

# THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LTD.

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On 23rd February, 1996**

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Your Board of Directors and Management Committee present for consideration by members the seventy seventh Annual Report of the clubs financial position and activities for the year ended 30th September 1995.

Gentlemen,

To be able to repeat the dizzy heights of success of last year in our sporting endeavours was always going to be a tough ask, however I am delighted to report that all sports did a great job in maintaining the momentum.

Rugby of course led the way with an emphatic win in the club championship.

What a great effort this was by all the players and officials who recognised that they needed to get back into the second division immediately. The only way to achieve this was to win the club championship - this was the goal set and it was achieved! Not only did Briars win the club championship but all grades reached the semifinals with the First grade achieving the distinction of being undefeated premiers. Third grade were beaten grand finalists.

This has been our most successful Rugby season for 30 years and completes the club championship quadrella. In the last two years each sport has won a club championship which I believe is the pinnacle as everyone within the sport has to perform to achieve the result. Congratulations Rugby on a fabulous season and your success after such a long lean period has certainly lifted the spirit within the club to new heights.

Squash took off on a tour of New Zealand early in the year and obviously benefited as they once again cleaned up by winning three pennants in the Spring Competition and three pennants in the Autumn Competition. With 15 teams playing squash it is looking strong.

Cricket could not repeat the magnificent effort of the previous season but were very competitive in all grades and given a little luck with the weather semifinal spots were a reality. A regrouping for next season should see a stronger result. A very successful tour of New Zealand took place in April.

Hockey once again had a strong season finishing third in the club championship with the first and second grade beaten finalists. The junior "minkey" program proved to be very successful and I congratulate all those who were involved in organising the troops every week.

All sports are working on briefs regarding what they see as the future of their sport, where they want to be in the short and long term, and the costs involved in the sports, especially with the introduction of juniors. We will then have to analyse whether our proposals are realistic with regard to costs and member involvement.

Each year there seems to be more and more administrative demands in each sport and this is placing a great strain on the time of those prepared to put their hands up and help run the sports. We need to be comfortable in each sport with achieving a standard we believe we are capable of handling, given our infrastructure. If that standard is first grade first division then so be it but we now know that we can not let sports just roll along. A great deal of forward planning is necessary.

Sadly during the year the club suffered a tragic blow with the death of Ted Stockdale. The club will never see such a man or such a member again. He was a unique and gentle man and is sadly missed by all those whose life he touched. We shall make sure that Ted Stockdale will not be forgotten.

With two strong tenants in our downstairs shops, we will soon start to see the benefits of the money spent on upgrading the building. Ongoing maintenance work will keep the premises at a high standard. We are continually upgrading our own clubrooms to make sure that they are comfortable for our members to use and with our bar now operating well we encourage members to use the rooms as frequently as possible.



# Presidents Report

The Briars Foundation is now well established and in the future will benefit the members greatly. I believe the establishment of the foundation is a very positive move and will give us the ability to compete in the future. I urge you to become a member of the foundation.

I will be standing down as President at this meeting. I believe that we have achieved a good deal in the past four years and I have been lucky to have had the good fortune to work with outstanding Management Committees and Boards. Both these committees have had the attitude to progress, keep the name of The Briars foremost and to encourage the sports to be successful both on and off their respective playing arenas. The results achieved by the sports over the past four years I believe have been outstanding and I am sure that everyone of those successful players and administrators recognise the support they have received from their management. It is comforting to see sports within the club developing the culture of success - the careful planning and the hard training resulting in an air of expectancy associated with winners.

I believe that we are looking at great changes within the Briars. The spirit, well being and meaning of the club will probably always be the same because like most organisations with history we tend to record that history and pass it down. However people within any organisation change and with the change in personnel there will inevitably be changes in ideas and values. I believe we should recognise and monitor these situations but never stand in the way of natural progress which usually happens with the affluxion of time rather than contrived change. To remain a force we have to be proactive with our ideas, always move with the times and continually encourage new members to feel part of our club.

The Club could not operate without the dedicated work of the Board of Directors and the Management Committee. My job this year was certainly made easier by having the good fortune to work with these committees. I thank all the members for their support. During the year John Crockart John Staniforth and Richard Tregeagle retired from the Board and Ray Tuffin, Brett Graham, Milton Howell, Brett Howle and Paul Mattick retired from the Management Committee. On behalf of all club members I thank these gentlemen for their hard work. Once again, as always, I thank John Threlfo and Brett Howle for their efforts.

I have enjoyed my four and a half years as President of the Briars and always regarded it as an honour to hold the position. The Club has progressed and that can not be achieved without cooperation of those around you. I would like to thank everyone for their support and friendship and let us make sure the club continues to progress.

We acknowledge the support of the following bodies.

Burwood Council  
Concord Council  
Sydney Rugby Referees Association  
Sydney Suburban Rugby  
Council of Municipal and Shire Clubs

Sydney Hockey Association  
NSW Cricket Association  
Sydney Hockey Umpires Association  
Squash Racquets Association of NSW

**Craig R. Hickey**  
President



## Obituary E.G. Stockdale

Edward George Stockdale was born on December 8th 1928. He died on January 28th 1995. He was just 66 years old.

We have gathered together here today to celebrate Ted's life and remember the man - and what a man we have been privileged to know, trust and love.

Ted lived all his life in the Croydon area and most of it in Wetherill Street at the family home, with his parents Molly and Perc and sister Joan. Ted occupied this house up until he became ill a couple of months ago. Neighbours of Ted, who are still residing in Wetherill Street, remember him in his younger days as a quiet and polite boy who attended Croydon Public School and Sunday School at the Ashfield Baptist Church.

After the short pants of primary school Ted headed off to Homebush Boys High School which was well known as a school of good academic achievement and of high sporting involvement. Now the sporting side of academia appealed to Ted and he was involved in all sports including rugby, and his great passion cricket - but Ted excelled as a sprinter! Now any of you who saw Teddy hobbling around from the time he was in his thirties would dispute the fact that he could sprint - but I know that there are people sitting here today who will tell you to pull your head in if you dare to dispute this fact.

Ted left school and moved into employment at the Whiddon Woollen Mills, and this just happens to coincide with another major part of Ted's life - that of being a Briar - but I shall return to that - and after a good number of years with Whiddons he joined a company for whom he just loved working - P & O - now I know there were many name changes of this company but as far as anyone knew Ted always worked for P & O.

On the 15th August 1955 Ted joined B.I.S.N. or as we agreed P & O, as an assistant in the freight department working out of Union House in George Street Sydney, then was transferred to the real P & O freight department in June 1959. On the 3rd August 1970 he was transferred to Overseas Containers Australia Limited which later became Australia Japan Containers Limited where he was in the trade department looking after bookings, freight and statistics. Ted loved his life in shipping and saw it transformed from the "real shipping" to containerisation.

No matter the changes, Ted was so well respected amongst his peers, that up until he entered hospital recently, he was a regular at a luncheon held every three months between those who knew each other from P & O days who were still working there, or like Ted, had retired. Ted, I am told, never missed a luncheon as you would well understand. Ted made very good friends with two Captains of ships, both British, who kept in regular contact with Ted after retirement, and during his illness, Ted's very sincere P & O friends kept these people informed of his progress on a weekly basis.

I am told that befriending captains of ships in this way was very unusual - that's Ted! I am very sure that Ted would have been a fabulous employee and this is echoed by the people I have spoken to who worked with him expressing feelings of great fondness for a man who, and I quote "will have friends in the shipping industry always", "was the kindest man on earth who liked young people and they liked him" to "he always got the most number of Christmas Cards - no one will ever wonder why". *Running in conjunction with his love for shipping was his love for The Briars Sporting Club.*

In 1945, Brian Williams, a fellow school chum, asked Ted to come and play rugby with The Briars, Ted accepted and this commenced a 50 year active association with The Briars Sporting Club and amateur sport in general. In a fact very few people would know that Ted did not take to Briars like a duck to water as we all thought. For the first twelve months of his involvement with the club he never came back to the club to socialise after sport. When questioned as to why this occurred he answered that it was because of Bob Clark, who at the time was Secretary, and as Ted described it in later years he did not like Bob's "Margaret Thatcher way running The Club". He quickly added that he soon got over that and you could not get him out of the place from 1945 until two months ago.





# Obituary

## E.G. Stockdale

Of course Bob and Ted became life long friends. Ted's rugby days were short lived as he sustained an injury which prevented him from playing but his passion for cricket as a player of the game continued until 1979, being one of the clubs highest run scorers, and as a student of the game until last Saturday. His great delight in his latter years, and I am sure to the delight of those active cricketers, was to get down to Rothwell Park every Saturday and prepare afternoon tea for the teams. He enjoyed this involvement, and every cricketer, both Briars and opposition, knew and respected Ted.

Ted became secretary of The Briars from 1953 until 1973 and sat on the board as a director from 1963 until 1980. That is a stretch of 27 years continuous service in time consuming and, at times, thankless positions, and yet if he heard me say that he would ever so gently rebuke me and insist that he did it because he wanted to do it, and I have absolutely no doubt that it was his desire. The enormous amount of administrative work he put into The Briars can never be quantified - it is just too large.

Ted was the ultimate quiet achiever, things just got done, only because Ted would be up at the club on Saturday and Sunday mornings getting them done - there was no fanfare - it was just done. Even up until three months ago he was up there drawing cheques and filing. There is a truism that you don't miss something until you don't have it - we have already noticed. Ted was a wonderful secretary to the club, he was unique in the way that he carried out his work. He never had to raise his voice to get something done, he only had to ask. No one ever bothered to question Ted because they respected the man and his integrity. Ted was elected as a life member in 1970, one of only two at the time. Ted was honoured in 1985 by the board donating a trophy in his name.



Incredibly, Ted found time to work for other associations, one of which was the Sydney Sub District Rugby Union. Ted was the treasurer from 1954-1957 and secretary from 1958-1963. So all this work on top of his employment and Briars work - can you believe it - little wonder he remained a bachelor - he just did not have the time for a steady lady friend by the sound of it! However I have been told, on reliable authority, that Ted was very keen on a particular "little filly" in his younger days and that this friendship became quite serious. It was when it became serious that Ted apparently realised that he would not be able to spend as much time following and playing sport, especially his beloved cricket - alas the relationship ceased! Whoever the young lady was had wonderful taste but sadly had no hope. Ted was elected as a life member of the Sub District Rugby Union in 1970 and was honoured once again by having the E.G. Stockdale Cup named after him.

Ted loved life and loved The Briars and the fact that he was able to be mates with young men sometimes four decades younger than himself—he just loved that involvement and the younger people obviously enjoyed Ted. In fact when Ted was asked what The Briars meant to him his reply was, and I quote, "The Club did a lot for me in helping me to grow up. The thing that I have admired about the club is that it does not matter who you are, a doctor, a financier, or a street cleaner, you are all the same in The Briars".

Ted was proud of his work in the club, in fact he relates the story that when Bob Clark retired as the club secretary, Bob believed the club was finished. When Bob returned from the U.K. three years later he found the club still going strong and said to Ted that he should have retired earlier.

Who took over from Bob as secretary? Ted of course.

Ted I think is aptly known as Mr Briars.

I wonder if you close your eyes now, and in your mind's eye, picture Ted Stockdale, who has been affectionately described as a cuddly teddy bear, up there at 30a George Street behind the bar because:

- He would talk to all the people
- Moving his head from side to side looking at you from under his glasses and reminding you that there was a lady in the club and to temper your language

# Obituary

## E.G. Stockdale

- Going to every lady in the club and apologising because he may have let slip a mild curse
- Enjoying the company of the ladies
- Insisting that the beer sitting on the bar in front of you upon your arrival was yours and paid for.
- Inquiring genuinely about your health and your loved ones
- That little red and later yellow car arriving at Rothwell about 2pm on summer Saturdays for him to make afternoon tea
- Welcoming the opposition to the club as if it were their own
- Walking the sidelines on winter afternoons to keep the blood circulating in the old legs
- Speaking very loudly to Bob to try and make himself heard—and then giving up
- Going home early from close and exciting rugby and cricket games because his ticker could not stand it
- Ring the club immediately the game was over to get the result and apologising to whoever answered that he could not stay
- Never forgetting your name
- Always finding out someone's name
- Always making everyone welcome within the club
- Never having a bad word about anyone
- Being so honest
- Offering constructive praise and criticism
- Never allowing you to buy the first beer
- That friendly face approaching with the Stockdale shuffle supporting a slightly bent body
- His role call at old members nights of those members who were not well
- His absolute dedication to The Briars Sporting Club and its ideals
- Thinking of others rather than himself



Ted was loved and admired by many, he was liked by everyone who met him - you could not help it. His sister Joan described him as the most marvellous brother a sister could wish for. Ted was the first male Stockdale to reach 50 years in four generations and proud of it.

I am sure that we would all agree that he was a true friend. Because Ted was Ted he gained much respect, and this was typified by the way that certain very dedicated friends of Ted looked after him in these last couple of months when he needed them most.

Ted, you were a very independent man and had no trouble saying no, but now when I say on behalf of all your friends that we wish to offer our thanks for being our friend, we will not take no for an answer.

Rest assured Ted, that you are allowed to stand at the pearly gates and greet everyone of us as we arrive, and demand a Reschs beer - God knows we owe it to you.

Ted, you will be well remembered and sadly missed.

# The Briars Foundation

## THE BRIARS FOUNDATION

After the 75th Anniversary Chris Walker was thinking of ways of how The Briars could still be viable in another 75 years based on the unique principles established back in 1918 and he therefore proposed the setting up of a Foundation.

As everyone knows, times change, and what happened with The Briars over the first 75 years will not necessarily be the same financially in the next 75 years. The principles of our Sporting Club will virtually stay the same but to keep this wonderful concept alive and to compete in the various sporting competitions, Chris thought it was now time that the Club should have the financial backup to be competitive by being able to compete with outside sporting organisations.

Yes, we do have our own clubhouse, the envy of many sporting organisations and yes, we still attract sportsmen and administrators, but if councils are under pressure in the next ten to twenty years to supply grounds for sporting organisations, it may get down to the highest bidder which could be crucial to Briars existence and assets built up over 75 years may have to be sold - something that our forefathers worked hard for.

In the 1950's members of The Briars raised money by debentures to buy 30a George Street as they could see the benefits gained by The Briars owning a clubhouse and the Foundation is another step forward for the future of The Briars and its ideals.

The Foundation is not one year old and the amount of money pledged over the next five years is \$200,000 and at the time of writing, the Foundation has received over \$70,000.

I would personally like to thank Steve Keir, Chris Walker, John Singleton, Mal Goldsmith and those who wish to remain anonymous, for their contributions over the last year.

Many thanks also to those members who helped put the Foundation together: Jack Balmforth, Richard Crookes, Harvey Ford, Craig Hickey, Bill Hooker, Doug Prowse, the late Ted Stockdale, Don Walker and Keith Wearne.

The Foundation office bearers are: Ian Blair, President; Jack Balmforth, Honorary Executive Officer; and John Crockart Treasurer. Keith Wearne of Wearne & Co. has accepted the position of Honorary Auditor.

In closing, I would particularly like to thank Chris Walker for his enormous drive and determination to have this project up and running, as without his vision, time, money and effort, it probably would not have been possible.

Those who wish to contribute can contact any of the above office bearers or fill in a membership form which appears in every issue of the Club magazine, Focus.

Ian Blair



# Cricket Chairman's Report

Following on from one of the most successful years in history was never going to be easy however, 1994/95 was only a win or two in some grades from more success.

At preseason training we spoke about the extra effort we would need to put in to match the previous years results but unfortunately we were unable to win a lot of close games when it counted.

The results of this season are as follows:

1st Grade	7th (5 points away from 4th)
2nd Grade	6th (6 points away from 4th)
3rd Grade	8th
4th Grade	5th (2 points away from 4th)
Club Championship	8th

Although from a teams point of view we were not as successful there were still a couple of individual performances worth mentioning:

Michael Abood	8-17	vs Holroyd	(3rd grade)
John Price	93	vs Blacktown	(3rd grade)
Jason Bailey	102	vs Epping	(4th grade)
Andre Berenger	115x	vs Blacktown	(4th Grade)
Warwick Giblin	100	vs Canterbury	2nd Grade)
Jeff Ho	8-29	vs Lindfield	(1st Grade)
Matt Young	8-43	vs Macquarie University	(2nd Grade)
Gerard Price	46 Wickets		(1st Grade)

This season we were once again fortunate to have the services of coach Steve Thomlinson who worked hard to ensure we performed to our ability. Unfortunately, we couldn't repay him with the results we were capable of achieving.

During the year there were also a number of social functions which assisted in meeting some of the financial costs of running cricket. These included:

- Preseason Night
- Trivia Night
- End of Season Award Night
- Harbour Cruise

Throughout the season there were many Club members who came to Rothwell Park for a cup of tea and to support the 1st and 2nd Grade teams including David Blair, Craig Hickey, Ian Blair and John Threlfo, and to you guys and any others, we thank you and appreciate your support.

Unfortunately, the 1994/95 season was the last season in which Briars participated in the City and Suburban "competition." We have now withdrawn due to lack of interest of players in this team and to assist us financially. It was a difficult season with plenty of different players and not many wins.

Thanks to all those who played.





# Cricket Chairman's Report



On behalf of the club I would like to thank Concord Council for their efforts in producing an excellent wicket at Rothwell Park. This is particularly due to the efforts of groundsman Phil Edgar. We would also like to thank the council for their assistance in providing the new turf wicket down at Ron Routley Oval for our 3rd and 4th Grades. Finally, to all the staff at the council we thank you for your assistance during the year.

There are a number of other people I would like to thank for their assistance during the season. Firstly to Brett Howle, my assistant who was a huge help in off field requirements, his work concerning the golf and his organisation of the harbour cruise.

Also, to Richard Tregeagle for his untiring efforts in collection of fee's - a very important function in financing of any sport. To Paul Simpson, a big thanks for his efforts in the organisation of mid season practice sessions, and to Gerard Abood and Jason Hughes for their efforts in organising the Schools 7-a-side day, a vital element in the clubs future.

