	6042
Interest Received	7413	4189
Surplus on Social Activities	354	1346
N.S.W. Open Golf Championship	3000	—
Sundry Income	<u>63</u>	<u>29</u>
Gross Income	<u>\$ 37653</u>	<u>\$ 29009</u>
<b>LESS: OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Administration and Club Room Expenses (Note 1)	20213	13833
Property Expenses (Note 2)	5360	4567
Net Cost of Sporting Activities (Note 3)	1793	1884
Depreciation of Furniture, Fittings, Air Conditioner, Cash Register and Carpet (Note 10)	1756	350
Assets Scrapped (Note 10)	<u>698</u>	<u>—</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 29820</u>	<u>\$ 20634</u>
<b>OPERATING PROFIT</b>	<u>\$ 7833</u>	<u>\$ 8375</u>
Less: Transfer to Provision for Deferred Maintenance	—	392
Net Costs re Proposed New Sports Development (Note 4)	<u>—</u>	<u>3614</u>
<b>SURPLUS FOR YEAR TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT</b>	<u>\$ 7833</u>	<u>\$ 4369</u>

**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

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**NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1982 ACCOUNTS**

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
<b>1. ADMINISTRATION AND CLUB ROOM EXPENSES</b>		
Repairs, Maintenance and Cleaning	11766	5510
Stationery, Stamps, Telephone & Bank Charges	2070	3260
Lighting and Heating	1979	1660
Annual Reports	2040	1714
Insurance	921	823
Billiards and Table Tennis	44	110
Focus	628	—
Donations and Presentations	163	149
General Expenses	602	607
	<u>\$ 20213</u>	<u>\$ 13883</u>
<b>2. PROPERTY EXPENSES</b>		
Insurance	2540	1976
Rates	2444	2215
Depreciation of Buildings	376	376
	<u>\$ 5360</u>	<u>\$ 4567</u>
<b>3. NET COST OF SPORTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Hockey: Ground Hire, Gear, etc.	4204	4805
LESS: Received from players	4141	5867
Net Cost of Hockey	<u>\$ 63</u>	<u>\$ (1062)</u>
Cricket: Ground Hire, Gear, etc.	3752	3413
LESS: Received from players	3070	2234
Net Cost of Cricket	<u>\$ 682</u>	<u>\$ 1179</u>
Football: Ground Hire, Gear, etc.	3233	5585
LESS: Received from players	3116	3774
Net Cost of Football	<u>\$ 117</u>	<u>\$ 1811</u>
Squash: Court Hire, Gear, etc.	6050	5119
LESS: Received from players	5119	5163
Net Cost of Squash	<u>\$ 931</u>	<u>\$ (44)</u>
<b>NET COST OF SPORTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<u>\$ 1793</u>	<u>\$ 1884</u>

**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**  
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

**NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1982 ACCOUNTS**

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
<b>4. NET COSTS RE PROPOSED NEW SPORTS DEVELOPMENT</b>		
Expenditure incurred during the year towards development of proposed new sports oval		5625
LESS: Funds raised specifically for that purpose:		
N.S.W. Open Golf Championships		1500
Christmas Hamper		511
	\$ <u>          </u>	\$ <u>3614</u>
<b>5. LAND AND BUILDINGS</b>		
At Cost	28772	28772
LESS: Provision for Depreciation	4585	4209
	\$ <u>24187</u>	\$ <u>24563</u>
<b>6. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS</b>		
At Cost	33946	15783
LESS: Provision for Depreciation	2470	11920
	\$ <u>31476</u>	\$ <u>3863</u>
<b>7. INVESTMENTS</b>		
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies at Cost	2000	2000
Government Bonds at Cost	1000	1000
Deposits — 30 Days' Notice	—	45000
Deposits — At Call	17059	1663
	\$ <u>20059</u>	\$ <u>49663</u>
<b>8. TRUST FUNDS</b>		
<b>R. J. Memorial Trust Fund:</b>		
(To be held by the Club and used for such purposes as agreed to by the family of the late Ronald John Thompson).		
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies	700	700
Cash at Bank	367	303
	\$ <u>1067</u>	\$ <u>1003</u>

**NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1982 ACCOUNTS (Contd.)**

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1981</u>
<b>J. Sheehan Sporting Scholarship:</b>		
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies	700	700
Cash at Bank	<u>367</u>	<u>303</u>
	<u>\$ 1067</u>	<u>\$ 1003</u>
	<u>\$ 2134</u>	<u>\$ 2006</u>

**NOTE 9:**

**Debtors:** Includes an amount of \$30,674 owing by Mr. J. Magrath in relation to funds misappropriated by him during the year. This amount has been fully refunded to the Company since balance date.

**NOTE 10:**

**Accounting Policies:**

(a) Depreciation of Fixed Assets:

Depreciable assets are written off by the diminishing value method over their estimated useful lives.

(b) Basis of Preparation of Accounts:

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the convention of historical cost accounting as practiced in Australia.

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**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

**DIRECTORS' STATEMENT**

**YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 1982**

In the opinion of the Directors:

- (a) The attached Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 30 September, 1982 is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Profit and Loss of the Company for the financial period; and
- (b) The attached Balance Sheet as at 30 September, 1982 is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at that date.
- (c) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

and in accordance with its resolutions

.....  
I. G. S. Blair — Director

.....  
K. E. Wearne — Director

Dated at Sydney this 21st day of  
February, 1983.

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**AUDITORS' REPORT**

In my opinion the attached Financial Statements which have been prepared under the historical cost convention, give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 30 September, 1982 and of the results for the period ended on that date.

As required by the Companies (N.S.W.) Code we report as follows:—

In my opinion:

- (a) The attached financial statements are properly drawn up
  - (1) So as to give a true and fair view of the matters required by Section 269 to be dealt with in the Accounts; and
  - (2) In accordance with the provisions of that Code.
- (b) The accounting records and other records and the registers required by that Code to be kept by the Company have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of that Code.

**C. G. Jones**  
**Chartered Accountant.**

Dated at Sydney this 21st day of February, 1983.



## THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

### STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS

In the opinion of the Directors of The Briars Sporting Club Limited the accompanying Accounts are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of:—

- (a) the profit of the Company for the year ended 30 September, 1982.
- (b) the state of affairs of the Company as at 30 September, 1982.

Dated at Sydney this 21st day of February, 1983.

On behalf of the Board and in  
accordance with the resolution

K. E. WEARNE — Director

I. G. S. BLAIR — Director

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