I would also like to thank Geoff Armstrong once again for his assistance in the organisation of the annual Trivia Night at Balmain Leagues Club where approximately \$2000 was raised. Finally, to Spiro Troubetas who worked so hard in anything he was asked to do, especially on the social side.

There are plenty of other people who deserve thanks but I can't name them all so take it as done.

Special mention should be made of the 4 captains who gave up every second Saturday night to select teams and then followed it up during the week with plenty of phone calls. Well done guys.

Most importantly, on behalf of the club, I would like to thank our major sponsor Manchester Unity for their financial assistance over the year. We are fortunate to be associated with such a large company and look forward to an ongoing relationship in the years to come.

To all the players, well done guys. We all know we could have performed better and will remember different games we could have or should have won during the season. Anyway, we can all look forward to a successful 1995/96 season

**Gerard Price**  
**Cricket Chairman**

The 1994/95 season proved to be a very frustrating year where rain intervened at crucial times and games were lost when they were there for the taking.

Throughout the season the strength of the team was obviously bowling and fielding with only 1 team scoring in excess of 200 runs against us. Unfortunately the batting depth and strength let us down with no batsmen able to score over 400 runs and no one scoring a century.

The season started well for us with convincing victories over the eventual Grand Finalists Holroyd and Canterbury in the opening two games. Rain interrupted our next game against Epping after we had 300 on the board and then a loss to Macquarie University after batting on a wet one dented our progress. A couple of good wins before Christmas over Warringah and Bexley kept us in touch with the top four at Christmas.

The six games after Christmas saw us win two outright, tie one and be washed out in three, and lose one. Unfortunately, we couldn't gain the necessary points and we missed the semi's by five points.

Throughout the season there were many highlights which bear mentioning:

- Defeating the premiers and their grand final opponents in the first 2 rounds
- Defeating Baulkham Hills and South East Sydney outright.
- P.P. scoring 90 v's SE Sydney
- P. Simpson scoring 85 vs Epping
- G. Abood scoring 3 ducks in 1\* 4 digs
- J. Ho taking 8-29 vs Lindfield
- G.P. taking 46 wickets

On the other side of the coin there were numerous disappointments as well

- Losing to Lane Cove for the first time in 15 years
- A tie with Cellar Dwellers Auburn
- The loss to Lindfield after dismissing them for only 139
- Being washed out against Pennant Hills.

The strength of the batting is illustrated by the following.

Wickets	Ave/Wicket	Best	Partnership
1	18.69	64	P. Price / P. Tregeagle
2	14.50	38	P. Price / R. Appleton
3	26.38	87	P. Price / P. Simpson
4	27.47	94	P. Simpson / S. Arahill
5	28.00	108	P. Tregeagle / G. Schomberg
6	21.64	67	S. Arahill / R. Appleton
7	22.33	49	G. Price / A. Macky
8	13.10	54	J. Ho / B. Wilson
9	21.63	49	J. Ho / R. Tregeagle
10	11.16	19	G. Price / P. Schouten



# Cricket A Grade

## Player Profiles

**Paul Price** - Had a disappointing season by his standards scoring only 364 runs including a 90 vs S.E. Sydney and 73 vs Epping. His opening partnerships with Rowdy were below their norm and unfortunately we suffered.

**Phil Tregeagle** - Rowdy also performed below expectations scoring only 262 runs including 72 in the first game. Took 8 catches proving he is one of our finest fieldsman but couldn't convince the skipper to let him bowl.

**Paul Simpson** - after a first ball duck Simmo proved to be one of our most reliable batsman scoring 393 runs. Scored 3 half centuries and only took 1 catch all season. Bowled more overs than PP.

**Steve Arahill** - a newcomer to the club Steve proved to be a valuable allrounder. Scored over 350 runs, took 13 wickets and 5 catches and combined in some good partnerships, especially with Simmo. His 75 against Holroyd being the highlight..

**Rohan Appleton** - due to unavailability Rohan wasn't able to perform to his true potential. Scored a very valuable 65 against Bexley to help win the game. An excellent fieldsman and team man should really be in the 1<sup>st</sup>. Didn't get to bowl.

**Gary Schomberg** - began the season in the 2nds before joining us in round 7. Scored a great 73 against Pennant Hills and with Rowdy combined to score 108 to help us score a good total. Didn't bowl.

**Gerard Abood** - 3 ducks in his first 4 digs wasn't the best of starts and a stint in the 2nds followed. Didn't bowl, surprisingly, but did a good job with the under 24's.

**Gerard Price** - took 46 wickets, scored 234 runs and finished second in the shires player of the year. Took 5 wickets in an innings on 4 occasions with a best of 6-28 against Holroyd.

**Brad Wilson** - had a good season with the ball taking 20 wickets and generally bowling tightly. Failed to score as well as he'd like with the bat but shows promise.

**Jeff Ho** - an early season back injury saw Hoey miss rounds 2-5. When he returned he failed to take many wickets until the Lindfield game when he took a magnificent 8-29 including 6-1 at one stage. Combined with Trick against Blacktown for a match saving partnership of 49.

**Richard Tregeagle** - took 34 wickets for the season regularly obtaining the early breakthrough. Bowled well against Canterbury taking 6-29. Doesn't give his wicket away too easily.

**Frank Caristo** - played 1st's for the first half of the season before injury and study saw him play 2nds. Played a great knock of 43 against Bexley to get us away to a flyer and took 12 catches behind the stumps.

**Greg Wallace** - forced his way into the 1st's with some good lower grade performances but failed to continue with this form. Received great support from his kids (???) and didn't look like getting a bowl.

**Richard Freeman** - came into the side after Christmas and proceeded to keep very well taking 13 catches. Batted well against Baulkham Hills but generally not too good.

Thanks go out to the following players who also contributed during the season:- **Andrew Macky, John Price, Paul Thomas, Peter Schouten, David Abood and Geoff Armstrong.**

**Gerard Price**  
(Captain)



# Cricket A Grade Statistics

Matches	Won O/R	Won 1st Inn	Loss 1St Inn	Drawn	Points	Position				
15	2	4	4	4	47	6th				
Runs for	Wickets for	Average for	Runs against	Wickets against	Average against					
2,727	129	21.14	2244	146	15.37					
Name	Matches	Innings	N/O	Agg	Ave	HS	100's	50's	Catches	
S Arahill	15	16	3	360	27.69	75	0	2	5	
R Appleton	6	6	0	160	26.67	65	0	1	3	
P Simpson	15	16	1	393	26.20	85	0	3	1	
G Price	15	15	6	234	26.00	45*	0	0	5	
P Price	15	16	0	364	22.75	90	0	3	2	
G Schornberg	8	9	0	176	19.56	73	0	1	4	
R Tregeagle	15	11	8	53	17.67	15*	0	0	8	
P Tregeagle	15	15	0	262	17.47	72	0	1	8	
B Wilson	13	12	4	115	14.38	33*	0	0	4	
J Ho	12	7	0	83	11.86	29	0	0	2	
P Caristo	9	7	0	84	12.00	43	0	0	12	
G Wallace	6	7	1	52	8.67	19	0	0	1	
G Abood	6	6	0	52	8.67	26	0	0	4	
Also Batted										
R Freeman	6	3		13					13	
A Mackay	1	1		26						
J Price	4	4		23					2	
P Schouten	2	2		9					1	
D Abood	1	1		17						
G Armstrong	1			0					1	
P Thomas				0					1	
Bowling										
	Overs	Maidens	Wkts	Runs	Ave	O/Wkt	Runs/Wkt	Best		
G Price	198.4	44	46	522	11.35	4.32		6-28		
P schouten	14	2	5	64	12.80	2.80		4-43		
S Aranhill	86	29	13	180	13.85	6.62		3-19		
J Ho	119.2	28	22	326	14.82	5.43		8-29		
R Tregeale	186.2	44	34	521	15.32	5.49		6-29		
B Wilson	138	31	20	397	19.85	6.90		4-49		
Also Bowled										
P Price	13	1	0	53						
A Macky	4	1	0	18						
P Simpson	19	6	0	61						



# Cricket B Grade

After winning the Premiership in the previous season the B Grade side did not enjoy a repeat during the 1994/95 season and finished in 6th position, only 1 win from the top four.

The season started where it had left off from the final in the previous year with the side amassing 9-359 against Holroyd in the first round for an opening victory. Unfortunately we lost momentum in the next 2 games when we batted first and posted winning scores of 6-340 against Canterbury and 8-292 against Epping but were unable to bowl the opposition out.

We passed Christmas with 3 wins from 8 games and were languishing in the middle half of the ladder. The side then called upon its character after Christmas to give ourselves a chance to make the semi's. Our first 3 games after Christmas resulted in two wins and an outright against the then competition leaders Blacktown. Unfortunately 2 losses and a draw in the last 4 rounds stifled any hope of defending our premiership.

Overall, whilst the side did not achieve the heights of the previous season, we were competitive at all times and most importantly enjoyed ourselves whilst we played.

My congratulations to Lindfield upon their Premiership.

During the season we mourned the passing of Ted Stockdale. Ted was a true gentleman and the most respected Briar of any generation. Ted's dedication to the club and to cricket will never be surpassed and Saturday afternoon teas at Rothwell Park will not be the same without Ted.



## Cricket B Grade

I would specifically thank the following for their ongoing support of Briar's Cricket:

Gerard Price, whose dedication to Cricket as Chairman remains the main reason why the club has maintained its dominance and competitiveness over the years.

My fellow selectors who spend many a long hour at selection meetings.

Phil Edgar, groundsman at Rothwell Park, for the excellent preparation of the pitches.

The players who attend training, compete and enjoy a drink and a chat after the game.

Finally, a special thank you to Warwick Giblin who retires to the greener pastures of Masters Cricket for the next season. Warwick has been a valuable player to cricket, particularly B Grade, over the years and we thank you for your contribution.

### Player Profile

**Warwick Giblin** - Ever heard the saying 'age shall not weary them'? Well it is never more true than in Warwick's case. Warwick enjoyed another great year with the bat with over 400 runs, including a magnificent 141 against Canterbury in the second round. Warwick is very competitive on the field and this is an integral part of any team.

**Jason Harris** - In his first year with the club Jason did not enjoy the success he deserved or is capable of producing. No doubt a talented batsman, Jason endured a frustrating year often getting out to rash shots just as he started to build an innings. Jason's first year experience at Briars will no doubt allow him to capitalise on his ability in future years.

**Brett Howle** - Enjoyed a solid year with the bat at just under 500 runs. However, with only 2 half centuries and a top score of 57 did not capitalise on the starts, as 4 scores in the 40's indicate.

**Peter Schouten** - Peter performed consistently all season and only failed to take a wicket on a few occasions. In tough times Peter can be relied upon to come back and inevitably capture an important wicket. Peter's value as a batsman was finally realised in the match against South East Sydney when he steered the side past their total in conjunction with Mat Young.

**Wayne Scott** - A solid performer with the bat who can be relied upon to get runs in the middle order. Wayne's form suffered a little later in the season which resulted in him being dropped to C Grade. Wayne enjoyed two very good innings, firstly against Holroyd with 53 not out and then against Bexley with 54. Wayne only achieved the opportunity to roll his arm over on 3 occasions.

**Jason Hughes** - Continues to improve each year with more experience and maturity. Jason bowled the greatest numbers of overs this year and was also the leading wicket taker. Jason is always looking to improve as a bowler which should allow him to maintain an advantage over the batsman. After a 6 wicket haul in the first match and a wicketless spell for the next 4 games, Jason worked harder and achieved the appropriate results.

**Andrew Macky** - Andy generally had a good year without any significant highlights. However, in his best batting display of the year against Baulkham Hills in the last round, Andy anchored our run rate with a well compiled 54. In the bowling department Andy provided necessary variation with his leggies and could generally be relied upon to gain a breakthrough.

**John Price** - John started the year in blazing fashion with scores of 54, 62 and 97 in the first 3 games and thus earned a deserved promotion to A grade. It can be guaranteed each year that John will obtain a score in the 90's as he has done for approximately the last 5 years. The magical 3 figures cannot be far away. John's naturally aggressive play was a perfect balance for his opening partner Warwick.



# Cricket B Grade & Statistics

**Jason Smith** - Unfortunately Jason did not enjoy a very productive season with the bat. Jason is undoubtedly talented but did not have the confidence in his batting ability that he had shown in previous years. Although not outspoken on the cricket field, Jason was an important part of the side.

**Mat Young** - Mat endured a frustrating year with the ball as he could not find his bowling form on a consistent basis. However, when this form was achieved, Mat was unplayable as evidenced in his 8-50 from 20 overs against Macquarie University. Mat also played a winning role with the bat with his 25 not out batting 10 against South East Sydney.

**Brett Howle**  
Captain

Matches	Won O/R	Won 1st Inn	Lost 1st Inn	Drawn	Points	Position
15	1	6	5	3	46	6th
Runs for	Wickets for	Average for	Runs Against	Wickets against	Average against	
3340	118	28.31	3021	143	21.13	

## Batting

Name	Matches	innings	N/O	Agg	Ave	HS	100's	50's	Catches
B Howle	15	15	2	493	37.92	57	0	2	7
J Price	9	9	1	296	37.00	97	0	2	7
W Giblin	13	14	1	424	32.62	141	1	1	6
W Scott	9	9	3	191	31.83	54	0	2	8
A Macky	11	10	0	228	22.80	55	0	2	6
M Young	10	7	4	68	22.67	25*	0	0	2
J Hains	15	15	1	280	20.00	63	0	1	5
J Hughes	14	10	3	95	13.57	38	0	0	10
J Smith	8	8	0	94	11.75	33	0	0	5

## Also Batted

G Schomberg	5	5	1	238	59.50	111*	1	1	5
P Thonds	2	3	1	137	68.50	66*	0	2	3
G Abood	4	4	0	131	32.75	100	1	0	2
G Wallace	2	3	2	119	119	117*	1	0	3
R Appleton	4	4	0	79	19.75	24	0	0	8
P Adams	4	5	1	45	11.25	21	0	0	4
P James	6	5	2	40	13.33	15	0	0	4
A Raymond	5	4	1	36	12.00	21	0	0	1
D Trewin	2	2	0	27	13.50	16	0	0	0
B Wilson	1	1	1	20	20.00	20*	0	0	0
P Scharter	10	6	3	13	4.33	7	0	0	4
N Rojo	4	1	0	13	13.00	13	0	0	1
G Armstrong	1	1	0	11	11.00	11	0	0	1
S Schonberg	3	1	0	9	9.00	9	0	0	0
A Clarke	3	2	1	7	7.00	7	0	0	0
F Canato	1	1	0	6	6.00	6	0	0	1
R Freeman	4	2	1	4	4.00	4	0	0	7

## Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wkts	Runs	Ave	O/Wkt	R/Wkt	Best
P Scharter	141.4	28	24	468	19.50			6.31
J Hughes	175.2	45	26	514	19.77			6.57
M Young	157.5	30	24	505	21.04			8.50
A Mackay	114.2	24	13	358	27.54			4.69

## Also Bowled

A Raymond	67.1	16	9	169	18.78			4.20
S Schonberg	37.2	3	7	136	19.43			3.41
D Trewin	14.5	2	6	50	8.33			4.20
N Rojo	60	21	6	120	20.00			3.28
P James	83	17	5	245	49.00			3.90
B Wilson	14.5	3	4	35	8.75			4.35
P Adams	17	4	3	27	9.00			2.14
G Wallace	8	2	2	18	9.00			2.18
W Scott	11	0	2	55	27.50			1.22
W Giblin	26	3	2	97	48.50			1.28
A Clarke	30	6	2	14.5	72.50			1.39
G Abood	5	1	0	19				



## Cricket C Grade

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### Player Profiles

**Anthony Love** - Playing cricket with the Club for the first time, Anthony played for the team in the first nine games. Although somewhat restricted in mobility from the effects of an earlier accident Anthony made a fine contribution to the team as a top order batsman and wicket keeper. On most occasions with the bat was able to get away to a good start. However, unfortunately, with the one very notable exception in the game against Epping when he compiled a meritorious 85, was not able to convert to higher scores. Perhaps his responsibilities as keeper may have detracted from a more consistent performance.

Generally his wicket keeping was reliable with some very good catches taken although towards the end of a long day in the field his performance did at times reflect the affects of tiredness. Anthony's sense of humour helped to maintain team equilibrium during a season that had its difficulties.

**Jason Smith** - Mention of Jason's contribution to the team and Club has already been made in the body of this report. His appearances during the season were limited to seven games spread throughout the season with the rest of the time being spent in the Second Grade side. On most occasions performed well with an average of 34, including a well compiled 79 in the first game against Holroyd.

**David Trewin** - The most consistent batsman in the team. Given the vulnerability of the top order on most occasions, David, batting at the fall of the fourth wicket, was called upon with the support of the lower order to retrieve often difficult situations under at times extreme pressure. During the earlier part of the season, before the extensive rain disruption, played a useful role with the ball chiming in with eight wickets. David's experience was an invaluable asset to a team that struggled for most of the season.

**Peter Richardson** - On a number of occasions acted as an able foil to David Trewin in helping to set up lower order recoveries after the fall of wickets in the top order. A change in technique saw a better preparation in his feet moving preparatory to execution of his shots, which should provide better scope for realisation of his potential in the future.

**Paul Mattick** - Once again provided very able support and tactical advice in his role as deputy, until a nagging back injury forced his early retirement mid way through the season. During his time with the side provided the balanced spin bowling support to an otherwise fast bowling attack. Captained the side to an exceptionally good win against the ultimate premiers Macquarie University, recording a most satisfying personal double of 56 n.o. and 5 for 78. Rumours abound that a retirement announcement is likely to be announced following the completion of Paul's international commitments in New Zealand at the end of the season.

**Anthony Raymond** - Having his first season in the Thirds "Ray" performed particularly well with both bat and ball, earning a well deserved promotion to the Seconds after six games. Bowled with genuine pace, having many opposing top order batsman backing away. In the second innings against Roseville his 5 for 39 off 16 overs almost enabled us to bring off a stunning outright win. Certainly has claims as an allrounder, contributing to late order resurgences on three occasions with not out scores of 35, 48 and 27. Made a very good impression in all respects and should perform well in higher grades in the future.

**Anthony Clarke** - In a disjointed season from the team's bowling point of view, Anthony shouldered the bulk of the work with 21 wickets at 17.3. Many of his overs being on flat unresponsive wickets. Also made significant late order contributions with the bat. Indeed the side was particularly fortunate to have lower order batsman of the calibre of our eight to eleven personnel, most of whom would warrant much higher positions in any other teams. Always a good team and club man makes it a pleasure to have Clarke in the side.

**Nick Rojo** - Playing his first year with the Club, with early season injuries to our established fast bowling strength, Nick played the first several games in Second Grade. Bowled consistently during the season and was probably unlucky not to have secured more wickets with his steady away swing bowling. In his limited opportunities showed to be a clean striker of the ball, particularly in the last wicket partnership with Anthony Raymond against





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The 94/95 season again proved frustrating for the 4ths with yet another 5th placing- just 2 points behind 4th spot. Looking back, again the season could be summarised by "what if's."

Highlights for the season included the emergence of Andre Berenger to show his talents with the bat especially scoring his 115 not out against Blacktown; Jason Bailey's 112 against Epping (Epping must have enjoyed him bat as well as they put down 7 chances); KC's 92 against Auburn was an innings of pure power (50 scored in boundaries); Spiro's exploits with the ball (a part time bowler who finished the season with 29 wickets); Matt Jennings 6 for 31 to rip the guts out of Strathfield's innings.

Team highlights included strong wins over Canterbury and Lane Cove in particular and character building wins over Roseville and Bexley.

Some disappointments along the way were the washout's against Epping and Blacktown when we were in good positions to force wins and the loss to Strathfield after bowling them out for 98. Another positive for Burwood cricket this season was the usage of the new turf wicket at Ron Routley Oval. Although there were numerous teething problems along the way it is a vast improvement to St. Lukes Oval. By the end of the season we saw a wicket that played very fairly and which will go a long way in seasons ahead to improving the standard of Briars cricket.

Thanks to all those players lucky enough to grace the ranks of the 4th grade this season. You have been privileged to play in a team with a lot of soul and character, I have been privileged to captain this team. It was an enjoyable year.

### Player Profiles.

**Andre Berenger** - Easily the standout in the batting department. Season highlighted with a magnificent century (115\*) against Blacktown. Two other 50 plus scores saw Andre top the aggregate with 351 runs. Finally has shown the potential that has been bubbling under the surface. With a little more enthusiasm in the field and at training higher honours beckon. Surprised everyone with his one wicket haul from his one over during the season.

**Marc Burns** - started the season with some good form however, could not convert these scores to bigger runs. Continues to show that he has tons of potential. The negatives get the better of you though Burnsy. Top score of 39 vs Roseville.

**Jason Bailey** - Scored the only other ton in this grade 112 (won't say if it was a chanceless innings) vs Epping. Was rewarded with a stint in C grade during the season. Was handy not just with the bat but did plenty of damage when called to the crease for a bowl. Took 5-58 vs Baulkham Hills. Could also be found behind the stumps as well. Not a bad cricketer for a rugby bloke.

**Keiren Campbell** - Absolutely flogged the Auburn attack to knock up his best score of the season - 92. Made starts in most trips to the crease. Again showed his worth to the team taking 18 wickets with a best of 4-13 against Lane Cove. Figures would have been even better during the year if he could catch off his own bowling.

**Paul Garrett** - The teams quiet achiever. Did not get many chances with the bat. He also was able to chip in with vital wickets at the right time. Always looks like he is going to take wickets. Best effort was 3-13 in both innings against Lane Cove. Was a miserly contributor to the team kitty.

**Darren Heming** - started the season as our opening bowler. Showed great pace week after week beating the bat with monotonous regularity. Unfortunately these did not convert into big wicket hauls. Best bowling was 3-51 in trying conditions against Auburn. Also showed he was pretty handy with the bat getting starts more times than he didn't. Best was 34 vs Holroyd.

**John Hill** - never really found his correct spot in the batting order and was often called upon to fill various gaps. Hilly took the fielding accolades this year with gazelle like performances to save runs or take catches. Has plenty of guts and with a bit more concentration has some big scores under his belt.



## Cricket D Grade

**Matt Jennings** - Was part of the bowling backbone of the team. Consistently takes wickets with his best effort 6-31 vs the eventual premiers, Strathfield. Absolutely ripped the stuffing out of this supposedly gun batting side. Did not get many opportunities with the bat (and didn't everyone know it) but rarely let the side down when he did. Matt is a great asset to any side.

**Terry Kershaw** - "The Veteran" made his comeback to this grade for the second half of the season. Showed signs of what we know he can do to any attack. His highlight was a backbone innings of 59 vs Bexley. This innings paved the way for a very good win for the team. Kept the team kitty stocked during the season.

**Brian Kirk** - "Captain Kirk" to his team mates. Another corner stone player for the team to build on. Knows when the time is right to be bought into the attack. Always chips in with a wicket or a bit of humour when it is required. Wouldn't mind bowling average like his batting average.

**Spiro Troubetas** - In the team primarily for his batting. Finished up taking 29 wickets (Average 9.20) for the season. Took 5 wickets in an innings twice (vs Holroyd 5-0-5-23 and vs Lindfield 14-8-5-31) A lean season in the batting department with a top score of 41 against Canterbury. Could not beat Spiro in the commitment and keenness stakes. An excellent club man makes cricket very enjoyable playing with a bloke like this.

**David Wright** - Could not find the same touch as the previous season. Unfortunately could not force his way back into the team. Always showed the true Briars fighting spirit no matter what the situation. Top score was 31 vs Epping and managed to pickup 3 wickets with limited opportunities.

**Tim Worner** - Enjoyed another season leading the mighty "4ths." Showed glimpses of "glory days" with the bat. Top scored with 59 vs Canterbury. Captaining the side is always enjoyable with a bunch of guys like we had this year. Happy to even be on the cricket field.

**Tim Worner**  
Captain.



## Cricket Under 24's

On paper, the 1994-95 season was not overly successful for our U/24's squad, with the side failing to register a single victory. However, given the many difficult circumstances throughout the year, the side performed admirably.

Amongst other problems confronting the squad, the major difficulty was with team stability. Due to injury, unavailability, and various other reasons, we were not able to field the same team twice in the whole year. Our on-field results show clearly that victories will be a rarity whilst playing cricket under these conditions, at any level.

The irony was that given the calibre of the players as individuals that we fielded throughout the year, we would have been a formidable opponent had the overall attitude been a little more positive. In a couple of the games we were in winning positions but simply failed to capitalise. With a more stable team in the future, I'm sure we can convert these positions into victories.

Having said that though I have nothing but praise for the on-field efforts of all the players. As captain, you can ask no more than every player give you 100%, and I received that from everybody without question, making my job as captain that much easier.

I would like to extend my appreciation to each and every player for their efforts, and particular to my vice-captain Jason Hughes, whose assistance both on and off the field was of immense benefit.

With the on-field attitude, and the impressive talent that the club has at its disposal, I'm sure that a reversal in fortunes is just around the corner. I look forward to the next U/24s competition, where I know we will prove that there is much more youth potential at The Briars than the results from this season have indicated.

**Gerard Abood**  
Captain



# Cricket

## D Grade Statistics

Matches	Won O/R	Won 1st Inn	Lost 1st Inn	Drawn	Points	Position				
15	0	9	4	2	54	5th				
Runs for 2686	Wickets for 114	Average for	Runs against 1970	Wickets against 133	Average against					
Name	Matches	Innings	N/O	Agg	Ave	H/S	100's	50's	Catches	
J Bailey		12	3	287	31.77	112	1	0	7,1st	
A Berenger		13	1	351	29.25	115*	1	2	2	
T Kershaw		7	1	165	27.50	59	0	1	3	
K Campbell		10	1	245	27.22	92	0	1	4	
M Burns		13	4	227	25.22	39	0	0	5	
D Heming		11	3	182	22.75	34	0	0	6	
T Worner		10	0	182	18.20	59	0	1	12	
M Jennings		9	1	120	15.00	32*	0	0	4	
J Hill		9	1	118	14.75	27	0	0	7	
S Troubetas		11	0	159	14.45	41	0	0	3	
B Kirk		9	5	39	9.75	13*	0	0	5	
D Wright		8	0	55	6.87	31	0	0	0	

### Also Batted

B Graham	1 for 45	4
J Ho	1 for 20	
G Johnstone	4 for 77	1
A Raymond	1 for 17	
M Abood	1 for 15	
R Nandi	1 for 14	
P Garrett	5 for 29	6
A Love	2 for 7	
R Freeman	2 for 4	6
M Graham	1 for 2	
P Fitzgerald		2
W Gibson		1

### Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wkts	Runs	Ave	O/Wkt	R/Wkt	Best
S Troubetas	115.3	34	29	267	9.20			5-23
M Jennings	105	32	19	234	12.31			6-31
K Campbell	103.4	22	18	238	13.28			4-13
B Kirk	46.2	11	9	126	14.00			
P Garrett	95	23	13	211	16.23			3-13
J Bailey	86.3	13	13	240	18.46			5-58
D Heming	120	24	10	329	32.90			3-51

### Also Bowled

M Abood	5 for 44
D Wright	3 for 20
J Ho	3 for 41
AR Raymond	3 for 52
A Berenger	1 for 1
B Graham	1 for 3
M Burns	0 for 4
P Fitzgerald	0 for 12
R Nandi	0 for 18
M Graham	0 for 28





# Rugby Chairman's Report

1995 was in many ways the season in which the new generation of Briars came of age - with more than a little help and guidance from generations past. As most would know Briars were relegated into the newly created third division in 1995 by the slimmest of margins. This created a large degree of uncertainty about our future whilst also making people realise that success does not come easily and that failure can be unfair.

In 1995, the acid was applied to The Briars and the challenge thrown down - either win the Club Championship or languish in third division. To the clubs credit and all those who participated in Briars 95, we stepped forward and grabbed the challenge with both hands and shook the life out of it. In my 8 years of involvement with the Briars never have I seen such a united and committed approach right through the grades. At the completion of the minor premiership Briars had amassed a staggering 808 club championship points, over 100 points clear of our nearest rival. As was stated in the Suburban Rugby Annual Report "Briars in 1995 were far and away the most successful club in any division".

Our pre season preparation was adequate, if not ideal, with again the perennial problem of not enough players showing up for trials and training. This problem has improved slowly over the past few years but still has a long way to go. Fitness by the start of the season proper was good throughout the club, with first grade establishing in the opening round what would be the benchmark for the rest of the season - stamina and mobility. The fitness programming for the season was handled very professionally by Ian Beattie who, along with his field sergeants' of Reggie, Stuey and Chris Lamond, ensured that there were no easy yards on the training paddock.

Our playing numbers were good throughout the year with on many occasions the coaches having the enviable but unpleasant task of having to choose between a number of players who could do the job. All in all we had about 105 registered players with about 75 to 80 of those being around for the entire season.

Whilst season 95 was an exceptional year, we must not be lulled into a false sense of security and believe all is well. The reason Briars have been more of cyclical club than most over the past 5 - 10 years is due to the fact that we don't have an administration structure in place within Rugby which can move and adjust with the times. It is a ludicrous situation to have all the responsibility for such a large sport as rugby is within Briars, heaped on one person. Certainly one person needs to be accountable and in control, but a more matrix style of management is of prime importance.

For next season and hopefully many seasons to follow, Briars Rugby will be structured more logically to allow individuals to fit into a system rather than the system fitting particular individuals. This will ensure a more stable administration and whilst it cannot ensure success on the field, if implemented properly, it will provide the best opportunities consistently. Unfortunately, I will be unable to continue in the position of Chairman for season '96 due to work and study commitments. I do say unfortunately sincerely as whilst season 95 was an enormous strain on my work and study, I really do want see Briars prosper and I feel disappointed at not having the time to ensure the above mentioned changes are implemented. At the time of printing the successor to myself was not yet officially appointed (although very close to it), I can say that the enthusiasm shown by people so far in relation to next season is very encouraging.

There are many people who deserve thanks for season '95 and the success we had, all the coaches and managers (part time and full time), the trainers as mentioned earlier, the Club Captain Greg Guest, Scott Hyde, Matt Waddington, Paul Koziollek, Ray Tuffin, Scott Carey, Alex Palmer - the list goes on and on - thank you.

There are a few people of which I would like to make special mention as without their efforts which were beyond that which could be expected of anyone, this year simply would not have happened.

Firstly Erica Merritt, the Club Secretary, Registrar, Timekeeper, First Aid Attendant, Canteen Cook and Treasurer - everyone in Briars has acknowledged the work that Erica put in and it is a great shame and concern that she won't be able to assist next year.



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Secondly the Briars unluckiest player and best Clubman, Steve Loxley - thankyou. Last but not least I would like to thank the first grade coach and 'General Manager' Dave Guille - the time, effort, work and emotion (yes he does have emotions) Dave put into the club, not just first grade, this year was extraordinary and without his help and guidance we would have undoubtedly failed.

In closing I would also like to extend a thankyou to the Management of the Briars, Bill Hooker, Craig Hickey, John Threlfo and the other Chairmen for their patience with me being unable to attend meetings due to work commitments. Also all our sponsors, particularly Five Dock Laundry, Manchester Unity and Australian Gas and Hot Water - thankyou for your support.

1996 is going to be an exciting and challenging year for Briars Rugby and we need everyone to get behind the sport and support, not just in spirit, but in kind.

Rob McQuade  
Chairman

### Awards for 1995

#### Best and Fairest

Club - Gerard Nordstrand

1st grade - Stuart Brisbane

2nd grade - Neil Coyte and Sean Humphrey

3rd grade - Gerald Puckey

4th grade - Gerard Nordstrand

#### Rookie of the Year

Kelly Moore

#### Most Improved Player

Paul Koziollek

#### Outstanding Service Award

Steve Loxley



The 1995 rugby season was probably the most successful season in the history of The Briars Club! The achievements for Briars rugby were:-

- Club Champions (Briars winning the Keith Harris Club Championship with an outstanding total of 808 points)
- All Four Grades in the Semi's
- First and Third Minor Premiers
- First Grade Undefeated Premiers!! - (First time for 31 years!)

Congratulations to all four grades, the coaches, the managers, and the people that have worked so hard to ensure that the 1995 season is one to remember - it was indeed!

To First Grade Players - 'CONGRATULATIONS - LEGENDS.....!'

#### Statistics

Played	Won	Lost	Draw	For	Against	Points
16	16	Nil	Nil	367	152	32

Major Semi Final: Briars 26 vs Blacktown 8

Grand Final: Briars 6 vs Blacktown 3

A final competition table has been supplied at the end on all teams statistics for the 16 rounds.

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Whilst the team did not record any huge scores against teams throughout the season they did average a very good offence and defensive record with 22 for and only 9 points against. A total of 48 tries were scored throughout the season at an average of 2.6 tries per game.

The leading points scorer was the captain of the side Ian Beattie with 156 points.

The leading try scorer was Anthony Johnston with 10 tries.

A total of 26 players played first grade throughout the season with only 4 players playing all games. Those players not to miss a game were: James Steele, Chris Lamond, Brendan Bailey and Greg Brown.

The Best and Fairest award went to Stu Brisbane. Stu had quite an outstanding season at breakaway and thoroughly deserved the award. Furthermore Stu polled extremely well in the Best and Fairest for the Subbies and was rated in the top 5% amongst some 5000 players.

In reflection of 1995, I believe that the success of the season was attributable to a number of factors. Not only did the team have some outstanding talents but with a blend of mature players, a yearning to win (after the last couple of years of disappointments'), together with some new talents keen to compete and maintain a first grade berth. Good players are very perceptive and in my opinion there was a nucleus of players that could see that the talent was there to make the 1995 season work.

With the experience of Brownie at fullback joining the club, and exciting talents of Bailey, Charlie, plus the mobility and strength offered in the lineouts from players such as Koz, Johnno and Stuey, the experienced players such as Flash, Scotty, Reg and Lamondy could see that this was the year. Combine all this with the discipline and drive of Sergeant Major Beattie and you do have a formidable combination. Even Steele thought so!

The application this year was extremely good with most of the first grade players starting the season training early in 1995. The dedication to fitness both preseason and during the season was far more evident this year. Two nights a week regardless of the weather, was the rule and certainly these days it is what is required for any first grade side. Players were given their "No Excuses" card and if they did not call the coach about being late for training that player found himself in second grade. This was not required as the players respected the approach and treated it accordingly.

The style of play this year was based on the mobility of the side, playing mainly a rucking game, with mauling non existent. It was intended to move the opposition sides around as much as possible and beat them to the breakdown in play and dominate possession. The style was always to attack either with the ball, or attack the opposition's ball. If one looks at the statistics of the season at an average of 22 points for and 9 against, with 48 tries scored at an average of 2.6 tries per game, the style of play complemented the team. The tries were scored evenly between the forwards and the backs at 24 a piece.

The most important feature this year was that the players established a will to win that I have not seen in the club for a long time. In spite of the score the team always were confident that if they stuck to their game plan they would win the game. This I have not seen since the 1985 Kentwell side. Nothing but total commitment was good enough and after the first few games of the season discipline was established in the side with outstanding results.

On many occasions although outweighed dramatically in the scrums the side was still able not only to compete but get over the top of their opposition. The pushover try against Blacktown (the runners up in the competition) in the 1st round was testimony to the resolve in the side.

As a coach I was very pleased to see as the season progressed, that the players developed not only within themselves and their own positions but as a team. Such was the case, that before the games they knew the procedure and concentration that was required to prepare themselves.

The one factor that pleased me probably the most with the players was although they were undefeated they never became too cocky and smart about it but rather protective to ensure that they remained unbeaten throughout the season. Encouragement was always the go to other players not criticism. Positive thoughts not negative were the go.





The strength of the side was certainly their mobility, with discipline in their play and aggression a real plus. The team dominated most lineouts which they varied to their advantage. As can be seen from the statistics the defence of the team was sound.

If there was a weakness, probably our scrums let us down against the bigger sides. This was not due to the lack of ability but more so to changes week to week through injuries. With players like Reg, Guesty, Scotty, Koz, Sluggo, Shep, Charlie, Brooksie and Flash out of the side at any one time and up to 4 at once, it is a tribute to the players and playing strength of the club to have done so well.

I mentioned the camaraderie of the players earlier as being the strength of the team. It must also be said that the players not only generated good vibes amongst themselves but no less than 8 players were involved with jobs in the running of the rugby season.

### Highlights

**Vs Blue Mts away** - A great game of football when with 10 minutes to go and the score at 20 - 17 Briars won 37 - 17

**Vs CBOBS** - Johnno being sent off for lack of discipline. The team with 14 men winning 17 - 7 (Johnno never got sent off again and his discipline for the rest of the season was superb)

**Vs Hawkesbury Valley** - Briars starting the game with 2 tries in 5 minutes and winning 25 - 6

**Vs Ku-ring-gai** - Briars losing Charlie with a smashed nose from a tap move but the team getting together to win 14 - 12. The good news, Charlie back in action after 2 games

**Vs Blue Mts at Rothwell** - the great game played by Dean Anese and 5/6 goals by Ian Beattie

**Vs Blacktown at Rothwell** - Briars leading 17 - 0 after 15 minutes against the co-leaders. The pushover try against them and Steve Davis's brilliant try saving tackle

**Vs Hawkesbury Valley at Rothwell** - Briars won 16 - 9, Flash as captain of the side but Deano ran on first

**Vs Fairvale at home** - the 32 - 12 win, Johnno's two tries, but the sad loss of Reg for the season

**Vs Blacktown away** - Briars 15 - 14 win on the bell with Stuey having to kick the goal to win and not knowing it. The two brilliant tries by Brownie. The great game by Sluggo. The throw in to himself by Brownie that almost gave them a try

**Vs Ku-ring-gai away** (3rd in the competition) The magnificent 24 - 0 win by Briars. The great game by Beattie. The gutsy game by a sick Munners who played because Deano pulled out. The good combination of the three Lamondy, Steely and Brownie in covering each other. Flash not talking to the coach (Why?)

**Vs Dundas Valley at Rothwell** - Briars 37 - 12 win. Scotty's no nonsense enforcing the game

**Vs CBOBS away** - Briars 32 - 0 win and Flash's great try under the black dot

**Vs Killara away** - Briars 22 - 15 win. Steve Davis's chip kick. Flash's injury fortunately not as serious as first thought. Scotty's sheer determination in scoring a try

**Vs Blacktown - Semi Final** - Briars 26 - 8 win. Sean's great diving try. Stu's charge down try. Beattie's great game and leadership and kicking 6 from 6 goals. Guesty's quick throw in.....!

**Vs Blacktown - Grand Final** - Win to Briars after 31 years in the wilderness. The gutsy effort of Brendan Bailey to play with a torn hamstring against the physio's advice and play well.

Played Blacktown 4 times in the season Briars 4 Blacktown 0. The players have been referred to by many names throughout the season especially if things have not been going well but one name stuck with them,

The **"UNBEATTIEABLES"** - No, **"THE LEGENDS"** - Yes!



### Player Profiles

**Greg Brown** - fullback (18) - Outstanding player, good under the high ball with a safe pair of hands. Good timing and has the ability to beat a player and create breaks. Very good in attack and organises the players well around him in defence. His game against Blacktown with two tries enabled the side to win a game that seemed to be lost. A handy goal kicker at long range. Will get even better with improved fitness. A great acquisition for the team and made a good impact with the players.

**James Steel** - left wing (18) - A whole hearted effort from James both on and off the field. A good positional winger with good defence that is not afraid to support the forwards when required. Needs to motivate himself at training a bit more but always gave 100% on the field. Had a good season and did not miss a game.

**Chris Lamond** - right wing (18) - This season would probably have been Chris's best season. Chris's good pressure on the kicks downfield and good defence in many games enabled the team to capitalize on field position. Extremely good defence that often snuffed out opponents attacking raids. Has the ability to beat a player very easily and only his own confidence limits his potential. Both Chris and James gave good support to fullback Brownie and a good understanding of each others game developed throughout the season. Another player who gave 100% and played all games.

**Brendan Bailey** - outside centre (18) - Brenden, only 21 years old and a player with enormous potential, is yet to find his right position in rugby. Having played predominantly rugby league previously, Brendan at times appeared to be a bit lost positionally. However with his natural talent was able to easily make breaks through the opposition back line. His defence was first class although he has yet to learn the fundamentals of rugby. Given his all round talents will make a good five eight once he learns the fundamentals. Another to play all games in the season and contribute outstandingly. A very gutsy effort to play the Grand Final with a torn hamstring.

**Steve Davis** - inside centre (15) - probably the best defender in the first grade side, Steve formed a good defensive unit with Brendan. A very strong runner with the ball Steve possesses all the skills for a centre. Possibly the best tackle of the season was Steve's try saving tackle on the Blacktown halfback in the first round. A quiet season for Steve by his own standards but still a very important player in the side. Should cut out the chip kick.

**Ian Beattie** - five eight/breakaway (17) - The captain and goal kicker of the side, Ian led his team by example. Has the ability to kick with either foot and together with his fitness, strength and determination was the complete player. Because of his discipline, and ability to set the example, complemented the team especially in the harder games when in the breakaway position. His contribution to the season was outstanding. As captain, disciplinarian, trainer together with scoring 156 points in the season Ian had not only the respect of his players but was the teams most valuable player. In the harder games Ian rose to the fore and his best games were against Ku-ring-gai and Blacktown where he led the forwards by example. Congratulations on a fine season.

**Brandon Sheppard** - five eight/half/centre (12) - One of the best natural talents in the game, Brandon was at first reluctant to commit himself to a full rugby season, however with some gentle persuasion his commitment was first class. With work commitments limiting his available time and having been injured quite seriously twice in the season, Brandon overcame the setbacks and capped a fine season with a well controlled game in both the Final and Grand Final. Possesses all the skills and reads the game tactically very well. Had a fine season and did well to come back from injury. Needs to practice his dropped goals as they really are as they're called "pot luck"!

**Reg Taiata** - half (11) - Probably the best half in the competition, the season was not kind to Reg. Starting the season with a slight injury but typical of Reg overcame the injury and polled very well in the "Best and Fairest". Had some very strong games in both attack and defence and looked set for a big season. Unfortunately suffered a severe injury against Fairvale in the second round and it became a race against time to be fit for the semis. The team suffered with the loss of Reg and was almost beaten in the very next game against Blacktown.



Reg's abilities on the field are unique in both attack and defence and on current form has quite a few years left at the top level. Hopefully he will backup next year and lady luck may be kind with injuries.

**Greg Guest** - breakaway/half (12) - Started the season slowly due to suspensions from the previous year. Gradually showed good form and stamped his mark on the game at breakaway only to be swapped at half due to the loss of Reg. A very talented player that could fill in at any position. Plays with a winning passion with total commitment. Had a very good season regardless of the position he played. A good popular clubman.

**Scott Hyde** - lock (13) - Nobody in the team wanted to win the competition as badly as Scotty. Plays the game with total commitment and leads by example. Scotty played much better this year without the burden of Captaincy. Missed 5 games in the middle of the season with an injury that would have finished most other players. So determined was Scott to win this year and especially in first grade, that he would remind each player that it had been 7 years together to achieve their goal. The longest serving first grade player in the side and deserved every bit of his Grand Final win.

**Stu Brisbane** - breakaway (17) - The mister nice guy of the side. Having Stu in the side is like having two players. Had an outstanding season only missing one game due to his sister's wedding. Affectionately regarded as perpetual motion and would be the players player of the year. Had a great season and does not know how not to try. Very fit, good hands and very competitive makes Stu a great asset to any side. Won the teams "Best and Fairest" and the "Coaches Award." Well done Stu!!

**Andy Moar** - breakaway (9) - Sluggo started the season in great form and looked like he would be a permanent fixture in the side. Unfortunately suffered an "impinged" tendon in the foot which seriously effected his mobility. Made a comeback after overcoming the injury and had some great games to show his talents. Played a blinder against Blacktown in the second round. Work commitments and his brother's wedding on GF day curtailed his later season availability. Had a good season and a great asset to any side.

**Paul Koziollek** - second row (13) - As a new player to rugby, Koz was learning all season and by the end of the season one could say he became an outstanding no. 2 line out jumper. He formed an extremely good combination with Johnno where both dominated in line out play, scrummaging and open play. Remember that both these players were new to second row play and yet both were unbeaten by their opposition throughout the season. Koz was another player hampered by injury and work commitments and yet came back to win a Grand Final in his first year in first grade. A very talented line out forward that was keen to learn all the skills of the game. Had a very good season but will get even better with further experience. Very fit and keen.

**Anthony Johnston** - second row (16) - This was Johnno's 1st season in Briars as a second row. Usually a fullback Johnno after an escapade to Canada decided he wanted to play in the forwards. As a second row Johnno possesses all the skills. Arguably the best No. 4 jumper in the competition, his ball winning skills were a great asset to the team. Possesses good running and ball skills ensured he was always at the fore in attack. Scored 10 tries in the season and was a great asset from set tap moves down the blind. Could have played every game in the season had it not been for his lack of discipline which led to two match suspensions. But to his credit on return to the side became very disciplined and able to control his temper although pushed on many occasions by the opposition. Had an outstanding season.

**Paul Brooks** - second row (6) - One of the fittest players in the side who always gave 100%. Brooksie never showed out as he was always in the midst of the play during the unfashionable hard work. His appearances in the top side were only limited by getting injured at the wrong time combined with the abilities of the other two second row players in Koz and Johnno. A very good player to have in the side or as a backup.

**Dean Anese** - prop (16) - Deano, in my opinion, had without a doubt his best season since joining Briars. What Deano lacked in some areas in technique, but I hasten to add quick to learn, he made up for in 100% commitment, enthusiasm and non stop play. Deano was always in the thick of it, and gave a new dimension to props for non stop play. It did not





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matter to Deano whether he played loose head or tight head or second row, just as long as he was in first grade. Keen to learn, Deano was often applauded for his tireless effort throughout the games. His tireless effort against the Blue Mts (15 - 3 win) was rewarded with the "Coaches Award". A fine effort Deano, and there is no reason to stop now just because you're 30. Well done.

**James Munro** - prop (10) - James started the season late due to marriage but quickly established himself as an outstanding prop. A very good scrummager and strong runner with the ball James was always giving his best. Unfortunately 3/4 through the season was affected by a mystery virus which left him very lethargic and his true form suffered. James whilst very disappointed with himself still gave his support to the firsts and backed up as a very handy reserve late in the season. A strong showing from James in the Ku-ring-gai game against a very large pack enabled the side to a 24 - 0 win. A proven good scrummager and strong runner it is hoped he will backup next year and carry on with his earlier form of the season.

**Charlie Rennie** - prop (15) - Charlie came out to Australia to have a holiday and ended up going home at the end of the season not only with good memories, a scarred nose, but also with a Grand Final win and a Premiership that many a good player in Briars have still not achieved. Charlie normally a breakaway in England played tight head prop, and rarely was he beaten in his position. A tough and very mobile player Charlie was a great asset to the team and it was with sadness that we saw him return to England. Charlie was quick to learn his new position, was a keen student and never took a backward step. His true toughness was after taking a nasty blow in the Ku-ring-gai game which put him in hospital missed only two games and then returned to his prop position and continued his good form. His true strength was in his ability to take a ball up and always lay it back and his support and mobility around the paddock. One of the most popular players in the side that not only supported every function but also assisted wherever possible. It is hoped that Charlie does return and resumes the friendships he made in The Briars.

**Paul Viglienzzone** (Flash) - hooker (16) - It is not often that a coach has to communicate with a forward where that player expresses himself such that the coach needs a dictionary. Flash was that player. Flash had a very good season and his experience in the scrums enabled the team to mould an inexperienced pack to an extremely competitive pack. His line out play and tactical calls ensured he remained the number one hooker. A late challenge from Sean Humfrey brought out the best in Flash and although injured in the last game of the season worked hard to ensure he would not miss his Grand Final. Captained the side against Hawkesbury Valley and displayed very good leadership qualities. A fine season Flash, and congratulations on a well deserved premiership win.

### Other Players:

**Sean Humfrey** - hooker (2) - Only Flash's good form throughout the year restricted Sean from playing more games in first grade. A very good tough hooker that plays like a breakaway that will play a lot more first grade. Must be able to commit himself to training to achieve higher goals. Had a good season, backed up as a reserve consistently throughout the season and played a great game against Ku-ring-gai and Blacktown in the major semi. Thanks for your support Sean.

**Cameron Slapp** - second row (2) - A very good player only limited by his studies this year and inability to train consistently. Played extremely well when required and always gave his support when available. Very good No. 2 jumper but might need a extra kilo or two for the scrums. Thanks for your support Cameron.

**Graeme Bayliss** - second row (2) - Snouty was unavailable for most of the season or away on long weekends. A very talented player that could have contested a first grade spot on many more occasions had he been available. Has all the skills but lacked the fitness that was required for first grade this year. Thanks for your support Snout.

**Tommy Rampoldi** - centre (2) - Tommy's appearances in first grade could have been far greater but for his total commitment to his coaching duties for the third grade side. A very committed player that always gave his best and support when required. Thanks Tommy.

**Dooley Davis** - prop (1) - Props are not usually like Dooley - happy and friendly and easy going, but I guess Dooley is somebody different. Came on to replace Charlie when injured in the Ku-ring-gai game and played very well. Backed up and supported throughout the season when required. Thanks for your support Dooley.

With every season a lot of hard work needs to be done and quite often the success of a season is determined by the people that are willing to work and contribute in their leisure time. The season was a successful one but mainly due to the hard work and support of a lot of people.

Special thanks must go to my assistant coach **Tony Wozniak**. Woz's talents and experience as a coach were invaluable. His support, understanding and patience assisted the team and myself greatly. A great deal of the success of the team was in my opinion due to people like Woz that not only have the respect of the players but the ability to relate to the players at the highest level. Thanks Woz!

### Thanks and appreciation to :

**Terry O'Kane** for his advice on the players from the 1993/4 season that assisted me greatly in getting to know the talents for the 1995 season. Terry's assistance and words of encouragement were very much a contributing factor in the success of the team.

**Andy Craig** who coaches with the same passion as he played - for his support and long chats and information on the players. Andy was always there to provide the players to camaraderie Grade without any arguments and realised the essence of any club is to win the First Grade competition. An extremely good clubman.

My manager, **Ray Tuffin**, who in a difficult year for him handled his duties admirably. Ray always gives more than he takes. Thanks Ray.

Special thanks to the players who led the training sessions on a weekly basis  
**Ian Beattie, Stu Brisbane, Reg Taiata, Chris Lamond.**

The Club Physio, **Dianne Porter**, who worked tirelessly to keep our players on the paddock and ensured they were well taped and strapped before the games.

To **John Threlfo** for his help on the sideline, on almost a weekly basis and to Club president **Craig Hickey** who took time to congratulate the players and offer words of encouragement and support for the season. To **Chris Walker** for his continued support and advice from overseas. To those people that always helped out when required especially **Steve Loxley**. To **Rod Smith, Gary O'Brien** and crew for their efforts on the Grand Final night. Your efforts were appreciated.

Last but not least, special thanks must go to **Rob McQuade** and **Erica Meritt** who's tireless work and organisation behind the scenes laid the foundations for a successful season! Rob's administration and Erica's drive and support ensured that what was formulated at the beginning of the season became practice throughout the season.

In conclusion, I am sure that the team can go onto greater things and be equally successful in the 1996 season. Provided that the team can display the same dedication, commitment, discipline and most importantly establish the same camaraderie that was so evident this year, together with the will to win, there is no reason why the Barraclough Cup cannot be won in 1996. To succeed in 1996 the team will have to forget the success of the previous season and put in all the hard work that was evident in 1995.

Finally I would like to say it has been a great pleasure to be associated with such a good team and in particular a very mature fine group of men. The memories of the 1995 season will always be with me and truly the players have established themselves as **LEGENDS**.

David Guille



## Manchester Unity Championship

### 1st Grade Clark Cup

Clubs	Played	Bye	Won	Loss	Draw	For	Against	Diff	Points
Briars	16	2	16	0	0	367	152	215	32
Blacktown	16	2	11	4	1	281	152	129	23
Blue Mts	16	2	10	5	1	384	260	104	21
Ku-ring-gai	16	2	9	7	0	261	219	62	18
Killara	16	2	9	7	0	303	307	-4	18
Hawks Valley	16	2	8	8	0	270	163	87	18
Fairvale	16	2	4	12	0	233	349	-119	5
Dundas	16	2	3	13	0	193	364	-171	6
CBOBS	16	2	1	15	0	121	433	-312	3

### 2nd Grade Farrant Cup

Clubs	Played	Bye	Won	Loss	Draw	For	Against	Diff	Points
Briars	16	2	11	5	0	198	116	82	22
Blue Mts	16	2	11	4	1	258	128	131	23
CBOBS	16	2	10	6	0	288	172	96	20
Killara	16	2	10	5	1	167	191	-24	21
Dundas	16	2	9	6	1	190	131	59	19
Blacktown	16	2	9	7	0	223	166	57	18
Ku-ring-gai	16	2	6	10	0	161	200	-99	12
Hawks Valley	16	2	2	13	1	103	232	-129	5
Fairvale	16	2	2	14	0	94	268	-172	4

### 3rd Grade Campbell Cup

Clubs	Played	Bye	Won	Loss	Draw	For	Against	Diff	Points
Briars	16	2	14	2	0	262	72	190	28
Hawks Valley	16	2	13	2	1	296	82	214	27
Blacktown	16	2	10	6	0	204	157	47	20
Blue Mts	16	2	9	5	2	164	183	1	20
Dundas	16	2	8	8	0	201	144	57	16
CBOBS	16	2	7	9	0	199	166	11	14
Ku-ring-gai	16	2	4	11	1	145	294	-149	9
Killara	16	2	3	13	0	90	248	-159	6
Fairvale	16	2	2	14	0	66	278	-212	4

### 4th Grade Nicholson Cup

Clubs	Played	Bye	Won	Loss	Draw	For	Against	Diff	Points
Blue Mts	16	2	13	2	1	300	91	209	27
Blacktown	16	2	13	3	0	250	83	147	26
Killara	16	2	11	5	0	181	93	98	22
Briars	16	2	9	5	2	150	108	42	20
CBOBS	16	2	8	8	0	162	196	-34	16
Fairvale	16	2	7	9	0	154	192	-38	14
Dundas	16	2	5	11	0	129	205	-76	10
Hawks Valley	16	2	3	12	1	119	230	-111	7
Ku-ring-gai	16	2	1	15	0	31	258	-227	2

### Club Championship

Clubs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Briars	480	176	112	40	808
Blue Mts	315	184	80	54	633
Blacktown	345	144	80	52	621
Killara	270	168	24	44	506
Hawks Valley	240	40	108	14	402
Ku-ring-gai	270	96	36	4	406
Dundas	60	152	84	20	326
CBOBS	30	160	56	32	278
Fairvale	120	32	16	28	196

Note: Club Championship points allocated per win per grade

1st Grade	- 30
2nd Grade	- 16
3rd Grade	- 8
4th Grade	- 4





My aim for Second Grade in 1995 was to be more successful than the previous year. By the end of the season we had finished second on the competition ladder (one win away from Minor Premiers), and lost both semifinals. These results were not as good as I had hoped.

There are a few reasons the team did not perform, these are:-

- 1) Efforts and attendance at training were ordinary
- 2) The lack of a regular at five-eight
- 3) A few injuries in key positions
- 4) Cohesion was lacking in the team
- 5) Lack of a consistent goal-kicker

Some of these factors were my fault, but the team as a unit must be more determined and dedicated.

Although we should have been more successful the team did contribute to Rugby winning the Club Premiership.

## Player Profiles

**Mark Kingston** - As we say every year fitness is his main problem. He is a very good prop and should play first grade next year if he puts in the effort.

**Sean Humfrey** - Captained the team when not playing first grade. Sean led by example and showed toughness and determination.

**James Munroe** - Health problems led James to have an up and down season. Next year first grade should be his only aim.

**Tippi** - Enjoys his rugby, runs the ball up very hard. Should try and control his aggression especially in front of the referee.

**Paul Brooks** - A few injuries hampered Paul's rugby this year. He is a very important member to any team because he is prepared to do the hard work.

**Peter Attwood** - Season ended prematurely because of a broken hand. Peter's loss to the team was one of the main reasons we lost the cohesion and drive in the forwards.

**Cameron Slapp** - Cameron played the second half of the season. He has good rugby skills but an extra 10kgs in weight would not go astray.

**Gary Pearce** - Another great year for Gary. He has given a lot to Briars rugby over the last 15 years.

**Paul Andreazza** - Often came straight to the game from being out the night before. Still plays the game hard on and off the field.

**Matthew Waddington** - The only player to be sent off in second grade this year. Has trouble relating to referees and coaches. Would have to be Waddo's best year of rugby at Briars.

**Neil Coyte** - Joint winner for Best and Fairest. A great help to myself throughout the season. Neil has a lot to offer Briars Rugby.

**Richard Vesper** - Played both fullback and five-eight this season. Richard has wonderful attacking flair, very dangerous in broken play.

**Graeme Bayliss** - Due to cricket, holidays, and injuries Graeme only played half the season. He is a very talented player, probably the team's best attacking weapon.

**Kelly Moore** - Won Rookie of the year. Kelly is a very talented player in both defence and attack. Will become a better player in years to come.

**Keith Joseph** - It was a shame Keith left with a handful of games to go (to work overseas) as he had become an important part of the team.

**Scott Diamond** - Work commitments hampered Scotty's year. Has a ton of pace and is a very dangerous runner with the ball.

**Matt Grey** - Probably didn't see enough of the ball, has the ability to develop into a good winger and must strive to do so.

**Terry Cleary** - He loves his rugby and he is a great player to coach. One of the fittest players and gives his all on the field.

A special mention to others:- Dave Fallon, Les Cousins, Jason Riik, Greg Guest, Reg Taita, Chris Lamond, Tery O'Kane, Scott Hyde and Rob McQuade.

Andrew Craig  
Second Grade Coach



# Rugby 3rd Grade

Third grade highlights:-

- Minor Premiers
- Only losing two games in the premiership
- Scrum never going backwards
- Training against Parramatta First Grade
- Beating Ku-ring-gai 50-12
- Having only 62 points scored against us all year. The best defensive record in the entire Manchester Unity Championship.

Looking back on the 1995 season for the third grade it is obvious that we dropped our performance at the end of the season proper and Semi Final time. I know I have learned a lot from this experience and hopefully the players have too. Even as a club, I am sure we all now realise how important it is to ensure player eligibility for this very important part of the season.

But, as Minor Premiers we were the best side over 18 rounds of football.

## Player Profile

**George** - Always late to training, even when we trained at Parramatta where he lived five minutes away. Nicknamed Jonah Lomu when playing in rightful position. As a loose forward, ran over anybody silly enough to tackle him. Scored many tries. If he gets serious he would play a higher grade.

**Dooley** - Just seeing Dooley leading the sprints at training was a coach's pleasure. Had the ability not to get fit all year.

**Scary** - Always the last to the breakdown but still scored numerous man of the match points. Our very own Shaun Fitzpatrick - bludging on the blind. Coach's assessment - very ugly dressed as a woman.

**Luie & Peter V** - Caught by coach sitting in their car in the car park in the dark during fitness training. When questioned by coach - still took 20 minutes to put their boots on...! One wonders!

**Junior** - Always gave his all, never complained, just enjoyed playing rugby with his mates.

**ET** - My choice of best player though the entire season. Would have won more man of the match awards if he wasn't an Air Traffic Controller at Bankstown Airport sending planes over Coach's house on Sunday Mornings!

**Elvis** - Kicking a field goal in the semi final against Blacktown, giving the impression that some forwards do have brains.

**Jason B** - Much improved player after having the kicking duties taken away from him.

**Scott Mc** - One of the reason our scrum was so dominant. Injury cut season short - needs to be fitter!

**Terry O** - The best punch I have seen all year. Gave the old bloke five minutes in the grand final .... Should have given him 55 minutes!!

**G. Puckey** - Missed Ku-ring-gai game due to a heavy drinking session. Seen holding fence up with head, yawning!!!

**Tai** - Led team well but could not stop people laughing at his haircut mid season.

**Tim** - Our very own Mal Meninga. With ball in hand he always broke first line of defence.

**Mark G** - Was seen this year passing the ball against Kur-ing-gai. The running game has helped Mark

**Jason H** - Setting up the best try all season against Ku-ring-gai after having foot in touch. Thank you Gerard Nordstand who was touch judge!



## Rugby 3rd Grade

**Mick Mc** - Pulled off the best two tackles from a fullback this season against Blacktown in second round. Man of the match in third grade and then backed up for points in second grade.

**Ashley S** - Kept Orchy Juice and Nylex Hoses in business all year. So being this busy you would expect him not to come to training. If Ashley took the game more seriously he would play higher grades

**Les C** - Must be a custom in Wales to wear shorts on the outside of track pants. Definitely our very own fashion statement at training!! As a forward, only played one game there, but filled in any other position. Look out Campo! Maybe we might see him early next year.

I would like to personally thank all players who played third grade at any stage of the year and also the Managers and water runners who have helped immensely throughout the season.

A special thanks to Johnny Viiga for his help all year and sharing the selection worries and head aches. Johnny's ability to get the best out of our forward players was evident all season.

I look forward to seeing all the boys at training in 1996 to give it another shot!

Thomas Rampoldi



## Rugby 4th Grade

I would just like to thank all the players for the support and respect I received during the year. I must admit the first couple of weeks I didn't feel I was getting any but then I was overwhelmed by the commitment and the respect these players gave me.

The hardest part was trying to pick 15 good players out of 20 good players but the guys who missed out never complained (not to me anyway). We had a competition for the taking - we all knew that, a couple of vital games including the semi final, we just lacked the intensity needed to win those tight games.

Just one more very special mention and thank you to our manager Peter Stewart, who helped explain to all the guys the selection situation, helped me with some selection head aches and gave half time talks when I had no breath (usually every week). Thanks Pete from the bottom of my feet.

### Player Profile

**Ash South** - Half Back - A most improved football player, from fifth grade winger to second grade half back, and played some very good games in second grade. Throws a good pass, a good defender and a very average goal kicker.

**Tony Lane** - Five Eighth - Refer Flash's report in 'Focus' Aug 95. Vol.VII No.4.

**Mark Guest** - Inside Centre - Mark was our best option in attack, always willing to run the ball from anywhere. Hates losing and has a very good attitude towards rugby. He was a very supportive player for me and the rest of the team. We missed him greatly in the semi, thanks Mark.



# Rugby

## 4th Grade



**Michael Lackic** - Outside Centre - Fantastic debut year. This kid is a potential match winner. Great step off both feet (left many opponents groping thin air) still learning the finer points of the game, but will become a fine attacking back. Second grade next year Mick.

**Frank McDermott** - Utility Back - Frank played wing, inside and outside centre. Might not have the attacking flair of some of the younger players, but his determination and courage were second to none. Never complained about where he played or if he was dropped, even though he was playing good football. Always at training and always trained. Well done Frank.

**Paul Marturia** - Wing - Another debutante who had a good year, what a shame he didn't come to the club earlier. A natural athlete who would chase all day. He also came up with some try saving tackles. Safe under pressure and a good finisher, still has plenty to offer. See you next year Paul.

**Larry Downer** - Wing - Didn't have the same impact as he did in his first year with the club. Probably not as fit as he was due to a late start. Still played some fine footy and played a few games in the forwards where I believe his future lies. Get fit Lal.

**Richard Anderson** - Wing - Another young gun who could prove to be a great asset for the club. Found himself in between third grade and fourth grade early on, then an injury made it hard for him to force his way back into the side, but he did. Big, strong and a good goal kicker, I think he'll develop into a good centre. Thanks Rich.

**Pat Baldry** - Full Back - Welcome back Pat. After an absence of three years Pat returned and showed he hasn't lost it; whatever it was. An up and down year for Pat, but he's a good defender, has a long kicking game and is a lot stronger than he looks. He is in the same class as Ashley as a goal kicker. Pat also has the ability to become a very good coach, think about it Pat.

**Ken Williams** - Front Row - The man who has played more games of rugby than anybody. Once again proved why he has lasted so long. Kenny was the only player to play every game in 4 months and attend every training session. His experience helped many of the younger guys and myself, as always offered advice. Thanks Ken, well done.

**Manicou** - Front Row - Very valuable player for our side and our scrum. Strong and good player with the ball. Often played third grade and was missed when he did.

**Gerard Nordstrand** - Hooker - Best and fairest by a mile. Often this younger guy had some of us older guys in awe of the guts and determination he showed on the field. His tackles on much bigger opponents were inspirational. A definite player of the future. Watch him go next year.

**Henry D'amici** - Second Row - sensational year. This free running forward causes the opposition head aches when he runs wide of the rucks. Still has a lot to offer to rugby and should be playing higher grades. Fitness Henry fitness. Also proved a useful goal kicker.

**Glen Ross** - Second Row - Still learning the game but this kid could develop into a fine second rower. Plenty of height and guts, he just needs someone to guide him around the field a bit. Good year Glen, well done.

**Craig Nordstrand** - Breakaway - Crazy Craig tells us he used to be a better player than his son, but Craig likes telling us what a good player he is. So if you see him, he'll give you his own report.

**Alex Palmer** - Breakaway - dedicated player who enjoys his rugby very much. Will probably break Kenny's record of most games because he'll play forever.

**Chris Murray** - Lock - Apart from Gerard, he'd be our most consistent forward, surprised a lot of people with his good form this year. As with Alex-he'll never retire.

Also Played:-

**Rob Owens, Rob McGuiness, Gerald Puckey, Kelly Moore, John Downer, Tim Entwistle, Allan Flood, Les Cousins, Reggie and Peter Viigga.**

A special mention, for **Junior and John Goulding**, both late starters to the side who proved valuable assets. Would have been regulars had they started earlier. Training starts in January Goulds.

Tony Lane  
Coach

## Hockey Chairman's Report

1995 was an extremely disappointing year for Hockey, both on and off the field, and one in which we largely failed to reap the rewards of the good work of the previous year. Poor training attendances and poor on field discipline and attitude cost us dearly this year. Whilst we certainly had the talent available to win several premierships, we never reached our best levels of performance finishing 3rd in first grade, 3rd in second grade and 6th in third grade.

Off-field activities were also disastrous and the profit of last year was eroded by a substantial loss.

This can be put down to:

- \* poor attendance at the presentation evening
- \* failure of the "1000 Club"
- \* general lack of interest in social activities

In fact the harbour cruise, the one social activity that was successful, was largely due to the work of myself, Allan Chu, Paul Burgess and Lindsay Cooper and was not well supported by the rest of the players.

The blame for the poor performance accordingly must lie with each and every player who failed to support functions, not the organisers who, led by the three people mentioned above, worked diligently to provide good functions.

This theme of too few doing the work of many even continued through into the big success of the year - reintroduction of Junior Hockey. Arising out of a six week 'minkey' programme in January we were able to field teams in the U11 and U15 divisions as well as the U17's. The final results of the U15's coming runners-up and the U11's semi finalists at the first attempt were particularly pleasing.

My thanks and congratulations go to the coaches Allan Chu (U11), Russell Golledge (U15) and Matthew Yager (U17), all of whom sacrificed a lot of time and effort to make the programme a success.

Mention must also be made of the efforts of Steven Short, Paul Burgess and Robyn Graham who performed a lot of work behind the scenes and helped forge good relationships with children and parents which I am sure will be a platform for our success in coming years.

Next year will be crucial as success on the field will be of paramount importance if we are to be promoted to Premier Division. This will not happen without work behind the scenes and off the field. If we all do not lift our game in this regard we will continue to slide and eventually die! It is up to every player to make the effort to contribute and assist where possible. It is only in this way that we can go forward and rebound from a particularly poor year.

Brett Graham  
Chairman



# Hockey

## 1st Grade



Attempting to win our third successive premiership the Briars First Grade Hockey team had its usual under prepared start to the premiership. Unfortunately we were drawn to play a very well prepared Baulkham Hills side in the first game of the season. A game we were to lose 3-2. This seemed to signal what was going to be a difficult assignment - that being three successive premierships. We then struggled to draws against Parramatta and UTS - results which in the final wash up would prove very costly - until we registered our first win, a smashing 6-0 over Macquarie Uni in round 4. We then lost to last years Grand Final opponents Gordon 2-1, drew 4-4 with Rooty Hill, then beat Easts 5-2, Glenorie 4-3 and West District Rangers 5-2.

Our form was fluctuating, an under strength team drew 2-2 with Baulkham Hills at the start of the second round and we followed that with wins over Parramatta 3-2 and UTS 3-0. Things seemed to be turning around mid July when we secured 2nd position on the ladder and smashed Gordon 3-0 in the Yates Cup Final, played between the two top teams at the end of the first nine rounds.

A hard fought 2-1 win over Macquarie Uni in round 13, followed by a solid 2-1 win, once again over Gordon, saw the momentum continue. Things seemed to be falling into place nicely, at the right time, until round 15 when we played Rooty Hill. Fights, yellow and red cards, a 4-3 loss and a couple of unsavoury after match incidents seemed to disrupt the side to a degree that we struggled for weeks to regain our composure and momentum.

In fact we probably never got back to that level again. We struggled the following week to beat Easts 4-3, had an extremely close 3-3 draw with Glenorie, then finished with a massive 14-0 win over the lowly Western District Rangers.

As suspected, the five draws we had during the season came back to haunt us, although we finished equal second with Baulkham Hills, our goal difference put us in third position.

This meant a clash with our mates from Rooty Hill. And it was definitely sweet revenge as we came back from 3-1 down with 10 minutes to go to win 6-4 in extra time with what was one of our best performances of the season. This meant we would play Baulkham Hills in the preliminary final to see who would play Gordon in the Grand Final.

Minus centre forward Jindi Thind, who was forced to stand down for one match because of the three card suspension rule, the team struggled to get out of second gear and in one of our flattest performances of the season we were disappointingly beaten 1-0 in the second lot of extra time after the scores were nil all at full time. The result meant our season was finished.

There are probably several reasons why the team, which I believe was the best in the competition couldn't make it three premierships in a row. Time doesn't allow me to get into those now.

Congratulations must go out to a couple of players: Alex Head, who was by far our best and fairest player for the season and the leading goal scorer with Chris Head; Nathan Head, our most improved player, and the rest of the team for their performances and attendance during training throughout the season.

Although the clubs application to premier division was unsuccessful, the club must bite the bullet one last time and dominate our division - in all grades strengthen our juniors, build on our administration and then the Sydney Hockey Association will have no reason for not promoting Briars Hockey to the highest division in Sydney.

### Results

	Matches	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Pts	Position
	18	10	5	3	65	35	25	3rd
<b>Semi-Final:-</b>	Won 6-4 vs Rooty Hill (extra time)							
<b>Final:-</b>	Lost 1-0 vs Baulkham Hills (extra time)							
<b>Leading Goal scorer:-</b>	Alex Head/Chris Head							
<b>Best and Fairest:-</b>	Alex Head							
<b>Players player:-</b>	Alex Head							



## Player Profiles

**Mal Graham** - (goalkeeper) - Did a pretty decent job for his first season in the top grade. Will be better for the experience.

**Russell Roberts** - (fullback) - Reasonable season for Russ, like the skipper, would probably enjoy playing down the grades.

**Alex Head** - (fullback) - was our standout best player saving the team on countless occasions. One of the best players of the competition, won our Best & Fairest, players player and goal scorer. Seems his bet with PP, John Head and Gerard was the turning point with discipline as he didn't receive one yellow card after it. Well done Alex, hope Miss Saigon was good.

**Matt Yager** - (Left Half) - Had a really good season, drove his opposite mad with his tight marking and developed his skill well. Good luck in 1996 with the Chairman's position.

**Jonathon Head** - (Centre Half) - By his standards probably not his best ever season. Work commitment etc. hindered his fitness, however still one of the best in the competition.

**Mike Girvan** - (inside right) - Played well on most occasions, however probably not quite as consistent as previous seasons mainly because we couldn't get him to string more than 4 games together.

**Chris Head** - (left wing) - Had a frustrating season. Getting crankier as he gets older. However despite this he still has the ability to tear teams apart and he did so - a marvel for his age

**Jonathon Pears** - (left wing) - Played a lot of first grade this season after transferring from Gordon. Scored some really good goals, however could possibly be a little harder at times. Good season though.

**Nathan Head** - (inside left) - Had a funny season, however won our most improved player. There is no tougher man than "Natty." Had a solid season.

**Jindi Thind** - (centre forward) - Another one who is getting crankier as he gets older. Probably had he's most frustrating season. Played really well at times and we missed him in the final.

**Michael Taylor** - (Right half) - Had a good return season with the club. Performed pretty well at fullback and right half and dresses really well.

**Paul Price** - (Captain) - (Right Wing) - Had a reasonable season and scored the goal of the season against Gordon. Was frustrated at times by the teams indifferent performances and attendances to training.

Thanks must also go to Brett Graham who filled in very well on a number of occasions at right half as well as Andre DeClase, Bob Singh & Kevin Fernandez for filling in during the season.

**Paul Price**  
Captain



## Final Competition Tables

1st Grade	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	3rd Grade	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gordon	14	1	3	49	19	29	B Hills	12	4	2	50	24	28
B Hills	11	3	4	58	21	25	Gordon	12	3	3	50	18	27
Briars	10	5	3	65	35	25	R Hill	11	4	3	41	17	26
R Hill	10	2	6	44	33	22	B Hills Red	11	4	3	29	12	26
Glenorie	7	2	9	40	40	16	W D Rangers	5	9	4	34	35	19
Easts	6	3	9	41	48	15	Briars	6	4	8	21	26	16
UTS	4	5	9	18	31	13	Easts	4	6	8	33	40	14
Parramatta	4	4	10	34	44	12	MacQ Uni	4	2	12	18	32	10
MacQ Uni	6	0	12	19	48	12	Parramatta	2	4	12	13	41	8
WD Rangers	5	1	12	26	75	11	UTS	2	2	14	14	38	6
2nd Grade	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Club Championship	Pts					
BHills	17	1	0	82	15	35	Baulkham Hills	198					
Briars	11	4	3	48	28	26	Gordon	193					
Gordon	11	3	4	64	34	25	Briars	168					
UTS	9	3	6	29	30	21	Rooty Hill RSL	136					
W D Rangers	8	4	6	42	42	20	Easts	110					
Easts	8	2	8	34	26	18	West District Rangers	103					
Glenorie	5	2	11	23	50	12	UTS	100					
R Hill	4	3	11	22	38	11	Glenorie	88					
MacQ Uni	3	1	14	10	63	7	MacQuarie Uni	72					
Parramatta	2	2	15	22	50	5	Parramatta	66					

# Hockey

## 2nd Grade

The 1995 season seemed to be an improvement on the previous years effort. This was achieved despite the fact of losing several key players.

With a lot of determination and skill, the team was a worthy opponent in the 1995 competition. However, compared to the top sides we lacked striking power and, together with the occasional poor execution of set piece plays meant we relied heavily upon defence.

Lack of commitment to training, not only for second grade, affected the team as players were not used to each other and this made it difficult to execute those set piece plays so desperately needed. The lack of penalty stroke training ultimately was our downfall in the finals.

A greater commitment to training; larger numbers for competitive selection; and, hopefully, a move back to Homebush pitch, should ensure the team will be a formidable side in the 1996 season.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following players and others (too numerous to mention) for their support throughout the season:-

**Carl Francis** - fullback - captain - Carl put in his usual solid performance in the back, linking well with his goalkeeper to make a reliable defensive line

**Russell Golledge** - goalkeeper - Coming from third grade, Russell had to fill the big shoes left by Malcom Graham. After a slow start, he put in a lot of hard work and fitted into the defensive pack

**Jessie Singh** - fullback - Despite being one of the newcomers to the side, Jessie slipped in with great ease. Unfortunately for the opposition he was as solid as a rock and virtually impassable

**Ben Scully** - inside left - Following on from last years effort Ben had a lot of work in front of him. However, with a bit of determination, Ben was a worth member of the team

**Brett Graham** - centre half - As in previous years, Brett played a key role in centre field plays, breaking down opposition mid play and distributing the ball well on key plays

**Derek Sterry** - right wing - Moving from fullback to right wing can be a big change for some, but with Deek's experience, he took it all in his stride and proved worthy of his position

**Marcus Theile** - inside right - Promoted from third grade, Marcus showed a lot of enthusiasm and energy. With his never say die attitude Marcus became a great asset to the team.

### Russell Golledge



Briars third grade hockey team for 1995 was a vastly different one compared to that of the successful '94's combination. With several players not returning in '95, and the fact that no fourth grade team was competing, the team had up to fifteen players vying for positions each week. Therefore it was almost impossible to have the same team each week and thus gaining that much needed team work.

After a very disappointing start to the season, the third grade side eventually started putting things together and notching up some wins (mainly draws), and it appeared towards the end of this season that the team could actually make the semi finals. However a slump in player performances proved costly with the team struggling at the end and failing to secure a spot in the semis

But some positive things to emerge from the team this year included the bleeding of promising juniors into the senior ranks - such as Lachlan Boa and Nick Pervushin, who both proved that they could mix it with the big guys. This can only have positive impact on the senior ranks, and it will not be long before they are pushing for spots in the higher grade teams. So look out you first and second graders! Another is that the normal fourth graders were forced to play up a grade this year, and this I hope has given them more experience than they would have gained by playing fourth grade.

### Player profiles

**Russell Gollodge** - our illustrious goalkeeper - made many a fine save and kept the score lower than what it should have been (so he should have, playing second grade keeper as well) - but Russell still persists in wearing smelly equipment (never airs them)

**Mathew Avar** - our up and coming goalkeeper - this was his first year and proved that with a bit more experience that he will become a good player (especially now that he has been to Jenny Craig)

**Lindsay Cooper** - fullback and captain of the team - one of the more experienced in the team, not had a bad season and lead with example (most times) needs more practice on penalty strokes (3 out of 4 not bad)

**Lachlan Boa** - fullback - recruited from juniors - had a tremendous season, improved throughout the season, but needs to learn to tackle with both hands and to keep his temper

**Craig Ardill** - left half - new kid on the block from the country, proved valuable on many occasions, runs all day, and snared Clubs Best and Fairest award (just beat another good player)

**Allen Chu** - centre half (on most occasions) - steady, skilful player, especially talking with the referees, favorite colour is yellow, likes sitting on the sideline for 5-10 minute spells, still hasn't changed from 1994. Actually scored some goals when playing as a forward

**Stephen Short** - right half - just out of the junior ranks for a few years, as years go by, experience will make him a better player

**Nick Pervushin** - right half or inside right - another junior - showed improvement throughout the year, scored a few goals, and will be an asset to any team in years to come

**John Price** - right wing - our trusted goal scorer, one of the more experienced players, John would have scored a lot more goals if other players hadn't stole the ball from him, or he had have put the ball between the posts. Better luck next year JP

**Marcus Thiele** - inside right or any position - Marcus had a much improved year, and this showed by his selection in second grade for most of the year - maybe turning 21 had something to do with it - I won't mention the game we played the day after his party (very embarrassing)

**Marc Burns** - right half or any position - Marc had not a bad year when he actually got to play - may have found third grade a bit different, can only improve with more games

**Paul Burgess** - left wing - well what can I say, a very loyal player who turned up every week to training and the games - third grade a bit fast for Burgo, enjoys his game, but thought he was playing some other game (Grid Iron ???) Paul is our money man (won the 1000 Club - still hasn't shouted)

**Gerard Price** - centre forward - came back for a few games, shame we didn't have him for most of the year, played consistently

**Gavin Kimber** - inside left or any position - hard running player, persistent in both attack and defence, need more players like him



Lindsay Cooper



# Squash Chairmans Reports

The Squash Juggernaut rolls on! Spring 1994 saw 15 teams entered, with another 3 pennants coming home to roost. Autumn 1995 saw us enter "only" 14 teams but we still managed to reap the standard haul of 3 pennants. Other highlights of the year included a tour to NZ and a Kiwi-Aussie challenge.

The New Zealand Tour in February 1995 was not heavily patronized but all those who did make the effort had a fantastic time. This was billed as a "tour between tours" but by all reports the alcohol intake was approximately double the previous tours. There were 13 tourists in all but a mere 10 players.

Matches were played against the Christchurch Squash Club and the Otago Squash club, with the tour record recording 10 games apiece at the end of the tour. This is of particular note as the tour record in Hong Kong was also a drawn affair!! We are all looking forward to the Singapore and Malaysia tour in July 1996.

The inaugural Kiwi-Aussie challenge was equally as intriguing. Teams of 4 played Squash, Table Tennis, Snooker and Darts. The day started with the Aussies short-priced favourites to take the first event, but the Kiwis played with great heart to get up 3-1. The Table Tennis saw the Aussies fight back using sledgehammer proportions to level the card, while the Snooker was drawn at 1 match apiece.

Down to the final contest - Darts. Another draw but the Aussies won on games. The prize, winner take all, booze and food all night, value \$150. The famous Porter cheque book came out and Gary Pengally did what any good financial controller would do- shot through without paying. Teams were as follows: Kiwis - Tony "Jonah" Porter; Adam "Zinzan" Selway; Jim "Buck" Farrell; Gary "Treasury" Pengally. Aussies - Jon "Bozo" Kranitis; Steve "Ella" Arduin; Mark "Ella" Arduin; Paul "Campo" Jones; Ron "Pockets" Marshall; Manager - The intrepid KK. A most enjoyable night was again had by all.

On a more disappointing note however, the last year saw us lose a number of A-Grade and other promising players. Of particular note in the loss department was Michael Nobes, who despite being capable of walking into any 2nd grade side in Sydney, chose to play A1 with us during his 3 years in Sydney. A player who certainly rates as one of the best (if not The best) to play for Briars, but one who was always ready to play and/or advise the lower graded players. A top bloke and we all wish him well for married life in Melbourne.

Tony Forster was another player who the club did not want to lose. Tony was a player with heaps of potential and he was also a person who was putting a tremendous amount of time into the club (including the "After 3am Club"). His Focus reports were very enjoyable reading and we wish Tony well in Queensland. In other departures, Tim Spicer (A1) went overseas, Dave Kable (A4) went on an extended world trip, Dave Kirkpatrick (A1) went walkabout, Tony Gee (A1) retired again, Sean Curtis (C1) went to work, Vance Lowe (C1) moved to a closer club and Steve Timpson (C4) went to Queensland. In all, a huge loss of personnel and one that once would have spelt the demise of squash. Due to the depth of Squash at present however, we still rolled on.

It would be remiss of me (to coin a worn out phrase) if I did not take this opportunity to thank those who have put considerable time and effort into running squash over the past year. Greg Kelly has, as always, been the one who made sure the money kept rolling in. A thankless task but one done very well. Greg thoroughly deserves the R.D. Vanderfield trophy this year. Ken Kable, as always, has been unfaltering in his support - even if the opposition don't like him - and although very busy, was always there when I needed him. Mick Jaroszewicz's tenacity in event promotion (ie. socials, golf days etc) was very much appreciated (and it didn't go unnoticed as he is now Briars' Social Chairman).

Greg McManus, whose career as Focus reporter was short-lived, now has the unenviable task of being Assistant Hon Exec Officer. Also thanks to those who have helped prop up bar takings with me after 3am on Wednesday mornings.



In the results department, Michael Nobes took out the Club Championship final (from yours truly) in a tense five-set match (yes, he did make me run about 10 miles further than he really needed to). It was noticed at the time that I seemed to really enjoy that first beer at the club afterwards (and the second, third ...).

Tony Forster took out the C-Grade final from Robert Russo in four. Both Robert and Tony played excellent squash during the year and were destined to do greater things in B-Grade for the next competition. Performance Trophies went to Steve Arduin (Spring 1994) and Rod Dempsey (Autumn 1995). Incidentally, Steve was told that he wasn't allowed to win another performance trophy after the Spring 94 win - something that he took to heart as he actually lost his first ever competition match in the Semi-Finals. Steve has built up an imposing record and although I am not sure of the exact numbers, he went something like 5 competitions without a loss - including 4 competitions with Briars. This surely must be close to a record. Rod actually bounced back from a broken collarbone to win his trophy, no mean feat.

## Team Reports - Spring 1994

**Team 1 - A1: Michael Nobes; Dave Kirkpatrick; Tony Gee; Tim Spicer; Tony Porter** 7th - 168 points. Disappointing results considering Nobes only lost 1 or 2 matches (as always). There was this rumour about pregnant tortoises....

**Team 2 - A3: Byron Brasier; Peter Kollar; Paul Byrne; Jim Farrell; Joe Elias** 2nd and Premiers - 266 points. This team knocked arch rivals Parramatta out for the 2nd competition in a row to take out another pennant. Paul and Byron came home strong with Bucca unbeaten for the second competition in a row.

**Team 3 - A4: Paul Jones; Ken Kable; Steve Arduin; Joe Caristo; Dave Kable** Minor Premiers - 274 points. Unfortunately for these minor premiers, a loss of form at the business end of the competition put them out of business. A quotable quote from the opposition: "I don't mind losing but I can't stand HIM". Who? why, the intrepid KK of course!! Incidentally KK had nothing to do with umpiring or refereeing that particular match.

**Team 4 - B1: Victor Holubinskyj; Steve Clark; Mark Arduin; John Gee; Joe Karam** 6th - 183 points. An unlucky competition for these boys as they were only 1 point behind a count back for 4th spot. Joe Karam and young John Gee had great competitions.

**Team 5 - B4: Ian Thompson; Reg Richardson; Grant Heggarty; Vance Lowe; Con Tarantello** 5th - 173 points. They missed Ian early in the second round which put the pressure on the rest of the team.

**Team 6 - C1: Peter Anderson; Tony Forster; Sean Curtis; Dominic Maggs; Roger Marcolin** Minor Premiers and Premiers - 256 points, Pennant Winners. This team had a drawn Grand Final which was later found to be actually a loss!!! Got the flag anyway as the cards had been signed and trophies presented by this stage.

**Team 7 - C1: Dominic Caristo; Steve Madz; Jason O'Brien; Bruce Jacobs; Robert Russo** 3rd - 242 points. Robert, Dom and Steve all posted good results but the dreaded 'flu at the business end stopped the run home.

**Team 8 - C2: Geoff Williams; John DeGeorge; Jason Loong; Alan Wilton; Steve Timpson** 4th and Premiers - 231 points. Showed guts and determination to bring home the 3rd pennant for this competition. Jason Loong undefeated, nice way for Steve (I love bar duty) Timpson to leave the club.

**Team 9 - C2: Michael DiMonte; Peter O'Donnell; Greg McManus; Chris Virgona; Greg Anderson** 7th - 183 points. Having Michael out on an extended honeymoon did not help this team and they struggled for team numbers all competition. He must be on to a good thing to go on a 3 month honeymoon!!

**Team 10 - C3: Mick Jaroscewicz; Greg Kelly; Robert Powell; Ron Marshall; Adam Selway** 3rd - 247 points. Lots of 3-0 wins from Adam Selway - pity he had to spoil it by turning up drunk and losing in round 14!!!

**Team 11 - C3: Jordan Dean; Ed Alcaino; Zelco Kalic; George Waird; Nigel Robinson** 2nd - 254 points. Nigel, Zelco (I would rather kiss my girlfriend) and Jordan all had good competitions. No luck in the semis though.

**Team 12- C4: Ed Moore; Alex Forbes; Dave Newton; Stuart Santer; Rod Dempsey; Ian Slee** 4th - 237 points. With Alex away overseas since round 9 and Rod (I tripped over a cow) out with a broken collarbone, this was a great effort.



# Squash Team Reports

**Team 13 - D4:** Andrew Krnel; Stefan Krnel; Paul Bruner; Tony Cariola; John Siounis 5th - 194 points. Paul and Tony did well with the rest of the team posting mixed results. Better luck next competition.

**Team 14 - D1:** Troy Geri; John Bowers; Mick Franco; Barney Rudd; John Calacoci; Chris Leung 6th - 132 points. Found the going a bit tough this competition with a few teams stacked with burglars. Tried hard all competition.

**Team 15 - D3:** Darren Peisley; Steve Kodela; Duncan Bain; Jay Jayadev; Shane Creamer 2nd - 246 points. Duncan was strong all competition but the going got a bit tough in the semis.

## Team Reports - Autumn 1995

**Team 1 - A1:** Tony Porter; Paul Byrne; Paul Jones; Jim Farrell; Joe Elias 8th - 91 points. The wheels fell off in a big way during the 2nd half of this competition to prove that the checker was drunk when making up the A1 draw. Competitive during the first half of the competition but simply weren't in the same league in the final rounds.

**Team 2 - A3:** Steve Arduin; Ken Kable; Ken Axtel; Joe Caristo; Mark Arduin; Joe Elias 7th - 151 points. A six-man side which could only field an average of 3 players per night. Had the players to do well in this grade but usually could not field a side. Disappointing result overall.

**Team 3 - B2:** Gary Pengely; Victor Holubinsky; Steve Clark; Joe Karam; John Gee Minor premiers and Premiers - 250 points. Superb leadership by John Gee brought home a pennant to these lads. Gary (I'm at St Clair, where are you?) Pengally did turn up to the right courts for the Grand Final - which probably helped them win.

**Team 4 - B4:** Alan Cameron; Frank Bortollotti; Dominic Caristo; Robert Russo; Dominic Maggs 2nd - 253 points. After looking in a strong position early on, narrowly went down in the Grand Final. Missed the services of an inform but ill Robert Russo.

**Team 5 - B4:** Steve Madz; Ian Thompson; Reg Richardson; Grant Heggarty; Vance Lowe 5th - 185 points. Narrowly missed the 4. Grant and Reg performed well, as did Vance in the tail.

**Team 6 - C1:** Adam Selway; Peter Anderson; Jason Loong; David Figg; Robert Bedic Minor Premiers - 299 points. Looked strong for the pennant but inexperience showed to dip out in the Final. Peter, Jason and Robert all had very good comps.

**Team 7 - C1:** Jordan Dean; Ray Warouw; Nigel Robinson; Zelco Kalic; Ed Alcaino 6th - 181 points. Good performance from Jordan and Ed but they missed Zelco (out injured) for most of the competition.

**Team 8 - C2:** Peter O'Donnell; Michael DiMonte; William Pace; Greg McManus; Chris Virgona; Greg Anderson 5th - 189 points. Another injury riddled comp with Chris and Pod missing at vital times. An outstanding effort from Bill in his first comp, if only he would stop trying to jump through the glass.

**Team 9 - C3:** Ed Moore; John DeGeorge; Alex Forbes; Robert Powell; Stuart Santer Minor Premiers and Premiers - 245 points. Excellent effort by all players to knock off a strong team in the Grand Final. Johnny DeGeorge showed his experience in captaining this side to victory.

**Team 10 - C3:** Greg Kelly; Mick Jaroscewicz; Ron Marshall; Wayne Rastall; George Waird 6th - 185 points. Consistent effort by all but not quite good enough. Wayne and George went well.

**Team 11 - C4:** Stefan Krnel; Paul Bruner; Tony Cariola; Andrew Krnel; Alan Wilton 4th - 222 points. Some outstanding work behind the Bar by Mrs. Krnel while hubby got the disco going. Good results by Tony, Andrew and Paul.

**Team 12 - D1:** Michael Maggs; John Siounis; John Amey; Barney Rudd 2nd - 265 points. Good comps from Michael and Barney but inexperience showed against a cagey Concord side in the Grand Final. The less said about John's figure the better.

**Team 13 - D2:** Steve Kodela; Rod Dempsey; Jay Jayadev; Chris Leung; Alf DiMonte Minor Premiers - 306 points. Good performances by all and especially by Rod to take out the Performance Trophy. Came down to a match between arch rivals Chris and Simon to decide the Grand Final. Bad luck guys.

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# Junior Development

The past year has been a fairly active one for junior development. We have undertaken a number of initiatives aimed at harnessing the talent in our area, all of which have been very successful. Amongst other things, we have held a number of junior competitions and skills days.

In cricket, the 8th annual school's seven-a-side competition was a huge success, with a record number of teams turning out, with reigning champions Lewisham just edging out Eastwood in the final. Thanks to all the cricketers who gave up their time to help out on the day.

Our rugby skills day was very well received, with quite a few 1st grade and state level players taking time out to work with about 60 kids from local schools. The feedback from the boys and the parents alike was extremely positive, and we will now be looking to host these type of days more regularly in the upcoming year. Thanks go largely to Rob McQuade for his organisation and enthusiasm, to all The Briars rugby players who helped out, and also to the guest coaches who assisted on the day.

The Minkey competition for junior hockey, which ran over 8 weeks was a huge success, and a credit to everyone from hockey involved in coordinating the event. Again, the feedback from the kids, parents and schools was fantastic, and we're expecting next years competition to attract even more juniors to The Briars.

As well as the various competitions, there have also been visits to schools, invitations to present awards at school sports presentations, and many other instances that have demonstrated an ever increasing awareness in The Briars as a great sporting club to join. This increasing awareness can be credited to the efforts of everybody involved in any of the initiatives throughout the year, and I extend my thanks to the members.

I would particularly like to thank my assistant Jason Hughes, whose efforts have helped make my job much easier. Given the last 12 months, and number of things planned in the upcoming year, augurs well for the future of sport at The Briars.

Gerard Abood



## Focus Report

I don't know why I have to write this report? I mean, what's wrong with the new bloke? I haven't been the editor for yonks!

You probably remember when I was though. Good, wholesome, entertaining, family reading. None of this bolshie rubbish.... I mean, what sort of homes do they come from? Give 'em an earring, long hair and a university education, and they think it's just a matter of getting in the Pulitzer queue!.....anyway, perhaps this isn't the right forum..

From what I recall, the quality of the reporting for the various sports was particularly high; especially that ethnic kiddie who did the Rugby..... quite amusing at times.

Thanks to all contributors, especially Rod Smith for the topical "Here & There" and to Warren Bryan for his endless supply of jokes. Thanks also to JFT for his comprehensive "From the Hon Exec's Desk". I'm led to believe it was informative, but I never actually read it from start to finish myself.

To our loyal advertisers, what can I say other than thanks again and please pay your invoice promptly.

Finally, thanks to Kevin McDonald our publisher for advice and assistance and a huge thank you to the Heggarty family for the onerous job of envelope stuffing and mailing.

Yep.....that about covers it.

Milton Howell  
Former Editor

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## Social Report

The Christmas Party of 1994 was held on Saturday December 3, a date I will not forget as it was the first Saturday after my son, Alexander, was born. The club was very well attended even though some thought the entry fee excessive. But what does one expect when the gastro genius, Lindsay Cooper, was preparing the feast of the year. Thank you Lindsay, it was delicious. The disco had a mixed reception: the Ra Ra girls were in exceptional fine form dancing the night away and certainly enjoyed the Rap unlike senior members of the club who preferred the DJ to go home rather than continue (that's all I'm allowed to print). For the next Christmas party the music will no doubt be more middle of the road.

The Annual Dinner was again held at the popular venue of Concord Convention Centre on the eve of another Bledisloe Cup battle. Guest speaker for the evening was Ray Hadley of Lowes and 2GB fame. His training as an auctioneer stood him in good stead for question time. Well actually it was pre question time and during his address that the barracking from some of the audience tried to upstage Ray, but he survived to speak another night.

That evening Rugby raffled a Briars shirt signed by the World Cup Wallaby team to South Africa. Well done Rob McQuade for making the signatures look so authentic and when will the winner donate it to the Club cupboard? Our thanks go to Paul and his staff for another terrific evening. It always amazes me that when at Paul's place your glass is never empty, you've just finished getting one down your neck, when to turn to have a yarn with your mate and hey presto your schooner is full again. No wonder I never wake up until the next afternoon.

Such service cannot be said of the Concord Golf Club where the Annual Dinner Dance was held on Saturday 18 November. Two waiters for 80 guests and you expect to have a dry night but that was nearly turned around thanks to the NSW fire brigade who turned up between main and dessert in answer to the wailing fire alarm (and our parched throats) to add some Wet Wet Wet to the night. Which certainly wasn't needed as Peter Head and Co (the band) had every thing under control with a rip rawing razzle dazzle display of music to which most pests got stuck into the dancing until the wee hours. Particular thanks to Paul Price for providing a back up lead singer even though not required.

The night was not as well attended as previous years by the sports, although squash 50, proved again that it's a popular night for them. So this leaves me with a question to all yee members, do you want to have a formal night? The 100% absence of any Rugby member seems to indicate, no. An option which has been suggested is to have the Dinner Dance once every two years with a less formal night, e.g. the trots in between. Let your sporting chairman know what you prefer.

By the time this is published another year will have passed, so I'll take this opportunity to wish all you Briars and your loved ones a Happy and Healthy New Year,

Cheers,

Mick Jaroszewicz.



## Personnel Report

1995 once again saw an influx of new talent into the club.

By the time you are actually reading this report some 70-80 new members would have joined the Briars Sporting ranks during 1995, that makes over 500 in the past 6 years.

With the club continuing it's excellent on field sporting performances, highlighted this year by Rugby winning the club championship and first grade, such an enormous influx of new talent into the club must be continually encouraged.

Paul Price  
Chairman

## Golden Oldies Report

Briars Golden Oldies Rugby did not participate in the recent tournament held in Christchurch, New Zealand due to circumstances beyond our control.

Our aim, therefore is to rekindle the GO's spirit in the forthcoming years. With the future in mind we have forwarded a deposit for the next major tournament to be held in Cape Town, South Africa between April 25 and May 2 1998.

Although a few years hence - planning, involvement, numbers, are paramount to ensure success.

With this in mind a meeting of interested oldies will be held in the New Year with Peter 'Chang' Bowyer to co-ordinate rugby fixtures during 1996 and ensuing years - bodies willing.

The success is up to all of us, remember Golden Oldies involvement is all about the spirit of fun, friendship and fraternity.

The sheer pleasure of old and new friendships is equal to the drawing power of the game itself.

For many, the spirit of camaraderie overwhelms all else.

Rod Smith



### BRIARS SKI CLUB-THREDBO

Directors: Richard Vanderfield(Chairman), Brian Darragh, Andrew Clifford, Michael Kennedy, Peter Arnold, Jim Field, Maurie Catts.

Secretary: Bruce Evans

Hon. Auditor: Col Jones

The club has just completed its best season for some years. Bookings were heavy as a result of the excellent snow conditions.

A considerable sum of money has been spent on the lodge over the last couple of years and it is in very good shape. Stairs have been replaced, new garbage shed constructed, the drying room modified, flat carpeted and it has been painted throughout.

Many thanks to maintenance director, Mike Kennedy and to Carolyn Darragh and Andy Clifford for organising this. Col Jones is forever in our debt for undertaking the honorary Audit yet again, thanks Col.

The administration has been smooth and trouble free for the year mainly due to the efforts of our long serving booking officer, Andy Clifford and secretary Bruce Evans. Our gratitude, guys.

Briars members are reminded that there are often vacancies in the lodge after Ski Club member's bookings have been made. The period from October through summer to April remains under-utilised. Thredbo has been extensively developed as a summer resort and nowadays offers a wide range of activities - golf, tennis, horse riding and some magnificent mountain bush walks being but a few.

For bookings, please contact Andy Clifford by phone 427 2673 or fax 427 2635.

### Ski Club

# Administration & Trophies

The Board of Directors and the Management Committee met on 12 occasions during the period 1 October, 1994 to 30 September, 1995. Attendance by members was as follows:-

## Board

C. Hickey	12	W. Hooker	11
I. Richard	11	R. Tregeagle	5 (resigned Jun 1995)
J. Staniforth	2 (resigned Jan 1995)	P. Mattick	9 (appointed Jan 1995)
J. Price	10 (reelected AGM Feb 1995)		(elected AGM Feb 1995)
J. Crockart	3 (resigned Jan 1995)	K. Kable	4 (appointed Jan 1995)
P. Richardson	11 (reelected AGM Feb 1995)		(elected AGM Feb 1995)

## Management

C. Hickey	11	J. Farrell	12
J. Threlfo	12	R. McQuade	7
B. Howle	9 (resigned Asst H/E Aug 1995)	G. Abood	9 (Schools)
P. Price	12	J. Hughes	7 (Liaison)
M. Howell	8 (resigned Focus Jul 1995)	W. Hooker	9
G. O'Brien	9	B. Graham	8 (resigned Hockey Sep 1995)
A. Clarke	11	M. Jaroszewicz	7 (appointed Social Nov 1994)
G. Price	11	P. Viglienze	0 (appointed Focus Sep 1995)
P. Mattick	1 (resigned Social Oct 1994)	G. McManus	2 (appointed Asst H/E Aug 1995)



## The J. H. Stone Trophy

The trophy is named after the first President of The Briars Sporting Club, the late John Stone. It can only be won by a club member, under 25 years of age, who has made an outstanding contribution to the club's welfare during the year.

Chris Lamond, last year's winner of the Bob Clark Outward Bound Scholarship, is a very worthy winner of this prestigious trophy. Christopher has contributed an enormous amount of behind the scenes work this year in rugby administration and assisting the Senior Steward. He and Mat Waddington have religiously (should I say enthusiastically) restocked the bar and cleaned the beer lines. In fact, they were so dedicated they were there every Thursday night! Chris also had a fine season on the wing in our premiership winning 1st grade rugby side, proving himself to be a dynamic attacker with ball in hand. It is with great pleasure the executive recognise Chris's efforts during 1995 and I am sure he will continue to grow as a Briar in the years to come.

## The Ted Stockdale Trophy

This Trophy has been donated by the Board of Directors in recognition of the outstanding contribution made to the club by Ted Stockdale. It is awarded to a club member who has made a continuing contribution to the welfare and administration of the club over a number of years.

In it's inaugural year, The Board of Directors have great pleasure in awarding the trophy to Stuart Lind. Stuart has performed a number of behind the scenes administrative functions for the club and cricket and has banked/balanced the club's takings for many years. Stuart has always had the welfare of the club at heart and is respected as a fine clubman.

Stuart's outstanding contribution over a long period of time encapsulates what this trophy is all about.



## Cricket Memorial Trophy

The 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 Club as a member	-	25 points
Neatness of dress	-	10 points
		<b>100 points</b>

The winner of this trophy is Spiro Troubetas who is one of the keenest cricketers in the club, always giving 110%. Spiro had a good season last year, especially with the ball, and captained the 4th grade team towards the end of the season. He contributed well at training and did a fantastic job on the social side helping out with all the functions.

Spiro is a worthy winner of this trophy and we congratulate him.

## Gordan Bevan Shield

The Gordon Bevan Shield is awarded to the player who, in the opinion of the Club, has done the most toward football and the Club in general.

The criteria for selection are as follows:

Attendance at training	-	20 points
Value to the Team	-	20 points
Most improved Player	-	20 points
General Keeness	-	15 points
Value as a Club Member	-	15 points
Neatness of Uniform	-	10 points
		<b>100 points</b>

For the second consecutive year, the Shield is awarded to Stuart Brisbane. As was the case last year, he was a standout selection.

It may sound repetitive but the contribution made by "Stuey" to all aspects of rugby is immeasurable. Again he was involved in the conditioning of the teams; picked up the training gear every week; ran the water and sand; helped in the canteen; and helped set up the ground.

Above all this, Stu's improvement as a player was substantial - he was a good player last year in the forwards, this year he was simply dynamic! Stuey won the club's "Best and Fairest" award by a clear margin and finished in the top 5% of all players in the Suburban Rugby competition.

Stuart is currently considering moving back to the bush and, whilst we wish him well, we will not realise just what a major contribution to The Briars he has made in his four years with the club until after he is gone.

## The A. J. Robinson Shield

The Shield was donated by the late A. J. Robinson ("Robbie") and is won by the hockey player obtaining the most points in the following manner:

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



# Administration & Trophies

This year's winner is Allen Chu, an "elder statesman" of Briars Hockey, who was "all fired up" in 1995.

Allen, or "Chewy", made a very valuable contribution to the sport both on and off the field. He played centre-half in 3rd grade and was one of the mainstays of the team. Allen also received less yellow cards than last year which is a positive comment on his "new" approach to the game.

Allen did a superb job coaching the Under 11's and became heavily involved in junior administration. He represented the club at Sydney Junior Hockey Association North Area Committee meetings and coached the North Area Under 11 team at representative level.

Allen assisted the Hockey Chairman with many other tasks during the year. Allen lived up to one of his nicknames "I'm all fired up" and should go on to make a valuable contribution to Briars Hockey in future years.

## The Doug Vanderfield Trophy

The Trophy was donated by the late R. D. Vanderfield who was instrumental in commencing Squash in the Club and having it recognised as a major sport. This Trophy is presented to the squash player who has contributed the most to Squash and the Club in general.

Points are awarded as follows:

Value as a team member	- 20 points
Value as a member of the Club	- 20 points
Keeness as a player	- 20 points
Improvement as a player	- 15 points
Conduct on the Squash Court	- 15 points
Neatness of dress	- 10 points
	<b>100 points</b>

The winner this year is Greg Kelly. Greg, in his administrative role as treasurer of Squash, continues to put a great deal of time and effort into ensuring all the fees are collected. This task is probably the most thankless in the realms of sports administration but one which Greg has continued to do successfully for a number of years. Greg's conduct on the court continues to be exemplary and a rise in fitness level has caused a marked improvement in the standard of his squash. Greg is also a superb tourist but those legendary stories stay on tour. Congratulations, Greg.

## The R. D. Vanderfield Trophy

This Trophy is awarded to a member of Junior Hockey who has contributed most to the junior teams. It carries the name of a past President who showed great interest in the formation of junior teams.

This year's recipient is Lachlan Boa. Lachlan played Under 17's and 3rd Grade, as well as performing administrative and organisational tasks.

Lachlan did not miss an Under 17's game using his game sense, experience and stickwork to lift his fellow players. Increased fitness, pace, marking and ball skills should see Lachlan develop into an excellent representative for Briars on the sporting field. Playing 3rd grade, exposed Lachlan to a faster and more physical game which saw him mature into a resolute defender and keen attacker. He obviously learnt most of the good habits (and only some of the bad habits) from the older players in 3rd grade!

All sports require motivated and committed people to assist with the organisation and Lachlan was one of those people, particularly in regard to junior team training and support.

Increased personal maturity, responsibility and discipline (on field of course) should ensure Lachlan continues to develop as a Briar. Well done, Lachlan!



## The Geoff Archibald Trophy

This is awarded to the rugby player who has made the greatest contribution to the Club in his first year.

This year's winner is Charles Rennie. Charles was a standout selection and thoroughly deserved the award even if he is English! Charlie's contribution on and off the field was a major one and anyone associated with the success of Briars Rugby in 1995 would agree Charlie was an important cog in the wheel. Although he intended to stay for a few weeks back in February, it is an indication of how well he assimilated into the club that Charlie stayed for the entire season and wearing The Briars meant so much to him.

There is every chance Charles will be back next year, along with some friends, and anyone visiting Buckinghamshire, UK, will be made welcome in the Rennie household.

## Robert Bruce Clark -

### Outward Bound Scholarship

The scholarship is funded by a donation from the estate of ex-Patron and foundation member of the club, Bob Clark. It is awarded to a younger member who, in the opinion of the executive, displays outstanding potential to contribute to the welfare of the club and it is considered that attendance at an Outward Bound course would assist in the character development of the individual.

This year's recipient is Matt Yager. Matt has recently taken over as Hockey Chairman and is already displaying enthusiasm and commitment to the duties asked of any sporting chairman in the club. In addition, his attitude seems to be contagious within hockey ranks and augers well for a successful season next year, from the point of view of administration. I doubt whether there would be a fitter person in the club (he rides to Management meetings on a bike from somewhere seemingly west of the Great Divide) and the challenge and benefits from participating in this course will stand Matt, and the club, in good stead in future years.

The contribution of the club's office bearers is mentioned each year but, until you have experienced the demands of these positions, can you truly appreciate what these fellows put themselves through. The rewards certainly come back to you in various ways and I hope each of these individuals have been rewarded in their own way.

Craig Hickey was again a hard working President who asked the executive to concentrate effort in the important area of junior development. Special mention should be made of John Staniforth who took over as the club's legal advisor from Harvey Ford and decided to retire as a Director this year. John's wise counsel was always valued by the Board. John Crockart also decided to call it a day and retired as a Director - John served for many years on the Board and contributed much to the proper fiscal administration of the club's resources. Crock's expertise will not be lost to the club as he has taken on the duties of Treasurer of The Briars Foundation. Of concern to the executive throughout the reporting year are continuing incidents involving damage to club property which indicates a lack of respect by a minority for the club and their fellow members.

Playing wise, the club had a sensational year in Rugby winning the club championship and building a strong platform to go forward in the near future. Congratulations to the unbeaten 1st grade side - I wonder whether they will have 10 year reunions. Squash were also successful in winning a number of pennants with Cricket and Hockey being very competitive.

Sports are more accountable in administrative and budgetary terms as witnessed by the financial accounts. Bill Hooker, as Treasurer, continues to oversight the club's financial resources in a very conscientious manner. Garry O'Brien, Senior Steward, has instituted a number of measures to attract increased patronage. The executive's appreciation goes to the organisers of club and sports functions for their time and efforts.





# Administration & Trophies

Brett Howle has been widely recognised as making a significant contribution to club administration over recent times and his resignation from the Assistant Honorary Executive Officer's position due to work commitments was accepted with regret.

The executive would again like to acknowledge the behind the scenes work put in by Stuart Lind and Martin Watts who carry out such duties as checking the till, receipting monies and club banking on a weekly basis. Steve Hansen has also put in a tremendous effort to ensure the annual report is comprehensive and a quality product and we thank him for his ongoing commitment.

The executive introduced The Briars Annual Inter-Sports Trophy during the year to encourage friendly competitive rivalry between the sports. The trophy was kindly donated by Col Dayman who has always encouraged the bringing of individual sports closer together through a common sporting bond and the executive thank him for his gesture. The competition involved snooker, table tennis and darts this year and other activities could be added next year. Cricket emerged victorious over Rugby on grand final night but the rugby boys ran them to the wire. I am sure the format can be improved but I am also sure the participants enjoyed themselves and this trophy will be keenly contested in the future years.

The death of Ted Stockdale, the club's favourite son, nominated Patron and Life Member, was a blow to all. To many of us he was Mr Briars and many people have remarked to me of the affect he had on them through his own personal values. Whilst not backward in expressing his point of view, I would think there were very few people touched by Ted's gentleness and respect for other people.

In honour of Ted's memory, the executive are pleased to announce the introduction of The Ted Stockdale Trophy to be presented to a member who has made a significant contribution to the club's welfare and administration over a number of years. It is not intended to replace the J. H. Stone Trophy but is a fitting recognition of members who give of themselves to the club and, in some instances, these contributions often go unrecognised. Ted's enormous behind the scenes work was his great legacy to the club and I cannot think of a finer individual to name this trophy after.

Another senior member, Geoff Vanderfield, passed on this year. Losing members of this stature reminds us of our proud past and focusses on the fact the current generation are charged with carrying on the club's fine traditions, always with an eye to the future. The executive offer their sympathies to the families of members who passed away during the year.

Finally, I wish members every success, individually and through teams representing the club, in the upcoming year.

John F. Threlfo

Honorary Executive Officer



## THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1995

Your directors present their report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 1995. The following persons hold office as directors at the date of this report:

HICKEY	Craig R	Business Proprietor
RICHARD	Robert IG	Company Director
RICHARDSON	Peter D	Chartered Accountant
MATTICK	Paul G	Solicitor
KABLE	Kenneth R	Business Proprietor
HOOKE	William F	Accountant
PRICE	John K	Business Proprietor

#### Activities:

The principal activity of The Club during the year was that of the promotion and playing of amateur sport. The Club is a licensed club under the provision of the Registered Club's Act 1976 as amended. There has been no change in the company's activities since the last report.

#### Results:

The net result of operations for the year was a Profit of \$4,342 (1994 -\$21,704). Income tax was not applicable as per Note 1(c) of the Notes Accompanying the Financial Statements

The results of the Company are after increased depreciation and amortisation costs of \$15,000 due to the refurbished premises, new air-conditioning and new bar equipment purchased in July 1994. The shops are now fully occupied under considerably higher rents in line with their recent refurbishment. These rentals should return a further \$9,000 to the bottom line.

The Directors and Management of the Club are currently undertaking various initiatives to improve the Bar Trading performance. Bar prices have not been adjusted for the past 2 years and will now be increased to reflect the higher costs of purchases.

In line with the Club's aims of promoting amateur sport, the Club increased its financial commitment to the Sports by some \$9,500 to help contain playing fees and make it financially attractive for new members to play for The Briars.

#### Directors' Benefits:

Since the end of the previous financial year no director of the company has received or become entitled to receive any benefits.

C. R. Hickey  
Director

W.F. Hooker  
Director

Signed in accordance with a Resolution of the Directors  
at Burwood this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1996



# Auditors Report

## THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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### AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

#### Scope:

I have audited the financial statements of The Briars Sporting Club Limited for the year ended 30 September 1995, consisting of the Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Account and accompanying notes. The Company's Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and the information they contain. I have conducted an Independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Company.

My audit has been planned and performed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide a reasonable level of assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Concepts and standards and statutory requirements so as to present a view of the Company which is consistent with my understanding of its financial position and the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

#### Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements of The Briars Sporting Club Limited are properly drawn up:

- (a) so as to give a true and fair view of:
  - (i) the state of affairs of the Company as at 30<sup>th</sup> September, 1995, and of the Profit of the Company for the financial year ended on that date;
  - (ii) the other matters required by Division 4, 4A and 4B of Part 3.6 of the Corporations Law to be dealt with in the financial statements;
- (b) in accordance with the provisions of the Corporations Law; and
- (c) in accordance with the Statements of Accounting Concepts and applicable Australian Accounting Standards.

C.G. JONES

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

Signed at Sydney

this 12<sup>th</sup> of January 1996





**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**  
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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1995**

	NOTE	1995 \$	1994 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash	4	56,990	143,643
Receivables	5	6,438	1,884
Inventories	6	19,732	18,824
Other	7	18,492	7,408
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>101,652</b>	<b>171,759</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Investments	8	64,442	3,848
Property Plant & Equipement	9	282,736	302,027
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>347,178</b>	<b>305,875</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>448,830</b>	<b>477,634</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Creditors & Borrowings	10	25,009	98,972
Provisions	11	14,223	14,000
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>39,232</b>	<b>112,972</b>
<b>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors & Borrowings	12	44,442	3,848
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>83,674</b>	<b>116,820</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>365,156</b>	<b>360,814</b>
<b>MEMBER'S FUNDS</b>			
<b>RETAINED PROFITS</b>		<b>365,156</b>	<b>360,814</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements



**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**  
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**PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1995**

	NOTE	1995 \$	1994 \$
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)	3	4,342	21,704
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		-	-
PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX		4,342	21,704
RETAINED PROFITS AT BEGINNING OF FINANCIAL YEAR		360,814	339,110
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION		365,156	360,814
RETAINED PROFITS AT END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		365,156	360,814

The Accompanying notes form part of these financial statements



**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**  
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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1995**

	NOTE	1995 \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Subscription fees received		8,253
Interest received		7,518
Rent received		54,603
Bar Sales		68,116
Sports playing fees		19,973
Golf tournament contracts		7,545
Sponsorships		16,940
Focus newsletter (net)		(11,181)
Social functions		(295)
Payment to suppliers for bar purchases		(46,036)
Outlay for sports running costs and general administration (net)		(134,866)
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	14	(7,890)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Payments for-		
Refurbishment of building		(55,760)
Plant and Equipment purchases		(3,003)
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>		(58,763)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds upon maturity of debentures and deposits		(20,000)
<b>Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities</b>		(20,000)
(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		(86,653)
<b>CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>		143,463
<b>CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	13	56,990

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

## THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1995

## NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting standards and the Corporations Law, including the disclosure requirements of Schedule 5 of the Corporations Regulations. The financial statements have also been prepared on the basis of historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the Accounts:-

## (a) Depreciation

Non-current assets, at cost or valuation are depreciated at rates based upon their expected useful economic lives, using the prime cost or diminishing value as applicable.

## (b) Inventories

All inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost has been determined by specific identification.

## (c) Income Tax

The club considers its operations to be exempt from income tax under section 23(g) of the Income Tax Assessment Act in that the Club is established for the encouragement and promotion of amateur sport.

## (d) Subscriptions in Advance

Subscriptions in Advance represent membership receipts beyond the current financial period. Such income is brought to account in the period to which the subscription relates.



## NOTE 2 - OPERATING REVENUE

Included in the operating results of the company are the following items of gross revenue:

	1995	1994
	\$	\$
Bar sales	68,116	73,718
Subscriptions	7,669	6,890
Interest	7,382	14,340
Golf tournaments general revenue	1,425	5,266
Rent from shops	54,603	25,290
Donations and gratuities	1,175	431
Proceeds on disposal of non-current assets	-	600
Sundry income	247	247
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>140,457</b>	<b>126,782</b>

## NOTE 3 - OPERATING PROFIT

The operating profit before income tax is arrived at after crediting and charging the following specific items

## (i) Crediting as Income:

Interest - bank	1,915	1,840
Interest - other	5,467	12,500
Write back of deferred maintenance provisions	-	9,127

## (ii) Charging as Expenses:

Amortisation of building	12,535	372
Depreciation of plant and equipment	11,713	8,683
Interest paid - bank	34	82
Write down of clothing inventory values	-	4,150





	1995 \$	1994 \$
<b>NOTE 4 - CURRENT ASSETS CASH</b>		
Cash in Hand	400	400
Cash at Call	56,590	94,298
Cash on Term Deposit	-	48,945
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>56,990</b>	<b>143,643</b>
<b>NOTE 5 - CURRENT ASSETS RECEIVABLES</b>		
Sundry Debtors	6,188	1,214
Interest Receivable	250	670
<b>TOTAL RECEIVABLES</b>	<b>6,438</b>	<b>1,884</b>
<b>NOTE 6 - CURRENT ASSETS INVENTORIES</b>		
Bar stock	4,982	6,182
Clothing and sports equipment	14,750	12,642
<b>TOTAL INVENTORIES</b>	<b>19,732</b>	<b>18,824</b>
<b>NOTE 7 - CURRENT ASSETS OTHER</b>		
Prepayments	18,492	7408
<b>NOTE 8- NON-CURRENT ASSETS INVESTMENTS</b>		
Secured Debentures in listed Companies - at cost	20,000	-
<b>Trust Funds:</b>		
<b>R.J. Thompson Memorial Trust Fund</b>		
Unsecured Note in Listed Company	1,167	700
Cash in Bank	1,834	1,308
	<b>2,501</b>	<b>2,008</b>
<b>J Sheehan Sporting Scholarship</b>		
Bank Term Deposit	1,172	1,153
Cash at Bank	769	687
	<b>1,941</b>	<b>1,840</b>
<b>R J Clark Outward Bound Scholarship</b>		
Secured Debenture in Listed Company	40,000	-
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>64,442</b>	<b>3,848</b>
<b>NOTE 9 - NON-CURRENT ASSETS PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>		
<b>LAND &amp; BUILDINGS</b>		
Freehold Land & Buildings - at cost	273,986	272,032
Less Accumulated Amortisation	21,620	9,085
	<b>252,366</b>	<b>262,947</b>
<b>FUNITURE, FITTINGS, PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>		
Furniture, Fittings, Plant & Equipment - at cost	108,171	105,168
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	77,801	66,088
	<b>30,370</b>	<b>39,080</b>
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>282,736</b>	<b>302,027</b>
<b>NOTE 10 - CURRENT LIABILITIES CREDITORS AND BORROWINGS</b>		
Trade Creditors and Accruals	12,893	83,945
Subscriptions in Advance	4,574	3,991
Unearned Income from Sport	7,542	11,036
<b>TOTAL CREDITORS &amp; BORROWINGS</b>	<b>25,009</b>	<b>98,972</b>

	1995 \$	1994 \$
<b>NOTE 11 - CURRENT LIABILITIES PROVISIONS</b>		
Provision for Deferred Maintenance	10,823	10,000
Provision for Junior Development	3,400	4,000
<b>TOTAL PROVISIONS</b>	<b>14,223</b>	<b>14,000</b>

**NOTE 12 - NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES  
CREDITORS & BORROWINGS**

Trust Funds - R J Thompson Memorial Trust Fund	2,501	2,008
- J Sheehan Sporting Scholarship	1,941	1,840
- R J Clark Outward Bound Scholarship	40,000	-
<b>TOTAL CREDITORS &amp; BORROWINGS</b>	<b>44,442</b>	<b>3,848</b>

**NOTE 13 - CASH FLOW RECONCILIATION OF CASH**

Cash in Hand	400	400
Cash at Call	56,590	94,298
Cash on Short Term Deposit	-	48,945
	<b>56,990</b>	<b>143,643</b>

**NOTE 14 - CASH FLOW RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH PROVIDED  
BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO OPERATING  
PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX**

Operating Profit after Income Tax	4,342	21,704
Depreciation and Amortisation	24,248	9,055
Write back of Provision for Deferred Maintenance	-	(9,127)
Write down of Inventories	1,300	4,150
Change in Assets and Liabilities:		
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	(4,554)	2,551
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(2,208)	4,016
(Increase)/Decrease in Other Current Assets	(11,084)	9,281
(Increase)/Decrease in Non-Current Investment	(40,594)	36
Increase in Trade Creditors and Accruals	(20,157)	31,673
(Decrease) in Provisions	223	(18,873)
(Decrease) in Non-Current Creditors and Borrowings	40,594	(36)
<b>Net Cash Provided by operating activities</b>	<b>(7,890)</b>	<b>54,430</b>

**NOTE 15 - COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**

The amount of capital which is not capable of being called up, except in the event of and for the purpose of the winding up of the Company, is not to exceed \$2 per member by virtue of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**NOTE 16 - SEGMENT REPORTING**

The Company operates as a Licenced Club in New South Wales providing services and facilities common to Sporting Clubs.

**NOTE 17 - AUDITORS REMUNERATION**

The audit of the accounts is undertaken on an honorary basis.



## NOTE 18 - RELATED PARTIES

The names of persons who were directors of the company at any time during the financial year are as follows:

C R Hickey	R J Richard
P D Richardson	J W Staniforth
J F Crockett	W F Hooker
R Tregeagle	J K Price
P G Mattick	K R Kable

Since the end of the previous financial year, no director has received or become entitled to receive any remunerations





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**BAR TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1995**

	1995	1994
	\$	\$
<b>BAR TRADING</b>		
Sales	68,116	73,718
Less: Cost of Sales	39,009	35,930
Gross Bar Profit	29,107	37,788
<b>LESS: BAR OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Liquor Licence	3,752	5,192
Bar Expenses and Maintenance	4,150	1,784
Depreciation of Bar Equipment	3,845	2,480
	11,747	9,456
<b>BAR TRADING PROFIT</b>	17,360	28,332
<b>ADD INCOME FROM</b>		
Property Rents	54,603	25,290
Members Subscriptions	7,669	6,890
Interest Received	7,382	14,340
Golf Tournaments	1,425	5,266
Donations and General Fundraising	1,175	431
Surplus/(Loss) Sale of Clothing (Refer Note 3)	(113)	(3,903)
Surplus/(Loss) on Rugby	6,292	(492)
Surplus/(Loss) on Cricket	617	323
Surplus/(Loss) on Hockey	(1,176)	3,818
Surplus/(Loss) on Squash	17	92
Surplus/(Loss) on Social Activities	669	(959)
	95,920	79,428
<b>LESS OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
House Expenses including maintenance	8,555	9,034
Annual Reports and Accounting Costs	5,515	5,565
Depreciation (excluding Bar Equipment)	28,403	6,575
Rates & Utilities	9,102	10,550
Focus Newsletter (net)	9,016	11,533
Bank Charges, State Duty, etc.	1,173	1,899
Insurance	9,750	1,790
Postage	1,448	1,894
General Maintenance & Minor Purchases (Refer Note 3)	-	(8,627)
75th Anniversary Costs	-	440
Sports Subsidies	18,040	8,572
Junior Development Costs	4,321	6,017
Sundry Administration Costs	4,222	2,482
	91,578	57,724
<b>SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>	4,342	21,704

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

